

CRUSADER CHAPLAIN CHATTER

WEEK OF JUNE 8 - 12, 2026

IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE IS NATIONAL INDIGENOUS HISTORY MONTH,
FILIPINO HERITAGE MONTH, ITALIAN HERITAGE
MONTH, PORTUGUESE HISTORY AND HERITAGE
MONTH.

JUNE 1: ONTARIO DAY

JUNE 1: LAUNCH OF PRIDE MONTH

JUNE 3: CLOSING YEAR MASSES

JUNE 8-12: SPIRIT WEEK

JUNE 9: ATHLETIC BANQUET

JUNE 10: PORTUGAL DAY

JUNE 12: GRADE 12 EXAMS (P1)

JUNE 15: GRADE 12 EXAMS (P2)

JUNE 16: GRADE 12 EXAMS (P3/4)

JUNE 17: GRADE 12 EXAMS (P5)

JUNE 18-24: EXAMS FOR 9S, 10S, 11S

JUNE 21: NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY

JUNE 23: NAT'L DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR
VICTIMS OF TERRORISM

JUNE 24: SAINT-JEAN-BAPTISTE DAY

JUNE 24: GRADUATION DAY

JUNE 25: EXAM REVIEW DAY

JUNE 25-JULY 1: SOMALI HERITAGE WEEK

JUNE 26: PD DAY

JUNE 27: CANADIAN MULTICULTURALISM DAY

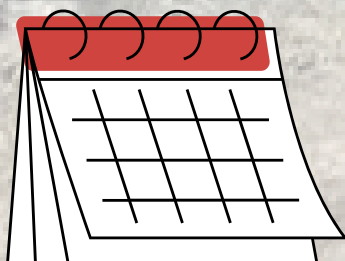
JULY 1: CANADA DAY

SEPT. 1: GRADE 9 ORIENTATION

SEPT. 2-3: PD DAYS

SEPT. 7: LABOUR DAY

SEPT. 8: FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL - WELCOME!



*We pause to honour the land
on which we live, work and learn.*

*This land is sacred:
it is the land of many First Nations
and the Metis;
From the lands of the Anishinabe
to the Attawandaron,
The Haudenosaunee and the Metis,
who lived, worked and learned
on this land and kept a peaceful
balance
with the land and its creatures and
inhabitants and continue to do so.*

*As we begin our week,
Let us honour this land, its rich history,
the many First Nations and the Metis
and commit to continue learning
how to keep a peaceful balance
with this land and with all those
who call this land home.*

*We are only as healthy
as our relationship with this land
and with our commitment
to truth and reconciliation.*





Successful Homeless Village in Scotland Offers Residents Independence but Asks Responsibility

A small village for homeless residents has opened in the west of Scotland with the aim of empowering tenants with responsibility and time to get their lives back on track.

The charity Social Bite has partnered with the Salvation Army for the management of the South Lanarkshire homeless village, called Harriet Gardens, which it spent some \$3.5 million to build. Consisting of 15 “nest” units with 1 bed and 1 bath, Harriet Gardens residents will share a gym, community space, and cooking facilities. Social Bite’s Josh Littlejohn believes it will be a big improvement over government sponsored homeless hostels, which generally create an environment of chaos.

“If you create an environment where people grow in confidence, build relationships and then leave homelessness behind, then that is the first step in tackling homelessness as a problem.”

In South Lanarkshire, some 1,500 residents are considered homeless, an increase over the last 6 years of 33%. Jacqueline Fernie, a homelessness and housing manager for South Lanarkshire Council, visited Social Bite’s village location in Edinburgh and decided she wanted to see the same in her own jurisdiction.

Fernie views the independence and responsibility of renting a tiny home as being the right catalyst for someone being able to reverse course. The Salvation Army will be on site 24/7 to provide support of any kind for residents, including “practical help, emotional support and guidance with day-to-day challenges,” Social Bite writes on its website.

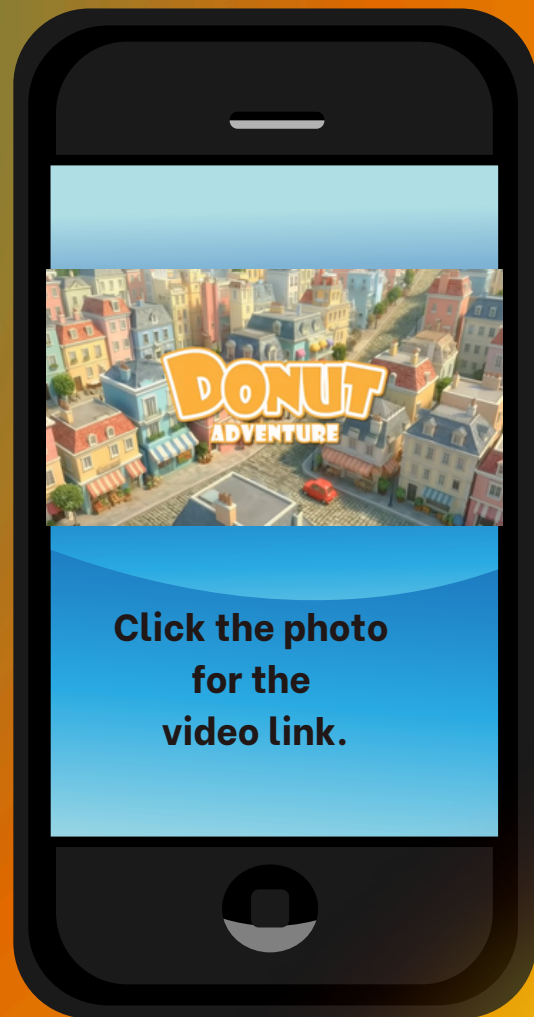
some groups, such as a local gardening club Grow 73, were proactive in reaching out to offer support and a line of connectivity for residents of Harriet Gardens with the broader community.



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PRAYER

Loving God, We gather as a community of faith, drawing close to the Sacred Heart of Your Son, Jesus —a heart overflowing with unconditional love, profound mercy, and infinite compassion for all of humanity.

As we reflect on His Sacred Heart this June, we also recognize Pride Month within our school community. We thank You for the beautiful diversity of Your creation and for making each of us uniquely in Your image. We pray that our school may always imitate the heart of Christ.

Help us to create an atmosphere in our hallways and classrooms rooted in:

Belonging: Where every student and staff member, regardless of age, culture, identity, race, feels deeply valued, safe, and seen.

Compassion: Where judgment is replaced by understanding, and isolation is conquered by friendship and community.

Courage: that we stand up for one another and love without boundaries, just as Jesus did.

Sacred Heart of Jesus, burn brightly within us, so that our words and actions may reflect Your boundless, inclusive love to the world.

Our Lady of the Assumption, pray for us!

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"Preach the gospel at all times; use words when necessary."

Attention Grade 12 Students: We are collecting uniform pieces! Donate 3 gently used clean uniform pieces, and you can wear civvies to write your exams. Uniforms will be collected Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday this week. Drop off uniform outside the main office on June 9, 10 and 11! Thank you!

Attention Grade 12 graduates: Your gowns and caps will be handed out during 4th period lunch on TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY. Please arrive on time to pick up your gown and cap - no exceptions! If you have a question about this, please see Mrs. Crowell in room 222 or workroom 200.

Finished

Art Club will take place on Wednesday this week instead of Thursday. That's this Wednesday after school in room 108. All are welcome.

Last day to purchase a popcorn card is June 12th. You can use your popcorn cards up until June 17th. Popcorn will be sold on all lunches Monday - Thursday each week. Make sure to redeem all the bags left on your card before they expire on June 17th.

Assumption's annual athletic awards banquet is being held tomorrow June 9 at the Holiday Inn in Burlington. Doors open at 5 PM and the ceremony is starting promptly at 6 pm. Please bring your physical ticket to the banquet. There will be a door prize at some point during the evening. Thank you to all who have supported our athletes. We are looking forward to a wonderful night of food and celebration. Go blue go!

Done!

This week is Spirit week, thanks to our collective efforts in raising A LOT of money for Relay! Monday is Matching Monday; Tuesday is Denim Tuesday; Wednesday is grade colours (9s--yellow; 10s--blue; 11s--pink; 12s--white); Thursday is Jersey Day/Gym wear; and Friday is school colours (blue and white). Check the IG post for more info!

Attention Crusaders! Do you play guitar, drums, bass guitar, trumpet, violin, cello, or keyboard? A.C.T. is looking for talented musicians to join the pit band for next year's winter musical, Disney's Descendants: The Musical! This is a fantastic opportunity to be part of the production, work alongside fellow musicians, and help bring the magic of live theatre to life. Music is available now, so interested musicians can even get a head start over the summer.

If you're interested or would like more information, please reach out to Mrs. Laferriere in Room 212 or Workroom 212A. We can't wait to hear from you!

See the the TV / bulletin board outside of Phys. Ed. for all updates regarding sports and practices.

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Quote for the week

There is a Japanese legend that says:

If you miss the bus,
maybe you *avoided the accident*.

If you got rejected,
maybe you were *saved*
from the wrong place.

If they left, maybe they made room
for who is coming.

The universe protects you in ways
that look like bad luck at first.

Trust the detour.

Daily Mindfulness 



INSPIRE

WEATHER REPORT FOR THE WEEK

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| Today |  | 14° |  | 19° |
| Tue |  | 14° |  | 24° |
| | 85% | | | |
| Wed |  | 19° |  | 28° |
| | 95% | | | |
| Thu |  | 21° |  | 29° |
| | 65% | | | |
| Fri |  | 20° |  | 27° |
| | 45% | | | |
| Sat |  | 18° |  | 28° |
| Sun |  | 17° |  | 24° |

from the iPhone weather app

Dad Joke of the Week

I thought this lady was staring at me for 5 minutes...



If you need support,
please remember we are here for you:

Mr. Brophy (Principal)

Ms. Fraser (VP)

Mr. Ilczyszyn (VP)

Ms. Rerecich (Chaplain)

Devin Misener (CYC)

Bailey Jones (SW)

Guidance Counselors
and your teachers

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MONDAY

Student Council
in rm 214

Chess Club, rm 304

8:10

Be in
class by
8:10 a.m.

TUESDAY

Rosary Group in
the Chapel per. 2



Concert Band
the music room
Late Club,
rm 209

WEDNESDAY

STUDENT COUNCIL
ELECTIONS

Business Wednesday
Piazza over
Library.

Math Madness,
rm 309
Latin American Club,
rm 217

French Club,
rm 202

Spectrum GSA,
during lunches--
see Ms. R. & Ms.
Ventura
for locations!

Dungeons &
Dragons,
rm 209B

THURSDAY

BSA, rm 110

Dance team,
age/small gym

Art Club, rm 108

South Asian Club,
rm 222

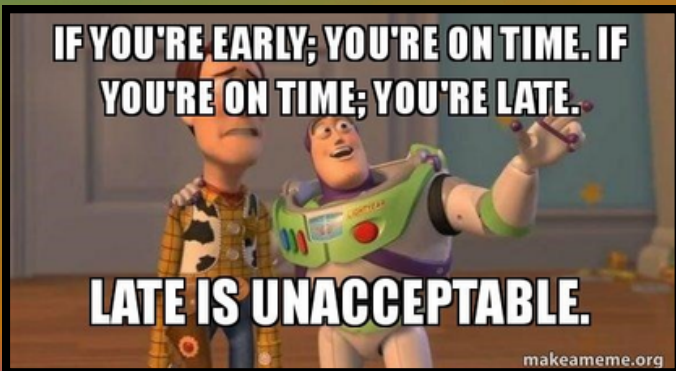
FRIDAY

**Gr. 12 exams
begin**



Rock Band in
the music
room / piazza

**Check with your faculty
advisors if clubs are running
this week...**



PLUG IN TO YOUR FAITH

Click the item and it will take you to the site/article.

#dailyjolt

June 8, 2026

I believe that a person's taste in music tells you a lot about them. In some cases, it tells you everything you need to know.

LEILA SALES, AUTHOR, "THIS SONG WILL SAVE YOUR LIFE"

TODAY'S #MICROCHALLENGE

Share your favorite playlist with a friend today!

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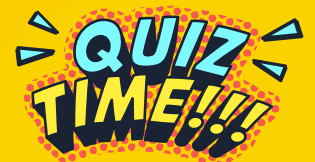
Martyr's Shrine,
Midland, Ontario

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MARTYRS' SHRINE
Centennial Anniversary
A century of pilgrimage, encounter, and living faith.

TRIVIA QUIZ

First person
to see
Ms. R. with
the correct
answer will
receive a
prize!

Weekly Trivia Challenge



Walking in faith, hope and love.

"Whatsoever you do to the least of these, you do to me." Matt. 25.40



POET'S CORNER

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The Voice I Hear (Villanelle)

The voice I hear is soft, but clear,
It reaches to my core,
And it echoes deep inside me, telling me not to fear.

Although I try to hide it, it will not disappear,
And He continues to remind me that this is what I am for.
The voice I hear is soft but clear.

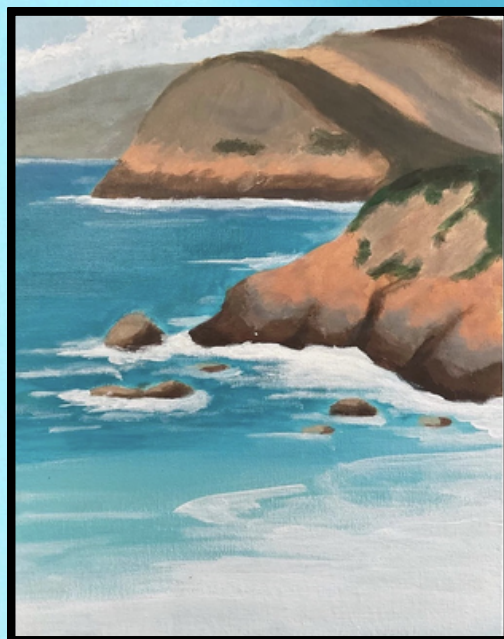
I listen for another word to speak into my ear,
But with love he gently promises what He has in store.
And this echoes deep inside me, telling me not to fear.

My resistance seems to be for naught, I know God holds me dear,
And though I question and I doubt, He assures me all the more.
The voice I hear is soft but clear.

He reminds me with His loving gaze that He is always near,
And that he will not shut or lock, but open every door.
And this echoes deep inside me, telling me not to fear.

After all this time and listening, I finally can hear,
And now I know within me, that I cannot ignore.
The voice I hear is soft but clear,
And it echoes deep inside me, telling me not to fear.

crusader art gallery



@assumptioncreatives

How the sacrifices we make for our family turn into moments of God's grace.

by Ms. R.

Last week, my mother called me and told me about the special celebrations happening at Martyr's Shrine on June 27. (*Martyr's Shrine in Midland, Ontario, is celebrating 100 years of being a shrine. It is a special place for our history, and miracles have been reported to have taken place there. It is a very holy site and many people have visited this holy site since it opened in 1926.*) Calling me and phrasing it this way was her way of letting me know she wanted to go and she was fishing for my response to say, "Yes, mom, we will go!" (*She doesn't drive long distances, only around town for groceries. She's 88 years old.*)

That is not the response I gave. Before you judge me, and I don't blame you if you do, I told her I wasn't sure if I could, the 26th is the last day of work and typically, I'm exhausted. So, I ended the conversation that I would call her back and let her know. I was caught in the tension of my selfish desires while God was nudging me toward selflessness. It's a familiar struggle between God and I. (I suspect you might be able to relate as well!)


I then called my cousin because she has a cottage in the area and I was checking to see if my mother and I could stay there. Negative. It was not an option. There would be people at the cottage and besides, there is no longer a bedroom on the main floor. My mom shouldn't really be doing stairs, as she can be unsteady on her feet, which is why she has her walker. So, after some humming and hawing, I decided to book a hotel for us that weekend and take my mom to this holy site one more time.

At first, I wasn't crazy about this. My first instinct was to cocoon at home after the last day. Some years, I am so depleted that I go home and sleep. However, now that the dust has settled on this decision, my perspective is changing on this whole weekend away with my mother. You see, my mother is 88 years old. I don't know how much longer I will have with her. Two of her sisters have died in recent years and now there are only the three of them left. (My mother is one of five.) My father is already gone. Two of my brothers are already gone. And I know, I KNOW, that if I don't do this, I will regret it for the rest of my life.

As I write this, I am now filling up with excitement that I will get this chance to have a weekend away with my mom. We will have another adventure, and I can't wait. You see, my mom and I can act like kids, and we can laugh, and laugh. Our adventures are some of my best stories!

Martyr's Shrine is celebrating 100 years of pilgrims coming to pray and visit the holy sites of the Canadian Martyrs. It's difficult NOT to think about the lineage of faith that unfolds with each prayer, each encounter, each Mass, each prayer, each friendship, each deep sigh of hope through the generations. This trip isn't just for my mother. It's as much for me as it is for her. It's a gift to be able to share faith with my mother. My mother's faith has shaped me and she has made countless sacrifices for me and my brothers. I know how the little things can mean so much. I'm glad I can do this for my mother--her faith and her love has formed me and now I can share that faith in a way that is meaningful for both of us.

A healthy relationship reciprocates love and sacrifice. Some things for you to think about: how do you reciprocate the love and care your family members have done for you? What sacrifices do you make to let your mother, father, sisters, brothers, grandparents, aunts, uncles...know you love them and prioritize them in your life?



I THINK THE HARDEST PART OF FOLLOWING JESUS ISN'T BELIEF

How clearly the sky reveals God's glory! How plainly it shows what he has done!

Psalm 19:1

1 Most Christians already believe the right things about Jesus.

The challenge is letting those beliefs shape everyday life instead of simply becoming information we agree with.

2 I know plenty of people who can explain their faith.

But it's much harder to let faith shape how we respond when we're tired, frustrated, ignored, or disappointed.

Especially when we've spent all day **scrolling and listening to everyone else.**

 @aussiedave

3 That's why Jesus didn't simply ask people to **believe certain things about him.**

He asked them to follow him.

4 When Jesus said, "**Love the Lord your God with all your soul**" (Matthew 22:37), he was quoting Deuteronomy 6:5.

The Hebrew word for **soul** in this verse is **nephesh (נפש)**, and **it means much more than what we usually think of as a soul.**

5 Nephesh means your whole life.

Your desires, decisions, habits, relationships, reactions, and choices.

The part of you that **scrolls, votes, spends money, drives to work, speaks to your spouse, and responds to people who disagree with you.**

6 That's what makes Jesus' words so challenging.

He wasn't asking for **your Sunday morning.**

He was actually asking for your nephesh.

7 Psalm 19 says creation reveals God's glory without speaking a word.

The sky doesn't need to **preach sermons.**

It simply reveals its Creator by being what it was created to be.

8 Maybe that's what Jesus was inviting us into.

To stop practicing what we preach ... and start practicing what Jesus preached.

9 **If someone watched your life this week with the sound turned off, what would they learn about the Jesus you follow?**

SAINTS FOR JUNE

June 1 - St. Justin

June 2 - St. Marcellinus and St. Peter

June 3 - St. Charles Lwanga and Companions

June 5 - St. Boniface

June 6 - St. Norbert

June 9 - St. Ephrem

June 11 - St. Barnabas

June 12 - Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

June 13 - St. Anthony of Padua

- Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

June 19 - St. Romuald

June 21 - St. Aloysius Gonzaga

June 22 - St. Paulinus of Nola

June 22 - St. John Fisher

June 22 - St. Thomas More

June 24 - Nativity of St. John the Baptist

June 27 - Blessed Nykyta Budka and Blessed Vasyl
Velychkowsky

June 27 - St. Cyril of Alexandria

June 28 - St. Irenaeus

June 29 - St. Peter and St. Paul

June 30 - First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

*“A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put
within you, and I will remove from your body the
heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.”*

(Ezekiel 36.26)

