



Welcome! Bienvenue! Bitamo! A Winnipeg greeting to all of our fellow members of the Catholic Archivists Group. We are happy to invite everyone to join us from the evening of **Monday 13 May 2019 to Thursday 16 May 2019** at noon in **Winnipeg, Manitoba** for the 2019 Catholic Archivists Group Conference! Come and gather with us as we share ideas, connect with our fellow archivists, enjoy some delicious meals (including two local favourites, *tourtière* and perogies!), and reinvigorate ourselves for our archival work.

We will be **staying at McFeetors Hall** at the University of Winnipeg, also known as the “UW Downtown Hostel” in the spring & summer months. The residence is located centrally in Winnipeg, with the Winnipeg Airport only 15 to 20 minutes away by car (or 30 to 45 minutes by bus without transfers). Group booking information will be sent out to the membership soon, but in the meantime you can learn more about the accommodations at: <https://uwhostel.com/>

We have the privilege of hosting most of our **conference sessions at the beautiful Centre du Patrimoine** of the Saint-Boniface Historical Society, which is part of Winnipeg’s Centre Culturel Franco-Manitobain. Among the collections preserved at the Centre du Patrimoine are the historical records of the Archdiocese of Saint-Boniface, as well as materials from religious communities including the Oblates of Mary Immaculate, the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary, and the Sœurs du Sauveur. It is an incredible model for collaborative archival preservation and access. More info on the Centre can be found here: <http://shsb.mb.ca/en>

Winnipeg is a wonderfully central place for us to gather, and unique in that we have three Catholic Archdiocese/Archieparchy offices that all call our city home. This is represented by the three cathedral rooftops in our 2019 conference logo. We also have many communities of Religious who have served and continue to serve in our city and province. Our city’s spirit of communities working together has inspired our theme of **Community, Faith, and the Future**.

The planning committee has been hard at work putting together an exciting program for our 2019 gathering, and we will share more tantalizing details over the coming months as everything is finalized. We look forward to seeing all of you in Winnipeg in May 2019!