

## Warmest Greetings of Hope to All of Our Dear Friends!



How are you and how are we as a community? Even though our Earth continues to groan in pain, there are hints that not only is the gift of the summer beginning to emerge but also we are beginning to emerge from the cocoon that has been enveloping us! The Earth and us as well are beginning to awaken to a new way of being, of growth and life. With all that we receive from social media, we can be tempted to lose heart yet we are being called to be grateful to God for nature's newscasts

abounding with the sights and sounds of new possibilities, new life blossoming all around us.

It is in this spirit of HOPE that we are pleased to present to you, hard as it may be to realize, our **300** edition of our *"Fridge Notes for Companions"*.

In this edition, we want to highlight "Spiritual Resources for COVID-19" as well as the section "Mapping our Memories". These resources may assist us in the movement from isolation to more fully embracing and entering into the present moment. As well, like you, we too are very aware that close to 6500 of our neighbours, friends and family, fathers and mothers, grandfathers and grandmothers, brothers and sisters, sons and daughters and even children are now all dead from COVID-19. This is a moment in time calling us to stop, to weep, to mourn, and to celebrate the lives of these neighbours. With you, our hearts are especially heavy as we lament the deaths and celebrate the lives of our BROTHER JESUITS. To honour this moment, please refer to "Special Links for your Heart" and the link "Lament: A day to mourn".

Our staff are being intentionally proactive in exploring new ways of reconnecting with folks connected with Becoming Neighbours. We are discovering a new sense of community, one marked by solidarity, creativity and hope. What is incredibly overwhelming are moments in which so many of the newcomers are reconnecting with us. A new way of being community is emerging. Together we are with one another in a deeper, more mutual way of being.

The invitation continues to be for each one of us and us as a community to dare to risk, to search out new and creative ways of relating to each other in this present moment. One such creative moment is IBVM Canada inviting all IBVM school communities and past pupils to a celebration of the 2020 celebration of the graduates of all of their schools Via Television Mass on Monday June 08 with presider Thomas Cardinal Collins. The invitation is extended to each one of us as well. Salt and Light TV, 6:30am, 11:00am, 3:00pm, 10:30pm [www.dailytvmass.com](http://www.dailytvmass.com)

*With the Loretto Sisters, let us "Listen to God's deep dream for you and feel a longing to respond", remember "do not bury your talents which God lends to be spent in God's service"*  
(Mary Ward).

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