

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESAN SERVICES - August 24, 2021

Office of the Archbishop



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

Reminder: there are only a few places left for golfers interested in registering (before August 31) for the ninth Archbishop's Golf Omnium. At the invitation of Archbishop Durocher, you will participate in the mission of the community organizations of the Archbishopese of Gatineau. Since its foundation, our diocese has made it a point to offer its assistance to non-profit organizations that request it. All profits collected during the Archbishop's Golf Omnium allow a multitude of community projects to be carried out in the beautiful Outaouais region.

REGISTER NOW

SISTERS OF SAINTE-FAMILLE-DE-BORDEAUX

On July 13, Sister Paulette Lambert, provincial of the Sisters of Sainte-Famille-de-Bordeaux, wrote to Archbishop Durocher to tell him that the few members of her community residing in Aylmer would be leaving the diocese to join a house in Montreal. So would end the presence of this institute in our region, a presence which has marked the history of our diocesan church. Archbishop Durocher wrote a few words to Sister Paulette:

"The sisters of Sainte-Famille-de-Bordeaux will not only have left beautiful memories in our community, but lasting fruits. The personal and community witness of the nuns who lived and worked in the Outaouais has left traces of light and joy. I thank God for it and thank you personally. I pray this same Lord to bless you and all the members of your institute as you continue to respond generously and joyfully to his calls."

Let us carry the Sisters of Sainte-Famille-de-Bordeaux in our prayers.

PASSING OF MRS. MARIE-THÉRÈSE ÉBACHER

It is with sadness that the General Secretariat has been informed of the death of Mrs. Marie-Thérèse Ébacher, sister of the Most Reverend Roger Ébacher, Archbishop Emeritus of Gatineau. Mrs. Ébacher passed away peacefully, in Montreal, on Sunday, 15 August 2021, at the age of 76. Read more





HELPING PARENTS PREPARE THEIR CHILDREN FOR THEIR FIRST COMMUNION

A team at the Archdiocese of Montreal has prepared <u>resources for parents</u> to use to help prepare their children for the sacraments of reconciliation and Eucharist. Parish teams might want to review these materials to see whether they might be of interest in this coming year. Please note that it would still be important to identify leaders of sacramental preparation to guide parents in this preparation.

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

For the 4th edition of the Religious Heritage Days, September 11 and 12, 2021, the Conseil du patrimoine religieux du Québec (CPRQ) is pleased to announce that there will be 257 sites to visit, including 12 in the Outaouais. For the parishes of the Archdiocese of Gatineau, there will be the presbytery and church of St. Stephen, the church of Notre-Dame-de-la-Guadeloupe, the church of Our Lady of Sorrows, the church of St. André-Avellin, the church of St. François-de-Sales, the church of St. Gregoire-de-Nazianze and the church of St. Angelique. To find out the complete program for all of Quebec and the Outaouais, simply visit the Religious Heritage Days website. It is an invitation to rediscover our churches.

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.

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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



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



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