



Saskatchewan District Community

#210-160 Phelps Way, Saskatoon, SK S7V 0K7

Phone: (306) 653-6452

Email: slcfin@sasktel.net

Sights and Sounds

April 30th, 2025

Announcements



Coffee Time at Trinity Manor

May 15, 2025 2:45 to 3:45

June 19, 2025 2:45 to 3:45

Community Days

June 12 & 13, 2025

Anniversaries

Corrine & Blain April 27-28 yrs

Birthdays

There are no April birthdays!

April is the sweetest melody of the year,

I hope you made every day in April feel like a fresh start. I hope you inhaled the April air and exhaled the stress. April is always the perfect time to bloom and to grow into May.



Coffee Time at Trinity Manor



April 24, we gathered at Trinity Manor to enjoy time together and delicious Saskatoon berry tarts made by JoAnne Chrones.

Above: Fr Eugene Warnke, Fr Bill Stang, Fr Doug Jeffrey, Fr Paul Fachet, Fr Richard Doll, Bishop Gerry Wiesner, Bonnie Roberts and Fr Joe Jacek.

Below: Jim Longstaff, Fr Albert Ulrich, JoAnne Chrones, Brian Zimmer and Adele Longstaff.



A message from the SDC District Superior, Fr. Doug Jeffrey.

Happy Easter! Christ is Risen!

I hope that all of you have had a chance to celebrate well the Paschal Mystery! Here at St. Philip Neri Parish, we had wonderful Triduum celebrations and we are looking forward to celebrating the initiation of several candidates later in the Easter Season.

I want to let you know that our District Leadership Team will be meeting on May 13 to talk about Lay Association and to prepare for our Community Days June 12 and 13. If you have not yet marked those on your calendar please do so!

We will also look at a date for a gathering with our religious brothers and sisters in the Saskatoon area – a sung evening prayer and social. The previous one was cancelled due to cold temperatures and snow and wind. Thankfully we are in the embrace of spring. Hopefully we can find a date for a gathering in the not-too-distant future.

The feast day of St. Eugene is coming on May 21st! Please know of my prayer for you as that day approaches. It would be good for us to review our relationship with this holy man. How does his spirit find a place in my life and work?

As you may have heard I will now be celebrating the Sunday liturgy at Trinity Manor at 4:00 pm on Sundays. I began celebrating mass there this past Sunday, and this practice will continue for the foreseeable future. Fr. Eugene Warnke is now the only Oblate able to celebrate mass at the Manor. Let us remember our elder brothers who reside there.

It was noted in one publication that the last media post of Pope Francis was as follows: "Christ is risen! These words capture the entire meaning of our existence, for we were not made for death but for life." He reminded us Christ is Risen! We are made for life. We nourish/celebrate life here on earth and we look forward eagerly to eternal life. It is a good reminder to each of us to live each day with awareness and gratitude.

May you continue to enjoy the blessings of Easter!

Potter's House BOC

On Saturday, April 26, the Potter's House BOC met at Jim and Adele's for our monthly gathering. We welcomed two special people this month, both bringing their unique perspectives to our discussion. They were on the opposite sides of the spectrum. Eva Nechvatal is home from university, and it was wonderful to have her join us, with the enthusiasm of her youthful faithfulness and love of the Oblates. At the opposite end was our dear Fr. Bill Stang. Though not new to our Potter's House BOC, he hasn't been with us for a while. Fr. Bill brought the wisdom of the elders, his deep faith and prayerfulness. Also in attendance were some of the in-betweens: Mark and Darcie Lich, Shaun Nechvatal, Jim and Adele Longstaff, Bernard and Sandy Normand, and JoAnne Chrones.

We always start our gatherings with prayer and personal sharing. It was so nice to catch up with people and hear what's going on in everyone's lives, the trials and the blessings. We've been working through the 15 Days of Prayer with Saint Eugene de Mazenod book; this month, we read Chapter 5, and reflected on *"I am precious to God; do I believe that even when the good of the world says otherwise? Am I willing to risk ridicule by helping those who are on the margins of society? If I am not able to go out to mission work, can I support those who do by my prayers and financial support?"*

We are all richer by reading the Dullier book and his stories of Eugene de Mazenod. The sharing is very meaningful and honest.

Potter's House BOC will meet again on Saturday, May 24th, at 10:00am, at JoAnne's house.

Submitted by: JoAnne Chrones



The Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate cordially invite you
to the installation of the Provincial and Council of OMI Lacombe Canada Province
on Tuesday, June 10th, 2025, at 7:00 pm
at Canadian Martyrs Catholic Church, 100 Main St., Ottawa, ON.

All Oblates, Oblate Associates and friends are welcome to attend.
A reception will follow in the gathering room.

Les Missionnaires Oblats de Marie Immaculée vous invitent à célébrer
l'installation du Provincial et Conseil de la Province d'OMI Lacombe Canada
le mardi 10 juin 2025 à 19h00
À la paroisse Canadian Martyrs Catholic Church, 100 rue Main, Ottawa, ON.

Bienvenue à tous les oblats, les oblats associés, et les amis.
Une réception suivra dans la salle de rassemblement.

RSVP by May 9th / Veuillez confirmer votre présence avant le 9 mai

Contact / Contactez : Isabelle Gigault

Tel.: 613.230.2225 ext. 5227 – @: igigault@omilacombe.ca – Fax: 613.230.2948

Provincial and Council – Provincial et son Conseil

Fr. Andrzej Stendzina, OMI
PROVINCIAL

Provincial Councillors – Conseillers Provinciaux

To be appointed / Nomination à venir

Provincial Treasurer and Lay Advisor – Trésorier provincial et Conseiller laïc

To be appointed / Nomination à venir

Growing Older Humor.....

My face in the mirror isn't wrinkled or drawn.

My house isn't dirty and the cobwebs are gone.

My garden looks lovely and so does my lawn.

I think I might never put my glasses back on.

If you would like to share a story with the community, please send your write up to my attention with one or two pictures, and I will make sure to include your story in the next Sights & Sounds.

The next SDC Sights & Sounds will be May 29th, 2025.



A message from the SDC Treasurer's Office

Please make sure to send in all your receipts for the GST credit.

Tax season wraps up April 30th 2025, and I am happy to report that all SDC Tax Returns are completed except for one !!!!

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

OMI Lacombe Canada Website: www.omilacombe.ca

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