



Heart to Heart

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THE OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CIRCLE is a gathering of Indigenous, Religious, Lay, and Bishops, who advise the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops on matters relative to relations with Indigenous Catholics. The Circle published a Pentecost 2021 Message ([here](#)), one of their first publications. It is an interesting reflection and a good read.

MONSIGNOR PAUL BOUCHER was buried yesterday at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Burlington, following a funeral Mass at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, which he built. Father Paul went about his priestly ministry quietly and effectively, helping many people who struggled in one way or another. May he receive the reward promised a good and faithful servant!

THE ONE HEART, ONE SOUL CAMPAIGN continues steadily through its final wave, with the total raised to date over \$33.3 million! Four final parishes, unable to launch in the Spring, will conduct their campaigns in the Fall. Through the difficulties of last year, the generosity of people has not wavered. Our goal of \$35 million is well within reach – and surpassing it will be cause for celebration and thanksgiving! Kudos to Francis Doyle and his team!

DR. H. PATRICK AND MRS. GAYLE E. CUNNINGHAM MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIP was established to provide grants for Catholics who want to pursue medical school. This is the third year that letters have been sent to all Parishes and our Campus Ministers, and to medical organizations to alert possible applicants to the scholarship program. If you know Catholic students in the field of medicine encourage them to apply.

ST. PATRICK PARISH in Hamilton and the DeMazenod Door Outreach Ministry will host a monthly Homeless Memorial, in remembrance of homeless men and women who have died, providing an opportunity for healing and closure for their loved ones and friends. The memorial is held on the last Friday of the month (today) at the 12:15 Mass. Afterwards, during the afternoon barbeque, an opportunity is given for friends and loved ones (socially distanced) to honour the deceased. A worthy initiative.

BLESSED BISHOP LOUIS-ZEPHIRIN MOREAU was beatified by Pope St. John Paul II in Rome on May 10, 1987, He was the 4th Bishop of Saint-Hyacinthe, and served from 1875 to 1901. This year marks the 120th Anniversary of his death. Bishop Christian Rodembourg, M.S.A., the current Bishop of St. Hyacinthe, has invited our prayers for the *canonization* of the beloved Bishop. A copy of the prayer can be found on our [website](#).

FR. JOHN O'BRIEN S.J. offers a silent Ignatian Retreat for young professionals from June 4th (evening) to June 6th (noon). There are two versions of the retreat, one in-person ([here](#)) and one online ([here](#)). In the words of Pope Francis, "*Christ is alive and he wants you to be alive!*" The retreat will nurture a "heart to heart" encounter with the Sacred Heart, the living symbol of the God who has loved us relentlessly from the beginning. Check it out.

CARE FOR CREATION SCHOOL is under the direction of Norman Levesque, Diocesan Officer for Creation Care Ministry, Diocese of Saint-Jean-Longueuil (near Montreal) and a member of the *Laudato Si* working group of the Vatican Dicastery for Integral Human Development. The School offers a selection of quality courses which explore integral ecology. Check out the [website](#) .

Our Lady of the Annunciation, pray for us!

Ex corde, + *Douglas*, OMI