



Office of Youth Ministry

Archdiocese of Kingston

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MAY 2017 UPDATE

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK (April 30 – May 5, 2017)

- This week is Catholic Education Week. We continue to thank God and pray for our separate school system and our awesome school boards: ALCDSB & CDSBEO, the staff, students and families in our Catholic schools.
- For more info on Catholic Education Week events visit the school board websites / social media outlets.
- For more info on the Catholic Education Week theme this year visit:
<http://www.ocsta.on.ca/resources/catholic-education-week-resources/>

YOUTH MINISTRY COMMISSION – Thursday, May 4

- The next Youth Commission is on **Thursday, May 4 at 4:30 pm at the Diocesan Centre.**
- We will be exploring the Preparatory Document for the upcoming 2018 Synod of Bishops on Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment. The plan is to come up with some ways to get feedback from the archdiocese on some of the questions posed by the Vatican for this synod.
- If you are interested in reading this document visit: [Vatican Website](#)

MARCH FOR LIFE / YOUTH CONFERENCE – Thursday, May 11, & Friday, May 12 (Ottawa)

- The annual March for Life will be held in Ottawa at Parliament Hill on Thursday, May 11. Youth that wish to attend are encouraged to attend with their parish group (if there is one going) or with a parent. I am aware of a bus going from St. Joseph's in Kingston and the TrueLight Youth Ministry in Perth is also attending. There is also a Pro-Life Youth Conference on the Friday that has excellent content on pro-life issues and great speakers.
- For more info about the March and Conference visit: <http://marchforlife.ca/>

NET RETREATS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE (May 13-18)

- The NET Team will be in our archdiocese May 13-18 facilitating retreats at some of our parishes / schools. Please pray for the team and for the young people who will experience these retreat days.
- **If your parish / school is interested in having the NET team do a retreat for you in the Fall 2017 or Spring 2018 please contact Nadia at the Youth Office in the next week as we are just finalizing our visit times for the next school year.**

NATIONAL WEEK FOR LIFE AND THE FAMILY – May 14-21, 2017

- Each year we celebrate a week for Life and the Family in Canada. It coincides with the week of the March for Life. There are some resources and suggestions for individuals, parishes and families to do on the CCCB website from COLF (Catholic Organization for Life and Family). If you are interested in checking these out please visit: <http://www.colf.ca/en/> or the [CCCB Website](#)

ANNUAL YOUTH MINISTRY APPRECIATION DINNER – Tuesday, June 20

- Each year, the Youth Office hosts an appreciation dinner for those youth ministers and volunteers that are working in our parishes and secondary school chaplaincies. Invitations will be emailed out this week. On behalf of the Archdiocese, thank you for your service to youth and their families.

STEBENVILLE TORONTO 2017 – July 28-30

- **Registrations need to be submitted to the Youth Office in the next few weeks of May for those wishing to go with our Archdiocesan Group!** If you know of anyone planning on attending or perhaps interested in joining us please spread the word for them to contact Nadia in the Youth Office for information and registration forms: youth@romancatholic.kingston.on.ca
- Archbishop O'Brien will be celebrating the Saturday mass which is exciting!



TOTUS TUUS IS COMING! SUMMER 2017!

- **Registration is NOW OPEN! Contact the Youth Office for an info package with more details on the camp as well as for registration forms for your deanery!**
- **More info at <https://www.kingstonvocations.com/totus-tuus>**
- The Youth Office & Vocations Office are excited to offer a new initiative this Summer for youth of the archdiocese: Totus Tuus (Latin for Totally Yours). Totus Tuus is a faith-based summer camp. We will be hosting one week of camp in each deanery. A team of four trained young adults from our archdiocese will travel to each deanery, sharing the faith through catechetical instruction, daily Mass, music, themed activities, and games! The grade school program, for children entering grades 1-6, runs Monday-Friday from 9am – 2:30pm (With an option of extended day care). The Intermediate/High School program for Grades 7-12 runs Sunday- Thursday from 7–9pm. Spread the word ☺



Totus Tuus

Summer Camp for Catholic Youth

Totus Tuus is a unique and fun-filled camp featuring a team of 4 trained young adults who will engage youth with a week-long faith-based program. The week is packed with skits, songs, games, and inspiring teaching.



DAY CAMP

Students entering grades 1-6
Monday-Friday from 9am - 2:30pm
Daily Mass
Bring your own lunch
Outdoor break at midday

EVENING PROGRAM

Students entering grades 7-12
Sunday-Thursday from 7-9pm
Adoration & Confession
Thursday night student social
Come out & bring a friend

CENTRAL DEANERY: JULY 9-14 @ St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Kingston

NORTHERN DEANERY: July 23-28 @ St. Bridget Parish, Stanleyville [DAYS] @ St. John the Baptist Parish, Perth [EVENINGS]

WESTERN DEANERY: JULY 31-AUG 4 @ St. Michael's Parish, Belleville

EASTERN DEANERY: AUG 13-18 @ Holy Cross Parish, Kemptville

Day Camp Registration Fee: \$75 | Evening Program Registration Fee: \$25

To register contact Nadia at the Youth Office: youth@romancatholic.kingston.on.ca or 613-484-2446

YOUNG ADULT NEWS

Duc in Altum

- Promo Material for Duc in Altum 2017-18 will be going out in the next few weeks. **We are currently taking registrations for young adults wishing to join us for our next year.** If you know anyone who is in their 20s and 30s please encourage them to come to our info night which will take place in early September or to contact Nadia in the youth office for more info.
- There is also more details online at <https://www.kingstonvocations.com/duc-in-altum>
- Our closing retreat weekend for Duc In Altum Kingston 2016-17 is May 26-28 in Perth. Please continue to pray for this awesome group of young adults as they continue to journey and discern.



World Youth Day Panama – January 2019

- World Youth Day will be held January 22-27, 2019 in Panama.
- The theme is *“I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done according to your word. (Luke 1:38)”*
- Pope Francis’s Video message for World Youth Day, Panama 2019: <https://youtu.be/mMrBhcb-C3w>
- **I am trying to see if there would be young adults interested in attending in January 2019. If you know of anyone please have them contact me.** It is a tough time of year for post-secondary students as school is still in session and Winter weather can provide some travel difficulties so I am uncertain if we will have an archdiocesan group attend. I am discussing with other youth ministry coordinators in other dioceses to see if we might collaborate. Stay tuned!



New Evangelization Summit – May 12 & 13

- Info and registration online now at www.newevangelization.ca. Spread the word!

THE NEW EVANGELIZATION SUMMIT
Inspiring Catholics

Fr. Michael White Sr. Miriam Heidland Bishop Robert Barron Tom Corcoran Patrick Sullivan Michael Dopp Meghann Baker Peter Herbeck

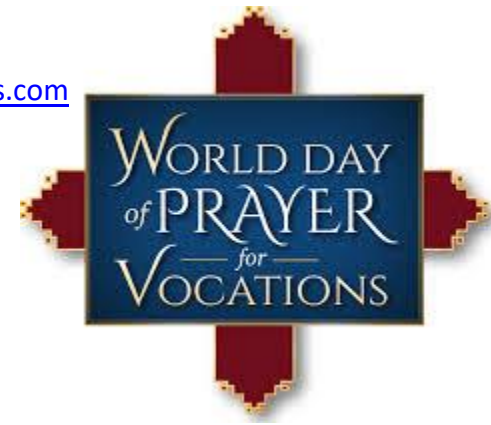
Live in Ottawa and webcast to host sites across North America!

Streaming to Kingston, May 12-13
St. Paul the Apostle, 1111 Taylor Kidd Blvd.
newevangelization.kingston@gmail.com
To purchase tickets and for more information, visit
newevangelization.ca

MISSION OF REDEEMER MINISTRIES

VOCATIONS NEWS

Archdiocesan vocations website: www.kingstonvocations.com



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS (Sun, May 7)

- The Church celebrates a World Day of Prayer for Vocations on Sun, May 7. Parishes have received a prayer from the Vocation Office to include in their bulletins for this weekend.
- The message of Pope Francis for this World Day of Prayer can be found on our Vocations website: <https://www.kingstonvocations.com/>

YOUTH MINISTRY RESOURCES

YOUTH-FRIENDLY LITURGY PLANNING GUIDE - If you are interested in receiving the "Lifeteen Liturgy Planning Guide" I can send it to you by email as it is released. The LPG has music suggestions, homily suggestions and prayers of the faithful suggestions that are relevant to youth for Sunday liturgies. It is helpful especially if you are a priest, deacon or music minister using contemporary Catholic music (CCLI License, Choose Christ, Spirit & Song, etc) for masses or retreats.

Resources on the Centre for Ministry Development (Downloadable): For access contact Nadia

- On this web resource you can search for various topics, retreats, prayer services, activities, and more to support youth ministry or for use in the classroom.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:

April 30 – May 5	Catholic Education Week
May 4	Youth Ministry Commission, 4:30 pm, Diocesan Centre
May 7	World Day of Prayer for Vocations
May 11	March For Life, Ottawa
May 12	March for Life Youth Conference, Ottawa
May 12 -13	New Evangelization Summit, St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Kingston
May 13-18	NET Retreats in our Archdiocese
May 14 – 21	National Week for Life and the Family
May 26-28	Duc in Altum Closing Retreat, The Canada Club, Perth
June 20	Youth Ministry Appreciation Dinner, Diocesan Centre
July 28-30	Steubenville Toronto 2017

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