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## Sights and Sounds

June 25, 2018



### For the Month of June



#### *Birthdays*

June 6	Sr. Margaret Dick
June 10	Fr. Mike Dechant
June 21	Fr. Mark Blom
June 25	Fr. Gerald Wiesner
June 28	Fr. Doug Jeffrey

#### *First Vows*

June 28	Fr. John Zunti
	<u><i>Priesthood</i></u>
June 3	Fr. Doug Jeffrey (35)
June 6	Br. Donald Claerhout (47)
June 11	Fr. Toni Schmidt (65)
June 17	Fr. Louis Hoffart (57)



The Saskatchewan District Community is pleased to welcome our new Administrative Assistant Rita McKaig. Rita comes to us from working with the Education Workers Steering Committee as Recording Secretary. The EWSC is the provincial committee representing Education Workers in the Province of Saskatchewan. Rita has worked for the Greater Saskatoon Catholic School Board for 31 years and she was also employed at Queen's House 2011-2013. Rita has also volunteered at the Catholic Pastoral Centre in the Reception area. Thank you Rita for joining the SDC team!

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## RENEWAL OF ASSOCIATE OBLATE COMMITMENT

*On June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> approximately 40 SDC members and guests gathered for Community Days. On the second day of the gathering Adele and Jim Longstaff, David and Karen Sax, and Pauline Henry made a three (3) year commitment as an Associate of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate. Each Associate Oblate was presented with their Record of Commitment.*



*Inspired by Mary's example and through her intercession, I ask God for the grace to make Christ present in our world. I make this commitment under the patronage of St. Eugene de Mazenod and Mary Immaculate.*

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## TRANSFERS TAKING PLACE IN THE SDC OBLATE COMMUNITY



- Fr. Mario Azrak on loan to Cruz del Sur Province for one year beginning January 1, 2019.
- Br. Donald Claerhout – Director of St. Mary’s Residence, Battleford, Saskatchewan, for one year beginning August 1, 2018
- Fr. Michael Dechant – Pastor of St. Philip’s Parish & Chaplain at Holy Cross High School in Saskatoon for three years beginning August 1, 2018
- Fr. Doug Jeffrey - Replacement at Sacred Heart Cathedral Prince Albert Sask. August 1st – Dec 31st 2018
- Fr. Albert Lalonde – Replacement Ministry in the Diocese of Regina and assigned to the Saskatchewan District for three years beginning August 1, 2018.
- Fr. Edward MacNeil – Director of Springhurst Residence, Ottawa, ON from May 15, 2018 to July 31, 2021.
- Fr. Nestor Silva – Ministry to the Filipino Community (half time) and Associate Pastor St. Patrick’s Parish half time for one year beginning August 1, 2018
- Fr. Bill Stang – Associate Pastor of St. Philip’s Parish in Saskatoon for one year beginning August 1, 2018
- Fr. Eugene Whyte – a member of the pastoral team at St. Peter’s Parish, New Westminster, B.C. for one year beginning August 1, 2018

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***Words from Brother Dan Dionne...***

***It is with certain sadness and yet faith filled expectation that I announce the passing of my mother Pauline Dionne (Beaudin) at 4:10 am this morning (May 26) in Portage la Prairie, MB. I know no one more worthy a candidate for heaven than mom. Yes I am biased but I believe she truly was an angel sent to bless and nurture us for a time. There may be many angels among us but none like Pauline. Mom was as purely kind and thoughtful as one could be. She inspired the best in me and taught me how to love. I wish that everyone would experience the virtues through someone like her. Our lives are altered now for certain, but we are sure of mom's place with God and we look forward to being with her again in one day in paradise. Mom's funeral was held at the Good Shepherd Catholic Church on Friday June 1, 2018.***

**News from Queens House – Brendan Bitz, Director**

Over the last 2 months, Queen's House has completed two important fund and fund raising activities. Our Annual Spring Fling draws occurred throughout May and we were delighted that we had winners coming from all across our diocese and beyond. We are particularly appreciative of the support that our parishes provide and the generous participations of our friends across the province. Our just completed 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Oblate Scramble Golf Tournament held at Moon Lake near Saskatoon was generously supported by the following sponsors in a variety of ways:

**Diamond Sponsorship**

Saskatchewan Oblate District Community

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Janet & Art Postle

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Wildwood Dental Clinic Drs. Hilary & Jay Stevens

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## **Hole Sponsors**

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## **Hole-in-One Competition**

Saskatoon Funeral Home      Bill Edwards \$10,000.00

## **Team Golf Starters Sponsors:**

Snacks and Water:      Queen's House & Sobey's (Jordan Henry)

## **Competition Play Prizes:**

Ladies Closest to the Pin:      Shopper's Gift Card  
Ladies Longest Drive:      Marty Edwards Realty Binocular  
Mens Closest to the Pin:      Parr Autobody Crib Board  
Mens Longest Drive:      Nichols Interiors

## **Team Awards:**

Top Ladies Team:      Tourism Saskatchewan Blankets  
Top Mixed Team:      hbi Office Plus Padfolios  
Oblate Award:      TCU Gift Bags  
Sask Strong Team:      Jeff's Crestwear Humboldt Strong Pk  
Top Men's Team:      Market Tire Collection

## **Individual and Team Draw Items: A Heartfelt Thanks!!!**

Pizza For A Year Pizza Hut  
Alabama Tickets Sask Tel Centre  
Household Cleaners      EnviroWay – Rick Strouts  
BBQ Tools & Glasses      Nichols Interiors & Great West  
Drink Cooler Mugs+      Clarks Crossing Brew Pub  
Golf Balls+      aodbt Architecture + Interior Design  
T-shirts++ Clarks Crossing Brew Pub  
Golf Shirts aodbt Architecture + Interior Design  
Scarlet Restaurant Gift      Sheraton Cavalier  
Red Goal Light Glasses+      Clarks Crossing Brew Pub  
Gift Certificates      College Drive Dairy Queen  
Mugs and Golf Balls      Value Tire  
Great West Mugs++      Great Western Brewing  
Ice Bucket Packs Great Western Brewing

### **Silent Auction Items:**

In addition and in partnership with Al Anderson's Sports, we offered a Silent Auction opportunity for the following reserved bid items:

- Auston Matthews "Spotlight" Picture \$150
- Noah Syndergaard Autographed Baseball \$200
- Reggie Jackson Autographed Bat \$650

Both events were a success and we are very grateful to our many supporters and patrons, to our staff, to our Oblates, to our ever faithful Board, our volunteers and especially to our players – whether they were "*springing or swinging*", your willingness to participate is a fantastic and faithful investment in the mission and ministry of Queen's House.

Program Offerings include the next Ron Rolheiser presentation scheduled as a Public Lecture on Monday evening, July 9<sup>th</sup> entitled **Rising Up – From Living by Goodwill and Dogged Willpower to Drawing Upon the Resurrection and Grace** and continuing Tuesday through Thursday with **Insane for the Light: Spirituality for Our Wisdom Years**. Fr. Ron's offerings are nearly full, but there is always room for 1 more!!

And so, on behalf of all, we want to express our appreciation to all members of our Saskatchewan District for their ongoing support, prayers and ministry. God bless you all!



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