

SNJM POT-POURRI

January 22, 2016

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW:

A morning follow-up gathering to our summer day topic of **Truth and Reconciliation** will take place on Saturday, March 5th at 10 AM with the Blanket Game at Despins. Presentation by Brother Thomas Novak OMI. All are welcome. Bring a friend.

IN OUR CONGREGATION:

We support with our prayers and gratitude two new Provincial Leadership Teams this January 2016:

US-ON: Sr. Maureen Delaney, Province Leader and her team: Srs. Mary Breiling; Guadalupe Guajardo; Margaret Kennedy and Mary Rita Rhode.

Lesotho: Sr. Catherine Ntoloane, Province Leader and her team: Srs. Aloysia Makoe, Eugenia Masheane; Francina Mokoteli and Augustina Thokoa.

PARKING BAN AT DESPINS RESIDENCE:

Has been lifted on January 23rd for our Winter Days meeting from 10 AM to 3 PM.

OUT AND ABOUT:

Sr. Berthe Valcourt has moved to Centre Taché, in room 388D.

REFUGEES:

A heartfelt thank you from Hospitality House goes out to all of the Sisters and Associates for the January 2nd gifts for our refugees and immigrants.

BILINGUAL CELEBRATION FOR THE 'CLOSE OF THE YEAR OF CONSECRATED LIFE'

All are invited to a bilingual celebration of Solemn First Vespers for the Feast of the Presentation, to celebrate the 'Close of the Year of Consecrated Life', which will be held on Sunday, January 31 at the Saint Boniface Cathedral, 7 PM. There will be testimonials by lay associates and friends of religious communities. The religious present will renew their vows. Honour will be given to the contribution of the religious men's (priests and brothers) congregations. A reception will follow in the Cathedral Parish Hall (in the basement).

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

For the sick and those who are in need:

- Please pray for **John Burns** (husband of Gail Burns) who had serious heart surgery.
- Please pray for **Rhonda Lepage-Bracken**, former student of the Holy Names at St. Joseph's Academy. Rhonda had emergency heart surgery last week. Prayers are requested for her husband, Denis and the whole family.

For those who have died and those who mourn their loss:

- **Sister Thérèse Bibeau**, (*in religion Marie-Olivier*), SNJM, Québec.