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Fridge Notes for Companions

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(Remo Casilli/Reuters)

Angels Unawares

Unveiled by Pope Francis at Vatican Square (2019)
Canadian artist Timothy Schmalz wanted "to reflect the different states of mind and emotion involved in a migrant's journey ... Within this diverse crowd of people, angel wings are visible in the center, suggesting within the migrant ... is the SACRED."

Click here to read more

IN SOLIDARITY WE CELEBRATE WITH



Nov. 21 - BASILIANS - Founding Day

Nov.21 - FELICIANS - Founding Day

Nov. 25 – URSULINES OF CHATHAM

-Founding Day

WE REMEMBER CATHERINE FAIRBAIRN, GSIC who died February 09, 2025 prayer partner with Yaseel Asibor.

NOVEMBER 02





Red Poppies for Remembrance White Poppies for a Peaceful Future November 11

Congratulations & Blessings!

CONGRÉGATION DE NOTRE-DAME

REBECCA MCKENNA, CND (Provincial Leader) with CND Councillors: DEBORAH WARNER, KAREN KELLY and DONNA MCINNIS

SISTERS OF ST JOSEPH IN CANADA

ANNE KARGES, CSJ (Congregational Leader) with CSJ Councillors: SUE WILSON, ISOBEL GALLOTTI, MARY MCINTYRE and NANCY WALES

FAITHFUL COMPANIONS OF JESUS

PATRICIA BINCHY, FCJ (General Superior) with FCJ Councillors: AFRA PRIMADIANA, CLARE HAND and JUDITH ROUTIER

This and That



"DILEXI TE I HAVE LOVED YOU" POPE LEO XIV ON LOVE FOR THE POOR

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR NOV. 16



Theme: "You are my HOPE" (cf. Ps 71:5) "On the wounded faces of the poor, we see the suffering of the innocent, and, therefore, the suffering of Christ Himself," Pope Leo: 2025 World Day of the Poor message.

Pray, and you will notice the poor beside you ...

Click here for a Prayer Resource.

RESOURCES

- Apostolic Exhortation: Click here
- Video by Cardinal Michael Czerny: Click here o
- "Dilexi te: Commitment to poor is prerequisite of faith, not a consequence": Click here
- Article "Top 5 takeaways from Pope Leo's first major document, 'Dilexi Te': Click here

"THE CHURCH CANNOT STAY SILENT BEFORE INJUSTICE. YOU STAND WITH ME; AND I STAND WITH YOU" - POPE LEO XIV

For the prevention of suicide

NOVEMBER 2025

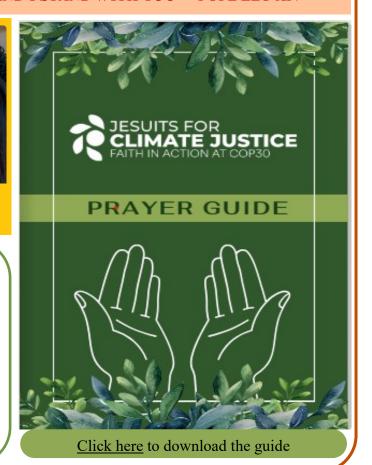
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"Bruised and Wounded—Understanding Suicide" (RON ROLHEISER, OMI)



Check out CPJ's 2025 Poverty Trends Update with the latest data on poverty in Canada.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Welcome TANIA PRINCIPE, KAIROS' New Executive Director



WOMEN AT THE HEART OF JUSTICE

Indigenous women are protecting land, culture, and human rights in the Amazon.

LAURA VICUÑA PEREIRA MANSO will explore how women build peace, care for the ecosystem, and unite communities in their struggles.



Date and time: 4:00pm to 5:30pm November 13
Place: Toronto-Regis College (100 Wellesley St W)

Click here to register

"Celebrating Faith with its Sleeves rolled up" Celebration: Laudato Si' Action Platform

> Date and time: 9:00am November 20 Click here to register for free

Recommended Reading



- o "Pope Leo XIV's Rebuke of U.S. Immigration Policy Is a Wake-Up Call"
- o "America's 'immigrants' nun' says many are afraid to even go to the supermarket"
- o "Reflection to Action: Building a Culture of Reconciliation for Migrants and Refugees"
- o "Sisters of Social Service ends contract with Enterprise over ICE connection"
- o "The grace of coming together as Sisters of the Good Shepherd"
- o "The Gospel of Jane"

(shared by URSULA WITKOWSKA, IBVM)

"REFLECTION FOR NATIONAL TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION DAY: FINDING THE DIVINE MILIEU"



Click here: reflection by PETER BISSON, SJ

JESUIT REFUGEE SERVICE CELEBRATES
45 YEARS OF ACCOMPANYING REFUGEES



Speakers: ARTURO SOSA, SJ, XIMENA VIDAL MICHAEL SCHÖPF, SJ, VERONIKA YANIV

Date and time: 9:00am November 06 Location: Zoom; <u>Click here</u> to register for free

CANADIAN IMMIGRATION NEWS

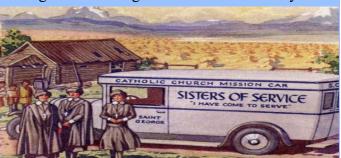
- o "How Canada got immigration right for so long – and then got it very, very wrong"
- o "What happened to 'click once for Canadian citizenship'? The government has (quietly) thought twice"
- o "Canada's immigration department reveals eye-popping application processing times some of which exceed 10 years"
- o "Temporary foreign workers in Ontario are facing job loss, possible deportation after mushroom plant closes: 'We're in a state of shock"

IMPORTANT MOMENTS

Kelly Exhibit Highlights Unique Role of the Sisters of Service in Canada

THE BIG MAPS:

Sisters of Service as Canadian Trailblazers, an exciting new exhibition is at the John M. Kelly Library, documenting the history of an unconventional and uniquely Canadian women's religious institute whose members engaged in groundbreaking work across the country.



The Big Maps opened on October 23 with a talk by MARK MCGOWAN on the pioneering vision of Catherine Donnelly, who founded the Order, and the role of the Sisters of Service (SOS) in welcoming, housing, and teaching new Canadians from diverse cultural backgrounds. This exhibit explores the SOS and their contributions to Canadian social, religious, and women's history. The SOS are a uniquely Canadian, untraditional women's religious institute whose century of work spanned IMMIGRATION Services, Teaching, Nursing, Social Work and the story goes on —



(Anna, Marilyn, Marilyn, Mary, Mary-Ellen, Joan, †Adua, †Colleen) CELEBRATING SOS, Its 100 years of Presence

Exhibit: Ground Floor Kelly Library (113 St. Joseph Street) until end of Summer. It is free and open to the public.

Library hours: 8:30am – 11pm, Monday-Saturday, 1:00pm-11:30pm, Sunday

THE XXXVI ANNIVERSARY OFTHE UCA MARTYRS



Salvadoran Canadian Association of Toronto invites you to Mass remembering the UCA Martyrs.

Date and time: 4:00pm November 22 Location: Loretto Sisters' facilities (70 St. Mary St.)

(Shared by EVANNE HUNTER, IBVM)

MERGER OF CONGREGATIO JESU (CJ) AND INSTITUTE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (IBVM) NOVEMBER 04

PAT MURRAY, IBVM is keynote speaker 4:30am November 05: "Women of the dawn: On the threshold of New Beginnings"

Click here to watch both events

"That they may become completely one."



Mary Ward

2025 NOBEL PEACE PRIZE

The 2025 Nobel Peace Prize was awarded to Venezuelan leader MARÍA MACHADO "for her tireless work promoting democratic rights for the people of Venezuela and for her struggle to achieve a just and peaceful transition from dictatorship to democracy."

Click here to learn more.

