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FROM THE DIOCESE

Christmas holiday schedule: The Chancery will be closed from Monday, December 23rd, to Wednesday, January 1st, inclusively. It will re-open on Thursday, January 2nd. The staff at the Diocesan Administration Office takes this opportunity to offer you and your family a Christmas Season filled with peace and joy!

An account of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David.

(Matthew 1.1-17)

Heures de bureau du temps des fêtes: Notez que les bureaux diocésains seront fermés du lundi 23 décembre au mercredi 1^{er} janvier inclusivement. Les bureaux seront ouverts le jeudi 2 janvier 2020. L'équipe de Centre administratif profite de l'occasion pour vous souhaiter un Noël rempli de paix et de joie!

Ecclesia: The deadline for the next issue of Ecclesia is March 1, 2020 for anyone who would like to submit an article. Please send your article and any pictures to heather@pappin.com.

Ordo Liturgical Calendars for 2019-20 are presently available for purchase at the Chancery Office for only \$20/copy on a first-come, first-served basis. If interested, please contact Donna Biggs at 613 732-7933 ext. 203 or donnabiggs@pembrokediocese.com.

Ordo – calendriers pour l'année 2019-20 sont maintenant disponibles à l'évêché pour 20\$ seulement. Veuillez communiquer avec Donna Biggs au 613 732-7933 poste 203 ou donnabiggs@pembrokediocese.com.

Mass—Extraordinary Form. Low Masses in the extraordinary form will be offered at St. Columbkille Cathedral at 9 a.m. on December 21st and January 25th. These Latin Masses will be in the form of the Liturgy as it was celebrated at the time of the Second Vatican Council—the same form which nourished the faith of many of our ancestors. English translations of the entire Mass are provided.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, we ask in the name of your Son, that you bless our future bishop. Provide him with the gifts he will need to carry on the ministry of Jesus in our diocese. Grant him the heart of your Son, the heart of the Good Shepherd. Bestow upon him the zeal of St. Paul in preaching the Good News; the humility of St. John Vianney in ministering the sacraments; the compassion of St. Vincent-de-Paul in serving those most in need; the wisdom of St. Augustine in teaching the doctrine of our Church; and the missionary fervour of St. Columbkille, our patron. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Prière: Dieu notre Père nous te demandons, au nom de ton Fils, de bénir notre futur évêque. Donne-lui les dons dont il aura besoin pour exercer le ministère de Jésus dans notre diocèse. Accorde-lui le cœur de ton Fils, le cœur du Bon Pasteur. Donne-lui le zèle de saint Paul pour prêcher la Bonne Nouvelle; l'humilité de saint Jean Vianney dans l'administration des sacrements; la compassion de saint Vincent de Paul pour servir les plus démunis; la sagesse de saint Augustin dans l'enseignement de la doctrine de notre Église; et la ferveur missionnaire de saint Columbkille, notre patron. Par Jésus, le Christ, notre Seigneur. **Amen**

FROM THE CCCB

Canadian Bishop Emeritus Among Candidates Moving Toward Canonization: On Thursday 28 November 2019, Pope Francis authorized Cardinal Angelo Becciu, the Prefect of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints, to promulgate 11 decrees on 26 men and women to bring them a step closer to sainthood. Among the individuals cited was Bishop Ovide Charlebois, O.M.I. former Apostolic Vicar of Keewatin (now the Archdiocese of Keewatin-Le Pas). Bishop Emeritus Charlebois received a decree on his heroic virtues which promoted his cause for sainthood from "servant of God" to "venerable". With this decree, he has completed another step in the process to become canonized. Read more...

CCCB Christmas Message 2019: Reconciliation is a much used word in our present-day culture, but we seldom ponder in our hearts what a treasure and mystery reconciliation really is. In the Christmas season, its meaning and implications are vividly concrete as the birth of Christ brings a new light and a saving grace to our capacity to be reconciled and be reconcilers in our daily life. Read more...

FAITH FORMATION

The Office of Faith Formation and Leadership development is always here to assist you in the areas of faith. We have resources – DVDs, Videos, Books, Programs by Dynamic Catholic, Blessed – First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, Decision Point (Confirmation), Chosen (Confirmation) by Ascension Press, Symbolon: The Catholic Faith explained by the Augustine Institute and so much more. All are available to borrow at the Diocesan Office of Faith Formation. For more formation please contact Deacon Adrien Chaput at 613 732-7933 ext. 206 or dcadrienchaput@pembrokediocese.com.

MARRIAGE, FAMILY, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

Hope Comes Home – Canadian Catholic Youth Ministry Conference – Feb. 21 – 23, 2020 Hamilton, Ontario. This is an excellent conference for pastors, teachers, catechists, youth ministers, chaplaincy leaders, vocations directors, etc. The conference is only in Ontario about once every 3 years, otherwise it is in other provinces across Canada. There is a full list of presenters and workshops on the website...for more information please visit www.hopecomeshome.com. There is also pricing and information on bursaries for those needing financial assistance. The main speaker is Katie Pre-Jean McGrady....she is absolutely worth hearing. Katie spoke at a Steubenville youth conference in Toronto a couple of years back and is excellent! If there is anyone planning to go from the diocese, please contact me. Yvette Bourque — yvettebourque@pembrokediocese.com or 613 732-7933 ext.208.

PRO-LIFE

Soup Sensations 2020 – A Fundraiser for First Step Options Pregnancy Resource Centre! Mark your calendars for **Thursday, January 30**th from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and 4-7 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church, corner of Miller Street and Doran Street, Pembroke. Tickets available at the door. Admission: \$12 for adults – \$6 for children 6-12 yrs. – free for children under 6 yrs. If anyone has items they would like to donate for the Silent auction, please contact the First Step Options Pregnancy Resource Centre at 613 635-7440. If you can make baked good for the Bake Sale please contact Ruth Davidson at 613 735-1877.

PARISH EVENTS

The Roman Catholic Parishes the Upper Pontiac invite you to join in their on-going program of Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration:

St. Alphonsus – Chapeau: Every Tuesday & Wednesday 10:30 a.m.* - 4:00 p.m. St. Joseph's – Allumette Island: Every Thursday & Friday 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. St. Paul the Hermit – Sheenboro: Every Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Evening adoration possible in Chapeau and St. Joseph's with more volunteers. Please call Mike Mainville at 819 689-2681 if you are interested in becoming a regular adorer.

<u>Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish, Deep River</u> - <u>Lectio Prayer Series</u>: Video presentation by Dr. Tim Grey of the Augustine Institute. YOU ARE INVITED! All sessions will start promptly at 7:30 p.m. and end before 9 p.m. Handouts for the series are available at the sessions. Videos missed can also be viewed on FORMED.org. Upcoming sessions: **Tuesday, December 17**th Oratio – Conversation with God; **Tuesday, January 7**th Contemplatio – The Gaze of Love; **Thursday, January 9**th Resolutio – Putting Love into Action. For more information contact the parish at 613 584-3696.

OTHER CATHOLIC EVENTS

RISE UP – Dec. 28th – **Jan 1**st, **Toronto.** Rise Up is a conference for those 18 and over. This year's theme is "Anchored Heb. 6:19." What are you anchored to? Only the love of God remains solid and unchanging through the storms of our lives. We have our hope in him; the way, the truth and the life. His promise is trustworthy. And so we can set out into deep waters confidently, ready to embrace our missionary call. To learn more about the guest speakers, workshops, and cost and to register go to https://cco.ca/rise-up/.

13th**Annual Men's' Retreat.** All Catholic men are invited to the Annual Men's Retreat to be held **January 17-19, 2020** at Graphite Bible Camp. The cost is \$150. Fr. Blair Bernard and Morgen Grigg from Madonna House will be leading the retreat. This year the theme is "Loving Obedience to the Father's Loving Will (Through Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit)." A deposit of \$50 is needed to reserve your place. For details, please contact Pierre-Paul Filion at 613 602-6580 or ppfilion@yahoo.ca.

PILGRIMAGES

Medjugorje Pilgrimage: May 14-24, 2020. Price \$2290.00. For more information please contact Patricia Duggan at 613 756-2655 or <u>dugganpatricia@bell.net</u>.

^{*} In the event of a funeral, Adoration starts at 12:30 p.m.

OTHER

Funny in a GOoD Way presents an event opening the week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Featuring Comedians Timmy Boyle and Cheridan Richardson. Guest appearance by FLCC Choir. Worship music by Gate 47 and production by P.A.C.A. members. Proceeds to support First Step Options. January 18, 2020 at 7 p.m. at Festival Hall, Pembroke. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Makes a great birthday or Christmas gift for that hard-to-buy-for person! Tickets \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. For tickets or more information, please contact Deacon Adrien Chaput at 613 732-7933 ext. 206 or dcadrienchaput@pembrokediocese.com.

Christmas Gift Suggestion! Copies of the publication *Holy Hockey: The Story of Canada's Flying Fathers* are available at the Cathedral Rectory. Special Christmas price: \$20 per copy (tax included). Telephone 613 732-8513. All proceeds donated to charity.

Organist for Hire! Catherine Helferty is available to play organ for Masses (Sundays, weddings, funerals, etc.). She has a level eight organ certificate with the Royal Conservatory of Music. Please contact Catherine directly at <a href="mailto:catherine-