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VOCATION GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 2, 2020

That all those discerning a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life will find encouragement through our prayers and sacrifices on their behalf, we pray to the Lord.

VOCATION BULLETIN REFLECTION

The Presentation of the Lord -- February 2, 2020 – World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life “Consider your own calling...” and do not be discouraged by others when considering the consecrated life or priesthood. Call Father Jeff Kolonel at (709)745-8183 or Father Ray Earle (709)781-1696 or Father Philip Melvin at (709)754-1195 or email: vocations@rcsj.org

COUNSELLING AND PASTORAL SERVICES

RUAH

- 1. Winter 2020 Group Offerings - Ruah Counselling Centre. Please go to www.rcsj.org for more information:** Rebuilding After the End of a Relationship, Separation & Divorce (8 weeks beginning January 13, 2020 on Monday evenings 7-9pm) Stress Management (8 weeks beginning January 22, 2020 on Wednesday evenings 7-9pm) Self-Empowerment for Women (8 weeks beginning January 23, 2020 on Thursday evenings 7-9pm) When You See Red for Women (8 weeks beginning January 29, 2020 on Wednesday afternoons 12-2pm) When You See Red for Men (8 weeks beginning February 4, 2020 on Tuesday evenings 7-9pm)
- 2. Ruah Counselling Centre** also provides individual, couple, and family counselling. Please contact Samantha Lake at 579-0168 for more information.

CENTRE FOR LIFE

- Registration for Computers for Seniors has resumed for the winter session. To register or for information please call Centre for Life 579-1500.
- Counselling and support services are available for post-abortive women and any woman in an unexpected pregnancy. Professional confidential counselling services are available by contacting 709-579-3818, or by email counsellors@centreforlife.ca
- There is no fee for the services provided by the Centre for Life.



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RELIGIOUS CELEBRATIONS AND EVENTS

1. World Day of the Sick – February 11th

The ministry of Jesus to the sick is central to the life of the Church. February 11th (Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes) highlights the healing ministry of the Church. It reminds us that service to the sick and suffering cannot be neglected. It recognizes the great efforts of doctors, nurses, health care institutions and pastoral care givers to restore health to those afflicted with illness and disease.

In celebration of this year's World Day of the Sick, Archbishop Hundt invites you to join him at a special Mass on Tuesday February 11th 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Basilica of St. John the Baptist (200 Military Road, St. John's, NL). All those who are involved in caring for the sick are especially invited to this celebration. Following the Mass there will be light refreshments available and an opportunity for socializing.

2. New Evangelization Summit -- April 25, 2020 -- SAVE THE DATE!

On **Saturday, April 25th**, join thousands of Catholics from around the world at the premier conference on the New Evangelization. The event will be held live in Ottawa and webcast to host sites across Canada and the USA. This year's Summit is once again featuring world-class Catholic speakers: Fr. Robert Spitzer, S.J., Michael Dopp, Barbara Mason, Sherry Wedell, and Brett Powell. The NES has been designed to inspire Catholics and help them live out their personal call to evangelize. St. Peter's Parish (110 Ashford Drive, Mount Pearl) is incredibly excited to be a host site for NES. This year, the Summit is FREE for all attendees! Be inspired, receive formation, and connect with other Catholics. Register now at www.newevangelization.ca Where/Location: St. Peter's Parish (110 Ashford Drive, Mount Pearl)

When: April 25, 2020 Cost: FREE Contact: youthsaintppmaryqueen@gmail.com or call Heather- St. Peter's Parish (364-8606).

3. MUN -Weekday Mass Time Change - now 12 noon (instead of 12:15).

UC 4018. Sincerely, Fr Joe Mroz jmroz@mun.ca

4. Spiritual Conversation: Methods of Prayer

A prayer evening that explores spiritual conversation and different methods of prayer. **Thursday, January 30, 7:00 - 9:00 pm at Queen's College, Prince Philip Drive** with Fr. Earl Smith SJ.



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5. The Blessings of Aging

This series based on Joan Chittister's best-selling book, **The Gift of Years**, explores themes of aging such as meaning, time, joy, regret, spirituality, and legacy with an invitation to explore with others the blessing and challenge of each theme. Session by session, you will be guided to embrace a vision of elderhood as a blessed time to be alive. This 5 part series begins on **Monday, February 3, 27, 10:15 - 11: 15 am at St. Pius X Church, Smithville Cres** with Maria Kelsey, MTh.

CURRENT AND UPCOMING EVENTS

1. DIPLOMA IN THEOLOGY AND MINISTRY

OFFERED BY THE ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. JOHN'S AT QUEEN'S COLLEGE

Are you interested in learning more about your faith and growing in understanding of it? The Archdiocese of St. John's offers a two-year Diploma in Theology and Ministry through Queen's College. One weekend each month for two years, you will gather with a group of believers who are curious and committed to explore many areas of theology under with the help of qualified, committed, faithful facilitators. For more information, contact Anne Walsh at (709) 579-0065, ext. 227, **OR amfwalsh@gmail.com**

2. DEVELOPMENT & PEACE - Solidarity Tour to the Brazilian Amazon!

July 7-23, 2020. You will have the opportunity to: •Visit Development & Peace partners in Brazil! •Deliver Solidarity Letters signed by thousands of Canadians! •Learn more about Social Pastorals of the Brazilian Catholic Church! Application deadline: January 6, 2020. Cost \$3000.00 (We will help you fundraise!) Please contact Selina at shunt@devp.org

3. EASTERN HEALTH'S PASTORAL CARE, ETHICS & BEREAVEMENT

SERVICES DEPARTMENT invites people grieving the loss of a loved one to join an 8-week Bereavement Information & Support Group. There are two timeslots available. The first timeslot meets at Health Sciences Centre and begins January 23, 2020. Sessions are held Thursday afternoons from 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. The other group option meets at St. Clare's Mercy Hospital and begins February 3, 2020. Sessions are-held Monday evenings from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For more information, or to register, please contact the Pastoral Care Office at 777-6959 or Scott Parsons at 777-7611 (Health Sciences) or Jenna King-Poirier at 777-5908 (St. Clare's).

4. COME "AWAKEN THE ENERGY WITHIN" for more relaxation, energy, wellness and joy with T'ai Chi Chih Joy thru Movement and Wisdom Healing Qigong. Daytime and evening sessions Tuesday to Thursday starting January 21st until mid-March at The Lantern, 35 Barnes Road, St. John's. New and returning participants welcome! Can be done seated or standing according to one's ability. For more details please contact Sheila at 727-7863 or sheilaleonard@nf.sympatico.ca or visit www.sheilaleonard.ca Can also call The Lantern at 753-8760.



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5. PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINES OF FRANCE- October 21-31, 2020 with Fr. Cecil Critch. Highlights - Paris, Shrine of Miraculous Medal, Parish Churches and other sites, Church of St. Joan of Arc in Rouen, Shrine of St. Theresa of Lisieux, Our Lady of Chartres, St. Bernadette at Nevers, St. Jean Vianney, La Salette, Avignon, and ending in Lourdes. If interested, please call Colleen Williams at Carson Wagonlit, Harvey's Travel Mt. Pearl, NL 747-5018.

6. CCO (Catholic Christian Outreach) Annual Founders' Dinner is Saturday, March 28 For details, and to register please go to cco.ca/stjohnsgala Please join us for CCO's annual fundraising dinner. We will hear from CCO's Founder Angele Regnier and we will also hear from students involved with CCO who have been impacted by God through their involvement. This is a highlight for many of our friends and supporters - don't miss it! This event will take place at Columbus Hall, 49 St. Clair Ave. in St. John's. Doors open at 5:00pm, dinner will be served at 6pm. Register at cco.ca/stjohnsgala. Email maryclaire.hoffman@cco.ca with any questions.

7. HOME AGAIN FURNITURE BANK – DONATIONS REQUESTED



Donating Your Gently-Used Furniture Could Change a Life

Home Again Furniture Bank is a local non-profit organization that provides gently-used furniture and housewares to individuals and families in need. Each week, Home Again volunteers ensure that our neighbours have beds to sleep in and tables to share a meal around.

For more information on how you can help to transform homes, and lives, please connect with Home Again today: info@homeagainfb.com or visit our website: www.homeagainfb.ca



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