

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESAN SERVICES - July 13, 202

The next Newsletter will be published on August 24.

Office of the Archbishop



INVITATION TO THE ARCHBISHOP GOLF OMNIUM ON SEPTEMBER 10, 2021 AT 12 PM

Once again this year, we are offering a unique opportunity to contribute to the charities supported by the Archbishop of Gatineau. These nonprofit organizations are a valuable asset for our communities. Their work is essential to the well-being of our neighbors in need. Since its foundation, the Archdiocese of Gatineau has recognized the social impact of these organizations and supports their mission throughout our region. For the eighth consecutive year, all the funds raised by the Archbishop's Golf Omnium will be distributed in bursaries to nonprofit organizations that are seeking financial assistance from the Archdiocese of Gatineau.



THE NEW PUBLIC HEALTH STANDARDS

The new public health standards make it possible to reintroduce several customary practices in our liturgical assemblies. Our diocesan protocol has been adjusted based on these changes. We invite you to consult this <u>new version here</u>.

Here are some highlights of these changes:

WELCOME - The priest may greet people as they arrive at church, preferably outside, wearing a mask, avoiding contact and maintaining a distance of one metre.

ENTRANCE PROCESSION - It may move up through the assembly and be composed of the priest, those who serve at the altar, readers, the processional cross or the Book of the Gospels. It is important that each person wear a mask and keep a distance of one metre from other people.

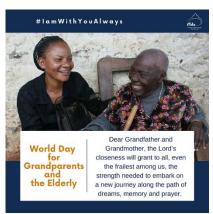
READERS - It is possible that more than one reader be involved in the liturgy. These people can be part of the entrance procession and should be seated at least one metre apart. Ideally, they will disinfect their hands before going up to the ambo.

PROCESSION OF THE GIFTS - We can resume the procession of the gifts by members of the assembly. Those who bring the offerings to the priest disinfect their hands before doing so and wear a mask.

ALTAR SERVERS - One or two people can provide this service and be part of the entrance procession. At the beginning of the preparation of the gifts and after Communion, those who serve at the altar put on their masks and disinfect their hands before undertaking their service.

RECESSIONAL - It can proceed in the same way as for the entrance procession. The priest can then greet people at the exit, ideally outside, wearing his mask, avoiding all physical contact and maintaining a distance of one metre from people at all times.

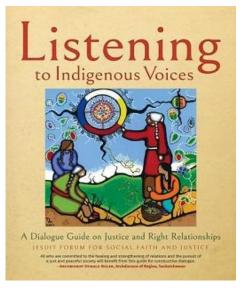




FIRST WORLD DAY OF GRANDPARENTS AND SENIORS

In January, Pope Francis established the World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly on the fourth Sunday of July. This year it is July 25. The Vatican has prepared a "pastoral kit" to prepare and celebrate this day with resources such as Pope Francis message to be printed and distributed to the elderly and young people, a Prayer, Pastoral Guidelines and Liturgy notes. See our website for more information.

LAUNCH OF A DIALOGUE GUIDE: LISTENING TO INDIGENOUS VOICES



On May 4, 2021, several people from our diocese participated in the launch in French of the dialogue guide *Listening to Indigenous Voices* prepared by the **Jesuit Forum for Social Faith and Justice**, in collaboration with **Kairos Canada** and the **Justice and Faith Centre**. The result of close collaboration between Non-Natives and Aboriginal people and inspired by the *Ignatian discernment approach*, this tool aims to contribute to decolonization and the development of just relations with First Nations, Métis and Inuit. An essential complement to the coverage exercise developed by Kairos and adapted in Quebec by ROJEP, this dialogue guide invites participants to actively listen to the voices and worldviews of First Peoples, an essential prerequisite for a radical and lasting transformation of relations between Non-Natives and Aboriginal peoples. Would you like to participate in meetings to discuss the content of this guide? Contact Julie (coolj@diocesegatineau.org). **Browse the guide and order it.**

YOUTH MINISTRY

Do you have a youth group in your parish? Would you like to start one up? A small group of people who are involved in youth ministry in our diocese will be getting together for a virtual meeting to share ideas and information. Please get in touch with <u>Julie Cool</u> if you would like to join this meeting.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO FIND OUT ABOUT RETREATS, ACTIVITIES IN FRENCH?

In this English version of the diocesan bulletin, we share information relevant to our English-speaking parishioners. If you want to find out about retreats and resources available in French only, you might want to also subscribe to the French *Infolettre*. You can sign up here.

Office of the diocesan bursar

RELIGIOUS HERITAGE DAYS - OPEN HOUSE EVENT

In preparation for our 4th edition, 11 & 12 September 2021

The Québec Religious Heritage Council (CPRQ) is honored to announce that more than 200 activities, taking place in over 150 different cities and municipalities, have already been registered for the event on Saturday and Sunday, 11 and 12 September. Registration will take place until **August 15th** and all religious traditions, even organizations operating in transformed religious sites, are invited to register their activities promoting access to and appreciation of religious heritage.

Link to the new release

Link to register your church



TO GIVE TO PARISHES

The diocese is offering 36 leatherette chairs free of charge to parishes. Interested parishes simply need to contact the diocesan bursar or the janitor of the Diocesan Center, Mr. Antonio Teixeira, and they will need to pick up the chairs at the Diocesan Center.

The 2021 fundraising campaign for our parishes ("la dîme")

Standing together ← even 2 metres apart!

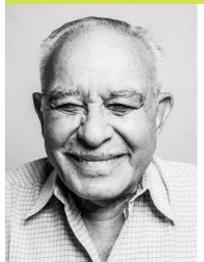


On the same theme as last year, the 2021 fundraising campaign for our parishes ("la dîme") is currently taking place in the 53 parishes of our Diocesan Church. As in previous years, the Archdiocese continues to collaborate with the parishes by offering promotional tools and advertisements in the media. In addition, parishes can count on *Les Jardins du Souvenir* corporation partnership to support them in distributing their solicitation letter. The campaign runs throughout the spring and there will be a reminder in the fall. <u>Video message from Archbishop Paul-André Durocher</u>. To make a donation to one or the other parishes, it is possible to do so via the <u>online donation platform</u> on the website of the Archdiocese of Gatineau.

Your donation allows your parish to continue its mission. Thank you!

NEWS FROM THE PARISHES AND MOVEMENTS

Do you know an isolated elder or would you like to become a volunteer?



Since 1962, they have been brightening the days of seniors by providing them with a caring and dedicated family for the rest of their life.

In the past year, with the support of 2,917 volunteers, Little Brothers impacted the lives of 2,388 elders.

Please reach out!

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The Extended Family for Lonely Elders

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ANNOUNCEMENTS/INVITATIONS TO SHARE

This section is for the sharing of announcements/invitations from parishes and movements in the diocese. If you have an activity to share or advertise, please send a note to Bozica Domitrovic on Friday before the newsletter release.

DIOCESAN CENTRE: OPENING HOURS AND SUMMER HOLIDAY



As usual, our office will close at noon on each Friday from June 25 until September 3, 2021.

Annual vacation: the office of the Diocesan Centre will be closed from August 4 until August 16, 2021.

The diocesan team wish you happy holidays.



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