

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 NATIONAL DAY OF TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION:**

**This year there will be THREE HEALING AND RECONCILIATION events taking place.**

**Two on SEPTEMBER 30, 2023. The first event will be at 10:00 AM AT ST. BASIL'S PARISH., OTTAWA, ONTARIO sponsored by the Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. The presider will be Bishop Yvan Mathieu along with representatives of the Kateri Native Ministry, the Akwesasne Mohawk choir, Fr. Alain Guevremont and Fr. Daryold Winkler. The Mass is in response to the Truth and Reconciliation Call to Action #80.**

**THE SECOND EVENT ON SEPTEMBER 30TH is sponsored by the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne at Lamoureux Park, Cornwall from 1-4pm. ORANGE SHIRT DAY will feature residential school history, culture sharing, traditional teachings, social dancing and traditional indigenous food sharing.**

**ON SEPTEMBER 29TH The St. Regis Mohawk Tribe is sponsoring EVERY CHILD MATTERS DAY at GENERATIONS PARK from 11:00AM to 2:00 PM. There will be speakers, a community walk, singers and food. "COME HONOR OUR CHILDREN PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE."**

**The St. Regis Mission Church and representatives of the Pastors of Akwesasne (Mohawk Assembly of God, the Hogansburg United Methodist Church, the New Life Christian Church and the Church of Christ) in recognition of the National Day of Healing and Reconciliation are supporting these events. Each year, September 30 marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. The day honours the children who never returned home and Survivors of residential schools, as well as their families and communities. Everyone is invited including all neighboring churches and their parishioners.**

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