



## In Our Prayers

Please remember in your prayers the Oblates and Oblate Associates with diminishing health.

## July Anniversaries



### Birthdays

July 3 – Fr. Maurice Blackburn

July 4 – Fr. Marek Pisarek

July 10 – Fr. Tom Bilodeau

### First Vows

July 22 – Mgr Denis Croteau (65 yrs)

### Ordinations

July 8 – Fr. Tom Bilodeau (62 yrs)

July 9 – Fr. Maurice Blackburn (68 yrs)

July 26 – Fr. James Holland (23 yrs)

July 27 – Fr. Susai Jesu (18 yrs)

July 28 – Fr. Guislain Kibete-Nkwar (22 yrs)

## Oblate Retreat & Meeting

A note for your calendars for the first week of October. A three-day retreat is scheduled for October 1-3, followed by a meeting with the OMI Lacombe Core Team Oct 4-5; these will be held at Star of the North Retreat Centre. Fr. Martin Moser, OMI, will lead this year's retreat. The community will celebrate their Jubilarians on the Friday. More information, along with the registration, will be sent out to all Oblates and Associates in August.

## District Coordinators

Fr. Susai Jesu, OMI and Debbie Dornbos have recently been named District Animators for Oblate Association for a term of 2 years. Thank you both for accepting to serve the Oblate community in this capacity.

## Office Relocation

The office for Brother Anthony District has moved. We are now located in the Oblate residence of Foyer Lacombe at 3 St. Vital Ave, St. Albert, AB T8N 1K1. Telephone number remains 780-459-2116. Summer office hours are 8 am to 3 pm, Tuesday to Friday.

## Walk the Holy Land & Jordan

Archbishop Emeritus Sylvain Lavoie, OMI and Fr. Susai Jesu are coordinating a spiritual journey to the Holy Land & Jordan, from November 20 – 30, 2018. For information about pricing, details or to reserve your place, please contact Maria at 780-707-1683 or [marianathatours@outlook.com](mailto:marianathatours@outlook.com)

**Br. Abraham Hernandez, OMI – Vows (by Susai Jesu, OMI)**

Last December, Brother Abraham Hernandez, OMI, joined our Oblate Community at Sacred Heart Church of the First Peoples in Edmonton. He spent more than 5 months with us gaining valuable pastoral experience that will help him continue on his grace-filled journey to priesthood. Besides learning English, he actively participated in various other ministries serving the homeless at Marian Centre on Saturdays, visiting the sick at the hospital, blessing the homes and giving Holy Communion for the sick, helping in all the liturgical ceremonies, etc.



On June 3<sup>rd</sup>, Brother Abraham renewed his vows at our Sunday mass with me, Fr. Susai Jesu, OMI. Fr. Alfred Groleau, OMI, District Superior concelebrated with us. This was followed by a farewell meal attended by many parishioners and fellow priests. He completed his pastoral experience with Sacred Heart Church on June 6<sup>th</sup> and after a visit with his family in Guatemala he will return to Mexico City to continue his studies for his ordination in two years. With heartfelt gratitude, our Sacred Heart family would like to thank him for his dedicated service during his time with us.

**Upcoming Programs at Star of the North**

Registration: 780-459-5511 or [www.starofthenorth.ca](http://www.starofthenorth.ca)

**Christian Meditation**

Come and experience the ancient tradition of prayerful stillness. We begin by listening to a short audiotape teaching by, or in the tradition of Abbot John Main. This is followed by thirty minutes of silent sitting. The group is open to both experienced meditators and those who would like to learn to practice Christian Meditation. Mondays at 7 pm. By donation.

Please call Barb for start date and access information: 780-458-0470

**Come to the Quiet: Summer Silent Directed Retreat**

Come to the quiet. Find rest and renewal in a peaceful and healing environment. This retreat is an opportunity to come aside; away from the usual noise and busyness of daily life. The invitation to enter into stillness, refresh your spirit, & renew your relationship with our loving God awaits you on this summer retreat. Prayer, daily reflections, individual direction sessions, Eucharist, healthy meals, walking trails, and rest are all elements of this retreat. 11:30 am Monday July 9 to 1 pm Friday July 13

\$535.00 (includes meals, accommodation & spiritual direction) Please register by June 29

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