

# **Bridge**

### February 2019

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#### New Volunteers!

There will be a new basic formation class in English February 15: 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. February 16: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

February 22: 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. February 23: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Location still to be confirmed!

Register with Cathie at 514-925-4300 ext. 354 to set up an appointment

Basic Formation Classes are presently being held in Montreal, and shortly, in Quebec City in French. Call 514-272-4441 for more info.

Widow's Group each first Monday of the month 9:30 a.m. at St. Edmund of Canterbury

Stay tuned for info about an ongoing formation session on Grief and Bereavement to be held in April

Please remember to fill out your visit reports at: <u>https://www.bishopdowd.net</u> <u>/sasmad/</u>

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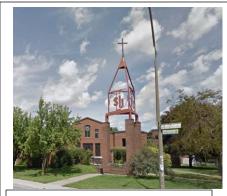
If you have not had your police check done or you are no longer active as a PHC/SASMAD volunteer, please contact Cathie



## WORLD DAY OF THE SICK 2019

#### Some words of encouragement from Pope Francis on World Day of the Sick 2019:

"Generosity inspires and sustains the work of the many volunteers who are so important in health care and who eloquently embody the spirituality of the Good Samaritan. I express my gratitude and offer my encouragement to all those associations of volunteers committed to the transport and assistance of patients, and all those that organize the donation of blood, tissues and organs. One particular area in which your presence expresses the Church's care and concern is that of advocacy for the rights of the sick, especially those affected by pathologies requiring special assistance. I would also mention the many efforts made to raise awareness and encourage prevention. Your volunteer work in medical facilities and in homes, which ranges from providing health care to offering spiritual support, is of primary importance. Countless persons who are ill, alone, elderly or frail in mind or body benefit from these services. I urge you to continue to be a sign of the Church's presence in a secularized world. A volunteer is a good friend with whom one can share personal thoughts and emotions; by their patient listening, volunteers make it possible for the sick to pass from being passive recipients of care to being active participants in a relationship that can restore hope and inspire openness to further treatment. Volunteer work passes on values, behaviours and ways of living born of a deep desire to be generous. It is also a means of making health care more humane."



Please ask for your World Day of the Sick cards to distribute to those you visit.

Would you like us to pray for an intention? Submit to Cathie by Feb. 8 and we will offer this intention up at the Mass. Saturday, February 9, 2019 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. St-Isaac-Jogues Parish

World Day of the Sick 2019

1335 Chabanel E., H2M 2N8 Shuttle Bus available from Crémazie Metro to church on Berri St. at 8:30 a.m., 8:50 a.m. and 9:10 a.m. with return trips to the metro beginning at 1:30 p.m. Register to save your seat at 514-272-4441. Contact Blanca (shuttle coordinator): 514-903-2684

Elevator Available 9:00 Welcome9:30 Lauds and Rosary11:00 Adoration followed bySacrament of the Sick, Confession12:00 Mass presided byArchbishop Christian Lépine

Community and Soup!

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