



Saskatchewan District Community

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Sights and Sounds

April 22, 2024

Upcoming Birthdays &

Anniversaries

April 27	Corrine Pambrun & Blain Young
May 16	Fr Paul Fachet
May 26	Fr George Gruber
June 25	Bishop Gerry Weisner
June 28	Fr Doug Jeffrey

Announcements

Coffee Time at Trinity Manor

April 25, May 16, June 20

2:45pm -3:45pm

Oblate Vicar General Visit

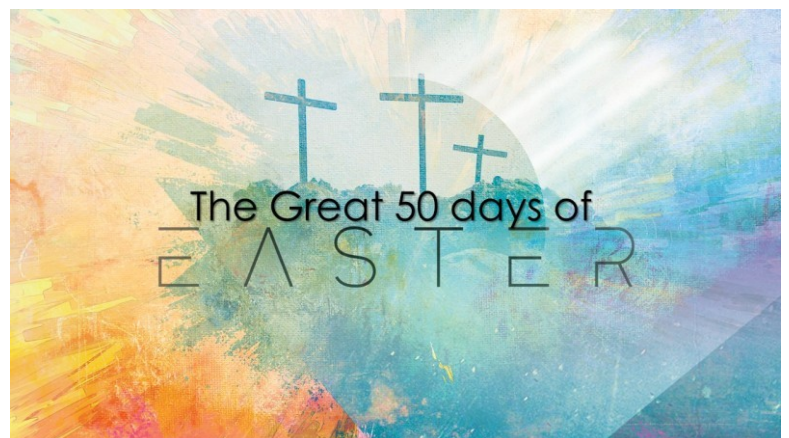
May 20-22

Community Days at Queen's House

June 13-14, 2024

Celebrations Proper to the OMI

May 21	St Eugene de Mazenod
May 22-29	Time of prayer and animation for Oblate Vocations
June 7	In 1873, the Congregation was consecrated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus





SDC News

As Oblates, we can thus strive to be specialists in communion, faithful to our Founder's legacy:

Among yourselves, practice charity, charity, charity—and outside, real for the salvation of souls. [POHIC, IV.16]

Convocation 2024 – May 13-17:

Registration is open to all Oblate priests and brothers. However, the registration date has passed. Oblate Associates attending from Saskatchewan are Corrine Pambrun, Darcie Lich, Diane Lepage (MAMI) and Gerry Weinkauf.

Visit of Provincial and Superior General – May 20-21:

Following the Oblate Convocation, the Superior General will visit our District on May 20th.

The General and Fr. Ken will arrive in the afternoon and visit the Oblate priests at Trinity.

Following the visits those Oblates who can go out, will go for supper.



On Tuesday, we will gather as a District. Each Oblate (priest and associate) will be given 10 minutes to share on the following questions: and reflections:

What was it about the charism of St. Eugene that attracted me?

What am I doing now?

In my life and ministry, the Oblate charism shapes me in the following ways...

In my life and ministry, the Oblate charism challenges me....

My dream for our future is...

We will hear from each member throughout the day. Given that it is our feast day we will go to Trinity for Mass and then return to QH for lunch and more sharing. Later in the afternoon the Superior General will address us, we will have some silent prayer and then a question period with the General. The evening meal will be a BBQ and we will invite QH Staff, District employees and special Oblate friends for the meal.

If you have some folks you would like to invite please be in touch with Michelle. Given that it is Fr. Ken's 25th anniversary of Ordination we will also invite Ken's family. From 7-8:00 pm we will have an hour of OMI entertainment – songs, stories, jokes, pictures, skits reflecting our life as a Missionary Community! Following this we will have some snacks, drinks and lots of visiting! Ken and the General leave early the next day for Winnipeg!

NOTE: Fr. Luis Ignacio Rois Alonso (Fr. Chicho), our Superior General has had to cancel his visit due to health concerns. We are, however, grateful that Fr. Antoni Bochm, our Vicar General (along with Fr. Jim Brobst, Canada-US General Councillor), will join us in Fr. Chicho's stead and events will go ahead as planned.



Note from Finance Office:

Just a reminder to send in your GST receipts to the SDC office.

Tax season is almost at an end, and I am happy to report that, if all goes well, I should be able to wrap it up by April 26, 2024.

Year end 2023 is finally complete and the preliminary reports are out. All went well once again.

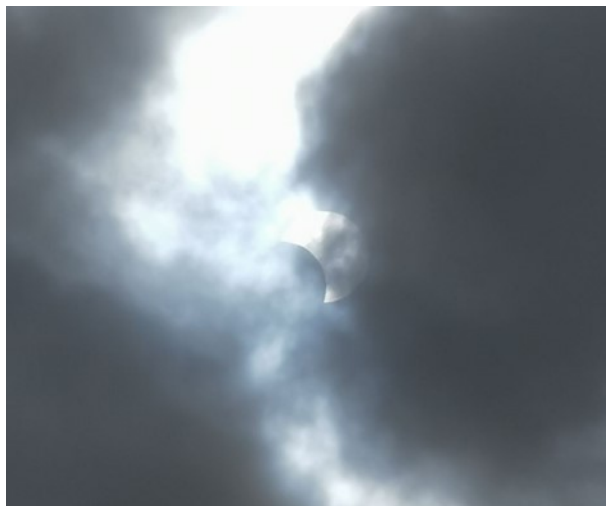
Corrine Pambrun

News from Queen's House

Life and activity at Queen's House continue to hover between busyness and focused care for others and the uncertainty that Oblate departure means for our wide and extensive community. We continue to welcome and enjoy the constant stream of guests and groups as we work to support their various needs and unique circumstances. We have completed several successful programming offerings this year and have several excellent presentations in the queue and ready to go. Our Summer Stillness with Ron Rolheiser is scheduled for July 15th through the 18th; registration for this event has been brisk. All programming information is on our website.

The afternoon and evening of Thursday, July 18th has been designated as a time of farewell & celebration. Planning for this gathering is underway; we will share details with you as events unfold.

And in all the uncertainty that we face here, there and everywhere, we are reminded and offer this humble thought as we recognize that God truly is in charge of everything. Nothing of late made this more clearly visible than the disappearance of the sun for a moment on the afternoon of Monday, April 8th. Dave Henderson, Michelle Dinter-Lipinski, Thomas and Tobin Friesen caught a cloud interrupted glimpse of the solar eclipse.



Many things point to the unusual times we are in and the call we ever deepen our commitment to faith, prayer, each other and especially our loving God. As always, we hang onto our refrain to say, “we will do what we can with what we have and who we are”.

From Queen's House ... That a Blessed Easter was yours and God Bless Us All!

Brendan Bitz