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## Monthly Prayer Intentions of Pope Leo XIV

For formation in discernment – Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

## Archdiocesan News



### \*UPDATED WITH WORKING LINK\* 2025 Pastoral Appointments On Friday, August 1st, the new pastoral appointments for our diocese will come into effect. Who will be your parish priest or Parish life administrator? *Click here*!



## \*NEW\* Photo Gallery - Unveiling of 'Grandfather Rock' - June 20, 2025

On June 20, the Archdiocese of Saint-Boniface welcomed aboriginal elders Clayton Sandy and Richard Courchene, students at Murdoch McKay College Institute, accompanied by their industrial arts teacher Collin Doyle and vice-principal Jordan Zopp, as well as Robert Loiselle, Member of the Provincial Parliament for Saint-Boniface, to take part in the unveiling of 'Grandfather Rock', a significant stone in Aboriginal spiritual tradition. The stone was topped by a symbolic sweat lodge. The unveiling took place as part of National Indigenous Peoples' Day, and represented an important gesture of reconciliation and inter-religious dialogue for the Archdiocese.

To see the photo gallery of the evening, click here.



## \*UPDATED WITH NEW 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<br/>the church in Saint-Malo.For UPDATED poster, <u>click here</u>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. <u>Click here</u> to read and enjoy!





\*NEW\* Employment Opportunities – St. Mary's Academy – Guidance counsellor St. Mary's Academy is seeking a full-time Guidance Counsellor to join our student support team for the 2025–2026 school year. The successful candidate will bring a collaborative spirit, a passion for mentoring students, and a commitment to fostering student well-being and success. Position begins September 2, 2025. Applications are

due Thursday, July 3, 2025. Full details and how to apply found at www.smamb.ca/news/employment-opportunities.

## \*UPDATED\* COME & DISCOVER 'WHO IS SAINT CARLO ACUTIS?'



**GOOD NEWS!** The first saint of the millennium, Blessed Carlo Acutis, will be canonized a saint on September 7 by Pope Leo XIV.

From September 17 to 29 inclusively, Louise Normandeau will be offering dynamic multimedia presentations on Carlo Acutis. There will be: **a short video**, about Carlo's life; a **Powerpoint presentation** about Carlo, his life, his family and why he will be canonized a saint; a **guided tour** with explanations of the paintings of the **Eucharistic Miracles**, <u>click here</u>, as well as the painting of **Carlo's 'incorruptible body'**; **veneration of Carlo's relic** that his mother gave to Mrs. Normandeau. You can come up to look at and touch the relic (which is in a small religuary) and entrust your prayer intentions to Saint Carlo.

THE TESTIMONIAL from many of those who attended the presentations is: 'This is an event NOT TO BE MISSED!

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

\*REMINDER\* Diocesan Multicultural Mass & Celebrations -Tuesday, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 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\* Video - Archbishop LeGatt & the Reverend Norman Mead: Conversation for National Indigenous Peoples Day During this National Indigenous History Month, and in view of National Indigenous Peoples Day which takes place June 21st, Archbishop Albert discusses reconciliation with Norman Meade, Elder and Reverend in the Anglican Church. Truly, great lengths remain in the paths of truth and reconciliation. Yet, concerted efforts from all parties continue to lay the foundations to the reconciliation we seek.

Please join us in praying for truth and reconciliation on Turtle Island, for all peoples who inhabit it, both Indigenous and settler peoples. 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

## Apostolates and Ministries

## \*NEW\* Saint Philomena Walking Pilgrimage – August 14, 2025

Everyone is invited to join us for all or part of the 7th annual Saint Philomena Walking Pilgrimage. This pilgrimage is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Regina and will start on August 11th in Yorkton Sk and finish on August 14th at the Rama Shrine. This is a guided pilgrimage with rest stops, meals, support vehicles, and a trailer carrying tents and sleeping gear to each overnight stop. Mass or Divine Liturgy is celebrated each day. Everyone is welcome to join us for those celebrations – a great way to show support for the pilgrimage and the pilgrims! For more information see our website at stphilomena.ca or phone 306 728 5525.



### \***REMINDER**\* **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 <u>www.passionplay.ca</u> 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 <u>clicking this link</u> For more information, visit <u>www.passionplay.ca/</u> For poster, <u>click here</u>.

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

## \*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 @ <u>simplydrew@gmail.com</u> 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 Shepherd Level One A Training - Register today! the Good Shepherd The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is for children aged 3-

# \*UPDATE WITH CHANGE OF DATE!!\* Catechesis of the Good

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 and is a sound formation for all adults.

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 (PLEASE NOTE: Feb 21-22 is replaced with March 7-8 due to a scheduling conflict) hosted by the Archdiocese of Winnipeg and Saint Theresa's Parish. CLICK for POSTER CLICK for BROCURE 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

## \*REMINDER\* 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. 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/

## In the Media

## \*NEW\* Winnipeg Free Press: Grandfather rock, symbolic sweat lodge on archdiocese grounds described as important symbols of reconciliation

After smudging and a prayer for the Creator's blessing, a grandfather rock and symbolic sweat lodge were unveiled Friday on the grounds of the Archdiocese of St. Boniface bishop's residence

The 1.5-metre-tall M'shoomis Asin, or grandfather rock, was donated to the archdiocese by a parishioner five years ago. The symbolic sweat lodge was welded by students at Murdoch MacKay Collegiate.

Also unveiled at the ceremony was a panel about sweat lodges and grandfather rocks, which Indigenous people believe are sacred because they contain generational knowledge and a spirit. A panel with information about the grandfather rock appears in English, French, Lakota and Ojibwe. A second panel, in English and French, describes the role of sweat lodges in Indigenous tradition and culture.

To read the rest of faith reporter John Longhurst's article, *click here*.

Please note that this article was also published as "Grandfather Rock a sign of reconciliation in St. Boniface" in the Catholic Register. To read there, click here.



## Marriage, Family & Life

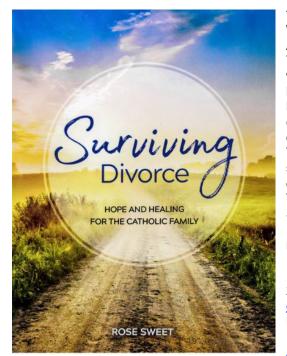
### \*NEW\* Marriage Tips

Love is humble, and humility acknowledges that we are not perfect. Take the time to ask for forgiveness from your spouse if you have hurt him or her.

### \*NEW\* Reflections for the Separated & Divorced

### A Prayer for Strength During Divorce

Gracious deliverer, help me believe you're close to my broken heart, and with me in this pain. Provider God, grant me reprieve from the burdensome task of explaining the details of my pain to near-strangers, but bring close some burdenbearing friends to walk lovingly with me through this time. Help me trust that you have good things in store for me, and that you will deliver me. Despite all that I've lost, I count on you to help me find new joy and hope for today. Amen. – ReclaimToday (Our Daily Bread Ministries)



# \*NEW\* 12-Week Catholic Program for the Separated and Divorced – Wednesdays, September 17th to December 10th

Are you or anyone in your family Separated or Divorced? The Archdiocese of Saint Boniface Ministry to the Separated and Divorced will be hosting a twelve-session Surviving Divorce program that will bring hope and healing to those who are experiencing the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. Surviving Divorce features twelve video presentations that cover topics such as shock and grief, anger and forgiveness, money issues, dealing with children and a former spouse, and annulment and remarriage. This program is for the newly separated and divorced and those still struggling with issues many years later. It will help them find answers to their questions, restore their hope, and begin authentic healing. This program will run on Wednesday evenings from 7pm-9pm, starting on September 17th, 2025, at the Saint Boniface Archdiocesan Centre. Registration is required. The cost of the program for participants is \$50 and includes the Surviving Divorce Personal Guide and all program materials. Find comfort and counsel consistent with Catholic Church teachings. For information, please contact Marie Brunet at mfl@archsaintboniface.ca; 204-594-0274 or Daniel Bahuaud at

communications@archsaintboniface.ca; 204-594-0277. **Register here for the program:** <u>https://bit.ly/survivingdivorce2025</u> For additional help and resources for the Separated and Divorced, visit: <u>Archdiocese of Saint Boniface - Ministry to Divorced and Separated</u>

## (archsaintboniface.ca)

### YOU ARE INVITED TO LIFE CULTURE'S

## PASTORS' LUNCH

WITH SPECIAL GUEST, ALEX SCHADENBERG EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EUTHANASIA PREVENTION COALITION

- TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2025
- 11:30am to 1:30pm
- Hyatt House Hotel, Winnipeg

- WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2025
- I1:30am to 1:30pm
- Smitty's, Steinbach

### ABOUT THE PRESENTATION:

This presentation will provide an opportunity to learn more about the ethical, spiritual, and pastoral complexities surrounding MAiD, as well as to engage in thoughtful discussion with fellow faith leaders.

This is a complimentary event. Register by August 11th at: www.lifeculture.ca/pastors



\*NEW\* Life Culture Lunch – August 19 & 20, 2025 With special guest – Alex Schadenberg (Executive Director of Euthanasia Prevention Coalition)

This free presentation and lunch provides an opportunity for pastors, elders, and church staff to learn more about the ethical, spiritual, and pastoral complexities surrounding MAiD, as well as to engage in thoughtful discussion with fellow faith leaders. <u>Click here</u> for poster.

Please register by August 11: <u>www.lifeculture.ca/pastors</u>

### 2 date options:

**August 19** from 11:30 am-1:30 pm at Hyatt House, Winnipeg **August 20** from 11:30 am-1:30 pm at Smitty's, Steinbach







## \*REMINDER\* Mary Mother of the Church Parish Sacramental Marriage Formation

Sacramental Marriage Formation at Mary, Mother of the Church will take place on July 5, 6, 26, and 27, 2025. The times are as follows:

• Saturday, July 5 - 10:00AM to 5:00PM

• Sunday, July 6 - 1:30PM to 5:00PM (couples are invited to attend mass with their families at our parish from 12:15PM-1:15PM)

• Saturday, July 26 - 10:00AM to 5:00PM

• Sunday, July 27 - 1:30PM to 5:00PM (couples are invited to attend mass with

their families at our parish from 12:15PM-1:15PM)

Couples who attend all sessions will be provided with a letter attesting to their attendance.

To register for the program, complete *this form*. For frequently asked questions, please click *here*. Registration for this class closes Tuesday, **July 1, 2025**.



## \*REMINDER\* 5th World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly - Sunday, July 27 This special day held every 4th Sunday in July was established by Pope Francis in 2021 near the feast of Sts. Anne & Joachim, Jesus' grandparents. In context of the Jubilee Year dedicated to hope, the theme this year is: *"Blessed are those who have not lost hope" (Sir 14:2).* This is an opportunity to reflect on how "the presence of

grandparents and the elderly can become a sign of hope in every family and church community" - Dicastery for the Laity, Family and Life.

**Parishes are invited to celebrate this special day. Contact Nadine Fetherston** (Marriage, Family & Life Office - Archdiocese of St. Boniface) for Mass celebration and parish event ideas: <u>mfl2@archsaintboniface.ca</u>

Check out the **World Grandparents Association:** <u>Click here</u> and the **CCCB** for upcoming resource packages in July: <u>Click here</u>

## Ministry of Care

## \*REMINDER\* Healing Together – Supporting a Loved One on their Journey of Recovery

**Do you struggle to understand a loved one facing addiction? You're not alone** – and you don't have to navigate it alone. Healing Together is a 2 x 3 hours-sessions (in-person workshop to help families and friends to: Understand addiction; Support without judgment; Learn recovery-focused language; and be part of an ongoing support network. Spaces available in July, August and September. Only \$70.00 | In-Person | Refreshments provided If affordability is a concern, please speak with any social service organization about the possibility of being referred to this workshop. For more information: www.sarariel.ca/courses/healing-together For poster, *click here*.

## **Parish Events**

\*NEW\* Join Holy Cross Parish on Our Bus to the Passion Play in La Rivière – July 13, 2025 Come with us on a pilgrimage to the Passion Play in La Rivière, MB! Date: Sunday, July 13, 2025. The bus will pick you up in front of Holy Cross Church, 252 Dubuc Street, at 2:30 pm. Estimated cost: \$50 includes bus and play tickets. To book your spot and for more info, please email us at: ppc@holycrossparish.ca



## Weekly News Bulletin June 24, 2025



\*REMINDER\* Notre Dame du Laus Jubilee Pilgrimage Campout – June 27 to 29, 2025
Friday June 27 –
6:00 pm - Adoration with Worship Team and Confession.
7:00-9:30 pm - Campfire, Music, hot dogs, marshmallows, cookies and refreshments
Saturday June 28 –
9:00 am - Morning Mass and Rosary
11:00-2:00 pm - Afternoon Games / Trip to the local beach
3:00-4:00 pm - Testimonials
4:00-4:45 pm - Confession

5:00 pm - Evening Mass

6:00 pm - Spaghetti Dinner
7:00-10:00 pm - Youth Movie Night & Board Games
Sunday June 29 –
10:00 am - Rosary and Closing Mass
11:30 am – Pancake Breakfast
Bring your camper (no electrical), tents, sleeping bags (room in the Church) and lawn chairs!
For poster, *click here*

## Social Justice

## \*NEW\* Help CNEWA Extend a Hand of Christian Solidarity in Gaza

As the humanitarian crisis in Gaza deepens, Christian communities are on the front lines — offering shelter, care, and dignity to families who have lost everything. In this time of immense suffering, <u>CNEWA Canada</u> (Catholic Near East Welfare Association) invites you to help them extend a hand of Christian solidarity.

Since May, thanks to Canadian donors, CNEWA has already delivered over 350 bags of fresh vegetables (10 kg each) to displaced families — many of whom are being hosted in two local churches in Gaza. This vital aid is coordinated locally by the Middle East Council of Churches, with support from the Christian community.

We humbly ask your support in one or more of the following ways:

- Encourage donations through CNEWA's secure platform: <u>www.cnewa.ca</u>
- Continue to pray for peace in the world

As Dr. Adriana Bara, National Director of CNEWA Canada, says:

"Each bag of vegetables is more than a meal — it's a sign that the Body of Christ is one, even across oceans and borders. Canadian Catholics are making a difference, family by family."

Let us continue to pray together for peace in the Holy Land, and for the Christian families who, despite suffering, continue to bear witness to the Gospel.



## Youth & Young Adult Ministry

\*NEW\* Discipleship Formation Program – Application Deadline is July 15, 2025 The Discipleship Formation Program is a year for young Catholics to live in community, to study the Catholic faith with the head and the heart, to develop their personal relationship with Jesus Christ, and to grow in their missionary zeal through evangelization and ministry.

The program is primarily geared towards Catholic young adults who have completed high school and have yet to make big decisions towards school, work, or vocation (marriage, priesthood, or consecrated life). It can also benefit older Catholic adults who have started on life's journey but want a chance to reorient themselves, receive

a quality Catholic formation, and develop a new confidence for evangelization.

The dealing to apply for the DFP is July 15th, 2025. <u>Click here</u> to begin your application.



## \*REMINDER\* Catholic Christian Outreach – Summit on Saturday – July 5, 2025

The CCO is hosting an event called Summit on Saturday July 5 from 1 to 3 pm at St. Edward the Confessor Parish (836 Arlington Avenue Winnipeg). There will be a testimony, talk, Adoration, praise and worship, and a social afterwards. We hope to see you there!

## Stewardship



## June 29, 2025 - Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

"I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith." (2 TIMOTHY 4:7)

How many of us can say this? St. Teresa of Calcutta said, "God doesn't call us to be successful, he calls us to be faithful." How many times have we been blinded by the success of the world at the expense of our faith? Matthew Kelly says, "Take one minute each day to live stewardship reminding yourself that you are just passing through this life and will die one day; you will live more intentionally with a passion and purpose."



## Archdiocesan News



### Photo gallery - Jubilee celebrations at Saint-Norbert Parish – June 6, 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 LeGatt 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.



### 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*.



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### 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: <a href="https://www.lcarreiro@ctkschool.ca">lcarreiro@ctkschool.ca</a> 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-laudatosi.html

For brochure, <u>click here</u>.

Please Register by clicking here or email khrizai@archsaintboniface.ca or call 204 594-0273

## 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: <u>www.bridgefolk.net</u> For poster, <u>click here</u>

> Visit our **French website**: <u>http://www.archsaintboniface.ca/index.html?lang=fr</u> 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: <u>communications@archsaintboniface.ca</u>, by Monday at 4 PM if they are to be published in the Tuesday bulletin.



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