MUSIC AT THE EASTER VIGIL

We have $500 budgeted for musicians and sound people for the Easter Vigil, but traditionally we have relied on donations to ensure that the evening is extra special (another $1,000 or so). Contact the chaplain if you would like to contribute, or mark a check or envelope with “Easter Vigil music” if you want to make a dedicated donation.

“CATHOLIC TWITTER” PANEL DISCUSSION

A Librarian, a Historian, and a Sociologist each examine the Catholic presence on Twitter from their respective disciplines. Come hear Hailey Siracky, M.I. (St. Joseph’s College), Dr. Sean Hannan (MacEwan University) & Dr. Jeffery Brassard (St. Joseph’s College) explore prayer, debate, and celebrity as it appears among Catholic users on the popular social media app.

When: Thurs., March 19, 4:00pm
Where: SJC Boardroom!

SUPPORT THE CAMPUS FOOD BANK!

In addition to the Knights of Columbus 40 cans for Lent, the U of A Figure Skating Club is hosting a show on Thursday, March 26 at 8:00 pm in the Clare Drake Arena based on the group “Queen”. Entry is by donation to the Campus Food Bank.

PRE-AUTHORIZED DONATIONS

If you don't want to fiddle around with envelopes, consider authorizing the College to deduct a fixed amount each month from your bank account. Contact Elsie at yeliu@ualberta.ca to get started.
CORONAVIRUS PRECAUTIONS

We are making some changes at mass to help prevent the spread of flu and—when and if it appears—the new coronavirus known as Corvid-19. Communion under one species (no cup), emptied holy water fonts, and either no sign of peace or a no-contact sign of peace. Please don't be offended if someone doesn't want to shake your hand! And don't be alarmed, either. There is as yet no Corvid-19 cases in Alberta, and the disease is fairly harmless for people in good health. Among older people and those with certain health issues it can be quite dangerous, however. The precautions we are taking are the same as for a bad flu season, and will help keep the most vulnerable members of the community safe.

Remember to wash or sanitize your hands frequently, to avoid touching your face, and to stay at home if you are feeling ill. It is not a sin to miss mass because you might be sick. If you do stay home, you can watch the TV mass from Toronto at https://dailytvmass.com/daily-tv-mass/

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE SHARE LENT

Yesica Patiachi Tayori of Peru’s Harakbut Indigenous community was invited to the Synod of Bishops for the Pan-Amazon Region in October 2019. She said: “We, the Indigenous peoples, have been, are and will always be the guardians of the forest. But caring for our common home is everyone’s responsibility, not just that of Indigenous peoples.” D&P’s partner, the Amazonian Centre for Anthropology and Practical Application (CAAAP), helps the Indigenous peoples of the Amazon ensure that their rights and territories are respected.

On this INTERNATIONAL WOMEN’S DAY, let us salute the courage of women like Yesica who bravely lead the defence of the land, water and people. Watch her testimony at devp.org/campaign/yesica. Pick up a copy of our Mini-Magazine to learn more about D&P’s work: it’s at devp.org/lent/resources.

OPEN DIALOGUE ON ABUSE CRISIS: LAST CALL

The Open Dialogue on the Sexual Abuse Crisis in the Church is next Saturday, March 14, from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm at ECHA. Register at www.ualberta.ca/st-josephs if you plan to attend.