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## *Sights and Sounds*

January 31, 2020

*For the Month of January*



### *Birthdays*

*January 12*

*Dan Lamoureux*

*January 14*

*Jim Longstaff*



### *Fr. Lester Kaufmann*

On Wednesday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, Fr. Lester Kaufmann was admitted to RUH. He was walking down his hall at Trinity Manor where he said his leg went numb and he fell. An x-ray revealed that he fractured his hip. He is now in room 5309 – Bed 1. If you wish to speak with Fr. Lester, please call 306-655-1831 and the Unit Desk will transfer you to his bed phone. He is slated to have hip surgery when an opening is available. Fr. Lester is in very good spirits.

*Please keep Fr. Lester Kaufmann in your prayers.*



### *Fr. Albert Lalonde*

Paul Lalonde, cousin of Fr. Albert Lalonde, passed away in Winnipeg on January 21, 2020. Fr. Albert will travel to Winnipeg to conduct the funeral on February 8.

*Please keep Fr. Albert Lalonde in your prayers.*



**Fr. Moe Schroeder**

*Please send your prayers to Fr. Moe Schroeder on the recent death of his brother, Arnold Schroeder, at the age of 89 years old. Arnold passed away at the Calgary Foothills Hospital after a lengthy battle with Vasculitis. Fr. Moe was able to be with his brother and spend some very special moments with him before his passing. Prayers will be held on February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and the Mass of Christian Burial will take place on February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at Christ the Redeemer R.C. Church in Swift Current.*

*Please hold Fr. Moe and his family in your prayers.*



**Fr. Tony Schmidt**

*Ernest Schmidt, brother of Fr. Tony Schmidt died suddenly from a heart attack Friday, January 24, 2020 at the age of 83. Please keep Fr. Tony and his brother, Ernest and his family in your prayers.*

*Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday, February 22, 2020 at 10:30 am at St. Philip Neri Roman Catholic Church (1902 Munroe Avenue, Saskatoon SK), with celebrants Rev. Fr. Mike Dechant, OMI. Rite of Committal will be held at a later date at a private family ceremony at Allan Roman Catholic Cemetery, Allan, SK.*



**SDC Community Days – Please Mark your Calendar**

- Registration for February Community Days has been sent out. If you haven't sent in your registration yet, please do as soon as possible.

***Please mark your calendar for the following Community Dates for 2020:***

- ❖ ***Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup> & Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>***
- ❖ ***Thursday, October 22, Friday, October 23 & Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>***
- ❖ ***Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> & Friday, Dec 4<sup>th</sup>***



**News of Retirement – Submitted by Fr. Richard Doll**

*This is a note to tell you that I officially retired this last Sunday (Jan 26th) from Parish work in Vanscoy. It was a hard decision to make but I thought it was “time”. These last five years have been a wonderful conclusion for my priestly ministry. We had a good celebration in saying “goodbye”, and I will not be filling in for other priests in other parishes, and leaves me retiring completely.*

*Hope you are well, with love.*

*Richard*

### **Hello from Karen and David Sax**

*Hi Corrine and Rita and everyone,*

*Thanks for keeping us in the loop; we just woke up to the news now (much later in Nanaimo!) and will be praying for Fr. Lester - what a thing to have to go through, poor man. David was wondering if there was anything they could do, so we pray the doctors "do it" well with the skills the Lord gave them.*

*I was sick this week for our Oblate (Associates) gathering we have most last Mondays of the month, but David reported on a good meeting & sharing; the "15 Days With St. Eugene" is a start-off point for it usually, and some Oblates (including Fr. Andrew from St. Augustine's Church next door to Pandosy), meet with us at the Crescents. Next month is different; the OMI Leadership are coming to meet with the Oblate (Fr. 's/Br. 's) and have Mass and a social with them and us Associates Feb. 12th. So slowly but surely we get to know our Oblate family in BC - good people all.*

*Missing our "older" group in Sask. (i.e. we've known many since last century!) but ever-trusting that God's doing good work among us here too, and with daily prayers of thanksgiving and intercession,*

***Xoxoxo Karen & Dave***



***The next coffee gathering at Trinity Manor will be on Thursday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm. See you there!!***

### **Treasurer's Office:**

- *Please send in your 2019 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Reports and 2019 GST receipts as soon as possible.*
- *Corrine will need your October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 Opening CIBC Bank Balance and your December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019 Closing CIBC Bank Balance from your CIBC Bank statements as soon as possible.*

***Year End – Please send in all 2019 Income Tax information slips to RITA MCKAIG at the SDC Office.***

***Thank you,  
Corrine Pambrun and Fr. Paul Fachel***

## **Queen's House News – Martha Fergusson & Brendan Bitz**

Our Event and Engagement portion of the Queen's House was excited the last few weeks of 2019. The last happy winner was announced for our first annual Snow Ball Fling Raffle and it was successful first year making over \$9,000. We are most grateful for the generous donations we received through the end of 2019. The passion our participants and supporters have for Queen's House comes through in many ways; attending events, engaging in programming opportunities, joining us in our various fund raising events, committing and donating to campaigns and volunteering their time and talents. Each of these expressions of support help to make Queen's House the active and diverse community that it is. Queen's House will continue to work in partnership with the Oblates, our community, and you - together we are creating the conditions to make us such an important and significant part of life in Saskatoon.

As we take our passion and hard work for Queen's House into 2020, we will continue to encourage the energy of the Roots & Wing capital campaign. Currently the donations are already over \$13,500, as we head to the \$100,000 goal. The following dates may be of interest to you:

<i>Spring Fling tickets go on sale:</i>	<i>Sunday March 1, 2020</i>
<i>Our Oblate Golf Scramble:</i>	<i>Sunday June 28, 2020</i>
<i>Walk, Rock and Roll for Queen's House:</i>	<i>September, 2020(date to be confirmed later this spring)</i>
<i>Our Annual Gala Dinner:</i>	<i>Thursday November 19, 2020</i>
<i>Roots &amp; Wings Capital Campaign:</i>	<i>Our Goal of \$100,000 ☺</i>

Want to share ideas about supporting Queen's House? Call Martha Fergusson the Events and Engagement Coordinator to book a coffee and time to talk.  
([devofficer@queenshouse.org](mailto:devofficer@queenshouse.org) or at 306-242-1916 OR cell 306 270- 2378)

*Welcome 2020 and the blessings that await each of us this year*

*OMI Lacombe Canada Website: [www.omilacombe.ca](http://www.omilacombe.ca)  
Qu'Appelle House of Prayer Website: [www.qhpstillness.ca](http://www.qhpstillness.ca)  
Queen's House Website at: [www.queenshouse.org](http://www.queenshouse.org)*