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Archdiocese of Ottawa, Pastoral Office

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Pentecost Confirmations for Adult Catholics: Parishes submitting candidate names for Confirmation on Pentecost, please complete this online form before Fri., Apr. 20: http://www.catholicottawa.ca/pentecost-confirmations-for-adult-catholics.

Wills, Powers of Attorney, Probate, Executors; Tax Tips for Seniors; Catholic Cemetery Services; Planned Giving: On Sunday, June 3rd, 1:00 p.m., a 1½ hour presentation covering the above topics will be given at Our Lady of the Visitation Parish hall, 5338 Bank St., by professionals in their field. Refreshments served; all are welcome. Please indicate your attendance with the Development Office of the Archdiocese (613-738-5025 x202, dev@ArchOttawa.ca).

Appointment: Archbishop Prendergast has appointed Fr. John Orban as associate pastor of Holy Spirit Parish, Stittsville, as of April 6, 2018.

Prayers: For the repose of the soul of Mr. Ovide Bourgeois, father of Deacon Gary Bourgeois, Divine Infant Parish. Mr. Bourgeois died in Calgary on April 9, 2018 at the age of 94. Please pray for him and his family.

Servants of the Cross - Perpetual Promises: The Servants of the Cross cordially invite you to the Perpetual Promises of Sisters Monique Bisson, Anna Chan, and Melinda Schenher received by Archbishop Terrence Prendergast, S.J. at St. Mary Church, 100 Young St., Thurs., May 3, 5:30 p.m. with dinner reception to follow in the parish hall. To help with the dinner preparations, confirm your attendance before April 20 at scpromises@servantsofthecross.ca or 613-729-8710. All are welcome.

FAMILY, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

FOCCUS Premarriage Inventory – Facilitator Training: Ideal for priests, deacons, new FOCCUS facilitators and those needing an update to most recent FOCCUS program (4th Edition). Sat., May 26, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at St. Patrick Basilica. Cost $120, incl. facilitator manual and lunch. Registration until May 1. Info: Ted Hurley (613-738-5025x231) or (thurley@archottawa.ca).


Catechesis of the Good Shepherd - Level 1 Catechist Formation Course: For those with an interest in the spiritual development of young children at home, school or parish. At Good Shepherd Parish July 9-14, 2018 and for a week in summer 2019. Info & registration form at www.cgsac.ca. Info: Sarah MacDonald-McLean (smacd003@gmail.com). Sponsored by Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Association of Canada.
**VOCATIONS**

*Prayer for Vocations: Fifth Sunday of Easter - April 29.* For a deeper faith, hope and love among all Christians in Jesus, the Way, the Truth and the Life, and among those He is calling to His works as a priest, deacon or consecrated religious.

**PRO-LIFE**

*Campaign Life Coalition:* Hosting Obianuju Ekeocha, founder of Culture of Life Africa, with screening of her documentary “Strings Attached”. Thurs., April 19, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at Saint Patrick Basilica. Info: (613-729-0379).

*29th Annual Hike for Life - Action Life Ottawa:* A day of family fun! Pick up a hiker sheet from the Action Life office and find some family and friends to sponsor you! You can also sponsor a star hiker, a designated hiker in your parish or a family member taking part in the 5 K Hike. St. Patrick’s Basilica, Sat., April 21. KICK-OFF begins 9:00 am. Help make the pro-life voice strong in our community. No cost. Info: [www.actionlife.org](http://www.actionlife.org) or 613-798-4494.

*Monthly Pro-life Mass:* Join with the Nigerian community, in the pilgrimage of Masses to pray for the establishment of a Pro-life Centre in Ottawa. Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, 400 St. Laurent Boulevard, Sun., April 29, 1:30 p.m. Sponsored by Pro-life Doctors. Info: wandawoj@rogers.com; 613-831-2515.

**CARE FOR CREATION**

*Liturgical Resource for Earth Day:* Earth Day, April 22, takes place on a Sunday this year. Suggestions and prayers that can be incorporated into the Mass on Earth Day may be found on the [Global Catholic Climate Movement website](https://www.globalcatholicclimate.org). Further info: John Dorner (613-738-5025, ext. 251; jdorner@archcand.org).

*Living Out Laudato Si’ – Workshop Series:* The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has published a resource on care for creation entitled Living Out Laudato Si: A Commentary and Practical Resource for Canadian Catholics ([http://www.cccb.ca/site/images/stories/pdf/Living_Out_Laudato_Si_En.pdf](http://www.cccb.ca/site/images/stories/pdf/Living_Out_Laudato_Si_En.pdf)). All are welcome to a six session workshop series on this document in response to Pope Francis’ invitation for us to engage in an open and honest conversation about our current crises concerning the environment, our economies and our societies. Led by John Dorner, at Holy Canadian Martyrs Parish on Tuesdays, 7:30-8:30 pm, April 24-May 29. To register ([office@canadianmartyrs.org](mailto:office@canadianmartyrs.org); 613-232-5347).

*Refrigeration Incentive Program:* Does your parish have a commercial grade refrigerator? If it is an older model, parishes served by Hydro Ottawa may qualify for a grant of up to $2500 to upgrade (not replace) the refrigerator to high energy efficiency (45 to 60% savings) under the [Business Refrigeration Incentive Program](https://hydroottawa.com/save-energy/commercial-by-program/business-refrigeration). To learn more about this [SaveOnEnergy](https://hydroottawa.com/save-energy/commercial-by-program/business-refrigeration) program, call 613-241-9009. Further info: John Dorner (jdorner@archottawa.ca; 613-738-5025, ext. 251).

**FROM THE CCCB**

*Statement by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops on questions concerning CCODP partners:* The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) at various times receives inquiries and questions about some of the partners involved with the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace (CCODP) which assist it in its projects for the Global South. The CCCB wishes to confirm that a joint research project is currently underway involving representation from the CCCB and CCODP. This is a work in progress, for which preliminary findings have been shared with the Bishops of Canada and with CCODP. [Read more...](https://www.catholicottawa.ca/news-from-pastoral-services-friday-facts)

*2018 World Communications Day:* The Holy Father’s Message for the 2018 World Communications Day, May 13, is entitled “The truth will set you free (John 8:32): Fake news and journalism for peace”. It was released on 24 January 2018, the liturgical memorial of Saint Francis de Sales, patron saint of writers and journalists. [Read more...](https://www.catholicottawa.ca/news-from-pastoral-services-friday-facts)

*Materials for 2018 National Week for Life and the Family:* Celebrated across Canada, 13 to 20 May 2018. The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is offering possible [resources and options](https://www.catholicottawa.ca/news-from-pastoral-services-friday-facts) for planning and organizing local activities. The
theme for the 2018 National Week is "Love: Encountering the Other". The resources have been prepared by the Catholic Organization for Life and Family (COLF) in collaboration and consultation with the CCCB. Read more...

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Community Helpers: Living with our Aging: St. Theresa Parish will host the Western Ottawa Community Resource Centre to present 4 info lectures to sensitize our seniors and caregivers on meeting the challenging dimensions of aging. St. Theresa Church Hall (Cartier & Somerset), Fri., May 11, 9:30 a.m. (also May 18, June 1 & 8). Info: pmarsdendole@archottawa.ca.

Citizens for Public Justice's Journeys to Justice Book Launch: CPJ will release its new book, Journeys to Justice on Tues., Apr 24, 7:30pm at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church (82 Kent St.). Author Joe Gunn, CPJ's executive director, will introduce the book, followed by a commentary from a panel of the book's contributors and a reflection by a panel of MPs on the book and the role of role of churches in public life. Copies available for purchase. Info: cpj@cpj.ca.

PRAYER & WORSHIP

The Story of Taizé, a conversation with Brother Émile: De Mazenod Chapel, Saint Paul University, Thurs., April 12, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Info: vaticanllcentre@ustpaul.ca.

FAITH FORMATION

Building a Missional Church: Evening conference by Professor Pierre-Alain Giffard, Faculty of Theology, Saint Paul University. At Saint Paul University, Room 201, Wed., April 25, 7:00-8:00 pm. Info: mslatter@ustpaul.ca.

Spiritual Motherhood of Priests Info Session: An invitation to all women, single, consecrated, married, widowed and religious sisters to learn more about interceding for and becoming spiritual mothers of priests. Info: Maria Pirrone (613-225-6067) or Maria Nicastro (613-875-6279). Cityview Retirement Home, 151 Meadowlands Dr. (at Woodroffe), Mon., April 30, 7:30-9:00 p.m. Info: spiritualmotherhoodottawa@gmail.com; spiritualmotherhoodofpriests.ca.

Healing and beauty in the Eucharist: A mission led by Fr. Lou Cerulli. Blessed Sacrament Parish, 194 Fourth Ave. Mon., Apr. 30, 6:30 p.m.; prayers for healing of memories & of life’s hurts. Info: Peggy Kelly (613-821-5000) or (anmkk34@gmail.com).

A Mass of Questions/the Eucharistic celebration: Join Pierre LaViolette, part-time lecturer at Saint Paul University, in an exploration of biblical, historical, liturgical and practical issues related to the Mass. Holy Canadian Martyrs Church, 100 Main St., Thursdays, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m., starting Sept. 13. Cost: $80 with proceeds going to charity. Info: www.canadianmartyrs.org. Registration: office@canadianmartyrs.org or 613-232-5347.

OTHER CATHOLIC EVENTS


PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS

Victorian Tea & Hat Parade: The St. John the Apostle CWL will be hosting a Victorian Tea & Hat Parade, including Jewellery and Collectibles tables. Door prizes as well as prizes for Best, Funniest and most Creative Hats. 2340 Baseline Road, in the Parish Hall, Sat., April 21, 2-4p.m. Cost: $15. Hosted by St. John the Apostle CWL. Info: 613-829-2760.
**Parish Fundraiser – A Night of Music:** St. Ignatius Martyr Parish, 518 Donald St., rear entrance, **Sat., April 21, 6:00 p.m.** Presenting the band "ANOTHER LEVEL" featuring a selection of Celtic, Country, Contemporary, Pop, Jazz, and Classic Rock tunes (7-10 p.m.). Supper 6:00 p.m., Cash Bar, Silent Auction. Tickets $20. Info & Reserve Tickets: (613-748-6093).

**St. John the Apostle Parish Breakfast:** All parishioners, families and friends are invited. Pancakes, sausages and eggs all prepared by the Knights of St. John the Apostle. **Sun., April 22,** following the 8am and 10:30am Masses. A goodwill donation will be appreciated. Hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 10470. Info: 613-829-1760.

**International Evening:** International food sampling and entertainment at St. Isidore Parish Hall, 1135 March Rd. Kanata, **May 5,** **6:00 p.m.** Info: 613-592-1961.

**CWL High Tea – Fundraising for Homeless Women:** Conversation, prizes and treats! Prize for the prettiest hat! Holy Spirit, 1489 Shea Rd , Stittsville, **Sat., May 5,** **1:30 pm.** Cost: $15 (one sitting only). Info: p.foley@sympatico.ca, 613-836-9444.

### SCHOOLS

**Movie Night Fundraiser:** Come with your family and friends to a movie night to view 2 Christian movies appropriate for the whole family (Jericho-LEGO movie and Amazing Love). Profits to Academia Stella Maris. Doors open at 5:30 and movies start at 6:00pm. Popcorn and juices available for $0.50 each. Save your spot with Julie at 613-448-1897. Ste Euphrasie Parish-Casselman, **Sat., April 28.** Cost: $5/adults & $2/child. Info: info@academiastellamaris.ca; 343-883-6600.

### WIDER COMMUNITY INTEREST

**St. Augustine Parish Annual Spring Rummage Sale:** Timeless treasures, household helpers, nearly new and gently used fashions for the family, ‘gems’ galore, book bazaar, toys, tech and more. St. Augustine Church hall, 1060 Baseline (at Merivale), **Sat., April 28,** **10 a.m. - 12 noon.** Proceeds to help the needy of the parish area. Sponsored by St. Augustine's Social Action Committee. Info: b.roy@rogers.com; www.staugustineparish.ca.

**Reconciliation: The TRC and the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples:** Jennifer Preston, Indigenous Rights Coordinator for Canadian Quakers, will lead a discussion on Bill C-262, legislation in process to implement the UN Declaration in Canada. Ottawa Mennonite Church, 1830 Kilborn Ave., **Mon., April 30,** **6:45 p.m.** Hosted by Ottawa Kairos. Info: janyceelser93@yahoo.com.

### PILGRIMAGES

**Holy Land Tour:** A journey through the geography of salvation history co-led by Fr. Virgil Amirthakumar and Rev. Stanford Lucyk of the United Church of Canada. , **Oct. 11-22, 2018.** Information session at St. Isidore Parish Hall , 1135 March Rd., **April 17,** **7:00 p.m.** Cost: $3, 595 (double occupancy). Info: 613-592-1961.