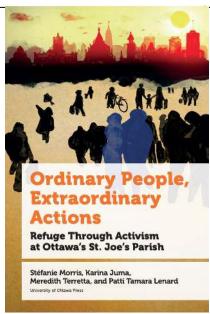
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Sunday Bulletin

REFUGEE OUTREACH COMMEITTE: OFFICIAL BOOK LAUNCH INVITATION FOR

ORDINARY PEOPLE EXTRAORDINARY ACTIONS



On World Refugee Day (June 20, 2022), come celebrate 30+ years of refugee settlement with St. Joseph's Parish and their Refugee Outreach Committee (ROC).

Location: Outdoors on the Tabaret Lawn (555 Cumberland Street, Ottawa)

Time: 2-4pm

St. Joseph's Refugee Outreach Committee (the ROC) is one of Ottawa's longest-serving, volunteer-run refugee outreach groups. Since 1990, this group of dedicated volunteers has helped to welcome and support hundreds of newcomers and refugees in the city.

This event will honour the ROC's impressive 30+ years of history, and prompt a larger conversation about how we can all get involved in welcoming refugees in pressing and meaningful ways today. It will also mark the launch of the book *Ordinary People, Extraordinary Actions*, which relates stories about how "ordinary people" in Ottawa, and particularly at St. Joseph's Parish, have taken small and big steps to welcome people seeking refuge into their communities (see <u>publishing details</u>).

Formalities will run from approximately 2:30-3:15pm. This event will include brief remarks from:

- Jim Watson, Mayor of Ottawa
- Jacques Frémont, President of the University of Ottawa
- Louisa Taylor, Director of Refugee613
- Past and current members of the ROC
- Past newcomers with a connection to the ROC
- The authors of the book Ordinary People, Extraordinary Actions: Refuge Through Activism at Ottawa's St. Joe's Parish

All are invited! Come learn about Ottawa's rich refugee history and about how to get involved.

For any questions concerning this event, please email <u>patti.lenard@uottawa.ca</u>.

May 29, 2022

The Ascension of the Lord

Welcome!

New Parishioners and Visitors Welcome! **Registration** Forms can be found through the Front Office (frontdesk@st-josephs.ca) or at the back of the Church

Donations

Register with the Parish either to receive envelops, sign-up for autodebit, online through **Canada Helps.**

MASS TIMES & RECONCILIATION

- Week Day Mass: Wed to Fri at 12PM
- Weekend Masses: Saturday 5PM Sunday 9:30AM (Family Mass) & 11:30AM
- University Mass (Sept-Apr): Sunday 7PM
- *Reconciliation:* After weekday Mass or by appt.
- Adoration: 1st Friday of the month after the noon Mass

LITURGICAL RESOURCES

The homily for the Ascension of Our Lord: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ouTV4eAuqRI

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Mon-Fri: 8am-4pm

Outreach Ministries Column



NEWS FROM AROUND THE SUPPER TABLE: VOLUNTEERS MEETING

(613) 233-4095ex 221 suppertable@st-josephs.ca

With COVID restrictions easing, we are putting out the call for new/returning volunteers for St Joe's Supper Table. We are seeking volunteers who are able to commit to a regularly weekly shift. We will be holding an information evening on Tuesday, May 31st at St Joe's at 7pm. If you are interested in attending, please email suppertable@st-josephs.ca by 5pm on Monday, May 30th to confirm your attendance. We look forward to meeting you! Sue-Anne and Kathleen.

Currently, the Supper Table is in need of **COFFEE** ground for a perk, for the window.

St Joe's Reconciliation Discussion Series:



Our final gathering for St Joe's Reconciliation Discussion Series occurred this past Monday with a short gathering in the church and a sumptuous pot-luck meal. Overall, our series attracted 85 registrants, and most gatherings had 30 or more participants, from St Joe's, Canadian Martyrs and other groups. This is a beautiful demonstration of parishioners' commitment to learning about reconciliation issues and opening up to new directions in the future. Further details will

be available in the Parish Report for the 2022 AGM.

On that note, there has been strong interest expressed for an ongoing collaboration between Canadian Martyrs and St Joe's in this space and we hope to work together going forward. Participants, please be sure to check your emails for updates (and sometimes junk/spam folders) as we'd love to keep in touch. If you have any questions or thoughts, please feel welcome to email reconciliation@st-josephs.ca.

OMRA

You can be a part of OMRA! This organization sells grocery cards to raise funds to offer refugees in Ottawa portable rental subsidies. OMRA has been active at St Joe's since 2017.

Last weekend OMRA was in the Ottawa Citizen:

 $\frac{https://ottawacitizen.com/news/local-news/outside-the-box-how-one-not-for-profit-leveraged-its-assets-to-ease-rent-for-refugees$

If you'd like to know more about how to become involved, please contact Donna Rietschlin at dbrietschlin@hotmail.com or 613-270-0438.

Volunteers Needed — English Conversation Circle

The English Conversation Group enables participants to have a one on one conversation with a volunteer who speaks English fluently. The Group's goal is to enable English language skills to be improved in a supportive, friendly and enjoyable way. We hold Zoom and in person sessions each Wednesday from 7pm to 8:30 pm. We welcome any parishioners who would like to be a volunteer or a participant. For further info contact Michaelrichard2008@hotmail.com

UPCOMING CHANGE IN PASTOR

Fr. Jim's appointment at St. Joseph's Parish will conclude on August 1, 2022. A few weeks ago, Fr. Jim received a new obedience from the Provincial and will be moving to British Columbia. We're grateful for his pastoral leadership over the course of nearly three years – especially in the difficult environment of the on-going pandemic. Fr. Robert Laroche OMI has been appointed as the new Pastor of St. Joseph's Parish beginning August 1, 2022. Fr. Robert comes to us from Manitoba, where he is currently completing his appointment as Pastor of St-Pierre-Jolys Parish, near Winnipeg. In the coming weeks, we'll share more information on both Fr. Jim's departure and on Fr. Robert's arrival.

INVITATION TO ST JOE'S 2022 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

St Joe's Annual General Meeting will be held on June 15 2022 at 7pm in the Parish Hall. Please plan to attend. We will review last years minutes, our annual report, the financial report and appoint the auditor for the upcoming year. We will also consider possibilities for next year. Please rsvp to Kathleen Strader kstrader@st-josephs.ca by Sunday, June 13th.

REMEMBERING DAN HANDFIELD

Dan Handfield died this week at age 63. In October 2021, Dan retired from the staff team. Just about anywhere we look, we can see how Dan applied his carpentry gifts to our parish – from the cabinetry in the Sacristy, to the Oblate, Supper Table and Women's Centre kitchens, to the railing and storage space in the sanctuary, the rectory deck – and, of course, the confessional kitchen near the entrance of our church. These are just some of the many ways Dan improved our facilities over the past 15 years. St. Joseph's Parish was his family, and he will be missed by all of us – and most especially by his colleagues in the maintenance department, Nick and Normand, who worked so closely with him over the years.

A funeral liturgy for Dan will be held in our church on Saturday, June 11, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome. We will continue to remember Dan -- his life and his many contributions to our parish -- and we pray for the repose of his soul.

Our Financial Stewardship COLLECTION May 22, 2022: \$\$4,240

Library News — May 29, 2022 - Titles about HOPE and GRATITUDE include – Miller, J. Change & possibility: discover hope in life's transitions (BV4435.M56 2005), Chittister, J. Uncommon gratitude: alleluia for all there is (BV4647.G8C45 2010) & Leddy, M. J. Radical gratitude (BV4647.G8L43 2002).

Parking

Parking is free during weekend Mass & 30 mins after. Or park in UofO Lot B <u>only</u> on Sundays from 8am-2pm

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Missing information?

To add or update Ministry info, please contact Kathleen Strader at kstrader@st-sjospehs.ca or extension 251.

Front Office

(613-233-4095, ext. 251 **frontdesk@st-josephs.ca.**)

2021 Tax Receipts have been mailed. If you not received your Tax Receipt, please contact the Front Office.

2022 Church Envelopes: If you have not yet picked up your box of 2022 church donations envelopes, you can do so by contacting the Front Office.

2022 Missals are available for purchase, \$5 cash, or cheque. Please contact the Front Office if you would like to purchase one.

WEEKLY EVENTS AT ST. JOE'S

May 30th—June 4th 2022

	Monday 30th	Tuesday 31st	Wednesday 1st	Thursday 2nd	Friday 3rd	Saturday 4th	Sunday 5th
This Week	(1) Christian Mediation: 9:30am, Library	(1) Supper Table Vol- unteer Meet- ing (7pm)	(1)Christian Meditation: 3pm Library (2) English Conver- sation Circle, 6pm, via zoom	(1)12pm Mass: CANCELLED (2)Provincial election (3) AA, 7pm WC	(1) Adoration after 12pm Mass (2)Christian Mediation: 7pm Oblate lounge		

Lawn.

(1) ROC Book

Launch: June 20,

2pm-4pm Tabaret

Future

(1) Canadian Christian Meditation Community 2022 Conference, June 10, 11 St Paul's University

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Canadian Martyrs: Employment opportunity

Canadian Martyrs Parish is looking for to fill the position of Parish Life Coordinator. The Parish Life Coordinator works closely with the Parish's ministries, committees, and Pastoral Team to guide and facilitate virtually all facets of the life and organization of the Parish. This person will need to have strong communications skills: oral, written and presentation. The candidate must demonstrate leadership ability and be able to work with others collaboratively, independently, and in team situations, by both delegating and accepting delegation with an attitude of welcome, openness and approachability. Please email office@canadianmartyrs.org for a complete job description.

CANADIAN CHRISTIAN MEDITATION COMMUNITY 2022 NATIONAL CONFERENCE

The Canadian Christian Meditation Community 2022 National Conference with **Dom Laurence Freeman, OSB**, is taking place the 10th & 11th June 2022 at Saint Paul University, 110 Hazel Street, Ottawa. For more information and Registration: National Conference Registration.

Mass Intentions:

Wed. June 1st, 2022: Daniel Robin Thur. June 2nd, 2022: No Mass Fri. June 3rd, 2022: Available

Mass intentions are available on Wed., Thur., and Fri. during Noon Mass for a \$15.00 donation. Please notify the Front Desk, frontdesk@st-josephs.ca for arrangements. Thank you!



To add a name to the prayers for Sick or those who have died: Email Kathleen in the Front Office, kstrader@st-josephs.ca. We pray for those who are listed during the Prayers of the Faithful.

<u>Prayers for those who have died</u>: Dr Kwesi Baffoe, Lucille Muldoon, Ann Young