

FRIDAY FACTS

Archdiocese of Ottawa, Pastoral Office

March 23, 2018

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Archbishop's Easter Letter 2018: *'The Easter Mystery is the foundation of Christian faith. Without the resurrection of Jesus from the dead, says St. Paul, "our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain."* (I Corinthians 15.14)
Available in PDF on our website here: www.catholicottawa.ca.

Parish Lenten Penance Service Schedule, Confession Times & Easter Triduum Schedules: Available at <https://www.catholicottawa.ca/>.

Chrism Mass: At Notre Dame Cathedral, **Tues., Mar. 27, 7:30 p.m.** Appointed parish representatives are asked to be at the Cathedral, inside the main entrance, no later than 7:00 p.m. All are welcome and encouraged to attend the Chrism Mass.

Communion and Liberation - Way of the Cross: On **Good Friday, March 30**, through the streets of downtown Ottawa. Led by Most. Rev. Terrence Prendergast S.J., Archbishop of Ottawa. Departure at 9:30 a.m. from St. Patrick Basilica, 220 Kent St. Arrival around 12:00 Noon at Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica. Info: David McConkey (clonottawa@gmail.com).

Presbyteral Ordination: Archbishop Prendergast will ordain John Orban to the Priesthood on **Fri., April 6, 7:30 p.m.** in Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica. Please keep Deacon Orban in our prayers.

Diocesan Pastoral Calendar 2018-2019: Now available in PDF on our website under Pastoral Services at <https://www.catholicottawa.ca>. Please note the date of diocesan events in your calendar. Any changes will be announced in the Friday Facts. If priests or staff in parish offices wish access to the Diocesan Pastoral Calendar via Google Calendar, please email abrown@ArchOttawa.ca.

NEW Policies and Resources for Submissions to the College of Consultors: We are pleased to announce new policies and resources for parish submissions to the College of Consultors, approved by Archbishop Terrence Prendergast, S.J., to replace the previous 2010 policy as recommended by the members of the College of Consultors at their February 2018 meeting. These tools are now available on our website at the following link: <http://www.catholicottawa.ca/college-of-consultors>.

Parishes - Wedding Anniversary Mass: An online registration for the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass is online [here](#). Poster & registration forms also available in parishes.

Prayers: For the repose of the soul of Mrs. Teresa Yoon, mother of Fr. Gregori Kim, Pastor of Holy Korean Martyrs Parish, Ottawa. Mrs. Yoon died in Korea on Tues., March 20, 2018. The Funeral Mass will be held on March 23, 2018 in Busan, Korea. Please remember her and her family in your prayers.



"Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness and patience...above all, clothe yourselves with love!"
(Colossians 3.12,14)

FAMILY, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord – WYD Celebration: See link for further details for **Sunday, March 25, 4:30 p.m.** at Notre Dame Cathedral: <http://www.fymottawa.com/events/2018/3/25/local-world-youth-day-celebration>.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat: A safe place for women & men hurting after abortion to find healing in God's love. **May 4-6, 2018.** Visit www.rachelsvineyardottawa.ca. Info: Terry or Lynda (613-806-5522) or rvr_ottawa@yahoo.ca. Space limited.

CARE FOR CREATION

Earth Day on Saturday: Earth Hour (www.earthhour.org) takes place on **Sat., Mar. 24, 8:30 - 9:30 p.m.** Participating in Earth Hour is a commitment to protecting our common home. As takes place at St. Peter's Square, parishes and parishioners are encouraged to participate by turning off all non-essential lighting during Earth Hour. Info: John Dorner (613-738-5025, x251; jdorner@archottawa.ca).

VOCATIONS

Prayer for Vocations: Second Sunday of Easter - April 8 - Divine Mercy Sunday. For our priests, deacons, sisters and brothers whom God has sent in the name of Jesus to serve the people of Ottawa, that they will be blessed with continued faithfulness to Him and inspire many more to consider a vocation to consecrated life and ordained ministry, we pray to the Lord.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations 2018: The Church will mark the 55th World Day of Prayer for Vocations on the Fourth Sunday of Easter, **22 April 2018.** The Holy Father has released a Message entitled "*Listening, discerning and living*". Pope Francis refers to three aspects of a vocation: "In the diversity and the uniqueness of each and every vocation, personal and ecclesial, there is a need to *listen, discern and live* this Word that calls to us from on high and, while enabling us to develop our talents, makes us instruments of salvation in the world and guides us to full happiness." [Link to the Holy Father's Message](#)

PRO-LIFE

Dying Healed Workshops: Comprehensive education on palliative care/end of life issues and preliminary training for palliative and hospice care volunteers. For those wishing to provide compassionate love and support to those in need, particularly at end of life. **April 7 & 14, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.** St. John the Apostle Parish, 2340 Baseline Rd. Cost for both sessions: \$35; incl. lunch. Registration required: Anastasia Bowles (613-722-1552); (info@lifecanada.org); (www.maketimeforlife.ca).

PRAYER & WORSHIP

Morning Prayer at St. Basil Parish: St. Basil's parishes invites anyone to come to pray Morning Prayer on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday at 9:00 am. Info: (613-729-5149).

Divine Mercy Sunday: 22nd anniversary celebration of the Feast of Divine Mercy, **Sun., April 8, 2-4 p.m.** at St. Maurice Church, 4 Perry St. Reflection by Fr. Robert Arseneault, CC. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions, Rosary, sung Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Consecration to the Divine Mercy with veneration of the Blessed Image. Divine Mercy materials will be on sale beginning at 1:30 p.m. Refreshments to follow. Info: Maria Pirrone (613-225-6067); (dpirro2560@rogers.com).

Feast of Divine Mercy at Holy Cross Parish: Confession, Veneration of Image and Relics of St. Faustina and Blessed Fr. Sopocko, Chaplet, Guest Speaker. 685 Walkley Road. **Sun., April 8, 2:30-4:00 p.m.** Info: 613-731-7834.

FAITH FORMATION

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) Information Session: All are welcome to learn about the CGS, explore the specially crafted space set aside for young children, handle materials and experience some presentations. A special invitation goes out to those who may feel called to serve the children in the CGS, as there will be a formation course for catechists in Ottawa beginning this July. St. Maurice Parish, **Sat., March 24, 1:00 pm.** Info: dale@stmauriceparish.com.

UNBOUND Conference Study Group - East: Divine Infant Parish, Orleans, **Thurs., Apr. 5 – May 24, 7-9 p.m.** Includes viewing of UNBOUND conference DVDs & small group discussions. Neal Lozano's book UNBOUND and the UNBOUND: Freedom in Christ Companion Guide available to purchase. Register/info: Brenda Kortekaas (divineinfantunbound@gmail.com).

UNBOUND Study Conference Group - West: Holy Spirit Parish, Stittsville, Friday evenings & Saturday mornings, **Apr. 7 – May 12.** Includes viewing of the UNBOUND conference DVDs & small group discussions. Participants required to use Neal Lozano's book UNBOUND and the UNBOUND: Freedom in Christ Companion Guide. To register: Kim Baudouin (holyspiritunbound@gmail.com). Cost: \$35 for material.

OTHER CATHOLIC EVENTS

Gregorian Chants for Meditation: Chorus Ecclesiae with Lawrence Harris, **Good Friday, March 30, 7:00 - 10:00pm** (new time). Free admission. Drop in for awhile or stay all evening. Canadian Martyrs Church, 100 Main St. Free parking behind church. Info: ChoirClass@hotmail.com.

SCHOOLS

Academia Stella Maris Spring Term Classes: Registrations now open; register and find more details online at www.academiastellamaris.ca or by phone 343-883-6600 before March 28. Workshops offered: Ancient Greek Culture and Thought: Piety in Sophocles and Plato; Applied Latin: Aquinas' commentary on the Lord's Prayer; Greek II; Latin IV; Excellence in writing; Logical Fallacies II; French Part III.

EMPLOYMENT & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Administrative Assistant – Diocesan Administration: This is a full-time, permanent position at 37 ½ hours per week. A recent Canadian Criminal Records check is a requirement. The job description can be found on the Archdiocese of Ottawa web site at www.catholicottawa.ca. Please send your C.V. along with three professional references to Ms. Colette Legault, Human Resources Officer (clegault@archottawa.ca); (fax 613-738-0412). Deadline for applications: **5:00 p.m. Mon., Mar. 26.** No phone calls. We thank all applicants for their interest; only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) seeking a bilingual Publication and Office Agent: To perform clerical duties for various departments of the CCCB. Full time permanent position. Info: www.cccb.ca under Careers. Interested candidates are invited to submit a cover letter and a resume to careers@ccb.ca before March 28, 2018, at 4 pm.

WIDER COMMUNITY INTEREST

2018 Kanata Ecumenical Good Friday Walk of the Cross: Begins with a short welcome by Fr. John Bridges of the host Church, St. Paul Anglican Church, 20 Young Drive, at 12:00 noon. Scripture reading and reflection at the Kanata Medical Centre parking lot, Holy Redeemer Catholic School, and back at St. Paul Anglican Church. Light refreshments and snacks upon returning. Ends at approximately 1:30 p.m. Info: <https://sites.google.com/view/kanatagoodfridaywalkofthecross/home>.

Hulse, Playfair and McGarry 2018 Spring Seminar Series: Downsizing - The 3 mistakes to avoid when downsizing. Speaker: Doug & Judy Robinson, *Senior Moves*. **Wed., April 11, 6:30-8:00pm.** West Chapel, 150 Woodroffe Ave. RSVP: preplanning@hpmcgarry.ca; 613-233-1143.