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### FROM THE DIOCESE

**Chrism Mass:** All are invited to participate in the celebration of the Chrism Mass at St. Columbkille Cathedral, Pembroke, on **Monday** of Holy Week, **April 6<sup>th</sup>**, at 10:30 a.m. During the ceremony, the Oil of Catechumens and the Oil of the Sick will be blessed, and the Holy Chrism will be consecrated.

*Young woman, I  
say to you, get  
up.*

(Mark 5.21-43)

**Messe Chrismale:** *Tous sont invités à participer à la célébration de la Messe chrismale à la cathédrale St. Columbkille, Pembroke le **lundi** de la Semaine Sainte **6 avril** à 10h30. Durant la cérémonie, l'Huile des catéchumènes et l'Huile des malades seront bénies, et le Saint-Chrême sera consacré.*

**Prayers:** For the repose of the soul of Elaine Johnson, mother of Fr. Robert Johnson (Madonna House) who entered into rest on Tuesday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at the age of 94.

**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***

**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](mailto:heather@pappin.com).

**Mass—Extraordinary Form.** A Low Mass in the *extraordinary form* will be offered at St. Columbkille Cathedral at 9 a.m. on **February 29<sup>th</sup>**. This Latin Mass 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.

## **FROM THE CCCB**

***Life and Family Suggestions for Homilies and Prayers of the Faithful (February):*** The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops continues to post homily ideas and prayers of the faithful to help link the Sunday liturgy with the national pastoral initiative for life and family. The suggestions can be easily adapted for family or personal prayer, or for use with other groups or organizations. Available at [Documents and activities proposed by the CCCB](#).

## **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](mailto:dcadrienchaput@pembrokediocese.com).

***Where Faith and Life Meet: A Symposium for Adult Faith:*** Offered by The Centre for Religious Education and Catechesis, Saint Paul University, **May 21 - 22, 2020**. Explore a process-based accompaniment of adult faith that “meets people where they are” and draws on emerging insights and promising practices that bridge faith and life. Early Bird registration by February 20, 2020. **Registration deadline March 25, 2020**. For further information or to register please go to [recentre@ustpaul.ca](mailto:recentre@ustpaul.ca).

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

***Marriage Preparation Program.*** The next marriage Preparation program is coming up on March 7 and March 28, 2020 in Renfrew at St. Francis Xavier parish. **Deadline to register is February 28, 2020**. Registration is available online at [www.pembrokediocese.com](http://www.pembrokediocese.com) or a form can be obtained from any parish and mailed in. Inquires can be directed to Yvette Bourque at 613 732-7933 ext. 208 or [yvettebourque@pembrokediocese.com](mailto:yvettebourque@pembrokediocese.com).

***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.hopcomeshome.com](http://www.hopcomeshome.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](mailto:yvettebourque@pembrokediocese.com) or 613 732-7933 ext. 208.

**There are two new resources available for parishes to view/use from the Diocesan Family Life and Youth Ministry Office:**

1. **CHOSEN – This is your Catholic faith (blue program).** Chosen is as a faith journey designed to provide teenagers with the essential intellectual and spiritual catechesis they need to become lifelong disciples of Christ. It is a 24 lesson program that comes with DVDs, Leader's guide and student guide. Highlighted presenters are Brian Butler, Jason Evert, Fr. Michael Schmitz, Fr. Mark Toups, Leah Darrow and many others.
2. **REVELATION – The Kingdom yet to come** is an intriguing study that shows how the kingdom established by Christ in his Church is intimately connected with the kingdom of heaven. Here you will discover what the mysterious figures and images of Revelation mean. You will see how Revelation is more than an apocalyptic vision of the "end times". This is an 11 part series with 50 min. video presentations for each part and a guide for participants to use and keep. This program is best suited for older teens and young adults/adults.

For these and many other resources that are available, please contact Yvette Bourque 613 732-7933 ext. 208 or [yvettebourque@pembrokedioocese.com](mailto:yvettebourque@pembrokedioocese.com).

## **PRO-LIFE**

**Renfrew County Right to Life is delighted to announce our second annual Essay Contest.** This contest is open to all Grade 12 students within the county. The first prize winner will receive \$500, and the second prize winner \$300. The title of this year's essay is "**Heroes in a Culture of Death: People who choose life despite great suffering and what we can learn from them.**" Through research, interviews or personal encounters, students will delve into the lives of people who, in spite of great odds have risen to inspire countless others. We wish for our young people to persevere in difficult times while finding strength in their hero and ultimately grow up to be the best version of themselves. The contest rules are available on the RCRTL Facebook page, [facebook.com/RCRTL](https://facebook.com/RCRTL).

**Renfrew County Right to Life annonce leur deuxième concours annuel de rédaction d'essais.** Ce concours est ouvert à tous les élèves de 12e année du comté. Le gagnant du premier prix recevra 500 \$ et le gagnant du deuxième prix 300 \$. Le titre de l'essai cette année est: "**Héros dans une culture de mort: les gens qui choisissent la vie malgré une grande souffrance, et ce qu'on peut apprendre d'eux.**" Grâce à des recherches, des entretiens ou des rencontres personnelles, les étudiants se plongeront dans la vie de personnes qui, malgré de grandes difficultés, ont inspiré de nombreuses autres personnes. Nous souhaitons à nos jeunes de persévérer dans les moments difficiles tout en trouvant de la force dans leur héros et finalement devenir la meilleure version d'eux-mêmes. Les règlements du concours se trouvent sur leur page Facebook, [facebook.com/RCRTL](https://facebook.com/RCRTL).

## **PARISH EVENTS**

**Bible Study at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish – "No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk through Christ's Passion."** Each year during Lent, we recall Christ's Passion and Death. We strive to walk with Him, for example, in the Stations of the Cross. The climax is on Palm Sunday and Good Friday when we hear the Gospel Passion Narratives proclaimed in the Liturgy. In this Bible study, we will walk step-by-step with Jesus from the agony in the garden to His crucifixion. This should prepare us to hear these passages with a deeper understanding and devotion than ever before. This five-part series **begins February 27/28** and

concludes **March 26/27**. Each session will be offered twice: Thursdays after the 7 p.m. Mass and Fridays after the 9 a.m. Mass (repeat). There is a helpful (optional) workbook available at the first session for \$15. To register, please call Our Lady of Lourdes Parish office at 613 735-6392 or send an email to [ollparish@nrtco.net](mailto:ollparish@nrtco.net).

## **OTHER CATHOLIC EVENTS**

***HEART TO HEART "A Divine Invitation"*** – An invitation to come together as Mary's children to unite our heart to the Queen of Hearts who will guide and direct us into the heart of the Most Holy Trinity. **February 7-8, 2020** at Blessed Sacrament Parish, 194 Fourth Avenue, Ottawa, ON. Guest speaker: Fr. Hugh Gillespie, SMM. Registration is requested. For more information, or to register, please check out the website at [www.jp2centre.com](http://www.jp2centre.com) or call 613 325-5447.

***The Don Bosco Drama Club of Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College presents "The Song of Bernadette,"*** a drama of true events by Jean and Walter Kerr. Bernadette causes a tumult in the town when she claims to see "a beautiful lady in white" at the dump. Everyone thinks she is a liar or a lunatic. Dates: **Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup>** & **Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup>** at 7 p.m., **Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>** at 2 p.m. Performed at Madawaska Valley District High School, Barry's Bay. Tickets available at Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College and Lorraine's Pharmasave. Call 613 756-3082 for more information, or visit [www.seatofwisdom.ca](http://www.seatofwisdom.ca).

***Annual Women's Retreat:*** To be held **February 28 – March 1, 2020** at Graphite Bible Camp in Maynooth. Fr. Denis Lemieux and Philomena Lim from Madonna House will be leading the retreat. This year the theme is "*FIAT: Living a life of surrender to God.*" The cost is \$150. For information, contact us at [womensretreatcombermere@gmail.com](mailto:womensretreatcombermere@gmail.com) or call Posie 613 281-5522, Kristan 613 585-0579 or Mary 613 756-0148.

***2020 Northern Ontario Catholic Youth Conference*** – **February 29, 2020** at St. Joseph-Scollard Hall, North Bay, Ontario. This event will gather young people from across Northern Ontario for a day of prayer led by our guest speaker and popular Catholic evangelist Chris Bray. The theme for this year's event is "**unChained**," allowing youth to reflect on how God frees us from what holds us back in life. The day will include time for prayer, personal reflection, music, recreation, as well as an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. This event is for young people aged **13-19** and runs **from 10 a.m to 8 p.m.** Cost is \$20.00. For more information and registration information go to [www.holynamestalphonsus.com/unchained](http://www.holynamestalphonsus.com/unchained).

***Program for separated or divorced Catholics (Ottawa)*** – *By My Side*, formerly *The Journey of Hope* Program is a comprehensive structured support group offering spiritual accompaniment, friendship and healing for separated and divorced Catholics. There are separate nights for Men and Women. Program starts **mid-March 2020**. To inquire or to register go to <https://bmyside.ca>.

## **PILGRIMAGES**

***Pilgrimage to South Korea & Taiwan*** with Fr. Ben St. Croix, CC. **Oct. 26 – Nov. 12, 2020.** 18 days/16 nights. Price includes all costs except connecting flights to Toronto departure point. \$5775 per person (double occ.). Also available a 12-day option South Korea only price \$4320. Information meeting in Ottawa on Sunday, July 12, 2020 at 2:30 p.m. at St. Mary's parish hall. For information contact Tour Leader Laurie Courchesne-Dooley at 613 732-5739 or email [lafrcado@outlook.com](mailto:lafrcado@outlook.com).

## **OTHER**

***Bernadette McCann House for Women is currently accepting registration for Growing Together Group (minimum 6 mom and 6 children).*** The tentative locations for **February 2020** will be in either Killaloe, Renfrew or Pembroke; the number of interest will determine the location. This is an 11 week group for mothers and children designed to break the isolation of abuse and promote the healing process. Children learn ways to cope with their feelings and behaviours that arise in families that have experienced abuse. Each week begins with the sharing of a light meal, followed by individual sessions for mothers and children. Topics include: self-esteem, expressing of anger/feelings, choices, safety planning, family changes, conflict resolution, understanding abuse, and the impact of abuse for the family. For more Information or to register please have clients call 613 732-3131 or toll free 1 800-267-4930.

***Coldest Night of the Year*** is a family-friendly walk raising money to help the local Grind Community Kitchen, as well as the Grind Transition House. Your help is needed to reach out to help others. You can help by fundraising and walking on **Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>**. For details and to register on-line, go to <https://cnoy.org/location/pembroke>. Coldest Night of the Year – join others in sharing the warmth, because . . . it's cold out there!