



## **KNOWLEDGE CAFE cont.**

November 24<sup>th</sup> – Emilie Brutinel, of Seniors Advocate Education and Outreach, will be talking about ensuring the rights, interests and views of seniors and adults are protected.

Everyone is welcome. Refreshments are provided. If schools are cancelled due to the weather, the Knowledge Café is also cancelled.

**INVITATION TO LECTURE:** The Tragic Situation of MAiD in Canada: Lecture by Sister Nuala Kenny, MD (Sister of Charity N.S.). Thursday - November 23<sup>rd</sup> 2023 7:00 – 9:00 PM - In-Person / Zoom Meeting at St. Mark's Church, 171 Pettingill Rd. Quispamsis. Hosted by: Saint John Chapter of New Brunswick Right to Life. Zoom link can be obtained by contacting [sjrightrighttolife@gmail.com](mailto:sjrightrighttolife@gmail.com) or (506) 653-6828.

**GAZA HUMANITARIAN EMERGENCY:** Development and Peace - Caritas Canada is making an immediate allocation of \$150,000 to Caritas Jerusalem to help it meet the needs of families besieged and displaced by the ongoing crisis in Gaza in the Holy Land. As a member of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, Development and Peace - Caritas Canada is also participating in the Humanitarian Coalition's Gaza Humanitarian Emergency appeal. This means that donations for this cause will be matched dollar for dollar by the Government of Canada up to a maximum of \$10 million until November 12. We therefore invite Canadians to donate generously, AND help provide food, water, shelter, hygiene kits, essential goods, healthcare and psychosocial support to families affected by the conflict in Gaza. **DONATE:** Online at [devp.org/give](http://devp.org/give), by calling 1-888-234-8533 toll-free or by mailing a cheque payable to Development and Peace (marked Gaza Humanitarian Emergency) to: 555 René-Lévesque Blvd. West, 8th Floor Montreal, Quebec H2Z 1B1.

**DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE FALL CAMPAIGN:** Development and Peace - Caritas Canada invites us to "Stand for the Land" with a focus on Honduras in Central America. We're asked to advocate with land and water defenders threatened by powerful mining interests. Some community members have been jailed and killed for resisting an open-pit iron mine heavily polluting a national park and rivers. Development and Peace is gathering signatures on a letter to the Honduran ambassador to Canada to press for human rights and environmental protection. How might we participate? To sign the letter online, go to [devp.org/act](http://devp.org/act). To download the letter (for 10 signatures) and access other free resources, see [devp.org/campaign](http://devp.org/campaign) ("Discover the Resources"). We're also encouraged to pray for the campaign and all involved. Thank you - Mary Hanson, Diocesan Chair.

**"NET" TEAM CONFIRMATION RETREAT** - Experience a NET Retreat and engage your faith! A team of vibrant young missionaries will be visiting the Saint John region **Monday, Nov. 20th from 5:00 pm – 8:30 pm - hosted by Our Lady of Perpetual Help at 31 Gondola Pt. Rd, Rothesay.** This retreat is for youths in grades 8 and 9, preparing for the Sacrament of

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Confirmation. This is an opportunity to attend the mandatory retreat experience to hear the message of God’s love and a chance to experience the Gospel personally. It will be an evening of faith, fun and friendship! Lunch and snacks will be provided. To help with planning, please reserve by contacting the parish office at (506) 832-3327.

**SAINT JOHN JEWISH HISTORICAL MUSEUM** - The SJ Jewish Historical Museum will be hosting the Holocaust Education Exhibit from Monday, November 20 to Friday, December 1, 2023.

This exhibit offers a unique opportunity to gain insight into the Holocaust by viewing a selection of evocative photographs and propaganda posters, and reading the poignant stories of individuals who lived through the Holocaust. The Exhibit is designed to guide visitors through the rise of antisemitism, illuminating the disturbing events that culminated in the genocide perpetrated by Nazi Germany from 1933 to 1945. With a blend of historical accounts and personal narratives, the exhibition explores the events surrounding Adolf Hitler's rise to power and bears witness to the unfolding of one of the most profound tragedies in human history. This exhibition acknowledges and pays tribute to the millions of lives lost during the Holocaust - a reminder of the importance of remembrance and reflection.

The Museum will be open Monday to Friday, November 20 to 24, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm and Sunday to Thursday, November 26 to November 30, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Regular admission rates apply: \$5.00 per person or \$10.00 per family (parents and school age children). For further information, call the museum at (506) 633-1833 or [sjjhm@nbnet.nb.ca](mailto:sjjhm@nbnet.nb.ca).

**SAINT JOHN REGIONAL CATHOLIC MISSION – “The Great Commission:** This Mission, led by Bishop Riesbeck, has already been offered in the Miramichi and Fredericton regions and was well received. Our Regional Mission will be held at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Waterloo St., Saint John from Nov. 27 – 29<sup>th</sup> starting with mass at 7:00 p.m. followed by a talk on the following themes:

Mon., Nov. 27 – **Know** Jesus;

**Tues., Nov. 28** – **Grow** in relationship with Jesus and one another in love (**Reconciliation Serv.**);

Wed., Nov. 29 – **Go** and make disciples of all nations.

Please note there will be a **Reconciliation Service at the Cathedral on Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>**. The bishop will have local priests to assist.

All sessions will conclude with refreshments and fellowship in the Cathedral rectory. See poster on the bulletin board at St. Alphonsus.

**ANNUAL CATECHIST RETREAT – VILLA MADONNA:** The 2024 Catechist Retreat is open for registrations. In the past, some have attempted to register late and have been disappointed. This retreat is offered as an opportunity to parish coordinators and catechists as a time for personal and spirituality renewal. Retreat will run from Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Weekend registration fee: \$260.00; Commuter fee: \$120.00. Facilitator: Jim Anderson. To register: <https://forms.office.com/r/qMfUY9BzAq>. See poster on bulletin board for more information.

**NEW PASCHAL CANDLE FOR ST. ALPHONSUS** – The fundraising campaign is under way. To date, we have raised \$285.00. We still have a little ways to go 😊.

Do you have any change to spare? For the next little while, we will be accepting donations towards the cost of the new Pascal Candle. You can place, in the collection basket or the locked box beside the office door, a sealed envelope with your donation. Mark “CANDLE” on the envelope. Specially marked envelopes are available in the foyer of St. Alphonsus Church. If you provide your contact information and envelope number, if you have one, you will get a receipt for income tax purposes. THANK YOU for your consideration and generosity.

**2023- 2024 SUNDAY MISSALS (blue)** – The new Missals have arrived! They are available at St. Anthony’s, St. Alphonsus and St. Bridget’s. Cost: \$5.00.

**PARISH ENVELOPES** – For those parishioners that use parish envelopes, for the next little while, please write your name and correct mailing address on the envelope. We are not far from the end of our fiscal year. Having the correct mailing information etc. will make it so much easier to prepare income tax receipts.

**FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING – NOVEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup> & 26<sup>TH</sup>:** As a sign of Kingship and Royalty, parishioners are invited to wear **RED**.

Until next week, be safe  
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