

# FRIDAY FACTS



Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall, Pastoral Office

May 22, 2020

## FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

### **Daily Thoughts from Archbishop Prendergast S.J. in the Time of COVID-19:**

The latest PDF on his 25<sup>th</sup> Episcopal Anniversary is available [here](#). It is updated regularly at <https://catholicottawa.ca/thoughts-in-the-time-of-covid-19-1>.

**Chronicle from Bishop Guy Desrochers C.Ss.R.:** Click [here](#) to read Bishop Desrochers' periodic chronicles of spiritual guidance. This week: [The Parable of the Cats](#). Watch his video presentation on [Obedience: submission or virtue?](#)

**Message to the Faithful of Ottawa-Cornwall from Coadjutor Archbishop Elect Damphousse:** Available on our website [here](#).

**Reminder - College of Consultors:** A reminder that 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 on **Tues., June 9, 2020**. 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 **Friday, May 22**. PLEASE NOTE THAT SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED PAST THE DEADLINE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. The proposal should also be copied to your Regional Consultor, for their input. 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. Also note that if architectural or engineering plans/designs form part of your submission, these should be provided in PDF format. For additional info, please refer to the [College of Consultors 2018 Policy](#), or contact [centre@archottawa.ca](mailto:centre@archottawa.ca); 613-738-5025, ext. 244.

**Prayers:** For the repose of the soul of Father Jeffrey L. de Witt King who died Wednesday, May 20, 2020 at the age of 79. Fr. King was ordained to the priesthood on February 6, 1999. He served in a number of parishes in the Archdiocese, including St. Patrick in Nepean, Resurrection of Our Lord, St. Elizabeth and Our Lady of Fatima. He served for a time as a judge at Ottawa Regional Marriage Tribunal and later as a Regional Vicar. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.

**Prayers:** For the repose of the soul of Fr. Rodrigue Dion, O.F.M. Cap., who died on Friday, May 8, 2020 at Pointe-aux-Trembles, Québec, at the age of 93. Fr Dion was ordained to the priesthood on June 12, 1954. As well as serving his religious community, he served in the parishes of Saint-François d'Assise and Saint Bonaventure, Ottawa, in the Archdiocese of Ottawa. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.

**Prayers:** For the repose of the soul of Fr. Jocelyn Mitchell, O.F.M. Cap., who died on Friday, May 9, 2020 at Pointe-aux-Trembles, Québec, at the age of 86. Fr Mitchell was ordained to the priesthood on February 11, 1961. As well as serving his religious community, he served in the parishes of Saint-François d'Assise, and Saint Bonaventure, Ottawa, in the Archdiocese of Ottawa. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.



*Christ is everything for us.*

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

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**Prayers:** For the repose of the soul of Mary Jardine, mother of Deacon Fred Jardine, St. Elizabeth Parish. Mrs. Jardine died May 15, 2020 at the age of 86. A memorial Mass will be held at a later date. Please remember her and her family in your prayers.

**Pastoral Appointments:** Archbishop Terrence Prendergast, S.J. announces the following appointments which become effective on August 1, 2020, unless otherwise indicated. To all the priests serving our archdiocesan Church, may God bless you abundantly as you continue your ministry with dedication, generosity and joy. We express our gratitude to all who will be assuming new responsibilities. They have responded to the needs of the Archdiocese with generous spirits. We ask the people in parishes where changes are taking place to find means, possibly after August 1, to thank the priests who will be completing their time in their parish and moving to other responsibilities and to warmly welcome their new pastoral leaders into their midst. We also extend profound gratitude to the priests who are retiring or leaving the Archdiocese for their faithful ministry in our archdiocese. We are grateful to them for their generosity in serving here.

#### **FOR THE ARCHDIOCESAN LEVEL**

**Coadjutor Archbishop Marcel Dampousse** was appointed Vicar General effective May 8, 2020.

**Fr. Pierre Champoux** was appointed Vocations Director effective May 20, 2020.

**Fr. Louis Fohssié, JCL** was appointed Vice-Chancellor effective May 12, 2020.

**Fr. François Kibwenge** was appointed Episcopal Vicar for the French Sector effective May 20, 2020 and will assist half-time at Notre-Dame Cathedral Basilica.

**Fr. Kevin Maloney** was appointed Vicar General (pastoral, especially for the territory of Stormont and Glengarry) effective May 8, 2020 and is re-appointed Pastor of St. Francis de Sales Parish in Cornwall.

**Fr. Alexis Ruzibiza** was appointed Chaplain at Bruyère effective May 1, 2020.

**Fr. Daniel Van Delst, JCL** was appointed Chancellor effective May 7, 2020 and Episcopal Vicar for the territory of Stormont and Glengarry effective May 20, 2020.

**Fr. Léo Villeneuve** was appointed Vicar General (administration) and Moderator of the Curia effective May 8, 2020.

**Fr. Sean Wenger, CC**, was appointed Episcopal Vicar for the English Sector effective May 20, 2020.

#### **FOR THE ENGLISH SECTOR**

**Fr. Jonathan Blake** is appointed Pastor of St. Finnan's Parish in Alexandria, St. Anthony Parish in Apple Hill, St. Catherine of Sienna Parish in Greenfield, St. James Parish in Maxville and St. Michael's Chapel in Monkland.

**Fr. Matthew Brunet** is re-appointed Pastor of St. Peter's Parish in Cornwall.

**Fr. Antoni Degutis, OMI**, is appointed Pastor of St. Hyacinth Parish in Ottawa effective September 1, 2020.

**Fr. Glicerio Jimenez** is retiring.

**Fr. Jonathan Kelly** is appointed Associate Pastor of Holy Redeemer Parish in Kanata.

**Fr. Stephen Liang** is re-appointed Pastor of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Ottawa and Priest-Moderator of Sheng Shen Parish (Holy Spirit) in Gloucester.

**Fr. Richard Lorenz** is appointed Pastor of St. Jude Parish in Hawkesbury and Our Lady of Divine Love Parish in Pendleton effective June 1, 2020.

**Fr. Gilles Marcil** is retired and will be helping at St. Finnan's Parish in Alexandria, St. Anthony Parish in Apple Hill, St. Catherine of Sienna Parish in Greenfield, St. James Parish in Maxville and St. Michael's Chapel in Monkland.

**Fr. Elvis Odoegbulem, s.m.m.**, is appointed Parochial Administrator of Saint Raphael's Parish in Saint Raphael and Saint Mary Parish in Williamstown.

**Fr. Emeka Jude Onyeogubalu** is appointed Parochial Administrator of St. Margaret of Scotland Parish in Glen Nevis, Precious Blood Parish in Glen Walter and St. Joseph Parish in Lancaster.

**Fr. Marcus Schonnop, CC**, is appointed Associate Pastor at St. Maurice Parish in Ottawa effective August 15, 2020.

**Fr. John Whyte** is re-appointed Chaplain of the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario.

#### **FOR THE FRENCH SECTOR**

**Fr. Pierre Domerson** is appointed Parochial Administrator of Saint-Joachim Parish in Chute-à-Blondeau, Saint-Jean-Baptiste Parish in l'Orignal, Saint-Bernardin Parish in Saint-Bernardin, Saint-Eugène in St-Eugène, Saint-Grégoire-de-Naziance Parish in Vankleek Hill, and Sainte-Anne Parish in Ste-Anne-de-Prescott.

**Fr. Didier Kaba** is appointed Parochial Administrator of Sacré-Coeur Parish in Alexandria, Saint-Martin-de-Tours Parish in Glen Robertson and Sainte-Marie-de-l'Assomption Parish in Green Valley.

**Fr. Callixte Kabalisa** will assist half-time at Nativité de Notre-Seigneur-Jésus-Christ Parish, Saint-Thomas-d'Aquin Parish and Sainte-Geneviève Parish in Ottawa and on-call chaplain for the Montfort Hospital.

**Fr. Jacques Kabangu** is appointed Pastor of Saint-Remi Parish in Ottawa.

**Fr. Albert Kaumba-Mufwata** is appointed Pastor of Saint-Bernard Parish, Fournier and Saint-Isidore Parish, St-Isidore.

**Fr. Albert Kazadi Nkashama** is re-appointed Pastor of Très-Sainte-Trinité Parish in Rockland.

**Msgr. Ernest Leger** is retiring and will help at Saint-Joachim Parish in Chute-à-Blondeau, Saint-Jean-Baptiste Parish in l'Orignal, Saint-Bernardin Parish in Saint-Bernardin, Saint-Eugène in St-Eugène, Saint-Grégoire-de-Naziance Parish in Vankleek Hill, and Sainte-Anne Parish in Ste-Anne-de-Prescott.

**Fr. Jean-François Morin** is available for replacing in parishes.

**Fr. Jean Muakadi Kabantu** is appointed Pastor of Sainte-Euphémie Parish, Casselman and Saint-Albert Parish, St-Albert.

**Fr. Pascal Niziyigimana** is appointed Pastor of Saint-Louis-Marie-de-Montfort Parish in Ottawa.

**Fr. Marc Piché** is appointed Pastor of Saint-Felix-de-Valois Parish in Cornwall.

**Fr. Éric Robichaud** is appointed Pastor of Saint-Pierre-Apôtre Parish in Hawkesbury.

**Fr. Claude Thibault** is re-appointed Pastor of Sainte-Thérèse-de-Lisieux Parish in Cornwall.

The Archdiocese thanks the following for their service in the Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall: Fr. Lawrence Hyginus, CC, effective August 15, 2020; Fr. Tomasz Krzesik, OMI, effective September 1, 2020; Fr. Richard Lama, effective August 1, 2020. Additional appointments, including the appointment and renewal of permanent deacons, will follow in the coming weeks. The Press Release is available online [here](#).

## **FAMILY, YOUTH, & YOUNG ADULTS**

***A Night Out With Friends:*** At *A Night Out With Friends*, young people are invited to give their will and life to Jesus. *A Night Out With Friends* isn't just an ordinary youth night. It was designed from the beginning to engage young people specifically through an online format. Through games and experiential learning activities, *A Night Out with Friends* aims to both hold the attention of young people online and facilitate another opportunity for encounter with Christ. **Fridays, Eastern - 7-8:30pm EDT; Western - 9-10:30pm EDT.** Location: Instagram @netcanada and YouTube @NETCanada. Info: [jacob@netcanada.ca](mailto:jacob@netcanada.ca)

## **CARE FOR CREATION**

***Laudato Si' Week - Shared Moment of Prayer:*** Bring solidarity to our world in caring for God's creation in a shared moment of prayer at **noon local time on Sunday, May 24**. As *Laudato Si' Week* comes to a close, Catholics from across the globe will be united in spirit as together we recite the Common Prayer for the 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of *Laudato Si'*. Info: (<https://laudatosiweek.org/prayer>).

***Vatican Announcement – Laudato Si' Anniversary Year:*** In commemoration of the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the encyclical *Laudato Si' – On Care for Our Common Home*, the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development has announced a "Special *Laudato Si* Anniversary Year", **May 24, 2020 - 2021**. There will be a clear emphasis on "ecological conversion in action" supported by a "peoples' movement." Info regarding initiatives and planning: <http://www.humandevlopment.va>

## **FROM THE CCCB**

***54<sup>th</sup> World Communications Day:*** Celebrated in Canada on May 24, 2020, the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. Pope Francis' message, is entitled ["That you may tell your children and grandchildren" \(Ex 10:2\): Life becomes history"](#).

***Euthanasia – Article from the World Medical Journal:*** The April 2020 issue of the *World Medical Journal* (Vol. 66, No. 2), pages 28-37, includes an extensive article (in English only) on experiences by Canadian physicians with euthanasia and assisted suicide entitled "The 'Normalization' of Euthanasia in Canada: The Cautionary Tale continues". Its authors

are three Canadian physicians: Dr. Leonie Herx (Chair, Division of Palliative Medicine, Associate Professor, Department of Medicine, Queen's University, Kingston), Dr. Margaret Cottle (Assistant Professor, Division of Palliative Care, Faculty of Medicine, University of British Columbia, Vancouver), and Dr. John F. Scott (Associate Professor, Division of Palliative Care, Department of Medicine, University of Ottawa). Over 140 Canadian physicians have added their names as "endorsers" to the article, including the founder of palliative care in Canada, Dr. Balfour Mount. [Read more...](#)

***Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle Releases Reflection on the COVID-19 Pandemic:*** In this Easter season, the Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle released a reflection on the COVID-19 pandemic. This open letter to all Canadians brings to light both challenges and opportunities during these unprecedented times. [Link to the reflection.](#)

## [FROM THE HOLY SEE](#)

***Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May – for Deacons:*** “We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.”

## [FAITH FORMATION](#)

***Resources from the Sheptytsky Institute of Eastern Christian Studies at UofT:*** During COVID-19, free online audio and video resources available at [sheptytskyinstitute.ca/](https://sheptytskyinstitute.ca/).

## [OTHER CATHOLIC EVENTS](#)

***Upon This Rock:*** Daily reflections written by men, for men. Upon This Rock was born out of a desire to bring the gospel to men in a personable and relatable way, through the experiences of other men who are actively growing in their faith. Upon This Rock is for men of all walks of life, cultures, backgrounds, and levels of faith. No matter where you are in your faith, you are most welcome. Sign up/info at <https://www.uponthisrock.ca/>.

***That Man Is You (TMIY):*** A men's program focused on the development of male leadership in the modern world. It combines research from science with teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of authentic men capable of transforming themselves, their families and greater society. Online, every **Saturday, 8:00 am**. Link to join the session: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/430842826>. Info: Tom Schnarr at [tmiystmaurice@gmail.com](mailto:tmiystmaurice@gmail.com). Free will donation. Hosted by St Maurice Parish.

## [WIDER COMMUNITY INTEREST](#)

***Pray 613:*** The Cornwall and Area Christian Council has launched the Pray 613 initiative, a counties-wide effort to pray for the sick, hurting, disillusioned and others during the pandemic. The idea is a simple one, at 6:13 am or 6:13 pm or both, people are invited to stop for 3 minutes and pray.

***Updates for Seniors – From the Council on Aging of Ottawa:*** Updates available at [coottawa.ca/impact-updates](https://coottawa.ca/impact-updates).

## [OTTAWA CATHOLIC SCHOOL BOARD](#)

If your child attends an Ottawa Catholic School Board school and needs any support, including internet access or electronic devices such as a Chromebook, email your school principal for help, call the school office and leave a message, or contact Mante Molepo, the Board's Equity and Diversity Advisor at [mante.molepo@ocsb.ca](mailto:mante.molepo@ocsb.ca).