



**THIRD INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER AND AWARENESS AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS**

Feb 8, 2017, with the theme:

*"They are children! Not slaves!"*

Is celebrated on the Feast day of Saint Josephine Bakhita, a Canossian Sister who was kidnapped and sold into slavery in Sudan. We will observe this Feast day as a Day of Prayer and Fasting for Victims of Trafficking and for those who work to combat it.

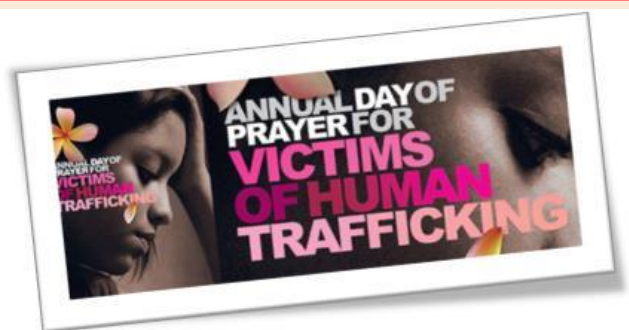
To read more about St Josephine Bakhita, click [here](#).



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**ACTION(S):**

- 1- Learn about the extent of the problem especially in our own area.
- 2- Visit one or more of the following websites:
  - o Vivat International Human Trafficking <http://bit.ly/2iqeLtp>
  - o Intercommunity Peace and Justice Center – American Religious Communities [www.ipjc.org/about/sponsors.html](http://www.ipjc.org/about/sponsors.html)
  - o Sisters of the Good Shepherd – US and Canada <http://bit.ly/1NDZVh8>
  - o RCMP Website on Human Trafficking [www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/ht-tp/index-eng.htm](http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/ht-tp/index-eng.htm)
  - o CSJ Anti-Human Trafficking <http://bit.ly/2iq25TO>
- 3- Covenant House Homelessness, Survival Sex and Human Trafficking. <http://bit.ly/1eSWL3f>
- 4- Demand slave-free products, buy FAIR TRADE when possible.
- 5- Pray for an End to Human Trafficking (see attached prayer).



**Feb 08 Feast Day of St. Josephine Bakhita, FDCC**

O God, you always hear the cry of your people and have compassion for the oppressed and the enslaved. May they experience the liberation of the cross and the resurrection of Jesus.

We pray to you for those suffering the torment of human trafficking.

Transform us by the power of your Spirit, to be sensitive to the pain of these, our sisters and brothers.

Committed to overcoming this evil, give us the courage to stand up and work for the rights of our sisters and brothers who live in slavery and exploitation.

We ask this with the intercession of St. Josephine Bakhita in Christ our Lord. AMEN!

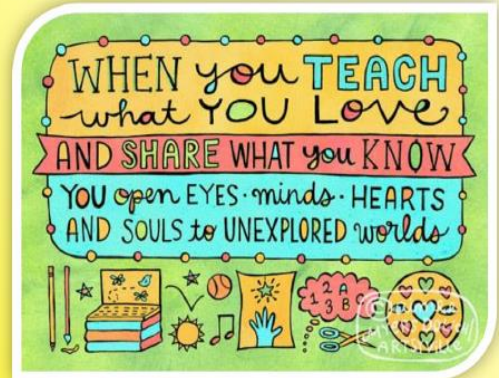
*"Human trafficking is a crime against humanity"*

**Be the change you want to see in the WORLD!**  
(Gandhi)

## Becoming Neighbours

invites you to a Circle of Conversation  
with LUCILLE CORRIGAN, CND and EMILIA MARTIN  
to "pick up tips"  
on how to engage refugees in conversational English.

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm Saturday, February 11, 2017  
Scarboro Missions – 2685 Kingston Road  
RSVP by **February 08**:  
[jam@becomingneighbours.ca](mailto:jam@becomingneighbours.ca) or 416-267-4817



## Annual Retreat for all Women Religious 12:00 – 4:00 pm Sat, March 04, 2017

MARY ANNE OLEKSZYK, CSSF

Theme: "Look I am doing something new,  
can you not see it."

Register: Lucille Corrigan [icorrigancnd@yahoo.ca](mailto:icorrigancnd@yahoo.ca)

## TRAINING FOR FRIENDLY VISITORS

**Saturday, February 18 – 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

CSJ Administration Centre – 101 Thorncliffe Park Dr.

Training program for people who visit homebound or isolated individuals: listening skills, boundaries, mental health, grief and loss, aging-related issues.

Info: 416-465-6069 [infoingoodcompany@csi-to.ca](mailto:infoingoodcompany@csi-to.ca)  
(register by February 03) COST: \$30 per person

# THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL EVANGELII GAUDIUM

A FOUR-PART INTRODUCTION TO POPE FRANCIS' APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION

Wed. Feb. 01: Scott Lewis, S.J.

Wed. Feb. 08: Margaret Lavin

Wed. Feb. 15: Mary Rowell, CSJ

Wed. Mar. 08: William Ryan, S.J. and Kevin Kelly, S.J.

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm    Regis College (100 Wellesley Street West)    Fee

More details: <https://regiscollege.ca/event/faith-issues-today-2/2017-02-01/>

## PERSONAL CHALLENGE

FEBRUARY 20 IS FAMILY DAY!



Share with your  
Becoming Neighbours  
newcomer, members  
of your family and your  
friends how you deeply  
believe in them and  
how important each  
one of them is to you.

## PERSONAL CHALLENGE

FEBRUARY 14 IS VALENTINE'S DAY!

Challenge yourself to do at least one act of love in your life, your neighbourhood, your city, your world. Visit members in the infirmary, write a note of caring support to your Congregational Leader, phone a newcomer and offer a listening heart. Whatever it is, offer your heart to warm the heart of someone else. There is a good chance your own heart will end up singing! Embody hope and carry healing into the world to one person, one seemingly small action at a time.

**BE GOD'S VALENTINE!**

(Congregation of St. Joseph – USA)