

COMMUNIQUÉ No. 74 – FEBRUARY 1, 2023
REMINDERS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

**To members of pastoral teams,
To priests, deacons, PCLs, LPAs,
To the faithful active in their communities,
To members of religious communities,
To Archdiocesan staff,**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Here are some reminders of upcoming activities to share with your networks.

REMINDERS

February 4, 2023 : Diocesan Celebration of the XXVIIth World Day for Consecrated Life

In honour of the **27th World Day for Consecrated Life**, which is observed every year on February 2 at the feast of the Presentation of the Lord, we will have the great pleasure of taking part in a **Eucharistic celebration** the following Saturday, **February 4, at 10:30 a.m. at the Sanctuaire Marie-Reine-des-Coeurs**, located at 5875 Sherbrooke St. E., Montreal. **Archbishop Christian Lépine will be presiding.** All are invited.

The Mass will also be livestreamed on YouTube:

[Église catholique à Montréal - YouTube.](#)

A prayer and resources to accompany this occasion, as well as several other suggestions, are all available on the web page of *Carrefour intervocationnel* (formerly Centre PRI) dedicated to World Day for Consecrated Life: <https://www.carrefourintervocationnel.ca/fr/jmvc/index>

You will find [here](#) a message from the Dicastery for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life on the 27th Day of Consecrated Life.

For further information: Office for Consecrated Life - vitaconsecrata@diocesemontreal.org

World Marriage Day

On the occasion of World Marriage Day, *Worldwide Marriage Encounter*, in collaboration with the Diocesan Centre for Marriage, Life and Family, invites you to a Mass to be celebrated **Saturday, February 11, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.** at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral, with Archbishop Christian

Lépine presiding. The Mass will also be livestreamed on the Diocese Youtube channel : [link here](#). Join us to renew your marriage commitments, receive a special blessing and pray for couples and families!
centreDMVF@diocesemontreal.org

Focus on the Victims of Abuse seminars are underway

Together we continue our firm commitment to fight against all forms of abuse in the Church of Montreal and in our society!

The "FVA seminars" are intended for pastoral staff, churchwardens and employees of the Fabriques, catechetical volunteers (18 years and older) and PHC volunteers. If you did not have the opportunity to attend this mandatory training last year, here is your chance! You can register now [here](#).

XXXI World Day of the Sick

Next Saturday, February 11, on the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, we will celebrate the WORLD DAY OF THE SICK. The theme chosen by the Pope for this year is: "TAKE CARE OF HIM".

The Pastoral Home Care (SASMAD) leadership team invites you! Come pray and celebrate for and with the sick at St-Isaac-Jogues parish, 1335 Chabanel Street East.

Schedule of the day

9:30 Welcome

10:00 Rosary followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Confession and Anointing of the Sick for those who wish.

Noon Mass for the Sick, presided by Archbishop Msgr. Christian Lépine
A community soup will be served after the mass.

- Elevator available on site
- A shuttle service between the Sauvé metro station (north exit) and SIJ parish is available in the early morning and late afternoon.
- The minibus will be waiting for you on Berri Street between 9 and 10 a.m.
- To access the PHC/SASMAD website:
<https://microsites.diocesemontreal.org/microsites/sasmad/en/home-2/>

To enable beneficiaries and volunteers who cannot or wish to travel, the celebration will be simultaneously broadcast on [You Tube](#) and [Zoom](#). Tell your family and friends. Let your parish communities know as well as the seniors' residences you visit so that a large number of sick people can pray together, as is done in Lourdes, with and for the sick.

You are also encouraged to mark this World Day of the Sick on the following day, February 12, during Sunday celebrations in your community, with a special prayer or by offering the sacrament of the sick to those who need it.

You can send us your prayer intentions for the Mass of February 11: sasmad@diocesemontreal.org or [Prayer Intentions | SASMAD / Pastoral Home Care \(diocesemontreal.org\)](#)

Here is the message of Pope Francis for the 31st World Day of the Sick:

<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/sick/documents/20230110-giornata-malato.html>

Dear brothers and sisters, in these coldest days of winter, may the Lord keep you in the warmth of his love!

In Jesus our Savior,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "+Alain Faubert". The signature is written in a cursive style with a cross at the beginning.

† Alain Faubert, VG
Auxiliary Bishop of Montreal