

# **A** Sharing the Good News





"I give thanks for the light of the sun which provides life..." On behalf of the communities we serve, a heartfelt

> IN SERVICE OF GOD'S PLAN FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Thank You.

**Community** News



Catholic Action will be volunteering again this year, welcoming Ukrainians as they start their new lives in Canada.

Manning the welcome desk or the Catholic Action store, driving to a local bank to open an account and or driving to service Canada to get their SIN numbers,

We would offer these services Monday thru Friday 9:00 - 4:00

We need your helping, welcoming spirit. Please email us your availability jwong@catholicaction.ca Please help us help others Community News (cont'd)



## help new neighbours arriving from



Catholic Action will be assisting with newly arriving Ukrainians again this year.

We are asking parishes to collect small size toiletries (shampoo, body wash), baby food (jars) diapers and wipes, strollers and car seats. We are anticipating serving over 1500 newcomers. Help us welcome them to their new safe home. Please start a collection and a Catholic Action volunteer will pick it up.

Please email <u>jwong@catholicaction.ca</u> to arrange pick up.

If you would like us to shop for you, please consider a donation to our GOFUNDME and please share it with your community: <u>https://gofund.me/0da112a9</u>

#### The wheels on the bus go round and round!





The Office of English Pastoral Services team, (OEPS) Team-Building Day - Indigenous Peoples Day.

The day started with Mass at Kahnawake, lunch, a walk in the woods, at Ile Saint-Bernard and a visit to Maison d'Youville for some team sharing



#### Late Sunday Mass ALSO the Last Chance Mass–please join us



Once a month we are blessed to have the angelic voices of the "Blossom Choir" celebrate with us.

Thank you!

We are serving an important community with this Eucharistic celebration. People who missed their regular mass are grateful for this opportunity to come and hear "The Good News".

We are thrilled to announce that Father Anthony Atansi will be returning to our team on July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

GOD IS GOOD!

#### Anonymous art in Late Sunday Mass collection plate.

LIVE DOVE FIRE Made with the children in the Children's Liturgy time This morning. WIND THE DOVE descending md alighting Upon Jesus telling us to Listen THE FIRE igniting and purifying our cold ma hurting hearts. THE WIND That blows us into The Former of any and the second EVERY THE LOVE That made The Pluriverse. Father's arms GIFT is from the o FATHER of 1. IGHTS James 1:17 JOHN 6:5 THE LIVING BREAD that came down from HEAVEN.

We often received these beautiful, inspiring, handmade cards in our collection plate at the Late Sunday Mass included with an anonymous offering envelope. Thank you for charing your dift

Thank you for sharing your gift.

#### How you can help your neighbours.



#### Are you looking to make a difference, positively impct someone who needs assistance?

After meeting with some of our partners there are some important shortages in their organizations that serve the homeless and asylum seekers.

The needs are very specific. Do not offer items they do not ask for so their volunteers do not have to sift through unwanted or damaged goods.

Perhaps get together with friends or maybe make it a parish project.

If you want to deliver your donations yourselves please do.

If you would like Catholic Action to deliver them, please email: jwong@catholicaction.ca



Welcome Collective help asylum seekers start their lives by offering free furniture and household items and clothing etc. Their current needs are:

Bedding and blankets, towels, pots and pans, school supplies and backpacks, winter coats and boots, especially large sizes.

https://www.welcomecollective.org/en/donate



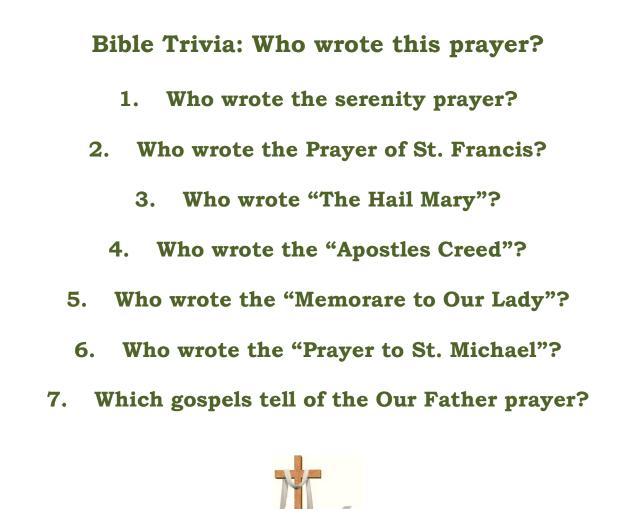
Chez Doris is the only women's shelter in Montréal offering 24/7 service. They strive to meet their needs in an inclusive and non-judgmental environment. Their current URGENT needs can be found here: <u>https://www.chezdoris.org/en/get-involved/donate-items/</u>



Nazareth Community, a non-for-profit organization (Ville Marie district) provides housing with support for individuals who struggle with mental health issues, homelessness, trauma and addictions. We all know how expensive things are at the grocer these days. **They have a shortage of ground coffee.** 

### **Bible Trivia** The Triduum Edition





Click here for the answers: <u>https://catholicaction.ca/bible-trivia/</u>

#### Please help us – Join one of our committees

#### We are grateful for your spirit of community!

Your gifts would be welcomed as we begin out strategic journey. Please consider joining one of these committees we are creating that will align with our strategic goals. Working with a board member, we have these options that will allow you **to "Use Your Gifts to Serve Your Neighbour**"

Not sure you have what it takes? Give it a try and let the Holy Spirit do the rest as we collaborate and inspire each other in service of Our Lord.

<u>*Membership*</u> – Calling and updating the membership list, sharing our message with other parishes and organizations.

**Fund raising** – Building and implanting a fund-raising plan

<u>**Communication**</u> – Using your creative gifts – help us to make sure our messaging is clear.

Please consider a monthly donation – Help us continue our service to those in need! Click on the link below ©



How we have helped this year:

- **†** Ukrainian families find homes
- **†** Ukrainian Children have fun at Daycamp and learn at Daycare
- + Afghan women get free from the Taliban
- + English speaking senior groups break isolation with local trips to grocery stores, shopping, museums, camp, etc.
- + Challenged adults go to Camp Kinkora
- **†** Momentum Single Mothers various projects
- **†** Found OBGYN services for a student with no insurance or money
- Found and set up and took a newborn with hip dysplasia get services at the Shriners hospital from full brace to no brace (above)
- **†** Many service for the homeless, the hungry.
- Partnered and collaborated with many community groups.
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or

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The term 'Charity' is an old-fashioned notion often generating pity. "We are a Catholic organization, and we don't want pity, we want partners to do the Lord's work."

Please consider Catholic Action in your annual charitable giving budget NEW\*\* we are now able to receive gifts of shares Contact jwong@catholicaction.ca for more info

> Help us to continue helping others in Jesus' name. God Bless! <u>https://catholicaction.ca/give/</u>

