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Sights and Sounds

January 24, 2023

For the Month of January

January Birthdays

Jan 12 Dan Lamoureux

Jan 14 Jim Longstaff

February Birthdays

Feb 1 Brad Taylor

Feb 23 Fr. Albert Ulrich

First Vows

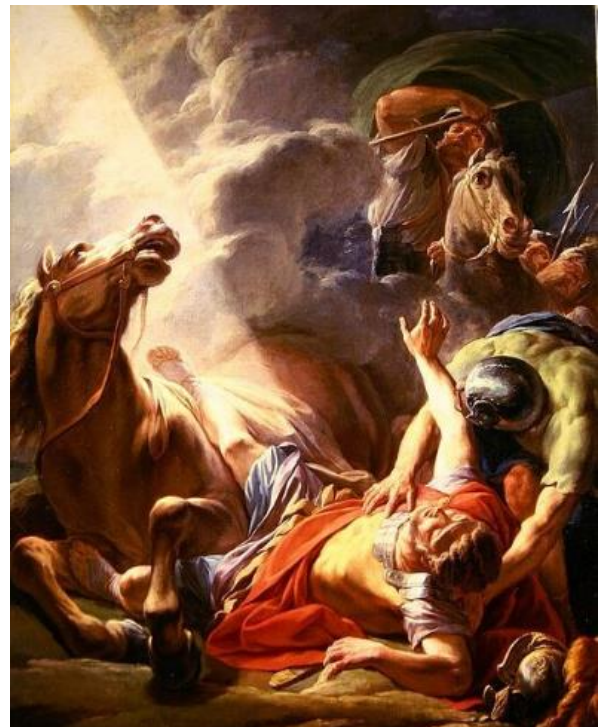
Feb 8 Fr. Heinner Paucar (28)

Ordinations

Feb 8 Fr. Richard Doll (59)

Feb 12 Fr. Heinner Paucar (23)

Feb 23 +Bishop Gerry Weisner (60)



January 25th, 2023

Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul,

**207th Anniversary of the
foundation of the Congregation.**

Mark your Calendars!

**Coffee Time
at Trinity Manor**

Thursday, February 9th, 2023

**A cup of coffee
shared with a friend
is happiness tasted
and time well spent.**



SDC Community Days / Extended Council Meetings

Monday, February 13

12:00 Optional Lunch
1:30 Meetings
5:00 Preprandials
6:00 Supper followed by Social
– MAMI Goodbye and Hello

Tuesday, February 14

9:30 Meetings
12:00 Lunch
1:30 Meetings
4:00 Eucharist
– Oblate Associate Renewal of Commitment
5:00 Preprandials
6:00 Supper followed by Social

Wednesday, February 15

9:30 Meetings
12:00 Lunch

What's an owl's favourite mystery?

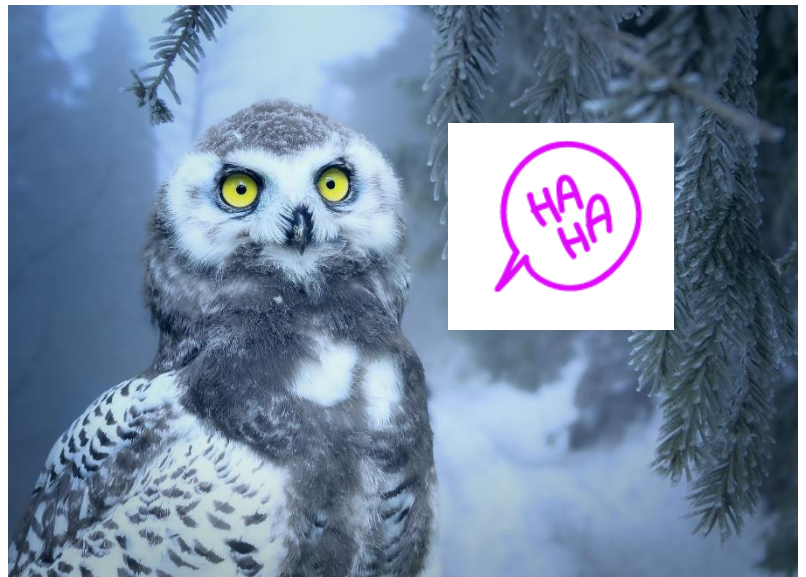
A hoodunnit.

Who's an owl's favourite stunt performer?

Harry Hoodini.

What does a well-educated owl say?

Whooom.



We're so glad you're feeling better, Fr. Paul!

On January 12, 2023, Fr. Paul Fachet joined Coffee Time at Trinity Manor. As you can see, many people were delighted to see him. As Fr. Paul said, "Wow, it had been five months since I saw many of them!"



Evelyn, a resident of Trinity Manor, **Lynda**, admin with Trinity, **Mamon**, a Care Aide, and Fr Paul's fellow Oblates shook his hand or gave him a long overdue hug.





Hello from the Treasurer's Office

- Please gather your 2022 GST receipts and send them in as soon as you are able.
- Please remember to send in your December 2022 bank statement.
- As February approaches, please send to the Treasurer's Office any information slips you receive so we have them for tax time.
- Audit Year-End 2022 is scheduled for March 13-17, 2023.



Thanks, from the Treasurer's Office of Fr. Bill Stang & Corrine Pambrun

Submitted by JoAnne Chrones



- Fr. Paul Facht has now been at Samaritan Place over two months. Corrine, Brian, and I met with some of the team at Samaritan a couple of weeks ago for a review of his care. Fr. Paul is being seen by a physiotherapist now and is working hard at getting stronger. She had him sitting on the side of his bed, which is very hopeful, and he's working hard at getting up more.
- Fr. Paul was delighted to be visited by Deanne Riopel, a member of his "Light of Christ" community last week. Light of Christ was a Sunday worship group at Newman College in St. Albert. The community grew to about 150 members, from what was originally the seminarians Sunday mass, that was facilitated by the Oblate community. Fr. Paul became close friends with many of the members, celebrating their marriages, baptisms, and other life events with them. Deanne Riopel, who visited Fr. Paul, brought him a beautiful booklet of notes from former community members, sharing memories, and sending love, prayers, and good wishes. Fr. Paul was very touched.
- From February 1-4, Dan and Joanne Friedt will be in Saskatoon, and together with Brian and I will be interviewing Oblates to hear their "Elder Stories". This is an initiative of OMI Lacombe, who want to have the members rich memories recorded. Dan and Joanne have been to Vancouver to interview some of the Oblates there. We won't get to every member on our district at this time, but in the coming months, we plan to interview everyone.



Queen's House Programming Update

The kick-off for the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** was held at Queen's House on Thursday, January 19, 2023. Sponsored and co-organized by Queen's House, The Canadian Council of Churches, The Prairie Centre for Ecumenism, and The Canadian Centre

for Ecumenism, it had not been held in person since before the pandemic. A group of about 30 people gathered for worship at 11 am and many stayed for lunch and socializing. The worship leaders represented people who led workshops and retreats at Queen's House in 2022, and most plan to do the same in 2023. They were: Sarah Donnelly; Ana Gheysen; Cindy Lewans PM; Pastor Ann Salmon, Guest Preacher; Rev. Lois Siemens;



Stephanie Tillman, Music Leader. The theme is "Do good; seek justice" (Isaiah 1:17). It was an uplifting service that touched the heart and inspired the mind, providing a much needed day of joy in the grey of January.

SPIRITUAL CARE FOR THOSE LIVING WITH DEMENTIA - a workshop offered on zoom and in-person at Queen's House on **Saturday March 11, 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.** Facilitator: Sr. Cindy Lewans PM. Cindy is an Associate Chaplain at Sherbrooke Community Centre and Central Haven, and a member of the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary. For the past six years, she has had the grace and privilege of journeying with people – including those living with dementia - in a mutual quest for spiritual health and full life. A former teacher, Cindy studies what makes for holistic spiritual health and care, particularly for those living with dementia. In this workshop, we will briefly look at: Situating ourselves and where we are at with dementia; Defining dementia, understanding the key characteristics, how dementia affects family and friends, and the changes which occur in the brain; Implications for how we approach and communicate with someone who has dementia; The challenge of dementia for Western culture; Redescribing dementia; Spiritual needs, and common issues; Helpful responses and tools. Fee: \$70 at Queen's House - includes lunch. \$50 on zoom. Registration deadline: March 6.

GROWING IN WISDOM: SEEKING DEEPER GENERATIVITY

Growing in Wisdom: Seeking Deeper Generativity is a two-year program for those who are embracing the second half of life and who are longing to explore the spiritual invitations of their wisdom years. How do I give my life to the world? And how do I prepare for eventual illness, diminishment and death, so that my death is my final blessing to my family, community and the world? This program is rooted in the Forest Dwelling Program, Oblate School of Theology, and the ground-breaking work of Fr. Ron Rolheiser OMI. The program involves four 5-day intensives (September and February) over two years, monthly meetings with other participants in Elder Circles, a monthly meeting with a spiritual director, and optional monthly book studies. The Growing in Wisdom program is primarily offered on zoom. Applications are now being accepted for the September 2023 – June 2025 program. For more information, please contact Nancy Phillips, Coordinator, growinginwisdom@outlook.com.



You are invited to watch a recording of Fr. Ron's recent webinar: "The Fruits of My Life in the Wisdom Years". <https://youtu.be/RYGhgfJzxn8>

Fr. Nestor Gregoire's blog: <https://withmyfeetonmydesk.blogspot.com>

Meadow Lake Website: <https://www.meadowlakecatholicchurch.com>

OMI Lacombe Canada Website: www.omilacombe.ca

Qu'Appelle House of Prayer Website: www.qhpstillness.ca

Qu'Appelle House of Prayer blog: <https://qhpconnection.blogspot.com/>

Queen's House Website at: www.queenshouse.org

St. Philip Neri Parish at: www.stphilipneriparish.ca