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Sights and Sounds

June 6, 2023

For the Month of June

Birthdays

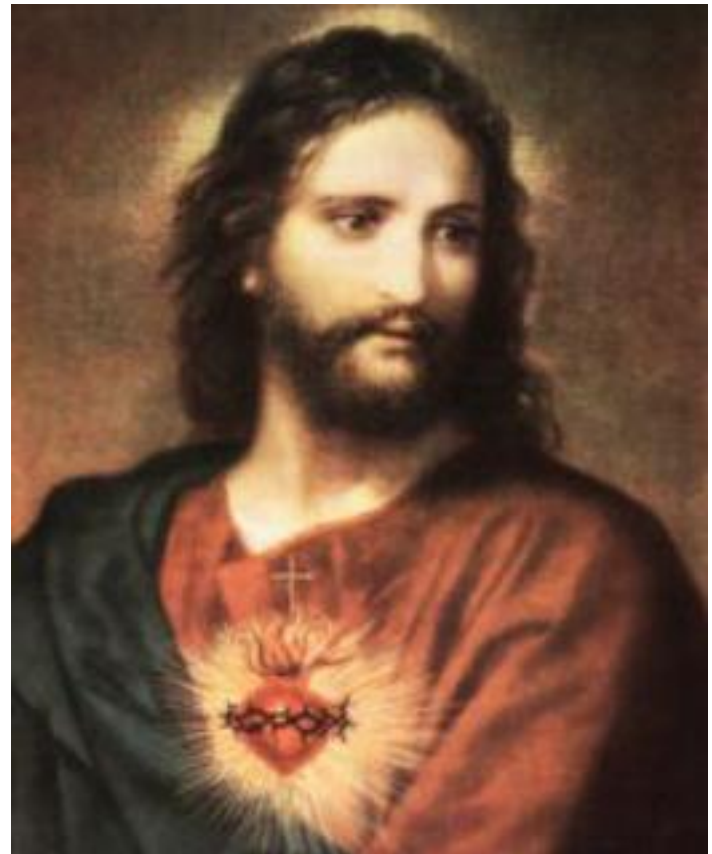
- June 10** Fr. Mike Dechant OMI
June 25 Bishop Gerry Weisner OMI
June 28 Fr. Doug Jeffrey OMI

Other Celebrations

- June 3** Fr. Doug Jeffrey OMI - 40th
Anniversary of Ordination
June 29 Brad Taylor, Diaconate

Notable Dates for OMI

- June 3** *Dies natalis* of Venerable Bishop Vital Grandin (1829-1902)
June 12 Blessed Joseph Cebula, martyr.
June 19 Solemnity of the Sacred Heart. Oblate devotion to the Sacred Heart was strengthened by the decision of the General Chapter of 1873 to consecrate the Congregation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.
June 21 *Dies natalis* of the Servant of God Bishop Piet Jacobus Shaw “Pa’l Puku” (1925-1984)



Celebrating Community

May 17-19, 2023

There were many opportunities to share about ministry during community days, and the Queen's House AGM also took place. So there were many friendly and smiling faces to join in

the celebration of Fr. Paul Facht's 82nd birthday, Br. Walter De Mong's 91st birthday, Fr. George Gruber's 90th birthday, and the 40th Anniversary of Fr. Doug Jeffrey's ordination. Angela Brockmeyer, who works in Bookings at Queen's House, made the cupcakes and cakes. Fr. Paul and Fr. George weren't able to make it, but we remembered them as we enjoyed this beautiful and delicious treat.





Fr. Glenn Zimmer, Corrine Pambrun & Diane Lepage enjoy a joyful moment.



Susan Butler-Jones and Boyd Drake, long-time supporters of and volunteers at Qu'Appelle House of Prayer.

Sr. Anne Lewans OSU visits with Francis Maza, who was in town teaching at the Foundations of Catholic Leadership Intensive.



Keep an Eye on the Road

The very best advice ever given to us at Qu'Appelle House of Prayer came in the very first years from strong, long-time supporter. Don Leier would come twice a year from West Vancouver; his family's foundation, "Our Lady of the Prairies," contributed generously over the years, without which QHP never would have been. During one of his early trips, Don was sitting on a deck and looking at the winding entrance to the Oblate property. He quietly said: "Be sure to always keep your eye on the road. You never know when the Messiah will come up it." How prophetically true that has been through all the years, and still is. The Messiah continues to come, disguised in many ways: countless volunteers and supporters; more and more guests looking for prayerful silence, solitude and hospitality; a young hungry First Nation's couple one evening, one with without shoes, who were hungrily eating onions from the garden (they had given away their Co-Op food coupon to someone judged more in need); and many others. Christ-Among-Us disguised as one of us, in so many forms.

Submitted by Glenn and Chantelle for Sights and Sounds
Qu'Appelle House of Prayer
May, 2023

Mark Your Calendars!

June 8 **Coffee Time at 2:45pm - 3:45pm** Trinity Manor in the small dining room
July 24-26 **Community Days/Extended Council Meeting** Queen's House

Hello from the Treasurer's Office

Remember to continue to send in your 2023 GST receipts. It is always easier to complete when they are sent in during the year rather than at year-end.

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

15th Annual Queen's House Golf Tournament

When June 25, 2023 7:30 AM CST to 3:00 PM CST

Where 905 Valley Rd, Moon Lake Golf and Country Club, Saskatoon, SK

This is a fundraiser to support the mission and ministry of Queen's House

<https://trellis.org/queens-houses-15th-annual-golf-tournament>

Fr. Ron Rolheiser returns to Queen's House in July

Public Lecture: Monday evening, July 10 @ 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Bridging an Unbridgeable Gap: BEYOND POLARIZATION IN THE CHURCH AND IN SOCIETY

We live in a bitter, divided time. Today, everywhere in the church and in the world, we find ourselves divided by different histories, ideologies, politics, theologies, racial tensions, gender tensions, moral views, and temperaments. Politics are stalemated, churches are splitting, and families struggle to sit down at a common table. And all of this being fed and enflamed by a hundred million websites vilifying each other. The gap is growing and seems unbridgeable. How can we respond? How can we begin to bridge this unbridgeable gap, as faithful Christians, a loving citizens, and as aching families?

Retreat: Tuesday July 11 - Thursday July 13

Spiritual Wisdom from the Deep Wells of Christian Mysticism: Principles for Living a Mystically-Driven Life

Mysticism is the best kept secret within our spiritual and ecclesial circles. But, alongside Scripture, it is a very rich source of insight and revelation from which to draw guidance for our journey. This retreat will draw on the lives and insights of a number of classical and contemporary mystics including Therese of Lisieux, Julian of Norwich, John of the Cross, Ruth Burrows, and Henri Nouwen, to see what these men and women - famous for touching the souls of so many people - have to offer us. How might we live a mystically-driven life?

This Retreat is being offered in person at Queen's House and on Zoom.

A recording of this retreat will be available for a limited period of time to all those who register.

Monday Night Lecture only: \$50 (in-person and Zoom)

ZOOM Full Presentation: \$200 (1-2 people per screen)

Gathering with others to enjoy this retreat? Please make a donation to Queen's House for each additional participant. Thank you for your generosity!

IN-PERSON PARTICIPATION

Commuter: \$325 • includes retreat and three lunches

Commuter Plus: \$420 • includes retreat and all meals, Monday supper to Thursday lunch

Live-In - small bedroom: \$600 • includes retreat, small bedroom, Monday supper to Thursday lunch

Live-In - medium-size bedroom: \$660 • includes retreat, medium bedroom, Monday supper to Thursday lunch

Live-In - large-size bedroom: \$720 • includes retreat, large bedroom, Monday supper to Thursday lunch • add \$420 (Commuter Plus fee) for a spouse/ partner sharing this bedroom

Register at www.queenshouse.org/programs/ or call 306-242-1916 x226 & leave a message.

Pun Times

What did the grape say when it got crushed? Nothing, it just let out a little wine.

Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.

Geology rocks but Geography is where it's at!

Did you hear about the restaurant on the moon?
I heard the food was good but it had no atmosphere.

I don't trust stairs. They're always up to something.

I was wondering why the ball was getting bigger. Then it hit me.

Never trust an atom, they make up everything!

It's hard to explain puns to kleptomaniacs because they always take things literally.



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