

FRIDAY FACTS



Archdiocese of Ottawa, Pastoral Office

February 22, 2019

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Ordination of Auxiliary Bishop-Elect of Alexandria-Cornwall Guy Desrochers, C.Ss.R.: At St. Finnan's Cathedral, 72 St. Paul St., Alexandria on **Fri., Feb. 22, 2:00 p.m.** Please keep Bishop-Elect Desrochers in your prayers.

REQUEST - Parish Lenten Reconciliation Schedule: The parish reconciliation schedule submission form is [available online here](#). Parishes, please submit your schedule by **Feb. 22**. Note: Diocesan Day of Confessions is Fri., April 5.

Permanent Diaconate – Information Sessions: Is the Lord calling you to the Permanent Diaconate? Come and discover what the diaconate is all about. All men in the Archdiocese are invited; married men are encouraged to come with their wives. **Mon., Feb. 25, 7:00 - 9:00 pm.** in the St. Catherine room at St. Mary Parish, 100 Young St. **Sat., Mar. 9, 9:00 - 11:00 am** at Divine Infant Parish, 6288 Bilberry Dr., Orleans (meet in the Parish Office). If you wish to attend a session or get more information, please contact Deacon Michael Seath (613-324-0007); (mseath@archottawa.ca).

Rite of Election: The parish participation form for the Rite of Election on **Sun., Mar. 10** is available at <https://catholicottawa.ca/rite-of-election-parish-form>. **Deadline: Tues., Feb. 26**. Info: abrown@ArchOttawa.ca.

Parish Holy Oil Vials: If you have not already done so, please return your small Holy Oil vials (3 vials in small black case) to the Diocesan Centre Reception Desk. Thank you.

FAMILY, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

Steubenville Toronto: Join the Archdiocese of Ottawa this **July 12-14, 2019** at Steubenville Toronto. Dive into the theme "Belong" at Canada's largest conference for Catholic high school students. If you are 21 years+ consider applying as a chaperone. Visit www.fymottawa.com/steubenville-toronto-2019 to register and www.steubenvilletoronto.com to learn more. Info: adeluca@archottawa.ca.

FOCCUS Marriage Preparation Facilitator Training: For any individual or couple interested in becoming a marriage preparation FOCCUS facilitator in their parish. Training is **Sat., Mar. 30, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.** at St. Basil Parish, 940 Rex Ave. Cost: \$125 per person (lunch and training manual included). Registration closes Feb. 25. To register: <https://catholicottawa.ca/foccus-training>. Info: 613-738-5025.

2019 Journey of Hope – for Separated and Divorced Catholics: Led from the perspective of the Catholic faith; designed to help participants find reconciliation, peace and healing. Women's session **Tues., Mar. 19**; men's session **Thurs., Mar. 21**. Sessions run 6 weeks, 7:00 - 9:00 pm at Queen of the Most Holy Rosary parish hall, 20 Grant St. Cost: \$25. Info & registration: www.journeyofhopeottawa.com; Mary Jane Manley (613-294-1308).

VOCATIONS

Prayers: Ash Wednesday – Mar. 6. That men and women will answer the call of their vocations, denying themselves, taking up their crosses, and following Christ. **First Sunday of Lent – Mar. 10.** For all men and women being chosen by Christ to follow Him as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, that they will persevere in the face of temptations against faithfulness to their call.



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PRAYER & WORSHIP

World Day of Prayer: Let's gather to learn about, pray for, and celebrate in solidarity with the Christian women of Slovenia. Sponsored by Women's Interchurch Council. **Thurs., Feb. 28, 1:00 p.m.** at Woodvale Pentecostal, 205 Greenbank Rd. **Fri., Mar. 1, 2:00 p.m.** at Parkwood Presbyterian, 10 Chesterton Dr.; St. Andrew's UC, 2557 Old Montreal Rd, Cumberland; St. Margaret Mary & St. Edith Stein, 2571 Hwy 174, Cumberland; St. Martin's Anglican, 120 Prince Charles Rd.; Riverside Churches, 3191 Riverside Dr. **Fri., Mar. 1, 7:00 p.m.** Ste-Marie, 4831 Innes Rd.; MacKay United, 39 Dufferin Rd. **Sat., Mar. 2, 11 a.m.** Russell United, 38 Mill St., Russell (with lunch). **Sun., Mar. 3, 11 a.m.** Carsonby United, 5940 Prince of Wales Dr. (with lunch). **Wed., Mar. 6, 10 a.m.** First Baptist, 140 Laurier Ave W. at Elgin. Info: 613-723-0465.

Coming Events – Dates to Note

- **Wed., Mar. 6** Ash Wednesday
- **Sun., Mar. 10** Rite of Election
- **Tues., Apr. 16** Chrism Mass
- **May 5** Wedding Anniversary Mass
- **Sun., May 12** Neophytes Mass
- **Thurs., May 16** Pastoral Day
- **Sat., June 1** Gathering with Archbishop of Deacons & Wives
- **June 6** Diocesan Celebration
- **June 9** Pentecost Confirmations
- **Thurs., June 13** Gathering of Priests

FAITH FORMATION

Retreat For Men: One day retreat led by Auxiliary Bishop Christian Riesbeck CC on *Into the Breach*. Pre-registration required at (www.retreat4men.org). Cost: \$20; students \$15. Lunch by the Queenship of Mary. Donation for vocations accepted. St Augustine Parish, 1060 Baseline Rd., **Mar. 9, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm**. Info: Denis Belanger 819-962-1883.

“Why Be Afraid? Sharing in the Joy of God and His Power over Evil.” A Lenten Mission with Deacon Doug McManaman at St John the Apostle Parish, 2340 Baseline Rd., **March 10, 11, & 12, 7:00 pm**. All are welcome. Info at parish office: 613-829-1760.

Alpha Program at Our Lady of Visitation Parish: Interactive sessions that explore the meaning of life and answers some common questions about the Christian Faith; age 18+. Dessert & coffee, video & small group discussion. [Register here](#). Info: Tracey (hagermantracey@gmail.com); (613-574-9045) or Tom (bolandt@yahoo.com); (613-822-1015). Our Lady of Visitation Banquet Hall, 5338 Bank St., **Wed., Mar. 20 - May 29, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.** No cost. Info: office@olvottawa.ca.

PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner: Pancakes, sausages, beans, dessert, coffee and tea. St. John the Apostle Parish, 2340 Baseline Rd., **Tues., Mar. 5, 5:30 - 7:00pm**. Free will offering with all profits donated to the Parish. Sponsored by Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus. All welcome. Info: 613-829-1760.

Men's Lenten Breakfast at St. Patrick, Fallowfield: Mass at 9:00 a.m.; presentation & breakfast at 10:00 a.m. in the Monsignor Paul Baxter Hall. "A Helpful Prayer: The Examination of Conscience", given by Fr. Geoffrey Kerslake, Episcopal Vicar. Cost: \$10/person. Tickets: Pierre Chartier (613-599-6589). 15 Steeple Hill Cres., **Sat., March 9, 9:00 a.m.** Hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Info: fitt@rogers.com.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Dance: With *Kings Creek Band* and special guests. **Sun., March 10, 2:00 – 6:00 pm** at Our Lady of Visitation Banquet Hall, 5338 Bank St. Tickets: \$20 pp. Home-made Irish Stew Dinner with all the trimmings. Cash bar. Tickets & info: 613-884-4043. Proceeds to church restoration fund.

SCHOOLS

Maryvale Academy School-Day Open Houses: Please call the principal to register for part or all of the day (613-321-2186, ext. 2). **Tues., Feb. 26, Thurs., Mar. 28, and Tues., Apr. 9, 8:30 am – 3:00 pm**. Maryvale Academy, 2191 Benjamin Avenue, 2nd Floor. Info: www.maryvaleacademy.ca.

EMPLOYMENT & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

CCO Canada is Hiring: Catholic Christian Outreach is a university student movement dedicated to evangelization. Hiring missionaries for both campus and the national office in Ottawa. Receive world class training in evangelization as you journey with students on CCO's campus frontlines; put your expertise to use in a wholesome, Christ-focused workplace. Application deadline: **19 March 2019**. Info: www.cco.ca/careers or Tanya Rodgerson tanya.rodgerson@cco.ca.

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