



FROM THE VINEYARD

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THE VATICAN ANNOUNCED TODAY that Pope Francis will visit Canada from July 24 to 29, for a journey focused on healing and reconciliation with Indigenous peoples. The three hub cities for the visit will be Edmonton, Quebec and Iqaluit. These communities will serve as the centers for the papal visit, allowing the Holy Father to focus his travel while providing opportunities for encounters both public and more personal. Pope Francis announced his intention to come to Canada this summer when he met with Indigenous delegations at the Vatican in late March and early April. More details about the program will be confirmed in coming weeks. You may read the statement and press release from the Canadian bishops about the papal visit [here](#).

THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. PETER-IN-CHAINS WILL HOST THE PILGRIM STATUE from the Shrine of Our Lady of Cap de Madeleine on Victoria Day weekend. This shrine is one of the most famous in North America and is the national shrine of the Queen of the Most Holy Rosary. Join us on Sunday May 22nd at 1:30 p.m. for a program of devotion that includes the recitation of the Holy Rosary and the Crowning of Mary. The Pilgrim Statue is coming to many communities across our country, inviting the prayers and Marian devotion of many people. An interesting video about the history of the Our Lady of the Cape Pilgrim Statue and the original 1947 tour can be viewed [here](#).

DEACON PETER LUKOW will be ordained to the Priesthood on Friday, May 27 at 7:00 p.m. at our Cathedral. Please keep him in your prayers as he prepares for Ordination and the sacred ministry of the priesthood. You are welcome to attend the Ordination Mass, which will also be livestreamed on our Diocesan YouTube channel.

THE CCCB'S STANDING COMMITTEE FOR FAMILY AND LIFE has released this video in advance of the World Meeting of Families, being held in Rome, June 22-26. This short video features Francis and Janine Doyle from the Diocese of Hamilton, who help to bring to life the WMF theme, "Family Love: Vocation and Path to Holiness."

OUR PERMANENT DIACONATE FORMATION GROUP will meet this Saturday at St. Martin Parish in Ennismore, for the final session of their four-year program. Chris Borsellino and Rob Vandenburg are preparing to be ordained as Permanent Deacons on Saturday, June 18. Appropriately, this last session will focus on the Ordination Rite and the Liturgical ministry of deacons. Please keep Rob and Chris in your prayers. My sincere thanks to all those who have contributed to their formation in these past four years.

FATHER PETER SEABROOKE was celebrated by friends, family and former parishioners last Saturday evening, as he marked his 50th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood. I was happy to join in the festivities at Immaculate Conception Parish following the evening Mass and delighted to see the great many people who attended to show their support and gratitude to Fr. Peter.

Fraternally, + Daniel