



Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of St. John's Bulletin Announcements 12 January 2020

VOCATION GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

The Baptism of the Lord -- January 12, 2020

Lord, we know that You call us to our vocation from the moment of our baptism. Help young men and women to faithfully answer this call, we pray to the Lord.

VOCATION BULLETIN REFLECTION

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"...this is my beloved Son..." If this excites you into desiring to tell the story of Jesus, then God may be calling you to be holy through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life. 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

- 3. •** 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 for Consecrated Life 2020

Initiated in 1997, by Saint John Paul II, the World Day for Consecrated Life is celebrated annually on February 2nd the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. St. John Paul gave as the purpose of this World Day: "to help the entire Church to esteem ever more greatly the witness of those persons who have chosen to follow Christ by means of the practise of the evangelical counsels" as well as, "to be a suitable occasion for consecrated persons to renew their commitment and rekindle the fervour which should inspire their offering of themselves to the Lord."

We are grateful to these consecrated men and women of our Archdiocese who live out their baptismal vocation by professing the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience in a religious congregation, a secular institute or through private vows. The World Day for Consecrated Life is a wonderful opportunity for us to show our gratitude to them by praying for God's continued blessing upon them and by praying that many others will hear and respond to the call to Consecrated Life.

In celebration of this year's World Day for Consecrated Life, Archbishop Hundt invites you to join him at a special Mass on Sunday February 2nd 2020 at 11:00 a.m. in St. Pius X Church (16 Smithville Crescent, St. John's, NL). All those in the Archdiocese who are in vowed Consecrated Life have been invited to this Mass. Following the Mass there will be an opportunity to socialize with them at a small reception in the parish hall.

2. MUN

Weekday Mass has resumed at MUN. Monday through Friday, 12:15, **room UC 4018 (new room)**. Sincerely, Fr Joe Mroz jmroz@mun.ca

3. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will take place the week of 18-25 January 2020. The theme is: "They showed us unusual kindness" (Acts 28:2). Local resources for Canada can be accessed on the website o the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: In English: <https://www.weekofprayer.ca/2020-wpcu-resources>

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



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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.