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## *Sights & Sounds*

*February 1, 2018*

**Convocation 2018** ~ Friendly reminder that **registration forms** to attend the Convocation in Cornwall, Ontario (Monday ~ April 9 to Friday ~ April 13) are **due today**. If you have not already done so, please fill out and return your registration form to:

Convocation Committee  
OMI Lacombe Canada  
96 Empress Avenue  
Ottawa, ON K1R 7G3  
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**Community Days for SDC** will begin at 1:30 pm on Thursday, February 15 and conclude with lunch on Friday, February 16. **Please register directly through Pauline Henry at Queen's House** by phone: 306-242-1925 or e-mail: [bookings@queenshouse.org](mailto:bookings@queenshouse.org)

The focus of the February Community Days will center around the discussion questions for the 2018 Convocation. Attached you will find an outline for Community Days submitted by Father Mike Dechant, OMI. If you have the opportunity to discuss the questions with your BOC prior to Community Days, it will help to enhance the discussion.

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### ***Health Update from Father Tony Schmidt, OMI:***

*For a good number of years, I have been told that I have a heart “murmur”. I don’t know if that had anything to do with what has happened lately. On Saturday, January 20, I began passing blood in my urine. I haven’t done this for a long time. This goes back to a “turp” that was done on my prostate in 2009 or 2010. On Sunday morning, January 21, I felt very tired and weak, so after breakfast, Brother Walter took me to St. Paul’s Hospital. After a few preliminary checks on me, they told me that it looks like I have had a heart attack and they were going to send me to Royal University Hospital because that is where the heart people lived. At the RUH, they told me that I have a leaky heart valve and another valve that I make out to be a “sticky” heart valve that doesn’t open and close readily and smoothly, but needs extra work on it by the heart to do what it is supposed to do. Over a period of time, I have felt some little chest pains or pressures. I couldn’t really call them pains for they didn’t really hurt. I would refer to them more like a little discomfort, or more like a feeling of something was there where I had really felt nothing before. I mentioned this to the family doctor that comes here to Trinity Manor and he gave me some “nitro” and I used that for a couple of weeks and the little discomforts would go away a little faster and on the chest there would be a nice relaxed feeling. Whatever it was, the damage was done and at present, because of age and the weakened heart muscle, any surgery, even angiogram or stint is not an option. The doctors have set up a medication program and the medicine has arrived at Trinity Manor in a bubble pack. The nursing staff will administer this medicine. I will still put in my eye drops and I am into a new phase of my lifetime. Considering that I had often thought that if I reached 85 years of age, I would be doing very well since one sister and a brother passed away at 80 and another brother at 84, and another sister at 79, and here I am at 89 and counting. God has been most generous with me...*

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***Prayers Requested:*** *Father Albert Lalonde, OMI has asked for prayers for his brother, Jack, who is ill.*

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*Reminder that **Corrine Pambrun** will be away from the office from Wednesday, February 7 to Tuesday, February 13 celebrating the marriage of her daughter. **Congratulations Nikki & Jay!!!***



***Bishop Gerry Wiesner, OMI ~ Celebrating the Season of Lent***

*Friday ~ February 16, 7:30 pm to  
Sunday ~ February 18, 1:00 pm  
Queen's House*

*Reflecting, praying and celebrating the main aspects of the Season of Lent: prayer, penance, fasting and almsgiving. The penitential character of Lent is observed as an important requirement of Christian life. All of this is to help us be more faithful followers and friends of the Lord Jesus, and better apostles in carrying out his work.*

*Friday            7:30 pm        Meditation*

*Saturday        9:30 am        Meditation*

*11:15 am       Eucharist*

*12:00 pm       Lunch*

*3:30 pm        Meditation*

*5:30 pm        Supper*

*7:30 pm        Meditation*

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*Cost: \$ 220 for Live-In*

*\$ 90 for Commuters*

*Please register as soon as possible with Queen's House at 306-242-1916.*