

# FRIDAY FACTS



Archdiocese of Ottawa, Pastoral Office

April 12, 2019

## FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

**Archbishop's Letter for EASTER 2019:** "Christ is alive!" This is how Pope Francis opened his recent exhortation to the youth. The pope adds, "Jesus is our hope, and in a wonderful way he brings youth to our world, and everything he touches becomes young, new, full of life." This papal message echoes the words the angelic messengers brought to the women who went to Jesus' tomb that first Easter morning (Luke 24.1-12): "why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here but has risen." After the Resurrection, Jesus and death are incompatible. Read more [here](#) or at [www.CatholicOttawa.ca](http://www.CatholicOttawa.ca).

**Parish Lenten Reconciliation & Easter Schedules:** The parish schedules for Lenten reconciliation, Easter Triduum & Easter Sunday are available at [CatholicOttawa.ca](http://CatholicOttawa.ca).

**2019-2020 Pastoral Calendar:** Now available online at [CatholicOttawa.ca](http://CatholicOttawa.ca).

**Chrism Mass Invitation to All:** At Notre Dame Cathedral, **Tues., April 16, 7:30 p.m.** 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.

**Tenebrae Service of Readings, Song and Prayer:** Notre Dame Cathedral, **Wed., Apr. 17, 7:30 pm.** A male voice chorus anchored by men of the Cathedral choirs will sing Tenebrae texts set to music by Msgr. J.E. Ronan. Info: 613-241-7496.

**Fresco - Madonna and Child over Ottawa:** Painted by Ugo Chryurlia. At Notre Dame Cathedral, **May 1-5.** The fresco was originally painted for St-Vincent de Paul Church, Ottawa, and is on loan from the Canadian Museum of History. Notre Dame Cathedral is open to the public during regular hours; free admission. PDF of poster at [CatholicOttawa.ca](http://CatholicOttawa.ca).

**Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass of Thanksgiving:** For couples in the Archdiocese of Ottawa who are celebrating 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in 2019. Info and online registration for the Mass on **Sun., May 5, 2:30 p.m.** at Notre Dame Cathedral: [catholicottawa.ca/wedding-anniversary-mass](http://catholicottawa.ca/wedding-anniversary-mass). Deadline to register: April 24.

**Pentecost Confirmations for Adult Catholics:** Parishes submitting names for Confirmation on Pentecost, **June 9**, at the noon Mass at Notre Dame Cathedral, please complete the form at [catholicottawa.ca/pentecost-confirmations-for-adult-catholics](http://catholicottawa.ca/pentecost-confirmations-for-adult-catholics) **before May 10.** Note: the questions will appear when the number of candidates has been entered (15 candidates per submission; parishes can submit twice if more than 15 candidates). Info: ([abrown@ArchOttawa.ca](mailto:abrown@ArchOttawa.ca)).

**New Personnel at Diocesan Centre:** Welcome to Robert Du Broy who has joined the Archbishop's Office as Executive Assistant to the Archbishop as of April 2, succeeding Deacon Gilles Ouellette who will retire from this position after Easter. Welcome also to David Grant, Coordinator of Diocesan Properties, who joined our staff as of March 4. We wish David and Robert all the best in their new responsibilities.

## VOCATIONS

**Prayer for Vocations:** Second Sunday of Easter - April 28 - Divine Mercy Sunday. That we may be blessed with priests, deacons and consecrated religious to serve as messengers of God's divine mercy, we pray to the Lord.

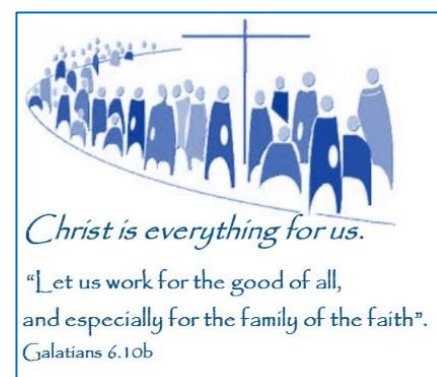
## FAMILY, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

**Steubenville Toronto Deadline Extended:** The registration deadline for participants and chaperones attending Steubenville Toronto 2019 from July 12-14, 2019 with the Archdiocese of Ottawa has been extended to **April 22, 2019.**

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Those who completed their registration by April 2, 2019 have a spot reserved at the conference. Anyone who is planning to register after that day will be processed on a first come, first serve basis, based on the attendance of the conference itself. Visit [www.fymottawa.com/steubenville-toronto-2019](http://www.fymottawa.com/steubenville-toronto-2019) to register. Info: [adeluca@archottawa.ca](mailto:adeluca@archottawa.ca).

**Join Saint Paul University Choir:** Learn sacred music, in the Chapel, LaFramboise Building, 223 Main St., every **Wednesday, 5:30 - 6:30pm** for everyone; free. Info: [westenmiriam@gmail.com](mailto:westenmiriam@gmail.com); 1-613-602-3028.

## CARE FOR CREATION

**Saint Kateri Tekakwitha:** April 17 is the Feast Day of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, patroness of ecology and the environment. At her canonization, Pope Emeritus Benedict stated, "Kateri's greatest wish was to know and to do what pleased God." As we approach Earth Day (Apr. 22), let us follow Saint Kateri's example, adopting lifestyles and practices that please our Lord as we demonstrate care for all creation. Resource: <http://acbo.on.ca/downloads/environmental-stewardship/>. Info: 613-738-5025 x251; [jdorner@archottawa.ca](mailto:jdorner@archottawa.ca).

## PRO-LIFE

**Palliative Care vs Euthanasia:** Dr. Rene Leiva MDCM CCFP, Family Doctor & Palliative Care doctor at Elizabeth Bruyere Centre, discussing concerns about euthanasia and how palliative care differs. Pain management & sedation use will be topics addressed. Q&A to follow. All welcome. **Apr. 13, 10:00 am – 12:00 noon** at Divine Infant Parish Hall, 6658 Bilberry Dr., Orleans. Free will offering to help defray costs. Info: 613-837-0345; [angela.lavictoire@gmail.com](mailto:angela.lavictoire@gmail.com).

**Prolife Conference - Rekindle the Gift of Life..Fulfill God's Plan..Thrive:** Guest speaker: Sr. Helena Burns, FSP. At Resurrection of Our Lord Parish, 1940 Saunderson Dr., **Sat., Apr. 27, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm**. Cost: \$15/person; family rate \$12.50/person for 4 or more tickets. Info: [ottawagiftoflifeministry@gmail.com](mailto:ottawagiftoflifeministry@gmail.com); 613-720-5643; [www.cfcottawagiftoflifeministry.ca](http://www.cfcottawagiftoflifeministry.ca). Sponsored by Couples for Christ Gift of Life Ministry.

**Dying Healed Workshop:** Education on end-of-life issues and preliminary training for pastoral care volunteers. For those wishing to provide compassion and support to those in need, particularly at end of life. Registration required/limited. St. Augustine Parish, 1060 Baseline Rd., **Fri., May 10, 6:30-8:30 pm & Sat., May 11, 9:30-3:30 pm**. Cost: \$20 incl. Saturday lunch. Info: Anastasia Bowles: 613-722-1552 x2; [info@lifecanada.org](mailto:info@lifecanada.org); <https://lifecollective.io/mtfl/events>.

## FROM THE CCCB

**Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation Christus vivit:** On April 2, 2019, the [Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation Christus vivit](#) ("Christ Lives"), addressed to young people and the entire People of God, was published. The Holy Father explains that the document was prepared drawing inspiration from the "wealth of reflections and conversations of the Synod" (n. 4) on Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment held in October 2018.

**2019 Easter Message from the President of the CCCB:** *Christ is Risen! Alleluia! Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Risen Christ. On 21-24 February 2019, I attended a Meeting on the Protection of Minors in Rome which was called for by Pope Francis for all of the Presidents of Bishops' Conferences across the world. It was likewise suggested that prior to the event, the Bishops could meet with persons who had been abused by clergy. ... Their suffering reflects the mystery of the Cross of Christ that makes itself present today in many varied ways.* [Read more...](#)

## PRAYER & WORSHIP

**Lenten Evening of Praise and Worship:** St. Monica Parish, 2080 Merivale Rd., **Fri., Apr. 12, 7:00 – 9:00 pm**. Stations of the Cross, Adoration, Praise and Worship, Sacrament of Reconciliation, and a social. Info: [here](#); 613-727-1067.

**Evening of musical prayer at Saint-François d'Assise:** The Pauvres de Saint-François Brothers present choral concert, **Sat., Apr. 13, 7:00 p.m.** Freewill offering. Wellington St. W. & Fairmont. Info: [gilles.leclerc7@sympatico.ca](mailto:gilles.leclerc7@sympatico.ca).

**Way of the Cross:** On Good Friday, **April 19**, through the streets of downtown Ottawa. Led by Archbishop Terrence Prendergast S.J. Departure at 9:30 am from St. Patrick Basilica, 220 Kent. Arrival at 12:00 pm at Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica. Organized by Communion and Liberation. Info: David McConkey [clonottawa@gmail.com](mailto:clonottawa@gmail.com).

**Stations of the Cross, Praying for Victims of Abuse:** Praying the Stations of the Cross is a meditation on Christ's suffering for us and on his suffering with all those who are victims of violence, abuse, and other sins. Following a specially prepared set of scriptural meditations as prayer for those who have suffered sexual abuse as minors, in the church or elsewhere. St. George Church, 415 Piccadilly Ave. N., **Good Friday, Apr. 19, 7:30 pm.** Info: [office@saintgeorges.ca](mailto:office@saintgeorges.ca).

**Divine Mercy Sunday at Holy Cross:** Silent Adoration and Confession at 2:30 pm followed by the Chaplet and Reflection. 685 Walkley Rd., **Sun., April 28, 2:30 pm.** Info: 613-731-7834.

**Divine Mercy Sunday at St. Mary's:** Includes a short explanation of the importance of Divine Mercy Sunday, Eucharistic Adoration, Chaplet of Divine Mercy (in song), and the veneration of the Divine Mercy Image. Reception will follow in the parish hall. **Sun., Apr. 28, 2:30 pm,** 100 Young St. Info: Ms. Joy Wolfenden (613-725-9575).

**Divine Mercy Celebration at Holy Redeemer:** Let the message of Divine Mercy come alive through reflection, prayers, Eucharist Adoration, Reconciliation and veneration of the Image followed by light refreshments. Holy Redeemer Parish, 44 Rothesay Dr., **Sun., Apr. 28, 2-4 pm.** Info: parish office (613-836-1764).

**Divine Mercy at Resurrection of Our Lord with John Paul II Centre for Divine Mercy:** Eucharistic Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet, veneration of relics, praise & worship, witness by Keith & Peggy Doucette, followed by potluck. Please bring a dish to share. 1940 Saunderson Dr., **Sun., Apr. 28, 2:00-4:00 pm.** Info: 613-733-4661; [resurrectionchurch@rogers.com](mailto:resurrectionchurch@rogers.com).

**Heart of Worship at Holy Redeemer:** In celebration and thanksgiving for Christ's victory over death through praise and worship, silent adoration, confessions and fellowship. 44 Rothesay Dr., Kanata, **Tues., Apr. 30, 7-9pm.** Info: [reception@holyredeemer.ca](mailto:reception@holyredeemer.ca).

## PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS

**Dinner/Talk at Annunciation of the Lord Parish:** 'Without a vision, people perish' Prov 29:18. Speaker: Fr. Rob Arsenault CC. Spaghetti dinner. 2414 Ogilvie Rd., **Sat., May 4, 6:00 pm.** Cost: adults \$12; students (13-17) \$8; children \$5. Hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 8008. Info: Scott Millan [dscottmillan@gmail.com](mailto:dscottmillan@gmail.com); 613-837-5861 to reserve tickets.

## OTHER CATHOLIC EVENTS

**New Evangelization Summit:** Webcast to host sites around the world. Featuring Catholic speakers: Michael Dopp, Fr. James Mallon, Cardinal Gerald Lacroix, Michelle Moran, and more. Register for free online. Infinity Convention Centre, Ottawa, **May 4, 2019.** Sponsored by Mission of the Redeemer Ministries. Info: [www.newevangelization.ca](http://www.newevangelization.ca).

## SCHOOLS

**Parent Info Night - Catholic Montessori School:** For parents of children in Gr. 1 & 2 in Sept. 2019. The Catholic Montessori environment is a community where the dignity of each child is respected and is based on the belief that each child has their own path of growth. It is a place where children love to learn and grow into their full capacity as a unique child of God, and are aided in their great work to become an adult, while they follow their own inner teacher, the Holy Spirit. 2821 St. Stephen's St. (Pinecrest & Hwy 417.), **Wed., April 24, 7:00 - 8:30 pm.** Info: [www.jeromelejeuneschool.com](http://www.jeromelejeuneschool.com); [secretary@jeromelejeuneschool.com](mailto:secretary@jeromelejeuneschool.com).

## EMPLOYMENT & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Parish Life Coordinator at Holy Canadian Martyrs:** With responsibility for sacramental preparation, liturgy, and other activities. Approx. 30 hour/week; job share could be considered with the right candidates. For qualifications and job description: [pastor@canadianmartyrs.org](mailto:pastor@canadianmartyrs.org) or [office@canadianmartyrs.org](mailto:office@canadianmartyrs.org). Info: <https://canadianmartyrs.org>.

## WIDER COMMUNITY INTEREST

**Recycling Your Parish's Used Paschal Candle:** St. Joseph's Parish in Ottawa will come and pick-up your parish's Paschal Candle from last year. They are used to make baptismal candles or another Paschal Candle. Contact Andrew to arrange the pick-up: [apump@st-josephs.ca](mailto:apump@st-josephs.ca).

**Rossini Petite messe solennelle:** Presented by the Ottawa Classical Choir. Performed with original score and sung by choristers. Dominion-Chalmers, 355 Cooper St., **May 18, 8 pm.** Tickets: 35/55\$. Info: [ottawaclassicalchoir.com](http://ottawaclassicalchoir.com).

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