

March 4, 2016

THIS WEEK'S HAPPENINGS:

Sister Cathy Laviolette has just returned from a week's visit to Berkeley CA to spend time with Sr. Michelle Garlinski in the Novitiate House. It was a heart-warming and very enriching experience. Home is where SNJMs are ... Thank you, Beth Liebert, Carol Nicklas and Michelle Garlinski.

Associates Events: The "movie night" initially scheduled for March will be in April. Our gathering on Wednesday, March 9th will be as usual.

REMINDER:

THE BLANKET EXPERIENCE: Saturday, March 5th: 10 AM – 11:30 AM: Despins Residence. The parking restrictions have been lifted between 9:00 AM and 1 PM on Despins Street between Taché Avenue and Aulneau Street, as well as on Jeanne d'Arc Street between Despins Street and Dollard Boulevard, and on Louis Riel Street between Despins Street and Dollard Boulevard. It should be noted however that the Winnipeg Parking Authority has final say and can cancel if it affects City Operations.

MEETING OF OUR SISTERS: Despins Residence Wednesday, March 9th 2 PM – 4th Floor.

OUT AND ABOUT

Chrism Mass: Archdiocese of Wpg: Monday, March 21st, 7:30 PM.

Chrism Mass: Archdiocese of St. Boniface: Tuesday, March 22nd 7:30 PM.

On Tuesday, March 2nd **Sr. Carmen Catellier** was honored at a Chrism Mass Dinner at the Keewatin - Le Pas Archdiocese. The bishop and personnel of the archdiocese paid tribute to her as well as did many of her colleagues. We also celebrate your longstanding service in the Far North Carmen!

THANK YOU NOTE FROM CHRIS BUTTERILL: Dear Sisters and Associates, Please accept my heartfelt thanks for the bouquet of flowers, all the well wishes and the attendance of so many of you at our launch of St. Paul's College: Facing the New Millennium. We made McNally's bestseller list this week. Your wishes and support mean so much! God Bless All, Chris.

A NOTE FROM LUCILLE BART, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ARTBEAT STUDIO: Dear Sisters, your constant support is a true blessing to the staff, volunteers and participants at Artbeat Studio and Studio Central. With your ongoing financial help, spiritual guidance and prayers, our capacity to serve one another is strengthened. We see the daily burden of individuals living with the stigma of mental illness and the common barriers of isolation, poverty, addictions and lost hope, lightened for so many. With renewed purpose our participants often express their gratitude for the opportunity provided through your help. A painting of Mother Mary Rose hangs in our kitchen/lounge area and serves as an inspiration and model for the love and acceptance we can offer each other through service. Words cannot express our gratitude. Sincere thanks. In faith, hope and love, Lucille Bart.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

For the sick and those who are in need:

- **A Note regarding the Mackie Family:** Thank you for all the prayers! A small update on the medical crisis; Cam and Doris Mae's daughter-in-law and baby are still alive (both parents are doctors). A team of various medical experts have decided not to risk operating – the baby has adjusted to "sharing" with the tumour and a change may be even more toxic. The baby will be viable in 7 days - barely – but it will have a chance. They will monitor and go for as long as possible. Every day more is precious to the baby's survival. And the Mother is hanging in so far. This is their third child. The family is very, very appreciative of all the prayers and hopes everyone will continue. In God's hands....Thank you.

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

- **Sr. Elizabeth Roberta Powers, SNJM US-ON:** Windsor ON