



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

FEB 08, 2019, WITH THE THEME:

"TOGETHER against human trafficking "

is celebrated on the Feast day of Saint Josephine Bakhita, a Canossian Sister who was kidnapped and sold into slavery in Sudan. To read more about

St Josephine Bakhita, [Click Here](#)



On Feb 08,
Let's turn on a light
against the trafficking of persons

On Feb 12 2018, Pope Francis receiving youth delegates sponsoring International Day of Prayer offered this wonderful prayer ([Click Here](#)). Urged by the questions of the youth , Pope Francis recalled how important it is to tackle the root causes and wished "all of you can send a message to leaders at every level of governments, business and society, to demand access to quality education and, fair and sustainable employment."

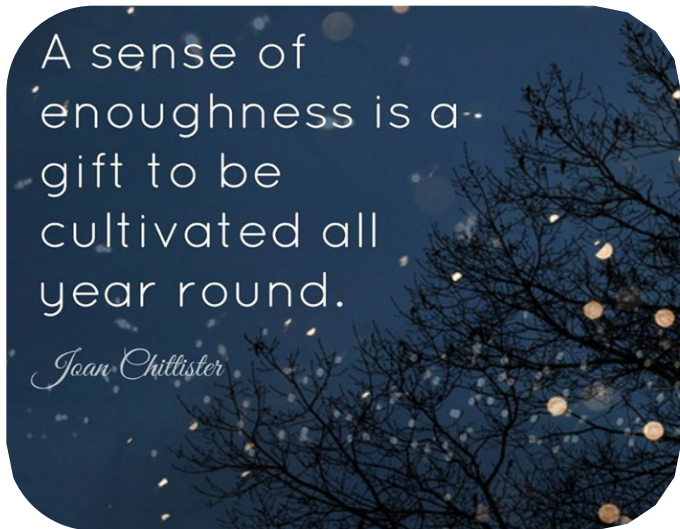
International Network of Consecrated Life Against Trafficking in Persons

A new logo for Talitha Kum



"We believe that
change is essential
to better match
our identity."

RESOURCE: [Click Here](#)



A sense of
enoughness is a
gift to be
cultivated all
year round.

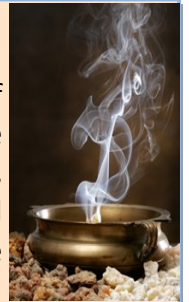
Joan Chittister

(Sent by Joan O'Keefe, SC)

PRAYER REQUESTS:

o For ANNE SCHENCK CSJ, one of the initial companions with the Becoming Neighbours ministry, member of our advisory group and "kinred" spirit, on her journey home to God.

o For those NEWCOMERS who have received notification that they are to be deported and for the companions accompanying them that they all may experience God's love with them.



IMPORTANT IMMIGRATION RESOURCES

- ◇ Vatican releases pastoral guide to help church fight human trafficking. [Click Here](#)
- ◇ Nine Myths about immigrants in US [Click Here](#)



I am PATRICIA KATONA, a second year Social Service Worker (Immigrant and Refugee) student at Seneca College. Upon arriving in Canada from the DR Congo in 2011, I have been quite active with the ministry of Becoming Neighbours through my family's involvement. On Mondays and Tuesdays from January to April this semester I will be doing my school placement with the ministry of Becoming Neighbours. I am looking forward to working with the members of the African Women's Group, being matched with newcomers and meeting with each one of you.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Human Trafficking Modern Day Slavery

Presenters: Rabitto Corrado, Toronto Region Police; Julie Neubauer, Covenant House; Alyssa Tanz, East Metro Youth Services; and Karly Church, sharing her real life experience.

Saturday, February 02 – 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Blessed Trinity Church Parish Hall
3220 Bayview Ave., Toronto

Free Will donation of \$10 to cover cost of lunch.

Register: contact Kay Booker 416-357-5378

or email: kaymax@sympatico.ca

View from the (Other) Bridge:
Woman's Perspective on Ignatian Spirituality

Presenter: Gemma Simmonds, CJ

Senior Lecturer in Pastoral Theology at the Margaret Beaufort Institute of
Theology in Cambridge, UK, and Director of the Religious Life Institute.

Thursday, February 07 - 7:00 pm to 9:00 p.m.

Regis College – St Joseph Chapel
100 Wellesley St. W., Toronto

Register: [Click Here](#)

HAPPY CANADA FLAG DAY!



National Flag of Canada Day on
February 15 celebrates when
the red-and-white Maple Leaf
Flag was first raised on
Parliament Hill

RETREAT AFTERNOON FOR WOMEN RELIGIOUS

Facilitator: EILEEN POWER, CND

Theme: "Praying/working on the 'Christ project' so as to show God's mercy and compassion in our personal/communal lives in the 'now' that is ours."

11:45 am – 4:00 pm Saturday, March 9, 2019

4th floor of Catholic Pastoral Centre

1155 Yonge St. at Shaftsbury

(Summerhill subway station:

free parking available below Centre.

Ring and wait for the security guard)

Lunch provided: 11:45 am – 12:40 pm.

Amazon Synod – New Paths for the Church and for an Integral Ecology



It is not about creation, water,
or even rivers. It is about the
Amazon. It is certainly not an
internal Church matter, but it
is a matter of universal
concern. The Synod has been
launched and this will be the
year. [Click here to read more.](#)

PERSONAL CHALLENGE

MONDAY FEBRUARY 18 IS FAMILY DAY!



Share with your
Becoming Neighbours new-
comer, 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)