

SNJM POT-POURRI

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NEW MB PROVINCE LEADERSHIP TEAM: JULY 2016-2019

We share with gratitude and joy our new Province Leadership Team in Manitoba: Sr. Lorraine St-Hilaire, Provincial and her two team members: Sr. Susan Wikeem and Sr. Alice Konefall. Sr. Edith Grenier will continue in her present capacity as Treasurer of the MB province.

NEWS OF OUR SISTERS:

Sister Carmen Catellier who is presently in Pukatawagan will be leaving the Archdiocese of Keewatin -The Pas in mid-April and will return to Winnipeg to continue serving among our people here. Goodbyes are never easy, so may our prayers be with her during this time of transition.

Berthe Valcourt's new phone number at Centre Taché is: 204-235-4575.

THIS WEEK'S HAPPENINGS:

Congratulations to Rossbrook House, celebrating 40 years of commitment to youth. Remember when two young boys were found passed out on Ross Convent's back steps, with no 'studies' to determine the needs of the area. Rossbrook House began without money and in an empty Church. Sr. Geraldine MacNamara and the young aboriginals were told that Rossbrook wouldn't last 6 weeks, and yet, the "miracle" happened and miracles continue to happen at today. God is good.

REMINDER:

A New Post was published on the SNJM Blog – January 22, 2016. **At the heart is hospitality**, by Crystal Clark, SNJM. To read the post and participate to the discussion:

<http://www.snjm.org/blogue/au-coeur-je-vois-lhospitalite/?lang=en> (English)

OUT AND ABOUT:

On February 26-27, 2016, St. Peter's Anglican Church on Elm Street will be hosting a conference titled **Suffering and Hope: Theological Reflection on Physician Assisted Death**. This conference will help participants establish a framework for thinking theologically and spiritually about physician-assisted death, while modelling ways to have this often highly emotional conversation charitably, in an atmosphere of safety and respect. Presenters will include ethicists, former Spiritual Care Coordinators, a Clinical Nurse Specialist and a Palliative Care Physician. The conference is a good place to begin the conversation whether someone is a spiritual care provider, medical care provider, or someone facing end of life decisions. For more information, check the website: <http://stpetersanglican.ca>

Closure of the Year of Consecrated Life: International Meeting – Thursday, January 28 to Tuesday, February 2, 2016 The Year of Consecrated Life will conclude with an international meeting in Rome entitled "Consecrated Life and Communion" and will gather more than 6,000 consecrated men and women from all over the world.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

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

- **Sister Louise Bond, SNJM** (*in religion Sister Mary Jeanne Dolara*), SNJM, Oregon