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Alpha Online

Do you have questions about life, faith and meaning? Alpha is a series of interactive sessions exploring the basics of the Christian faith. Each session looks at a different question and is designed to create meaningful conversation. Alpha provides an open, informal, and honest space to explore and discuss life's big questions together. We are excited that guests can now try Alpha online using our Zoom platform, all in the comfort of their own home. We are inviting anyone from anywhere to join us for our upcoming session starting on Wednesday, October 7th at 7 p.m. This tool for evangelization is being offered free of charge, and there is never any obligation to complete the program. For further info or to register, please call 630-0624 or email ckubinec@shaw.ca

Adult Faith Office - Hannah Hay

Pope Francis to Release New Encyclical on Oct. 4 -The Holy See press office said Sept. 16 that the encyclical *Fratelli tutti*, on fraternity and social friendship, would be issued at noon Rome time on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. This is the third encyclical of Pope Francis' pontificate. It is reported to be the pope's reflections on the new realities of a post COVID-19 world: What lessons we ought to be learning from the pandemic; Where we are; Where we need to go from here... More information to come upon the release!

Update from Bishop Colli re: Covid-19

- A reminder to all Catholics that the dispensation from Sunday Mass is still in effect during this pandemic, but we encourage those who can, to come to Sunday Mass celebrations.
- We are maintaining the current protocols for parishes: masks must be worn; sanitizing of hands at the doors; social distancing; no shaking of hands; communion received only in the hand; no socializing outside the church without distancing; and parish meetings at a minimum with social distancing. We are still following the WorshipSafe document and the diocesan protocols.
- Masks must be worn when approaching the priest for Holy Communion, you receive holy communion in **silence**, and you do **not** say Amen.
- On-line Masses may continue at this time on parish websites and on the Diocesan website each weekend with Bishop Colli.
- Bulletins in churches are allowed, but must be printed early in the week and only picked up by parishioners and not distributed.
- Children's liturgy and children's cry room are to remain closed at this time.
- Further developments on these restrictions will be made know in future Monday Memos as Bishop Colli gets some input from the Ontario bishops. We thank you for your patience and cooperation at this time.

Columbus Centre

COLUMBUS CENTRE 301 S. May St; TAKE-OUTS- Spaghetti, Meatballs, Chicken, Perogies, Spaghetti Sauce, Tossed Salad Thursdays Sept 24- Oct 8 & 22; 2pm to 5:30pm. Containers not required, orders are pre-packaged. Pickerel Take-out: Fri, Oct 2/20, pick up 4pm to 6pm. Includes 4pc Breaded Pickerel, Home Fries, Coleslaw, \$18. per order. Pre-orders only, deadline Thurs, Oct 1/20. Call 623-3252 for more information.

If you have a **“Diocesan Event”** that you would like posted in the **Monday Memo**, please let us know,
We'd be happy to get the word out for you.