

# FRIDAY FACTS



Archdiocese of Ottawa, Pastoral Office

September 27, 2019

## FOR CLERGY

**Archbishop's Charity Dinner:** At the Ottawa Conference and Event Centre, 200 Coventry Rd., **Wed., Oct. 30**; cocktails 6-7pm. The beneficiaries this year are *The Shepherds of Good Hope Foundation* and *Solidarité Jeunesse*. The deadline to purchase tickets is **Fri., Oct. 4**. Info: Development Office ([dev@archottawa.ca](mailto:dev@archottawa.ca)); 613-738-5025 ext. 202.

**IMPORTANT - The Annual General Meeting of Priest-Members of the St. Joseph Ecclesiastical Society of Ottawa:** At the Diocesan Centre on **Wednesday** (not Tues.), **Oct. 2, 10:30 am** followed by lunch. Kindly RSVP your presence or absence: [centre@archottawa.ca](mailto:centre@archottawa.ca); 613-738-5025 x244. If you are unable to attend, please assist quorum by completing the proxy form and returning it to Diocesan Administration. If you have any questions, please contact Colette Legault at 613-738-5025 x244.

**Priests' Retreat:** At Glen House, Gananoque. Speaker: Fr. James Mallon. Theme: "Priestly Identity and Ministry in a Changing World and Changing Church". **Nov. 4 – 8** Registration at [catholicottawa.ca/priests-retreat](http://catholicottawa.ca/priests-retreat) and payment to RCECO by **Oct. 1**.

## FOR THE PARISH OFFICE

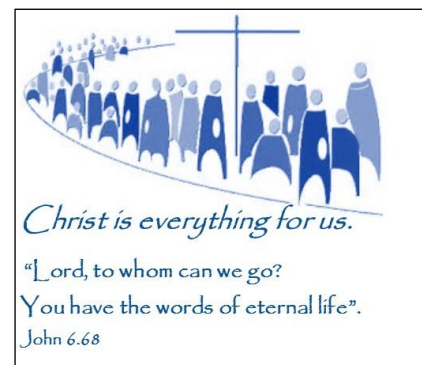
**Oct. 17 Pastoral Day:** *The first step on our journey: coming to a shared picture of our current reality.* This pastoral day will look at some data from the Archdiocese with respect to pastoral trends. It will also be a chance to consider a tool that may help parishes look more closely at their current reality. The facilitator of the morning and afternoon sessions (afternoon for clergy only) will be Fr. Sean Wenger CC. **Thurs., Oct. 17**, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Diocesan Centre, in the Cafeteria; midday Prayer before lunch in the Chapel. **RSVP your presence at Pastoral Day and for the Oktoberfest lunch** (\$15) by Oct. 4: <https://catholicottawa.ca/pastoral-day-lunch-rsvp>.

**Parish Confirmation Dates:** Parishes wishing to schedule a parish Confirmation in 2019-2020 should submit their request online ([catholicottawa.ca/confirmation-parishes-requesting-a-confirmation-date](http://catholicottawa.ca/confirmation-parishes-requesting-a-confirmation-date)), no later than **Tues., Oct. 1** to allow for co-ordination with the bishops. Info: [abrown@ArchOttawa.ca](mailto:abrown@ArchOttawa.ca); (613-738-5025 x 217).

**LAST CHANCE – Order your Parish ORDOS for pickup on Pastoral Day:** As always, Pastoral Services will place orders for the Ordo and some Rites from the CCCB, for pick-up by parishes on Pastoral Day on October 17. The online form (<https://catholicottawa.ca/parish-order-form>) lists the resources to order and a place to indicate the quantity. Diocesan discount and shipping costs will apply. **DEADLINE TO ORDER: Fri., Sept. 27**. For those requiring a phone order: (613-738-5025 ext. 217).

## FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

**College of Consultors:** Parishes are invited to submit proposals to the College of Consultors for any new projects: construction, renovation, restorations, major acquisitions, property sales, major fundraising campaigns, changes to sacred art or to worship spaces. According to diocesan policy, approval must be obtained from the Archbishop before carrying out these projects, once presented to the College of Consultors. The College is meeting Tues., Oct. 29. In order to be included on the College's agenda, parishes must submit their project proposals to the diocese to [centre@archottawa.ca](mailto:centre@archottawa.ca) no later than **Fri., Oct. 11**. The proposal should be copied to your Regional Consultor, for their



input. Proposals to the College should include a completed form from the [College of Consultors 2018 Policy](#), as well as the nature and cost of the project (incl. 3 quotes with price estimates) and how the project is to be financed (parish reserve, fundraising or loan). Note: requests to the Loan Fund for Parishes are up to a maximum of 50% of the project cost. If architectural or engineering plans/designs form part of your submission, these should be provided in PDF. Info: [College of Consultors Policy](#); [centre@archottawa.ca](mailto:centre@archottawa.ca); 613-738-5025 x244.

**Changes in the Pastoral Calendar:** The 2020 Diocesan Feast will be held on **Tues., June 16, 4:00 pm** at Notre Dame Cathedral. The Archbishop's 2020 Charity Dinner will take place later the same day, June 16, 2020, at 6:30 pm, at the Ottawa Conference and Event Centre. The 2019 Charity Dinner is Wed., Oct. 30, 2019. Info: [rdubroy@archottawa.ca](mailto:rdubroy@archottawa.ca).

**Prayers:** For the repose of the soul of Mrs. Lucille (Gallant) Champoux, step-mother of Fr. Pierre Champoux, Vocation Director of the Archdiocese of Ottawa and the Diocese of Alexandria-Cornwall. Mrs. Champoux died on Fri., Sept. 20, 2019 at the age of 84. The funeral will be private. Please pray for her and her family.

**Prayers:** For the repose of the soul of Mary Roemmele, sister of Deacon Peter Lafleur. Mrs. Roemmele died September 21, 2019. Visitation at the Pilon Family Funeral Home, Arnprior, Fri., Sept. 27, 7-9pm & Sat., Sept. 28, from 10 am; tribute in the Chapel at 11 am. Please pray for her and her family.

## VOCATIONS

**Prayer for Vocations:** Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Oct. 13. For an increase in gratitude among God's people for the mercy shown them through the holy vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life in their midst, and that more men and women will faithfully respond to His call, we pray to the Lord.

## CARE FOR CREATION

**Launch of the Canadian Chapter of the Global Catholic Climate Movement (GCCM Canada):** On-line webinar, **Wed., Oct. 2, 1:00-2:15 pm** to introduce GCCM Canada, its mission, and the many ways Canadian Catholics can get involved in caring for our common home. Keynote speakers Anne Catherine Kennedy and Peter Kulchyski will discuss the disproportionate impact that climate change and unsustainable resource extraction have on Indigenous Communities both in the Amazon and Canada. Info: <https://www.faithcommongood.org/gccmcanadalaunch>.

**Closing of the Season of Creation:** As we come to the end of The Season of Creation on **Oct. 4**, (the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi), let us reflect on the closing of A Prayer for Our Earth (Laudato Si') "O Lord, seize us with your power and light, help us to protect all life, to prepare for a better future, for the coming of your Kingdom, of justice, peace, love and beauty. Praise be to you! Amen. Info: [jdorner@archottawa.ca](mailto:jdorner@archottawa.ca); 613-738-5025, ext. 251.

**Climate Change Presentation:** The talk will describe what climate change is, how it has already affected our lives and what we can expect in the future. There will also be a discussion on what needs to be done to reduce greenhouse gases and to adapt to the impact that climate change will have on our everyday lives. At Holy Canadian Martyrs, 100 Main St., **Thurs., Oct. 10, 7:30pm**. Info: [office@canadianmartyrs.org](mailto:office@canadianmartyrs.org).

## FROM THE CCCB

**Voting as Catholics - 2019 Federal Election Guide:** The 2019 Federal Election Guide, prepared by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops' (CCCB) Episcopal Commission for Justice and Peace and published in the name of the Permanent Council is available here: [Voting as Catholics: 2019 Federal Election Guide](#).

## FAITH FORMATION

**Alpha at Catholic Parishes in Ottawa:** For a list of parishes hosting Alpha, please visit <https://catholicottawa.ca/alpha>.

**Alpha at Holy Cross Parish:** Each session has food, a talk, and space to discuss and ask questions. 685 Walkley Rd., **Tues., 10:00 a.m., Oct. 29 – Dec. 3, 2019**. Free will offering. Registration & info: [alpha@holycrossparish.com](mailto:alpha@holycrossparish.com); 613-731-7834.

**Francis - A Man of his Word:** Holy Canadian Martyrs Parish and Saint Paul University presenting the documentary by Wim Wenders. Following, a panel of professors from the faculties of theology and canon law will discuss the film and answer questions. Saint Paul University Amphitheatre, **Oct. 3, 7:00pm**. Info: [office@canadianmartyrs.org](mailto:office@canadianmartyrs.org).

**Jeff Cavins' 'Wisdom - God's Vision for Life':** Scripture and the Tradition of the Catholic Church provide an abundance of wisdom, though it can often be challenging to apply to our lives. The St. Jerome Study Group at Saint Patrick Basilica will begin an 8-week study of Wisdom: God's Vision for Life on **Tues., Sept. 24 - Nov. 19, 7:00 - 9:00 pm**. Cost: \$30 for study journal. At St. Patrick's Basilica in the Scavi. Info. & registration: Lyn Fong ([stjeromestudygroup@gmail.com](mailto:stjeromestudygroup@gmail.com)).

## **PRAYER & WORSHIP**

**Retreat with praise and worship:** With Bro. Jagath Nanayakkara, a Catholic speaker from the Community of the Risen Lord (CRL) Sri Lanka at St. John the Apostle Church, 2340 Baseline Rd., **Sat., Oct. 19, 9 am - 4 pm & Sun., Oct. 20, 12 noon - 7 pm** (ending with Sunday Mass). Light refreshments. Free. All are welcome. Info: 613-883-2191; 613-255-0846; [harrison\\_peiris@hotmail.ca](mailto:harrison_peiris@hotmail.ca). Hosted by Ottawa Sri Lanka Catholic Prayer Group.

**Holy Rosary at St. Bernard Parish:** The St. Bernard Council of the Knights of Columbus invites all to pray the Holy Rosary, each day, during the Marian month of October at St. Bernard Church, 1720 St. Bernard St. **Mon., Tues., Wed., & Fri., 7:00 pm; Thurs., 6:15 pm; Sat., 4:30 pm** (by CWL); **Sun., 8:40 am & 10:40 am**. Info: 613-738-1943.

## **PRO-LIFE**

**Life Chain:** An annual, national pro-life event on **Sun., Oct. 6, 2:00 – 3:00 pm**, for one hour of silent prayerful witness to acknowledge that abortion is a serious wrong. Ottawa Hospital, Civic Campus, Carling Ave.; St. Joseph & Orleans Blvd.; Montreal Rd. & St. Laurent Blvd.; Vanier Pkwy. & Montreal Rd.; St. Patrick & Cobourg; Bank & Nepean St.; Bank St. & Hunt Club Rd.; Merivale Rd. & Meadowlands Dr.; Hazeldean & Eagleson Rds.; March Rd. & Halton Terrace; Castor & Concession Sts., Russell; Madawaska Blvd. & Daniel St., Arnprior; Parkdale Ave. across from TISS High School, Brockville; 100 Gore St. East on bridge, Perth; Brookdale & Ninth, Cornwall; McConnell & Marleau, Cornwall. Info: 613-729-0379.

## **PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS**

**St. John the Apostle Parish Breakfast:** Pancakes, bacon, eggs, toast, coffee, tea and juices. Everyone is welcome! St. John the Apostle Parish, 2340 Baseline Road, main hall, **Sun., Oct. 6**, following the 8:00am and 10:30am Masses. Free will donation. Info: Michael Proctor 613-726-9560; [mproctor43@rogers.com](mailto:mproctor43@rogers.com).

## **SOCIAL JUSTICE**

**Fundraiser for the Centretown Emergency Food Centre:** Helps pay for food and counselling services for those in need. At City Hall, **Sun., Oct. 6, 1:30 pm**. Info: [elizabethkent38@gmail.com](mailto:elizabethkent38@gmail.com).

**Housing Options in Ottawa – A Guide for Older Adults 2019:** [Guide](#) available from The Council on Aging of Ottawa.

## **EMPLOYMENT & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

**Archdiocese of Grouard-McLennan – Request for Proposal for Fundraising Consultant:** For developing a fundraising campaign to ultimately provide stable, sustainable levels of charitable giving that will fully fund annual operation requirements. Details: [https://archgm.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/RFP-Fundraising-Campaign\\_Sept-2019.pdf](https://archgm.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/RFP-Fundraising-Campaign_Sept-2019.pdf).

## **WIDER COMMUNITY INTEREST**

**L'Arche Ottawa Fall FUNdraiser:** Jive and Joy with The Kingmakers. Live music, cash bar, silent auction and dance lessons. **Oct. 4, 7:00 pm**. Tickets: \$25 each. Julian of Norwich Church Hall, 9 Rossland Ave. Info: [larcheottawa.org](http://larcheottawa.org).

**Fire & Fusion Revival Night:** Hosted by Lift Jesus Higher. Worship group Broken Strings. Speaker: Pastor Mark Redner. West Ottawa Carleton Community, 3123 Carp Rd., **Fri., Oct. 4, 7:00 pm**. Freewill offering. Info: 613-744-8974.

**Unveiling Alzheimer's:** An Alzheimer's overview - the early signs, diagnosis, communication, and support for patient and caregiver. Robin Hull, Education & Support Coordinator, Alzheimer's Society will present The Dementia Friendly Community and be available to answer questions at Holy Spirit Parish Hall, 1489 Shea Rd, Stittsville, **Oct. 27, 2-4 pm**. Refreshments. Info: 613-836-8881. Hosted by Holy Spirit Pastoral Care Team.