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HÔTEL DIEU OF ST. JOSEPH HOSPITAL MISSIONING CEREMONY









On April 2nd, Hotel Dieu of St. Joseph Hospital in Perth-Andover, N.B. held a special missioning ceremony to welcome Jennifer Eagan as Facility Manager. There was also a recommitment ceremony for members of HDSJ Advisory Committee. Karen O'Regan, chair of the Advisory Committee and Fr. Gilbert Doddatto led the ceremony. Two longtime volunteers, Doreen Roach and Beatrice Lockhart were recognized for their service. Catholic Health International congratulates Jennifer on this special occasion and looks forward to continuing to work with her and the team at HDSJ.

HORIZON HEALTH NAMES MELANSON PRESIDENT & CEO

On April 23, Susan Harley, the Board Chair of Horizon Health Network in New Brunswick, announced that Margaret Melanson was selected as the President and CEO, effective immediately. Margaret has been serving as interim CEO for the past two years. She has been an excellent collaborator with Catholic Health International and is a former member of the CHI Ethics pillar, a members of the CHI Values Integration Assessment Team and a graduate of CHI's Leadership Formation Program. The CHI Board and staff congratulates



Margaret and look forward to continuing to work with her to build a stronger health system in New Brunswick.



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NATIONAL NURSING WEEK MAY 6 - 12



This year's National Nursing Week will be celebrated on May 6th to 12th.

The theme this year, in Canada, is *Changing Lives - Shaping Tomorrow* and recognizes the contributions that nurses have on individuals, communities, and the future of health care. The theme, in the United States, is *Nurses Make the Difference* and "honors the incredible nurses who embody the spirit of compassion and care in every health care setting." We hope you show your support for National Nursing week. For additional resources click on one of the logos below:









Volunteer Excellence Hwards

Catholic Health International recognizes the tremendous dedication of our volunteers and is pleased to accept nominations for the Annual Volunteer Recognition Award. To nominate someone from your facility follow this <u>LINK</u>.

SPIRITUALITÉSANTÉ

INFOLETTRE: AVRIL 2024

Several times a year the Center
Spiritualitésanté de la Capitale-Nationale
publishes its newsletter "INFOLETTRE" of
which the Centre Hospitalier Universitaire de
Québec and Université Laval are the trustees.
The latest edition is available by following this
LINK.



DOMINICAN CENTER FOR ETHICS AND SPIRITUAL LIFE





The Dominican Center for Ethics and Spiritual Life (CDEVS) will host a free virtual webinar on Friday, May 24, at 2:00 p.m. ET (3:00 pm AT). Don Luca Castiglioni, will present *Are we really ready for synodality?* It is presented as part of the work of the the "Gospel, Theology and Life" Chair, a university center for research, training and expertise in biblical and systematic theology. It is part of the Dominican Center for Ethics and Spiritual Life (CDEVS). The Centre's presentations are in French.

Follow this **LINK** to register.



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Laudato Si' Week is celebrated this year from May 19 to 26. "Let us gather in community to contemplate and nurture seeds of hope for our suffering planet." (LD 2). Laudate Deum is a reminder about the urgency of the Laudato Si' message and the need for both personal and cultural transformation amidst our ecological and climate crises. This year's *Laudato Si' Week* theme is inspired by the symbol for Season of Creation 2024, "firstfruits." Let us be **SEEDS OF HOPE** in our lives and our world, rooted in faith and love. For more information, a celebration guide and other resources follow this *LINK*.

Important Dates and Events

CHI Board Meeting Dates

May 3, 2024 (Partners in Mission AGM) June 26, 2024 (AGM- Atlantic Corps) May 22, 2024 (CHP Board) June 27, 2024 (AGM-ONT & US Corps)

CHANB Board Meeting Dates

May 15, 2024

Centre for Excellence in Leadership Meeting Dates

Spiritual Care Pillar May 16, 2024 Leadership Pillar May 29, 2024 VIA Pillar June 12, 2024

CHAC Annual Conference

Get to the Heart of It: Being, Caring, Doing - Meaningful Connections and Actions May 8-10, 2024 Winnipeg, Manitoba

Free virtual workshop: Strength for the Journey: Nourish you Social Connections Friday May 10

9:15 am Central Time - 10:15 am Eastern Time - 11:15 Atlantic Time Click this **LINK** to register

Leadership Formation Program

English Program Module 2 June 25-27, 2024 in Mississauga, Ontario Registrations full Waiting list in place French Program
Module 2
September 24-26, 2024 in
Tracadie, New Brunswick
Registrations full
Waiting list in place

ENGLISH REGISTRATION FORM

FRENCH REGISTRATION FORM

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