

**COMMUNIQUÉ No. 44 – September 16, 2021  
INFORMATION**

**To pastors, pastoral teams and religious communities**

Brothers and sisters, good day!

I would like to begin by telling you that we are sincerely sorry for the technical problems that occurred during the event on Monday evening, September 13, when several guests were unable to connect in order to participate. We are currently analyzing the causes of this mistake in order to prevent it from happening again. We are making every effort to communicate to everyone as quickly as possible the key points of the calls to action presented at the event, and to making available the documentation related to the evening. We thank you again for your patience and cooperation.

Here are some upcoming events not to be missed:

**1. Dates to remember**

**a. Awareness-building sessions on the prevention of abuse: September 27, 28**

Our commitment to combating all forms of abuse carries on. Last spring, an awareness-building session was held; four meetings took place during which pastoral staff members and church volunteers were able to view a video documentary and discuss the issues it raised. For those of you who could not attend these spring meetings, two additional sessions have been planned:

- Monday, September 27, from 7:00 to 9:15 p.m. (in English)
- Tuesday, September 28, from 7:00 to 9:15 p.m. (in French)

You may register using these links:

- For September 27 (in English): <https://microsites.diocesemontreal.org/microsites/archeveche-montreal/en/educational-meeting/>
- For September 28 (in French): <https://microsites.diocesemontreal.org/microsites/archeveche-montreal/fr/rencontre-de-sensibilisation/>

If you have not already done so, we thank you for taking the time to participate in these awareness-building initiatives. Combating all forms of abuse is part of our missionary commitment in the Church.

**b. Towards an ever wider us!**

The World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2021 is approaching. We invite you to attend the Mass to be celebrated September 26 at 5:00 p.m. in Notre-Dame-des-Hongrois parish. For security reasons, during the COVID-19 situation, **only 3 people per parish and their priest will be permitted to attend**. We are therefore

asking that you confirm your intention to attend by contacting Alessandra Santopadre (asantopadre@diocesedemontreal.org) by Thursday, September 23 at the latest.

Read the [prayer](#) and Pope Francis's [message for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees](#) .

**c. YOUTH MINISTRY LAUNCHES THEIR PASTORAL YEAR**

September 28, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

THEME FOR 2021-2022: Mary set out and went with haste - Luke 1:39

The Youth Ministry Office invites youth workers to a series of four meetings scheduled throughout the year. These gatherings provide an opportunity to strengthen our network and build a more dynamic and mission-oriented community to serve our youth.

FOR WHOM? For all youth workers engaged with the community's young people (aged 13-35) in the capacity of volunteers, priests and pastoral workers, parents, as well as youth coordinators working within school settings, interest groups, movements, parishes, etc.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED: <https://bit.ly/3yQ9hPK>

**d. Transforming Communities: October 2, 2021, 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Zoom**

In the spirit of the relaunch of our diocesan missionary transformation project, the interactive event entitled "Transforming Communities" will put the focus on the "come and see" approaches that lead to personal and faith-community transformation, as well as the "go and serve" approaches that transform the communities around us. The session will be grounded in prayer, testimony and sharing. Priests, members of the diaconate, pastoral staff and volunteers, hospitality teams active in parishes, secretaries, and community organizations are all invited to attend. The event will be held in English, with simultaneous translation provided in French. Further information will follow.

**e. Penitential Journey - Letter from Archbishop Christian Lépine**

The findings uncovered by the Capriolo Report compel us to move forward, embracing transformation on a personal level, as a community and as an institution, ensuring that crimes of a sexual nature never occur here again as we work diligently to prevent all forms of abuse within our diocese. Archbishop Christian Lépine invites us to a Penitential Triduum: **Acknowledging our sinfulness, a step forward**. In the linked [pastoral letter](#) you will find details pertaining to the three prayer meetings that will take place at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral. These events will also be broadcast on the diocesan YouTube channel "Catholic Church of Montreal."

**f. New French translation of the Roman Missal into French**

*"... the Eucharistic sacrifice (...) is the fount and apex of the whole Christian life" (LG 11) ... "The Most Blessed Eucharist contains the entire spiritual boon of the Church, that is, Christ himself, our Pasch and Living Bread" (PO 5)*

On the occasion of the publication of the long-awaited new translation of the Roman Missal into French, Liturgy Services is pleased to invite priests and their liturgy ministers, as well as all others interested in the liturgy, to the Diocesan Day of Renewal: Fount and Apex. This event will take place on October 30, 2021, in virtual mode, between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. and will help us rediscover the meaning, the beauty and the depth of the Eucharist. We will also have an opportunity to deepen the meaning of our participation in God's work while opening ourselves up to transformation, so that we may become, in our turn, instruments of transformation in our communities.

The new French translation of the Roman Missal, based on the third standard edition, is now available for pre-order from CCCB Publications. This new translation will include celebrations added in recent years, as well as several that are for use specifically in Canada.

Designed to facilitate the celebration of the Eucharist, the Missal features a genuine reinforced leather binding, durable papers, and includes five bookmarks and a dozen dividers to facilitate easy reference.

This liturgical book will arrive at the CCCB warehouse in November 2021 and will be shipped directly based on pre-orders. The price is \$285 and purchase qualifies for the regular 20% discount when ordered through a diocesan office. If interested, please indicate **by email** the number of copies required and the e~~iv~~ie-address of the parish or Christian community placing the order to: [LD\\_ServiceDePastoraleLiturgique@diocesemontreal.org](mailto:LD_ServiceDePastoraleLiturgique@diocesemontreal.org).

What a wonderful opportunity to welcome the Roman Missal, the book **par excellence** of the Eucharistic Celebration!

As you know, brothers and sisters, the challenges we face are manifold. Fortunately, many opportunities are given to us to be able to support one another in these meetings: opportunities to be "Together on a Mission." It would, of course, be difficult to participate in all the activities that are offered. Let our key words be: discernment, attention to our "energy level," but over and above all, "solidarity in prayer," so that we may be attentive to the will of the Lord.

In Him,



+ Alain Faubert, VG  
Auxiliary Bishop of Montreal