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NEW ITEMS

Archdiocesan News

***NEW* Diocesan Multicultural Mass & Celebrations - Tuesday, July 1st, 2025**

What to expect

Schedule:

10:30 a.m. Multicultural Mass with Archbishop LeGatt presiding, St. Boniface Cathedral

12:30 p.m. Cultural performances and displays (including some food samples), Outdoors

3:00 p.m. End of events & clean-up

What to bring:

- A lawn chair or blanket to sit on
- Enough water for approximately 2 hours in the sun
- A hat, sunscreen and other sun protection
- Friends and family members with whom to celebrate
- Some food and snacks (some cultural vendors will be offering samples of food from their country, but we do not guarantee enough food to constitute a meal).

Parking:

- Parking will be restricted on De la Cathedrale Avenue between Taché and Aulneau
- The Cathedral parking lot will be accessible to volunteers only (first come, first served)
- Plan to park on Aulneau or other side streets to the east of Aulneau, and allow enough time for parking and walking.





***REMINDER* Help the Wildfire Evacuees in Winnipeg!**

Calling all faithful, parishes and Catholic organizations! Evacuees from northern Manitoba need your help!

The Canadian Red Cross has been tasked to assist evacuees in the city of Winnipeg. YOU can help them...

- by donating various items at the RBC Convention Center, located at 375 York Avenue. Bring the following items via the main doors and head to the second floor: Strollers, playpens, toys, diapers, Depends, new hygiene products, sandals and summer wear.
- by making a donation online at www.redcross.ca, or by phone at 204-982-7330.

The Salvation Army of Winnipeg is also helping evacuees by providing food from two service trucks located at the Billy Mosienko Arena, located at 709 Keewatin Street. Any of the following sealed snacks will be appreciated: granola bars, bottle pop, chips, Rice Crispy squares, yogurt, fruit cups and pudding cups.

The Salvation Army is also accepting donations to support emergency disaster relief work in response to the wildfires. Your gift will be used to provide food, beverages, shelter, and emotional & spiritual care for people displaced due to the wildfires, and the first responders. **Donate by phone: 1-800-SAL-ARMY**

Give online: SalvationArmy.ca/Wildfires If someone calls in a donation they can specify where they want their donation allocated and if they donate online, funds will go to wildfire relief efforts nearest to the donor's postal code.

Volunteer: To help the Salvation Army's relief efforts, reach out to Debbie Clarke at Debbie.Clarke@salvationarmy.ca



***NEW* COME & DISCOVER 'WHO IS BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS?'**

During a dynamic, multimedia presentation, Mrs. Normandeau, who has personally met the family of Blessed Carlo Acutis in Milan, Italy, will present: a **short video**, about the life of Carlo Acutis; a **PowerPoint presentation** about his life, his family, why he will be canonized a 'Saint'; a **guided visit**, with explanations of the large poster boards of renowned **Eucharistic Miracles**, [click here](#) and of the **'incorruptible body' of Carlo**; the **opportunity to venerate a relic** of Blessed Carlo Acutis, which Carlo's mother gave to Mrs. Normandeau. You will be invited to see & touch the relic 'up close' (it is encased in a reliquary) & entrust your prayer intentions to Blessed Carlo. The testimony of numerous persons, who have attended the presentations, is: **'This is a MUST-SEE event!'**.

ALL PRESENTATIONS WILL BE IN FRENCH, EXCEPT ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2025 (presentation will be in French with translation to English). For further information, contact: Gabrielle Marion, gmarion3@mytmts.net or 204-470-3792.

Link to website Eucharistic Miracles:

<https://www.carloacutis.com/en/association/mostra-miracoli-eucaristici>



***NEW* Photo gallery - Jubilee celebrations at Saint-Norbert Parish - 6 June 2025**

The jubilee year was celebrated at Saint Norbert Parish on June 6 on the feast of Saint Norbert, its patron saint. June 6 also marked the 200th birthday of Abbé Noël Ritchot, parish priest from 1862 to 1905.

During the celebrations, Bishop LeGat presided at mass, followed by prayers at the Notre Dame du Bon secours chapel, built by Mgr Noël Ritchot, and the blessing of Mgr Noël Ritchot's grave in the Saint-Norbert cemetery. To round off the evening, snacks were served in the Salle Ritchot, with a short presentation on the life of Mgr Ritchot.

To see the photo gallery, [click here](#).



***UPDATED* Official unveiling of Tunkansida Inyan, the “Grandfather Rock” – June 20, 2025**

You are invited to the official unveiling of M'Shoomisanin, the “Grandfather” Rock, on June 20 at the Heritage Garden, located at 151 avenue de la Cathédrale, on the grounds of the Diocesan Centre of the Archdiocese of Saint Boniface.

The ceremony will begin at 10 AM, with Elders Mary Courchene and Clayton Sandy, Archbishop Albert LeGatt and other guests in attendance. The ceremony is part of National Indigenous Peoples' Day, celebrated on June 21.

In the First Nations cultures of Turtle Island, sacred spiritual belief systems include all of creation and all beings within it.

For the poster, [click here](#).

For the Lakota (Sioux), the Grandfather Rock, Tunkansida, is the oldest one and is a way of describing the generational knowledge it carries and is sacred. Because of that, rocks must be respected.

In a sacred healing space like a sweat lodge, when the water strikes the heated stones and that mist rises, the rocks give up their spirit to help us heal, and it brings back the moment of creation.

The Anishinaabe people believe that rocks are one of the earliest gifts of the Creator and are called M'Shoomisaan, “Grandfather”. They are sacred animate creations used in ceremonies.

The rocks have been witness to the passage of time and all that has occurred in that time. That history is held within the rocks and tell of our relationship with the land, the water, the sky and with all beings with whom we share this moment and this space.

The rocks are gifts from the Creator to cleanse and take illness away – physically, emotionally, mentally and spiritually. For as long as the sun shines, and the grass grows and the rivers flow, we will the Tunkanisidapi and M'Shoomisaan “Grandfathers” hold the sacred ceremonies for all time.



***UPDATED WITH CORRECTED POSTER* Come and Embrace Our Lady's Hope! Diocesan Pilgrimage in St. Malo – August 17, 2025**

Jubilation! Everyone is invited to the diocesan pilgrimage to the Grotto of Notre-Dame-de-Lourdes in Saint-Malo on August 17. This special Marian celebration will be an opportunity for praise, healing and joy. **All the more so as we are in the middle of a Jubilee year and the Grotto is an official shrine of the Jubilee 2025.**

Mass in French will be celebrated at 9am. Mass in English will be celebrated at 11am.

There will be an opportunity for confession before each Mass. After each Mass, you will be able to buy food from a vendor on site.

At 2 p.m., we invite you to prayers of healing, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, the rosary and songs of praise.

Bring the whole family! Bring your grandparents and elders! By car, or preferably by van, and even better by parish bus, to avoid overcrowding the car park.

Tell your friends! Bring your own picnic chairs! In case of rain, the celebrations will be held at the church in Saint-Malo.

For poster, [click here](#) [Visit our Grotto webpage!](#)

*The Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes in St. Malo was a popular shrine even before the Archdiocese declared it a diocesan sanctuary and the site of its Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage. To find out more about the history of the Grotto, and the spiritual benefits of pilgrimages, we invite you to read **A Time Set Aside for Christ and Our Lady**, a conversation with Archbishop Albert LeGatt. [Click here](#) to read and enjoy!*



***REMINDER* Our Faith Stories: Treasures to Share ([Diocesan Website Home Page](#)): New Story – “On Fatherhood”**

James Kautz, Director of Pastoral Services for the Archdiocese of Saint Boniface, shares a reflection on what it means to be a father, striving to maintain a coherence between one's lofty ideals and those times where one realizes that being a champion Dad is not so easy a goal to reach. The key? On Father's Day, or any day, “Keep trying”... **To read the complete story, [click here](#).**



***REMINDER* Employment Opportunities – Catholic Women’s League of Canada – Director of Administration**

Are you a highly organized, experienced leader with operational excellence? The Catholic Women’s League of Canada, a nationwide non-profit organization is seeking a Director of Administration to oversee and optimize our administrative functions.

The position is located at the national office in Winnipeg, Manitoba. In this pivotal role, you will be responsible for a wide range of critical areas, including:

- Human Resources: Management policies, recruitment, onboarding and employee relations.
- Office Management: Ensuring efficient daily operations, maintaining office supplies and managing vendor relationships.
- Financial Administration: Collaborating with our finance committee on budgeting, expense tracking and financial reporting support.
- IT Oversight: Liaising with IT suppliers to ensure smooth technological operations and system efficiency.
- Policy & Procedure Development: Implementing and refining administrative policies and procedures to enhance productivity and compliance.

Deadline to apply: June 30, 2025.

For a complete position description, please [click here](#).

***REMINDER* Christ the King School – Basic French Teacher**

Position description: Part-time Teacher, with a flexible schedule: 2025-2026 school year (40 – 50%; ½ days) * Continuous contract, subject to probationary year • Possibility of full-time in the 2026-2027 school year. • Middle years Basic French Manitoba curriculum. • Benefits included.

Interested applicants should forward a resume with three professional references and a clergy reference with contact information provided to: Mrs. Laura Carreiro, Principal - 12 Lennox Avenue, Winnipeg, MB R2M 1A6

E-mail: lcarreiro@ctkschool.ca Phone: (204) 257-0027 ext. 201

Applications accepted until position is filled. For full position description, [click here](#).

Adult Faith Formation

***REMINDER* Laudato si’ – “On Care for Our Common Home” Ten**

Thursdays October, 2025 to March, 2026

Join us for a Special Tenth Anniversary Online Series of Laudato si’ in this Year of Jubilee!

Celebrate a decade, as Sister Lorraine St-Hilaire, snjm expertly guides us through the key points of this essential document, deepening our understanding and reawakening our call to “care for our common home.”

Don’t miss this Online Series as we present a sneak peek of our upcoming series, designed to give you space to reflect and engage fully with the document in the context of today’s world.

Full Series begins October 16, 2025 from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM CST – Mark your calendars!

ENCYCLICAL LETTER LAUDATO SI’ OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS ON CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20150524_enciclica-laudato-si.html

For brochure, [click here](#).

Please Register by [clicking here](#) or email khreizai@archsaintboniface.ca or call 204 594-0273



Scan me to Register!



***REMINDER* RCIA in English – September, 2025 to April, 2026**

RCIA will be offered in English at St. Pierre Parish from September 2025 to April 2026. Please contact Paul Bonekamp at Paul.Bonekamp@gmail.com if you wish to register or to inquire for more information.

Apostolates and Ministries



***NEW* Manitoba's Award Winning Passion Play – July 4,5,6 & 11,12,13, 2025**

Manitoba's Award-Winning Passion Play is celebrating 25 years this summer of presenting the life, passion, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ in the Pembina Valley, near La Riviere Manitoba. Presentations are at 7:30pm nightly.

Bring your lawn chair and experience the Life of Christ unfold before your eyes in a beautiful outdoor setting. Tickets are available online at www.passionplay.ca or by calling 1-888-264-2038.

Join His Grace, Archbishop Albert LeGatt who will be celebrant for the Outdoor Mass on Sunday July 6th at 4pm.

Come early and hike the Stations of the Cross on the site and there are food concessions and so much more

Watch our new video Introducing Manitoba Passion Play by clicking this link

<https://www.passionplay.ca/>

For poster, [click here](#).

Organize a bus Beaver bus lines offering a special bus rental rate. call Rick Brown @204-989-7023 or email at rickbrown@beaverbus.com

***REMINDER* Singles for Christ True North Conference 2025 – August 1 - 3, 2025**

Rejoice, take courage, and return to Galilee! This Jubilee Year of Hope, Singles for Christ welcomes you to the True North Conference — a homecoming of faith, mission, and joy! This year, Singles for Christ (SFC) Canada will be holding our annual National True North Conference (TNC) entitled G! on August 1-3 2025 in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Furthermore, we are extending the invite to all single men and women ages 18 to 40!

SFC TNC happens annually and rotates to different cities across Canada. Last time it was held in Winnipeg was 10 years ago and the host city is excited to spread some Friendly Manitoban spirit to all attendees across the country. This is a rare and great opportunity for Catholic Singles to create new friendships, meet like-minded people, talk openly about their faith and learn ways on how to deepen and strengthen their relationship with God! If you are interested to learn more about the conference, please contact Andrew or Iris @ simplydrew@gmail.com or 2042948137. If you are part of a young adult group and would like to go as a group, we offer a church/community pricing.

Catechetics



*Catechesis of
the Good Shepherd*
Association of Canada

***REMINDER* Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level One A Training - Register today!** The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is for children aged 3-12 years that is based on the Bible and Liturgy of the Church.

It is inspired by the principles of Montessori education. The Level 1 course lays the foundation of the theory and practices of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for all three levels.

What if every child could have time and space specially set aside for an encounter with Christ? The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is a time-tested approach to faith formation. It feeds the deepest needs of children, allowing each one to get to know God personally. In a retreat-like atmosphere, through the use of special materials designed just for them, children hear the Word proclaimed and grow in their relationship with God. The most essential treasures of the Christian faith, from scripture and liturgy, touch the heart of each child and lead to deep contemplation, prayer, and joy.

Apply today! There are scholarships available (deadline to apply for the Ed Krupica Scholarship Fund is September 18, 2025) The next local course will be held in St. Theresa's Roman Catholic Church West Saint Paul, MB (Just minutes from Winnipeg, north up Main Street) [CLICK HERE Level 1 \(cgsac.ca\)](#) beginning in October 2025 hosted by the Archdiocese of Winnipeg and Saint Theresa's Parish. [CLICK](#) for POSTER [CLICK](#) for BROCHURE For more information contact Judith Vasquez judithvsqz3@gmail.com 204-452-2227 ext.243 [Click here](#) for additional information about CGS including a video introduction on our diocesan website.



Concert/Theatre/Movies

***NEW* MOVIE Permission: Fr. Bob Bedard's Vision for the Church**

PERMISSION: Fr. Bob Bedard's Vision for the Church is a powerful new docudrama produced by DunnMedia in collaboration with the Companions of the Cross.

The film, which explores the life and legacy of Fr. Bob Bedard, founder of the order, is being met with deep emotion and praise. Veteran journalist Deborah Gyapong described it as "a very touching and deeply moving film about a priest who surrendered everything to God and encouraged others to do the same," adding that the film "will go a long way in spreading Fr. Bob's message of wholehearted discipleship to the world."

Permission is available to stream for free NOW. You can watch the film at [permissionthefilm.com](https://www.permissionthefilm.com). The film is being offered through a "pay-it-forward" model, allowing viewers to support the project financially so that others may experience it at no cost.

<https://www.permissionthefilm.com/>

Interchurch & Interfaith Learning (Ecumenism)

***REMINDER* SAVE THE DATE!! 2025 Our Whole Society Conference - June 15-17, 2025**

The Our Whole Society conference, which explores insights from diverse faith traditions and secular perspectives, will be a forum for sharing the grassroots experiences of individuals and communities making positive contributions to Canadian society. The Our Whole Society (OWS) operates under the auspices of the Canadian Interfaith Conversation (CIC). Our Whole Society Conference, will explore: what conceptions of hope encourage and sustain collective action? How do we recognize the gravity of challenges before humanity while working toward a more positive collective future? What understandings of hope can we draw upon to meet the most pressing demands of our time?

Keynote Speakers: [Payam Akhavan](#) (International Human Rights Lawyer), [Elin Kelsey](#) (Environmental Thought Leader), [Lloyd Axworthy](#) (Former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Canada) Special Guests: Premier Wab Kinew and Mayor Scott Gillingham. The conference will take place at the Canadian Museum of Human Rights in Winnipeg.

For details and to register: <https://www.interfaithconversation.ca/our-whole-society>

Marriage, Family & Life

***NEW* Marriage Tips**

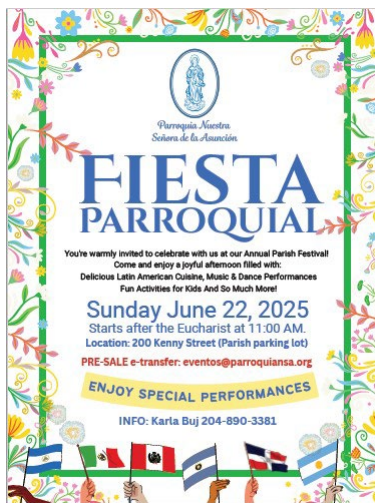
Family prayer idea: family members take turns saying something they're thankful for, sorry for, and need prayers for. Not only will you pray together, but you'll learn what is on your loved one's hearts.

Parish Events



***REMINDER* St. Joseph the Worker Church Garage Sale – June 14, 2025**

Join us for a fun-filled day of bargains, treasures, and community spirit at the Saint Joseph the Worker Parish Garage Sale on Saturday, June 14th from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. at the Parish grounds, 505 Brewster Street, R2C 2W6. Discover incredible finds and fantastic deals; enjoy the barbeque, baked goods, treats, and more! Proceeds will benefit our Parish renovations and community-building efforts. Bring your family and friends, enjoy the festivities, and make a positive impact together! Don't miss this!



***REMINDER* Nuestra Senora de la Asuncion Parish - Join Us for Our Annual Parish Festival! - June 22, 2025**

You're warmly invited to celebrate with us at our Annual Parish Festival! Come and enjoy a joyful afternoon filled with:

- 🍽️ Delicious Latin American Cuisine
- 🎵 Music & Dance Performances
- 🎈 Fun Activities for Kids
- 🎪 And So Much More!
- 📍 Location: 200 Kenny Street (Parish parking lot)
- 🕒 Time: Right after the 11:00 AM Mass

Bring your family and friends — everyone is welcome! Let's celebrate our community, culture, and faith together!

For poster, [click here](#).



***UPDATED* Notre-Dame-de-Lorette Parish 160th Anniversary Celebrations – June 21 & 22, 2025**

Notre-Dame-de-Lorette Parish recognizes a significant historical connection between your family and the church.

Many of your ancestors were actively involved in church life and may have even held leadership roles in the 1800s.

160 years – 1865 : First appointed missionary priest to our community

150 years – 1877 : First residential priest for Notre-Dame-de-Lorette mission

125 years – 1900 : Opening of the present church

To view a poster celebrating these important events, [click here](#).

As a beautiful way to honour your family's legacy, we invite you to come celebrate the faith of your ancestors.

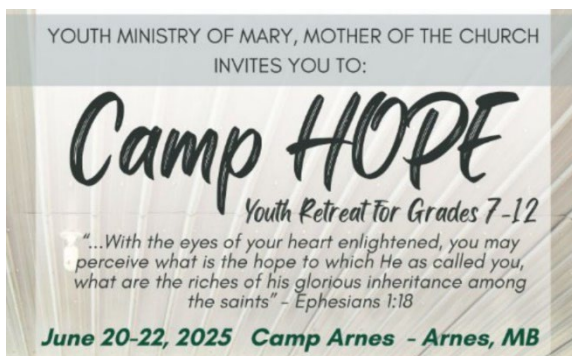
Saturday, June 21, 2025 – Church tours from 9 am to 2 pm

Saturday, June 21, 2025 – Anniversary mass @ 4 pm (bilingual)

Saturday, June 21, 2025 – Anniversary banquet @ parish hall, 6 pm Tickets \$60. Contact Parish office 204-878-2221 info@notredamedelorette.info

Sunday, June 22, 2025 – Bilingual mass @ 10:30 am followed by Parish picnic at Community Spirit Park on Station Rd in Lorette until 4 pm (parish hall, in case of rain)

Youth & Young Adult Ministry



***FINAL REMINDER!* Camp Hope – Youth Retreat 2025 at Camp Arnes – June 20 to 22, 2025**

Calling all Teens and Youth in grades 7-12! You are invited to Camp Hope. This Retreat will take place from Friday, June 20 overnight until Sunday, June 22, 2025 at Camp Arnes in Arnes, MB. Join us for a weekend of fun, fellowship and faith as we explore Christian Hope through the lives of the Saints! It will be a weekend of fun memories including some outdoor activities and talks about faith! Cost to participate is \$170 and covers all accommodations including food, transportation and activities. **Register before June 16!** All youths are invited.

For more information, please visit www.mmoc.ca/youth or contact Jason

Cegayle, Youth and Young Adult Ministry Leader at Mary, Mother of the Church at youth@mmoc.ca

For more information and to register, please [click here](#).

For poster, [click here](#).



Stewardship



June 15, 2025 – The Most Holy Trinity

“But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth...” (JOHN 16:13)

It has been said that the best gift we can give someone is to teach them how to pray. If you don't talk and more importantly, listen, to God every day, how else will you know what He is calling you to do? Just as you talk to family and friends every day, get in the habit of talking with God every day. Develop a daily prayer routine. Keep your prayers simple and sincere. This is best done in silence, when you can hear God's response.

REPEATED ITEMS

Archdiocesan News

Archbishop's Schedule

To view Archbishop LeGatt's schedule for June and July, 2025, [click here](#)



Photo gallery - Priestly Ordination of Peter Trần on May 31, 2025

Saint Boniface Cathedral was packed with the faithful for the presbyteral ordination of Peter Trần. The solemn Mass, presided by Archbishop Albert LeGatt, was notable for the number of priests in attendance, as well as for the presence of Peter Trần's parents, Minh Dung Tran and Thi Kim Le. Many thanks to the diocesan choir, the St. Philip Minh Parish choir and the technical team who made it possible to livestream the ordination so that Peter Trần's family and friends in Vietnam could take part in the celebration from a distance.

To view the photo gallery, [click here](#).



Video: Marriage Vows Renewal Mass, May 4, 2025

Nearly 350 people attended the diocesan celebration of wedding anniversaries, held on May 4 at the Cathedral of Saint-Boniface. Couples were not only able to attend a mass in their honor, but were also able to reaffirm their marriage vows and receive a blessing from Bishop LeGatt.

We invite you to view this brief yet moving video of the event by

[clicking here](#) or visit the diocesan Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/ArchSaintBoniface/> or visit the diocesan website homepage at: www.archsaintboniface.ca



Our Faith Stories: Treasures to Share ([Diocesan Website Home Page](#)): New Story – “A Hymn to Love Built on Rock”

On May 4th, some 400 people gathered at Saint Boniface Cathedral for the Diocesan Celebration of Wedding Anniversaries, a solemn Mass presided over by Bishop Albert LeGatt. Out of those present, 60 couples renewed their wedding vows, marking five, ten, fifteen, twenty, twenty-five and many more years of union. For the participants, it was a way of highlighting the beauty of marriage and the divine presence in married love.

To read the complete story, [click here](#).



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Video - Archbishop LeGatt: Welcome, Pope Leo XIV!

Having welcomed our new Pope only two weeks ago, the significance of this news for the universal Church is obvious. Yet, the link between the pontificate and our local Church in Saint-Boniface may not be so obvious. This week, Archbishop Albert dedicates his monthly reflection to discuss how the pontificate is relevant for us here, and for the spiritual life of our local Church.

To view the video, [click here](#) or visit the diocesan Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/ArchSaintBoniface/> or visit the diocesan website homepage at: www.archsaintboniface.ca

Adult Faith Formation



Assumption University Graduate Diploma in Catholic Studies – Fall 2025
Admission now open

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT IS AUGUST 15, 2025 AT NOON

Topics in Catholic Studies – Catholicism and Marginalization: CATH 8500 (3.00 Credit) – This course will focus on special topics on interest in

Catholic studies, such as, bioethics, education, literature, global poverty, migration, the saints, the papacy, social teachings, and theology of the body. This course's content will change on a yearly basis.

Directed Readings in Catholic Studies: CATH 8800 (3.00 Credit) – This course will allow students to study a specific topic not covered in detail by a course currently offered in the program. The students will select a topic and readings in consultation with an instructor. Typically, students will be permitted to complete this course once and only with permission from the Graduate Chair.

Major Paper in Catholic Studies: CATH 9000 (3.00 Credit) – This course will provide students with an opportunity to undertake an independent research project on any topic related to Catholic studies with the goal of writing a major paper that perhaps could be submitted to a refereed journal or edited book. In the course, students will submit a formal proposal that includes research questions, literature review, methods, and a preliminary bibliography.

New students applying for the Graduate Diploma in Catholic Studies

Please Apply <https://assumptionu.ca/diploma-in-catholic-studies/>

Here is the link for the application form https://assumptionu.ca/application_form/

Please have a copy of your undergraduate transcripts sent to registrar@assumptionu.ca.

For an infographic, please [click here](#).

WE HAVE SIX SCHOLARSHIPS FOR FALL 2025:

The [Dr. Daniel Andreae Scholarship](#) in Jewish-Christian Dialogue (Three scholarships at \$800.00 (Canadian)

The [Cappucci Scholarship in Christian Studies](#) \$1,000.00 (Canadian)

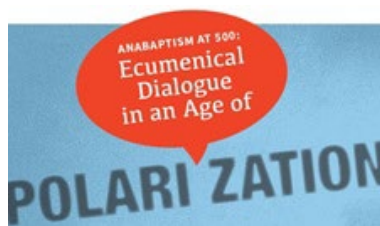
The [Minotti Scholarship in Christian Studies](#) \$1,000.00 (Canadian)

The [Joseph Robert Comuzzi Scholarship](#) \$1,000.00 (Canadian)

These scholarships are open to all students admitted into the Graduate Diploma in Catholic Studies.



Interchurch & Interfaith Learning (Ecumenism)



Bridgefolk Conference 2025: Ecumenical Dialogue in an Age of Polarization – July 24-27, 2025

Bridgefolk is a grassroots ecumenical movement of Mennonites and Roman Catholics who work together toward Christian unity by “proceeding through friendship.”

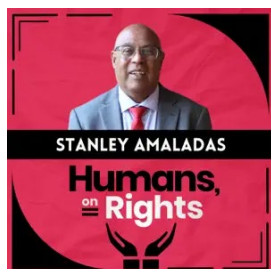
Newcomers are always welcome at Bridgefolk gatherings, regardless of religious affiliation. Most of the conference will be held at First Mennonite Church, Winnipeg, Manitoba. One evening of the conference will be held at St. Kateri Catholic Parish - as its building lives the Mennonite - Catholic dialogue in a very practical way, since St. Kateri

and Aberdeen Mennonite Church share the same building and are starting to work on a few projects together. The evening at St. Kateri (Saturday, July 28) will be the foot-washing liturgy that is a feature of every Bridgefolk Conference.

This year's conference will look at the birth of Anabaptism from both a Mennonite and a Roman Catholic perspective, what has changed in the past five centuries, and what the implications are for ecumenical dialogue today. Mennonite keynote:

Dr. Jennifer Otto, Associate Professor in the Department of History and Religion at the University of Lethbridge. Catholic keynote: **Fr. John Klassen** OSB, retired abbot of Saint John's Abbey, in Collegeville, Minnesota. The conference will also feature a panel discussion with others involved in ecumenical dialogue and work, locally and elsewhere, and a workshop to equip participants with practical tools to engage in respectful dialogue as well as small groups in which to practice these tools. For more information and to register: www.bridgefolk.net For poster, [click here](#)

Social Justice



“Trust, Rights, and Human Dignity” Podcast Now Available

Hear Dr. Stanley Amaladas of the Mauro Institute for Peace & Justice at St. Paul's College on the “Humans, On Rights” podcast: **“Trust, Rights, and Human Dignity”**. In this podcast, host Stuart Murray sits down with Dr. Stanley Amaladas, Director of the Arthur V. Mauro Institute for Peace and Justice at St. Paul's College and University of Manitoba. Dr. Amaladas reflects on his journey from Malaysia to Canada and shares a powerful story about his citizenship interview that shaped his understanding of human rights, responsibility, and dignity.

This podcast explores:

- How an uncomfortable citizenship interview became a lesson about rights, power, and responsibility.
- The difference between the legal framework of rights and our human responsibility to others.
- Why "who's right and who's wrong?" is often the wrong question in conflict resolution.
- Amaladas' vision for continuing Arthur Mauro's dream of making Winnipeg a "cultural centre for hope".
- The importance of approaching difficult conversations with curiosity instead of judgment.
- How we can speak to those in positions of power "in a way that is not tyrannical".

Dr. Amaladas brings both academic expertise in Leadership Studies and personal experience to this thoughtful discussion about what it means to lead for peace. His perspective on treating people as people first - recognizing their dignity beyond their utility - offers an important lesson for navigating today's divided world. As Dr. Amaladas reminds us: "It's not going to come from theories or big ideas. It's going to come from people who treat people as people."

The podcast can be heard [HERE](#).

Visit our **French website**: <http://www.archsaintboniface.ca/index.html?lang=fr> to read the French bulletin, *Nouvelles hebdomadaires*, for announcements and activities that appear only in French.

Please note: All announcements must be submitted to the office of Communications: communications@archsaintboniface.ca, by Monday at 4 PM if they are to be published in the Tuesday bulletin.

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