

FRIDAY FACTS



Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall, Pastoral Office

October 9, 2020

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Pastoral Day (in English): Clergy and pastoral workers, come and join us for our virtual Pastoral Day on **Thurs., Oct 22, 1:00pm – 3:00pm**. Archbishop Prendergast and Coadjutor Archbishop Damphousse will be addressing the group and there will be a presentation on *The Gift of the Crisis* by Jean-François Gosselin. Register using this link: <https://catholicottawa.ca/pastoral-day-by-zoom-in-english>. Please register by Mon., Oct. 19; you will be emailed the Zoom meeting link before Thurs., Oct. 22.



Christ is everything for us.

“Lord, to whom can we go?
You have the words of eternal life”.
John 6.68

World Mission Sunday Collection – October 18: “Here I am, send me!” World Mission Sunday takes place on the third Sunday of October. The primary purpose of World Mission Sunday is to unite Catholics all over the world in prayer and support of the missions. It encourages prayer and financial assistance for the missionary work of the Catholic Church throughout the world. It enables the Gospel, the Good News, to reach millions who are yet to hear it and support many who daily experiences significant lack of basic needs. Accordingly, every parish and diocese throughout the world from the poorest to the most affluent will celebrate this day on **Sunday, October 18, 2020**. All parishes and dioceses contribute to the universal solidarity fund which is then shared among countries according to their need. World Mission Sunday is coordinated by the Pontifical Mission Societies, specifically the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Please join the universal Church in these efforts to bring faith, hope, and love to our sisters and brothers in mission countries. World Mission Sunday is a timely opportunity for us to demonstrate that we are missionary disciples. Further info & materials: <https://www.missionsocieties.ca/propagation-of-the-faith-spf/world-mission-sunday/>. Animation Kit for parishes: <https://www.missionsocieties.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/2020-WMS-Animation-Kit-.pdf>.

To all priests in ministry in the Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall: We invite priests to submit any matters that you would like to see discussed at the next or subsequent meetings of the **Presbyteral Council**. Please submit your suggestions to Fr. Van Delst (dvandelst@archottawa.ca) / fax 613-738-0130 by **Fri., Oct. 9** and these will be considered for inclusion on the Agenda by the Executive Committee. Next meeting: **Oct. 27**.

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. Approval must be obtained from the Archbishop before carrying out these projects, once presented to the College of Consultors. Meeting: **Tues., Oct. 27, 2020**. Parishes must submit their project proposals to the diocese to centre@archottawa.ca no later than Fri., Oct. 16. Submissions received past the deadline will not be considered. Proposals to the College should include a completed form found in the [College of Consultors 2018 Policy](#), as well as the following: the nature and cost of the project, including three quotes with price estimates; how the project is to be financed (parish reserve, fundraising or loan). Please note: requests to the Loan Fund for Parishes are up to a maximum of 50% of the project cost. If architectural or

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engineering plans/designs form part of your submission, these should be provided in PDF format. For additional information, please refer to the [College of Consultors Policy](#) on the Archdiocese Website, or contact centre@archottawa.ca; 613-738-5025, ext. 244.

FROM THE HOLY SEE

Pope Francis Issues Encyclical Letter on Fraternity and Social Friendship. “FRATELLI TUTTI”. With these words, Saint Francis of Assisi addressed his brothers and sisters and proposed to them a way of life marked by the flavour of the Gospel. Of the counsels Francis offered, I would like to select the one in which he calls for a love that transcends the barriers of geography and distance, and declares blessed all those who love their brother “as much when he is far away from him as when he is with him”. In his simple and direct way, Saint Francis expressed the essence of a fraternal openness that allows us to acknowledge, appreciate and love each person, regardless of physical proximity, regardless of where he or she was born or lives. Full text: <http://www.vatican.va/>.

FROM THE CCCB

English Sector Commission for Liturgy and the Sacraments Releases Resource for the Use of Technology in the Liturgy: The English Sector Commission for Liturgy and the Sacraments, with the authorization of the Executive Committee of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, has released a new resource entitled *Considerations for the Use of Technology in the Liturgy*. An initiative of the National Council for Liturgy and the Sacraments, the project was coordinated and developed by the CCCB’s English Sector National Liturgy Office in... [Read More](#)

VOCATIONS

Prayers for Vocations: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 25. That men and women will be encouraged to love God and their neighbor with the love of Christ and follow Him generously when chosen to serve others as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated religious life, we pray to the Lord.

FAMILY, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

FallFest Online: People coming together to have fun, meet friends, and discover how much they are loved by Christ in a non-threatening environment. You will hear energetic and moving praise and worship music and a talk from Francesca Mastroeni, a chaplain in the Canadian Army. Online and through host sites this year. To register: <https://fallfestottawa.ca/>. **Oct. 23, 7-9 pm.** Hosted by Annunciation of the Lord Parish.

Are you at University? Do you know someone who is? Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO) has a group of students at Carleton and UOttawa, growing together in faith, fellowship, and leadership. Interested? Check out <https://cco.ca/get-connected/>.

FAITH FORMATION

Alpha in Catholic Parishes: Alpha is an 11-week course that creates a space, online or in person, where people are excited to bring their friends for a conversation about life, faith and meaning. General info on Alpha: www.alphacanada.org.

- **St. Mary Parish** via Zoom, Wednesdays, 7:00 pm, starting **Oct. 14**; register (<https://tinyurl.com/stmarysalph>). Info: alpha@stmarysottawa.ca.

CARE FOR CREATION

Fratelli Tutti (We are all brothers and sisters): In his new encyclical, “Fratelli Tutti”, Pope Francis calls for a profound conversion and a radical change in the way we live. The Global Catholic Climate Movement provides 10 helpful ideas from the new encyclical about caring for our common home and the importance of rethinking the way we connect with one another (<https://catholicclimatemovement.global/10-references-of-laudato-si-in-fratelli-tutti-everything-is-connected/>). Info: John Dorner (jdorner@archottawa.ca).

SOCIAL JUSTICE

St. Vincent de Paul Stores: Please advise your parishioners that the Ottawa St. Vincent de Paul Stores at 1620 Merivale and 1273 Wellington are open. Store hours are as follows: **Mon. – Wed., 10am - 5pm; Thurs. & Fri., 11am - 7pm; Sat., 10am - 5pm.** The stores have a limited supply of furniture and are not accepting furniture donations at this time. Parishioners are encouraged to access the online store: www.stvincentdepaulonline.com. Stores: 1273 Wellington St. & 1620 Merivale St. Info: depapebryan@gmail.com.

Recovering Together Webinar - Responding in Solidarity to the Pandemic: In the wake of the global pandemic, we are inviting you to take action with us to help create a greener and more just world. Join Development & Peace online to learn about steps you can take to act in solidarity with those most impacted by COVID-19 and prepare for the special collection taking place on **Nov. 15** for World Day of the Poor. **Thurs., Oct. 15, 6:30-8:30 pm.** Register [here](#). Info: thurford@devp.org.

PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS

Annual Harvest Supper: Homemade takeout Roast Beef Dinner at Our Lady of the Visitation, **Sun., Oct. 18, 3:00 – 6:00 pm.** Prepay, drive-up, stay in your vehicle. Tickets selling fast: 613-822-2007; events@olvottawa.ca. 5338 Bank St. Cost: \$22.50.

WIDER COMMUNITY INTEREST

National Personal Project: Young single professionals (20’s and early 30’s) meet virtually and talk about personal development, professional work, relationships, communication and the meaning of life in a case study-based discussion course. One general session via Zoom and one small group meeting per month, **Oct. 17, 2020 - May 2021**). Cost: \$150/person. To register: <https://www.familydevelopment.ca/national-personal-project-2020/>.

Ottawa Pastoral Care Training Program (OPCTP): An Inter-Denominational program. Fall 2020 Continuing Education Event on **Tues., Nov. 10, 7:00 – 9:00 pm** via Zoom with Roshene Lawson, Clinical Chaplain in Therapeutic Support Services at Bruyère Continuing Care and St. Vincent Hospital on “*Spiritual Care in the Face of Medical Assistance in Dying.*” Register by **Sun., Nov. 1**. Cost: \$15. To register: ottawapastoralcare.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Fall-2020.Con-Ed-Brochure.pdf.

EMPLOYMENT & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

St. Patrick’s Fallowfield is recruiting an Office Manager: Commencing at 16 hours weekly and more than likely to increase up to 30 hours post Covid19. Wages hourly, to be negotiated. Further details and job description: <http://stpatricksfallowfield.com/office-manager-needed/>.