

FRIDAY FACTS



Archdiocese of Ottawa, Pastoral Office

SUMMER 2018 UPDATES

July 27, 2018

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Friday Facts: The next scheduled edition of the Friday Facts will be August 31.

Diocesan Centre - Holiday Closings: The Diocesan Centre will be closed for the Civic Holiday on Monday, August 6 and also for Labour Day on Monday, September 3.

Commemorating the Faithful Departed in the Archdiocesan Cemeteries: At Notre-Dame Cemetery **Sun., Sep. 9, 2:30 p.m.** celebrated by Archbishop Prendergast. At Hope Cemetery **Sun., Sep. 23, 2:30 p.m.**, celebrated by Archbishop Prendergast. Info: Notre-Dame Cemetery (613-746-4175); Hope Cemetery (613-822-1212).



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

Archbishop's Column in 'The Ottawa Sun' on 50th Anniversary of 'Humanae Vitae': Available on our website: [here](#).

Archbishop's Charity Dinner: The Archbishop's Charity Dinner will be held this year on **Wed., Oct. 17**. Please mark your calendar and watch for further details in upcoming Friday Facts.

Study Days for Priests: The Study Days for priests will be held at Glen House, Gananoque, **Monday, November 12 – Friday, November 16**. Pastors, please note the dates in your calendar. More details will follow.

Pastoral Days – Dates to Note: The 3 Pastoral Days of the upcoming Pastoral Year are: **Thurs., Oct. 11, Wed., Feb. 20 & Thurs., May 16**. Pastors, please consider arranging coverage for your Masses on these 3 days. Priests, deacons, secretaries and administrative assistants are all encouraged to attend. More details will follow.

Prayers: For the repose of the soul of Deacon John Francis George, who died July 16, 2018 at the age of 66. Born in Cité des Deux-Montagnes Québec, he was ordained a permanent deacon on August 9, 2011 at Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica by Most Reverend Terrence Prendergast, S. J., Archbishop of Ottawa. He exercised his diaconate ministry at Saint Patrick Basilica and the Ottawa Carleton Detention Centre. The Funeral Mass was held July 20 at Saint Patrick Basilica. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.

Prayers: For the repose of the soul of Father Roger Bouchard, who died July 23, 2018 at the age of 95. Born in Saint-Adélaïde de Pabos, in the Diocese of Gaspé, Québec, he was ordained to the priesthood on March 30, 1952 at Mont-Joli by the Most Rev. Alexandre Vachon, Archbishop of Ottawa. He exercised his ministry in the Archdiocese of Ottawa in Chute-à-Blondeau, Curran, Plantagenet, Hawkesbury and Vanier. He also served as a Regional Vicar in the French Sector and as a member of the Presbyteral Council and the College of Consultors. He retired in 1998. The Funeral Mass will be on **Sat., August 4, 12:00 p.m.** in Our Lady of Victory Church, 18 rue Notre-Dame, Lévis, QC, presided by Msgr. Daniel Berniquez, CSS, E.V. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.

Prayers: For the repose of the soul of Rev. Father Wilfrid-Lionel SOUCY, O.F.M, brother of Fr. Yvon Soucy, retired, of the Archdiocese of Ottawa. Fr. Soucy, O.F.M. died July 9, 2018, in Montreal, at the age of 94. The Funeral Mass was held in

the Chapel of the motherhouse of the Soeurs de la Providence in Montreal on July 14. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.

Notre Dame Cathedral Guided Tours: Free guided tours of the Cathedral during the summer months. The schedule of guided tours can be found at notredameottawa.com. Info: info@notredameottawa.com or 613-241-7496.

FROM THE CCCB

CCCB Marks 50th *Humanæ Vitæ* with statement: 50 years ago, the Encyclical *Humanæ Vitæ* of Blessed Paul VI was officially promulgated as part of the Magisterium of the Church. To mark this milestone, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) has issued a statement to the Catholic faithful and all men and women of good will entitled *The Joy of Married Love*. Approved for public release by the Permanent Council on 21 June 2018, the drafting of the text was undertaken by the Commission for Doctrine in collaboration with the Catholic Organization for Life and Family (COLF). The statement can be accessed here: [The Joy of Married Love](#).

Statement from Bishop Ronald P. Fabbro, CSB, President of the Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario re: Health & Physical Education Curriculum Review: Available on the diocesan website [here](#).

Roman Catholic / United Church of Canada Dialogue released a report on climate change 'The Hope within Us': The report explores the spiritual resources of our common tradition for addressing climate change and working for ecological justice. [Read more...](#)

Update on joint review of Development and Peace's partners: The joint review initiated by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops with the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace (CCODP) concerning the latter's international partners is ongoing. [Read more...](#)

CCCB confirms plans to publish new English-language hymnal for Canada, *Music for Catholic Worship*: The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) has confirmed publishing plans for a new English-language hymnal, to be called *Music for Catholic Worship*. The current production schedule indicates the new hymnal should be in stock by Lent 2020. [Read more...](#)

New Instruction on the vocation and witness of consecrated virgins: The Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life on 4 July 2018 released an Instruction on the vocation and witness of consecrated virgins, entitled *Ecclesiae Sponsae imago* ("The image of the Church as the Bride"). [Read more...](#)

Consultation on national strategy for palliative care: The CCCB has been informed that a consultation is being undertaken by the federal Department of Health on developing a national strategy for palliative care. The consultations follows the passing of Bill C-277 and the giving of royal assent on 12 December 2017 to *An Act providing for the Development of a Framework on Palliative Care in Canada* (the "Gladu Bill") [available here](#). In recognition of the importance of the human and personal dimensions in the care to be given, including the dimensions of family, community and the spiritual / religious, the Conference will participate in the closed process of the consultation. Info on the public consultation (<https://www.letstalkhealth.ca/palliativecare/faqs#2918>).

EMPLOYMENT & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Hope Cemetery seeking a Counsellor for families: This is a full-time, permanent position. A copy of the job description can be found on the Archdiocese of Ottawa web site (<https://www.catholicottawa.ca/employment-opportunities>). Send C.V. along with three professional references to Ms. Julie Marcil, Director of Cemeteries (julie.marcil@hopecemetery.ca). No phone calls. We thank all applicants for their interest, but only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.