

Annual Archbishop's Charity Dinner: A fundraising event in support of families. At the Ottawa Conference and Event Centre on Wed., Oct. 18. The Archbishop has chosen four beneficiaries this year: Serenity Renewal for Families, Patro D'Ottawa, House of Hope and Healing and Centre des Services à la Famille. Poster here. Order tickets here. Info: Development Office (613-738-5025, ext. 202) or (dev@archottawa.ca).

8th Annual Pilgrimage to St-Joseph Oratory from Dioceses of Ottawa, Gatineau, Pembroke, Mont-Laurier, Alexandria/Cornwall and Kingston: Special stop at the Shrine of St. Kateri Tekakwitha in Kahnawake Québec. Sun., Oct. 15. 7:00 a.m. Departure from Westgate and Notre-Dame-de-Lourdes. Cost: \$65. Info: Mike Budge 613-224-8110.

Development and Peace Workshop – Women at the Heart of Peace: New campaign invites Catholics to learn more about the vital role women play in conflict prevention and peacebuilding. Sat., Sept. 30, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. St. Joseph Parish, 174 Wilbrod St., and Wed., Oct. 11, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., 1247 Kilborn Pl. All welcome. Workshops include simple meal. Info: (613738-9644); www.devp.org/campaign (mangeladavis@hotmail.com; ggallant@devp.org).



WHY USE CHURCH DONATION ENVELOPES

These envelopes are much more than just a mechanism to receive your generosity. They are essential tools for our parish operations and allow us to serve you effectively.

And they are incredibly important for you as well. Here are just a few of the reasons for everyone to use their envelopes:

1. **Participation in our Parish:** Your use of the envelopes when you come to Mass is the most direct illustration of your active participation at IHM. By placing the envelope in our collection baskets, with whatever gift you may be able to share with your Parish Family, we are able to reflect your attendance. The attendance is the first item we are asked to use when setting up letters for Catholic functions, like sponsorship for sacraments, direct assistance requests, or enrollment in church programs. Being a Catholic in Good Standing requires illustration of attendance, and we know that all of our Parish Family deserves to be considered “good”, if not “amazing”.
2. **Tracking Giving for Tax Purposes:** You all give so generously, with your time, your talent and your treasure to our Parish Family. We want to ensure any giving you provide to our parish is properly accounted for, especially in the case of your donations. By using envelopes, we can properly account for those gifts and provide an appropriate receipt at the beginning of each year.

Please help our parish help you by utilizing your envelopes when you attend Mass. You don't have a set of envelopes? Please call the parish office at 613-733-9636 or at ihmparish@rogers.com and a set of envelopes will be provided.