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Sights and Sounds

June 19, 2020

For the Month of June



Birthdays

June 10 Fr. Mike Dechant
June 25 +Gerry Wiesner
June 26 Fr. Kedl
June 28 Fr. Doug Jeffrey



First Vows

June 28 Fr. John Zunti (36)

Ordination

June 3 Fr. Doug Jeffrey (37)
June 11 Fr. Tony Schmidt (67)
June 16 Fr. Moe Schroeder (58)



Gil Bellavance - 5th Anniversary of Ordination as Deacon – June 24th
Brad Taylor - 5th Anniversary of Ordination as Deacon – June 29th



The Saskatchewan District Community would like to send Happy Birthday greetings to Fr. Mark Blom who will be celebrating his birthday on Sunday, June 21st.

Message from Fr. Bill Stang

Dear Brother Oblates and Associates,

My move to Trinity Manor went well. Just days prior to this great move, I made several trips to Trinity with personal belongings. The many times that I needed to fill out the forms to allow me access and the sanitizing of my hands was somewhat overwhelming, but now that I am here, all is well!

I find the meals very good and the noise level is low which is fine with me. I began an eight-day retreat as soon as I got here; I took the life story of St. Mother Teresa as my guide. Each day I would read parts of the story and then pray with that. It was just amazing how this Saint was able to deal with all the darkness and dryness and yet live a life that was full of joy. She gave her whole self to Jesus. It taught me how one needs to look at our times of sadness or suffering as this being part of our life with Jesus as He suffered on the Cross for us. Now that I have more free time, maybe I can watch TV as I did not do this during the retreat. I just have one more week to go of self-isolation!

I must thank Bishop Gerry for his almost daily visits. As soon as Trinity Manor is open to visitors, do come by for a visit.

*Many blessings to all,
Fr. Bill Stang, OMI*



Fr. Mike Dechant's Birthday Celebration:

This year Fr. Mike's birthday was celebrated COVID-19 style . A number of people drove by St. Philips Parish waving and passing on birthday wishes to him, as well as dropping off cards and gifts. Fr. Mike said it was a great day in so many ways. He will miss Fr. Bill as he moves on to another phase in his life.



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**Saskatchewan District Office:**



*Corrine will be away from the office July 1st to July 7th, 2020. If you need assistance, please contact Rita at (306)653-6454 or Fr. Bill at (306)979-8314.*



**Treasurer's Office:**

- *June 30<sup>th</sup> will end the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of 2020 already!! Please send in your second quarter information as soon as you can.*
- *Thank you, always, for your great assistance that enables Rita and I to complete the quarterly financial reports in a timely way.*

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



*Fr. Tony Schmidt no longer has any use for his blood pressure monitor as he is well taken care of by the nursing staff at Trinity Manor. He purchased it from a Pharmacy for \$100.00 and says it is available at a great discount. Please give Fr. Tony a call or send him an email if you are interested.*

*Phone number: (306)979-8392*

*Email: [frtonyomi@gmail.com](mailto:frtonyomi@gmail.com)*

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A Summer Retreat with Fr. Ron Rolheiser OMI in July on Zoom

You are warmly welcome to join people from around the world as we enjoy Fr. Ron Rolheiser's summer retreat – this year being offered on Zoom by Queen's House Retreat and Renewal Centre in Saskatoon. For complete information including the retreat schedule please visit this webpage: http://www.queenshouse.org/?page_id=7913

There are two options for you to consider:

Option One: Monday evening only, July 6, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Topic: Faith, Doubt and Darkness: Understanding the Dynamics of Belief and Doubt Beyond the Fervor of Youth

\$25

To register on-line go to

https://qh.retreatportal.com/events/f?p=101:2:24493461031851:::PROGRAM_ID:7784

To register by phone call 306-242-1916

Option Two: The complete retreat - Monday evening, July 6, 7:00 p.m. – Thursday July 9, 11:30 a.m.

Topic for Tuesday-Thursday: Naming the Present Moment of our Faith: Searching for Nurturing Metaphors in a Time of Receding Transcendence

\$100 per computer – any additional participants are invited to give a donation to Queen's House.

To register for the full retreat go to

https://qh.retreatportal.com/events/f?p=101:2:24493461031851:::PROGRAM_ID:7782

To offer a donation for more than one participant go to

<https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=E340905QE&id=2>

To register or donate by phone call 306-242-1916

New to Zoom? Contact Sarah Donnelly, Program Director, and she will assist you in using this platform: 306-242-1916 x226. Zoom can be used with a computer with a camera and microphone, tablet or phone.

The retreat will be recorded and available to those who have registered for the event until August 1.

Time Zone: This retreat will be offered in **Central Standard Time**, which in the summer is the same as **Mountain Daylight Time**. If you live outside of Saskatchewan please ensure that you choose the correct time zone when participating in this retreat, and that you not choose Central Daylight Time, which is the time zone to the east of us.

We look forward to welcoming you to this summer retreat! ***“Nourish Your Mind and Nurture Your Spirit...with Queen’s House Retreat & Renewal Centre”***

Peace to you,
Sarah Donnelly
Programming Director
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Emails are responded to on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays

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**Meadow Lake Website:** <https://www.meadowlakecatholicchurch.com>  
**OMI Lacombe Canada Website:** [www.omilacombe.ca](http://www.omilacombe.ca)  
**Qu’Appelle House of Prayer Website:** [www.qhpstillness.ca](http://www.qhpstillness.ca)  
**Qu’Appelle House of Prayer blog:** <https://qhpconnection.blogspot.com/>  
**Queen’s House Website at:** [www.queenshouse.org](http://www.queenshouse.org)

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