



FEBRUARY 11 WORLD DAY OF THE SICK:

THEME: "Come to me, all you who labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest"

o For all who require healing, whether it be in body, mind, spirit, heart or memory, may God's healing presence be with them and may they live what they are experiencing with dignity and with the grace of God.

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NEW FCJ AREA LEADER FOR THE AMERICAS

WELCOME AND BLESSINGS!!

SUSAN DONAHUE, FCJ  
appointed FCJ Area Leader is now a member of the Corporation of BN.



HAPPY CANADA FLAG DAY!



National Flag of Canada Day on February 15 celebrates when the red-and-white Maple Leaf Flag was first raised in 1965 at Parliament Hill in Ottawa.

ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA,  
pray for victims and survivors  
of human trafficking and slavery

The Bourgeoys Revolution

"Notre Dame sisters celebrate  
400th birthday of founder  
Marguerite Bourgeoys,  
Canada's feminist saint!



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WE REMEMBER  
Mary Michaellette Corey, CSSF

who died Jan. 15, 2020  
and was prayer partner  
with Wilfredo Iraheta.



WE REMEMBER  
Marie Howorth, CSJ  
who died Jan. 16, 2020  
and was prayer partner  
with Delmy Rogel.

WE REMEMBER  
Monica Spearin, IBVM  
who died Jan. 18, 2020  
and was prayer partner  
with Mireli Serrano.



LOIS ANNE BORDOWITZ, FCJ will be in Argentina February 01 and returning to us February 25.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



# Interfaith Festival of Creation

1:00-5:00pm Sunday February 16, 2020  
The Mary Ward Centre, 70 St. Mary Street  
All are welcome!

There will be light refreshments, exciting programming, and information booths featuring various faith ecological initiatives.



Thursday February 13, 7:00-10:00 pm  
Mary Jo Leddy, Shahid Akhtar and Barbara Landau  
SCARBORO MISSIONS LECTURE; REGIS COLLEGE  
“exploring how Becoming Neighbours summons new forms of spirituality and politics and provides common ground for interfaith and cross-cultural relationships.” [Click here to register.](#)



(UNHCR/K. Gaugler)

“The story behind the world’s first private refugee sponsorship program”

[Click Here](#)

### TRAINING FOR FRIENDLY VISITORS

**Saturday, February 08 – 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@csj-to.ca](mailto:infoingoodcompany@csj-to.ca)  
(register by February 03) COST: \$30 per person

### 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. Good chance your own heart ends up singing! Embody hope and carry healing into the world to one person, one small action at a time.

**BE GOD’S VALENTINE!**

*(Congregation of St. Joseph – USA)*

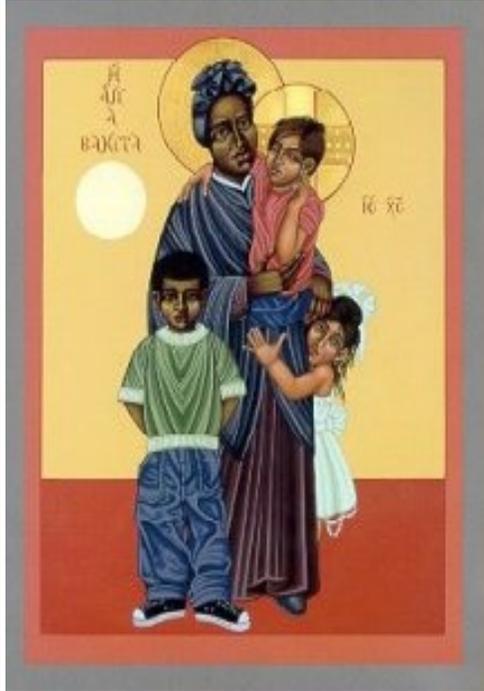
### PERSONAL CHALLENGE

**MONDAY FEBRUARY 17 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.

## February 08 Feast Day of St. Josephine Bakhita, FDCC



As you may know, on Feb. 08, we celebrate the feast day of St. JOSEPHINE BAHKITA, the patron saint of victims of human trafficking ([Click Here](#)). Hearing her story and the stories of victims of human trafficking and being challenged by the voice of the Gospel in the midst of these situations of injustice, various members of religious congregations have felt impelled to respond. In this journey, we have grown more conscious that human trafficking is a tragic violation that devastates its victims, strips away their dignity and security and tears at the fabric of our community. We now know it is increasingly turning into a domestic activity with as many as 15,000 people becoming victims in Canada. At least 50% of the trafficking that goes on in Canada is happening to Canadians and, of that, 80% are women and half of these are underage girls.

### RESOURCES THAT MAY BE HELPFUL

- ◇ [2020 CRC Human Trafficking Resource](#)
- ◇ [The Price of Free](#)  
(Sent by Noreen Allossery-Walsh, OSU)
- ◇ [POLARIS: TAKE ACTION](#)

#### A new logo for Talitha Kum

**TALITHA KUM**  
END HUMAN TRAFFICKING



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

[TALITHA KUM: END HUMAN TRAFFICKING](#)

### SEVENTH INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER AND AWARENESS AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

FEB 08, 2020, WITH THE THEME:

*"TOGETHER against trafficking in persons"*

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



Urged by the questions of youth, Pope Francis reminds us of the importance to tackle the root causes and "... send a message to leaders at every level of government, business and society, to demand access to quality education and fair and sustainable employment."

### PRAYER TO END HUMAN TRAFFICKING

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 in Christ our Lord. AMEN!