

Happenings 💹

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BROTHER ANTHONY OBLATE DISTRICT NEWS

In Loving Memory



Father Alfred Hubenig, OMI 1931 - 2021

Father Alfred Hubenig, OMI passed away on April 19, 2021 at the Sturgeon Hospital, St. Albert, AB at the age of 89.

Archbishop Emeritus Sylvain Lavoie celebrated a Funeral Mass on April 27, 2021 at St. Albert Catholic Parish; interment followed in the Oblate Plot of the St. Albert Catholic Cemetery

Son of Peter Hubenig and Magdalena (Hicke) he was born in Regina, SK on May 28, 1931.

Alfred pronounced his First Vows with the Missionary Oblates on September 8, 1953 at Battleford, SK and he was ordained a priest on June 8, 1956 in North Battleford, SK by Bishop Leo Blais.

Father Al was assigned to the following: St. Charles Scholasticate in Battleford, SK as Assistant Editor of "Our Family" (1956); the Oblate Information Service in Rome as Editor (1969); Salina Cruz, Texas as Pastor (1977); the General House in Rome on writing of the Constitutions and Rules of the Congregation (1979); the Coastal Missions of the Huave Nation, Isthmus of Tehuantepec at San Mateo de Mar as a Missionary (1979); Colegio Vista Hermosa, Mexico City as Director General (1988); St. Charles Parish, Edmonton, AB as Pastor (1993); Oblate Parish Mission Team, St. Albert, AB as Missionary (1999); St-Benoit Catholic Church, Pickardville, AB as Dominical Vicar (2014). He moved to Foyer Lacombe in 2017.

May he rest in peace.

May Anniversaries



Birthdays:

May 2 – Fr. Gerry LeStrat May 9 – Fr. Edward McSheffrey May 16 – Fr. Gilles Gauthier May 17 – Fr. Susai Jesu May 28 – Fr. Alfred Hubenig May 29 – Br. Rusty Gardiner

First Vows:

May 3 - Fr. Edward Kosa (65 years) May 31 – Br. Don Claerhout (56 yrs)

Fr. Edward Kosa, OMI - Celebrating 65 years of Religious Life

Edward Kosa was born on September 2, 1936 in Lestock, SK. He pronounced his First Vows with the Missionary Oblates on May 3rd, 1956 at St. Norbert, MB, and was ordained a Priest on August 15, 1978 in Winnipeg, MB by Bishop Omer Robidoux, OMI

FR. KOSA'S ASSIGNMENTS

- 1956 Lebret, SK Book binding, farming, cook
- 1962 Collège Mathieu, Gravelbourg, MB Maintenance
- 1964 Bloodvein, MB Missionary Aid
- 1968 Fisher Branch, MB Missionary Aid
- 1974 Ste-Rose-du-Lac, MB & area Missionary Aid, Counselor
- 1976 Ste-Rose-du-Lac, MB & area Vicar
- 1978 Ste-Rose-du-Lac, MB & area Hospital Chaplain, Missionary
- 1979 St. Boniface Hospital, St. Boniface, MB Pastoral Care, Studies
- 1982 St. Anne's Parish, Flin Flon, MB Pastor
- 1987 Eugene de Mazenod House, Winnipeg, MB Vocations
- 1990 Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Cathedral, Le Pas, MB Rector, Vicar General
- 1994 St. Michael's Parish, Cook's Creek, MB Pastor
- 1999 St. Mary's Parish, Fort Frances, ON Assistant Administrator
- 2000 Villa Maria Retreat Centre, St. Norbert, MB Assistant Director
- 2004 Holy Ghost Parish, Winnipeg, MB Administrator
- 2005 Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Carmen, MB Pastor
- 2007 Duncan, BC Retired & Part-time Ministry
- 2011 Foyer Lacombe, St. Albert, AB Oblate Director
- 2012 Vital Grandin Centre, St. Albert, AB Casual Ministry
- 2018 Move to Foyer Lacombe, St. Albert, AB Casual Ministry



Feast of St. Joseph

On March 19, Mary's BOC members gathered to celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph. Fathers Ignacy Warias, Edward Kosa, Edward McSheffrey, Marek Pisarek, Les Kwiatkowski, and Br. Rusty Gardiner gathered on Zoom for some long overdue sharing. They are planning to meet again in the coming months.

BOC Gatherings

Star BOC and Gareth BOC members will gather to continue the pre-chapter reflection question on Wednesday, May 22 at 7 pm. The Zoom link will be sent prior to the meeting. *All are welcome.*

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