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Our Lady Queen of Peace Church (1930) Shrine to Infant Jesus of Prague (2003)



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'Legacies'

Our Lady Queen of Peace acknowledges with gratitude past legacies which we use to maintain the integrity of our Church.

Please include us in your 'LAST WILL', how will we survive without it?

Legacies are a way of providing assurance that the parish has income or savings in the event of unforeseen emergencies.

The monthly 'Building Fund and Collection' pays for maintenance/replacement items.

Baptism at Our Lady Queen of Peace

To have your child Baptized at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, you must call the office at least 3 months in advance to arrange an appointment with the Pastor. It is assumed that the family has Our Lady Queen of Peace parish connection and practices the faith by attending Sunday Mass on a weekly basis. You may meet with the Pastor and take the course even if your child has not yet been born. Parents are expected to participate in the Baptismal preparation. At least one Godparent or both must be baptized and confirmed and are practicing Catholics. Non-parishioners are required to have a Letter of Recommendation from your Pastor to have your child Baptized in our parish.

Respect Life Ministry

If you are expecting a child and are feeling confused; if you are thinking that there is no way out of this situation for you; if you want to talk to someone, call, text 250.812.0087 email: respectlifem@gmail.com

Please Note

If you suffer from Celiac disease, we are able to offer a low-gluten Host. If you are interested, please come to the sacristy before Mass and inform the priest.

Choose Life Victoria

Do you have a heart for the unborn and women in crisis pregnancy? Choose Life Victoria Society (sponsor of the "40 Day Vigil") is attempting to restart the education presentation for the youth in our community by the youth on the "Sanctity of Life" and is looking for new board members; we meet once a month. For information please email: maryteresa@shaw.ca or phone: 250 384 5886

Sept. 19	TUESDAY	Larry Dion+
-		Carol Molloy
Sept. 20	WEDNESDAY	Angela Giordano+
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Sept. 21	THURSDAY	in thanksgiving
		Angel Manguerra
Sept. 22	FRIDAY	in thanksgiving
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Sept. 23	SATURDAY	special intentions
-		Augustina Manguerra
Sept. 26	TUESDAY	personal intentions
-		Shirley Doeidrick
Sept. 27	WEDNESDAY	York Dennis+
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Sept. 28	THURSDAY	Elaine Grocott+
_		Mary Teresa Earnshaw
Sept. 29	FRIDAY	Joeseph Sullivan
_		Edna McGarry
Sept. 30	SATURDAY	in thanksgiving
_		Gina Ancajas

Please remember the following persons who are ill in your prayers: Barbara Dunahee, Lorna Cue, Ann VanNoordt, Christine Stornebrink, Jean Halliwell, Fr. John's brother, Shirley Deidrick,

Traditional Latin Mass ``Septe	ember``
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Sept. 17	Sun. noon	Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost.	
		2 nd class	
Sept.22	Fri. 9am	Ember Friday + commem. St.	
-		Thomas of Villanova, B.C. 2 nd	
		class	
Sept. 24	Sun. noon	Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost.	
-		2 nd class	
Sept. 29	Fri. 9am	Michaelmas: Feast of SS.	
-		Michael and All Angels. 1 st class	



🛸 'Job 1:21, 2:10'

Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked I shall go back again,

The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away; Blessed be the name of the Lord! We accept good things from God; And should we not accept evil?

Jiminy Cricket & Christian Conscience

A study with Dr. Patricia Rooke will be held at St. Elizabeth's, Sidney, on **Tuesdays, September 19th to November 28th, 2 - 4 pm**. Lectures and small facilitator led discussion groups and the fee is by donation, \$10 for printed materials, register now to ensure a place. **Contact: St. Elizabeth's parish office 250-656-7433 or email** <u>spparish@shaw.ca</u>

St. Patrick's Parish

Attention in print and on-line readers of "First Things", a Christian based journal of religion and public life. St. Patrick's parish would like to start a ROFTERS (i.e. readers of "First Things") discussion group in Victoria this fall 2017. We would get together one evening per month to engage in lively and thoughtful analysis of various articles and themes in the most current issue of the journal. This monthly gathering would also offer opportunity for fellowship and good times in a small group setting. If you are interested in being part of such a group, please **contact Kathryn Kearney at 778-433-7698 or email: kathrynkearney52@gmail.com**

Diocesan Catechist Retreat/Workshop Retreat & Workshop, **Saturday September 23, 2017 9:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. (doors open at 8:30 am)** Church of the Ascension - Parksville B.C. Register on Eventbrite (google Eventbrite search Diocesan Retreat) or https://www.eventbrite.com/e/catholic-diocesan-catechistretreatworkshop-tickets-37019950669

Contact: Mr. Glen Palahicky gpalahicky@rcdvictoria.org

Franciscan Day of Recollection

The Secular Franciscans invite you to join them in a Day of Recollection on Sat., Sept. 23rd, 9:45am - 3:30pm at St. Joseph Friary, 1076 Joan Crescent. The presenter will be Fr. Joachim Osterman OFM, and the theme is "The Franciscan View of Creation". Bring a bag lunch. Coffee, tea and desserts included. Cost is by a free will offering. To register, call Roger at 250-385-3324.

Mark Your Calendar for LifeChain 2017

Join your fellow supporters of Life in the Womb across Canada on **October 1**st in Victoria at the corner of Blanshard St. at Finlayson St. on the **first Sunday of October from 2-3 pm**

'Retrouvaille'

Marriage Recovery Vancouver Fall Program Retrouvaille is an affordable program that provides couples with the tools to repair ALL kinds of marriage problems. Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples avoid separation and regain a joyful marriage. For confidential information or to register for the 7 week Lower Mainland program commencing on Oct. 20 - 22, plus sessions on the six consecutive Sundays following the weekend. Contact: 604-530-6710, e-mail at vancouverbc@retrouvaille.org or visit our website http://www.retrouvaillevancouver.com

40 Days for Life Victoria

September 27th to November 6. Once again we call on those in Victoria willing to witness to God's great gift of life by taking a public stand against abortion. Please join our own peaceful and prayerful vigil across the road from the Victoria area's own abortion clinic at Helmcken Road and the Old Island Highway by signing up, learning our rules of passive witness, and joining us. If you cannot join in person, pray for us and contact your MLA and the Premier to let them know where you stand. If you are afraid, remember He is with us. And so will be at least one other volunteer at each vigil you sign up for.

Now that we have a new provincial government, we expect a campaign to get them to have us moved even further from the clinic than we are. They can do so with a simple secret vote in Cabinet. This will be accompanied by the usual claims of misconduct aimed at our volunteers. But these are untrue. We have been closely watched by security guards, police and recorded by security video cameras without any charges ever laid or police actions taken—except against our pro-abortion critics.

Our signs bear the mildest of messages such as "Choose Life," "Children Are a Blessing," or warn against the impact of abortion on women, especially breast cancer and mental illness. These will be equated in news media interviews and in the provincial legislature with harassment and mental cruelty, while the unborn children whose hearts are stopped at the Helmcken clinic go unmentioned. We estimate at least 1,000 unborn babies a year die there.

Contact Alex Berns: 250.508.7839 or email at:

<u>fortydaysvictoria@hotmail.com</u> If you see this as an affront to the Giver of Life, sign up at:

https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/victoria/

Development and Peace

As many of you may know, Development and Peace is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. The Victoria Diocesan Council will be marking the event by hosting a multi-cultural dinner on **Friday**, Oct. 20 at St. Patrick's Parish, Victoria. We wanted to let you know well ahead so you can mark you calendars. At this dinner we will present recognition certificates to D&P members who have taken leadership roles in the Diocese. It is a time to gather and celebrate together, reflect on the past and look to the future. Tickets will be \$10 and will be available in Sept. We will send out more details in September.

If a believer who is conscious of having committed a mortal sin eats and drinks the consecrated bread and wine, does he or she still receive the Body and Blood of Christ?

Yes. The attitude or disposition of the recipient cannot change what the consecrated bread and wine are. The question here is thus not primarily about the nature of the Real Presence, but about how sin affects the relationship between an individual and the Lord. Before one steps forward to receive the Body and Blood of Christ in Holy Communion, one needs to be in a right relationship with the Lord and his Mystical Body, the Church - that is, in a state of grace, free of all mortal sin. While sin damages, and can even destroy, that relationship, the sacrament of Penance can restore it. St. Paul tells us that "whoever eats the

bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will have to answer for the body and blood of the Lord. A person should examine himself, and so eat the bread and drink the cup" (1 Cor 11:27-28). Anyone who is conscious of having committed a mortal sin should be reconciled through the sacrament of Penance before receiving the Body and Blood of Christ, unless a grave reason exists for doing so and there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, that is, an act of sorrow for sins that "arises from a love by which God is loved above all else" (Catechism, no. 1452). The act of perfect contrition must be accompanied by the firm intention of making a sacramental confession as soon as possible.

Does one receive the whole Christ if one receives Holy Communion under a single form?

Yes. Christ Jesus, our Lord and Savior, is wholly present under the appearance either of bread or of

wine in the Eucharist. Furthermore, Christ is wholly present in any fragment of the consecrated Host or in any drop of the Precious Blood. Nevertheless, it is especially fitting to receive Christ in both forms during the celebration of the Eucharist. This allows the Eucharist to appear more perfectly as a banquet, a banquet that is a foretaste of the banquet that will be celebrated with Christ at the end of time when the Kingdom of God is established in its fullness (cf. Eucharisticum Mysterium, no. 32).

Is Christ present during the celebration of the Eucharist in other ways in addition to his Real Presence in the Blessed Sacrament?

Yes. Christ is present during the Eucharist in various ways. He is present in the person of the priest who offers the sacrifice of the Mass.

According to the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy of the Second

Vatican Council, Christ is present in his Word "since it is he himself who speaks when the holy scriptures are read in the Church." He is also present in the assembled people as they pray and sing, "for he has promised 'where two or three are gathered together in my name there am I in the midst of them' (Mt 18:20)" (Sacrosanctum Concilium, no. 7). Furthermore, he is likewise present in other sacraments; for example, "when anybody baptizes it is really Christ himself who baptizes" (ibid.).

We speak of the presence of Christ under the appearances of bread and wine as "real" in order to emphasize the special nature of that presence. What appears to be bread and wine is in its very substance the Body and Blood of Christ. The entire Christ is present, God and man, body and blood, soul and

divinity. While the other ways in which Christ is present in the celebration of the Eucharist are certainly not unreal, this way surpasses the others. "This presence is called 'real' not to exclude the idea that the others are 'real' too, but rather to indicate presence par excellence, because it is substantial and through it Christ becomes present whole and entire, God and man" (Mysterium Fidei, no. 39).

Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist

Why do we speak of the "Body of Christ" in more than one sense?

First, the Body of Christ refers to the human body of Jesus Christ, who is the divine Word become man. During the Eucharist, the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. As human, Jesus Christ has a human body, a resurrected and glorified body that in the Eucharist is offered to us in the form of bread and wine.

Secondly, as St. Paul taught us in his letters, using the analogy of the human body, the Church is the

Body of Christ, in which many members are united with Christ their head (1 Cor 10:16-17, 12:12-31; Rom 12:4-8). This reality is frequently referred to as the Mystical Body of Christ. All those united to Christ, the living and the dead, are joined together as one Body in Christ. This union is not one that can be seen by human eyes, for it is a mystical union brought about by the power of the Holy Spirit. The Mystical Body of Christ and the Eucharistic Body of Christ are inseparably linked. By Baptism we enter the Mystical Body of Christ, the Church, and by receiving the Eucharistic Body of Christ we are strengthened and built up into the Mystical Body of Christ. The central act of the Church is the celebration of the Eucharist; the individual believers are sustained as members of the Church, members of the Mystical Body of Christ, through their reception of the Body of Christ in the Eucharist. Playing on the two meanings of "Body of Christ," St. Augustine tells those who are to receive the Body of Christ in the Eucharist: "Be what you see, and receive what you are" (Sermon 272). In another sermon he says, "If you receive worthily, you are what you have received" (Sermon 227).

The work of the Holy Spirit in the celebration of the Eucharist is twofold in a way that corresponds to the twofold meaning of "Body of Christ." On the one hand, it is through the power of the Holy Spirit that the risen Christ and his act of sacrifice become present. In the eucharistic prayer, the priest asks the Father to send the Holy Spirit down upon the gifts of bread and wine to transform them into the Body and Blood of Christ (a prayer known as the epiclesis or "invocation upon"). On the other hand, at the same

time the priest also asks the Father to send the Holy Spirit down upon the whole assembly so that "those who take part in the Eucharist may be one body and one spirit" (Catechism, no. 1353). It is through the Holy Spirit that the gift of the Eucharistic Body of Christ comes to us and through the Holy Spirit that we are joined to Christ and each other as the Mystical Body of Christ. By this we can see that the celebration of the Eucharist does not just unite us to God as individuals who are isolated from one another. Rather, we are united to Christ together with all the other members of the Mystical Body. The celebration of the Eucharist should thus increase our love for one another and remind us of our responsibilities toward one another.

Furthermore, as members of the Mystical Body, we have a duty to represent Christ and to bring Christ to the world. We have a responsibility to share the Good News of Christ not only by our words but also by how we live our lives.

We also have a responsibility to work against all the forces in our world that oppose the Gospel, including all forms of injustice. The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us: "The Eucharist commits us to the poor. To receive in truth the Body and Blood of Christ given up for us, we must recognize Christ in the poorest, his brethren" (no. 1397)

Why do we call the presence of Christ in the Eucharist a "mystery"?

The word "mystery" is commonly used to refer to something that escapes the full comprehension of the human mind. In the Bible, however, the word has a deeper and more specific meaning, for it refers to aspects of God's plan of salvation for humanity, which has already begun but will be completed only with the end of time. In ancient Israel, through the Holy Spirit God revealed to the prophets some of the secrets of what he was going to accomplish for the salvation of his people (cf. Am 3:7; Is 21:28; Dan 2:27-45). Likewise, through the preaching and teaching of Jesus, the mystery of "the Kingdom of God" was being revealed to his disciples (Mk 4:11-12). St. Paul explained that the mysteries of God may challenge our human understanding or may even seem to be foolishness, but their meaning is revealed to the People of God through Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit (cf. 1 Cor 1:18-25, 2:6-10; Rom 16:25-27; Rev 10:7).

The Eucharist is a mystery because it participates in the mystery of Jesus Christ and God's plan to save humanity through Christ. We should not be surprised if there are aspects of the Eucharist that are not easy to understand, for God's plan for the world has repeatedly surpassed human expectations and human understanding (cf. Jn 6:60-66). For example, even the disciples did not at first understand that it was necessary for the Messiah to be put to death and then to rise from the dead (cf. Mk 8:31- 33, 9:31-32, 10:32-34; Mt 16: 21-23, 17:22-23, 20:17-19;

Lk 9:22, 9:43-45, 18:31-34).

Furthermore, any time that we are speaking of God we need to keep in mind that our human concepts never entirely grasp God. We must not try to limit God to our understanding, but allow our understanding to be stretched beyond its normal limitations by God's revelation.

Conclusion

By his Real Presence in the Eucharist Christ fulfils his promise to be with us "always, until the end of the age" (Mt 28:20). As St. Thomas Aquinas wrote, "It is the law of friendship that friends should live together. ... Christ has not left us without his bodily presence in this our pilgrimage, but he joins us to himself in this sacrament in the reality of his body and blood"

(Summa Theologiae, III q. 75, a. 1). With this gift of Christ's presence in our midst, the Church is truly blessed. As Jesus told his disciples, referring to his presence among them, "Amen, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see but did not see it, and to hear what you hear but did not hear it" (Mt 13:17). In the Eucharist the Church both receives the gift of Jesus Christ and gives grateful thanks to God for such a blessing. This thanksgiving is the only proper response, for through this gift of himself in the celebration of the Eucharist under the appearances of bread and wine Christ gives us the gift of eternal life. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. . . . Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. (Jn 6:53-57)

For Further Reading

Congregation for the Eastern Churches, Instruction on Liturgy (January 1996).

Congregation of Rites, Eucharisticum Mysterium, Instruction on the Worship of the Eucharist (May 25, 1967)

Pope John Paul II, Dominicae Cenae, Letter to the Bishops of the Church on the Mystery and Worship of the Eucharist (February 24, 1980).

Pope Paul VI, Mysterium Fidei, Encyclical on the Holy Eucharist (September 3, 1965).

Pope Pius XII, Mediator Dei, Encyclical on the Sacred Liturgy (November 20, 1947).

Second Vatican Council, Sacrosanctum Concilium, Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy (December 4, 1963)

Subcommittee on the Third Millennium, National Conference of Catholic Bishops, A Book of Readings on the Eucharist: A Eucharistic Jubilee (Washington, D.C.: United States Catholic Conference, 2000).

Theological-Historical Commission for the Great Jubilee of the Year 2000, The Eucharist, Gift of Divine Life (New York: The Crossroad Publishing Company, 1999).

Pastoral Care Outreach Training! VICTORIA (2018) (9:00 am- 3:00 pm)

Saturday, February 24 Session 1: The Healing Ministry of Christ Saturday, March 10 Session 2: Listening & Communication and

Session 2: Listening & Communication and Mental Health

Sessions 1 and 2 will be held at St. Patrick's Parish (Bring a bag lunch. Register: St. Patrick's parish office at 250.592-7391 or stpat190@telus.net)

Saturday, April 14

Sessions 3: The Grieving Process and Ministering to Families

Saturday, May 26

Session 4: Who am I as a Pastoral Care Visitor?

Sessions 3/4 held at St. Joseph the Worker Parish

(Bring a bag lunch. Register: St. Joseph the Worker Parish at 250.479.7413 or sjtwoffice@shaw.ca

St. Andrew's Cathedral -Advent Mission

Advent Mission with Fr. Wade Menezes, Introduction of the Mission will take place the weekend of Dec. 1 & 2 and then the Mission from **Dec. 3** – **6**. We will share him with Our Lady of the Rosary Parish in Langford so Cathedral will have the morning sessions and Langford the evening sessions. **Lenten Mission** with Deacon Paul Murphy, Introduction of the Mission Feb. 24 & 25 and then the actual mission itself from **Feb. 26** – **28th**.

Retirement Party - Fr. Benoit Laplante

Retirement Dinner Party for Fr. Benoit Laplante, hosting Knights of Columbus Council 1256 on Oct. 7th - 6:30pm in Seghers Hall (basement of St Andrews Cathedral). Tickets are \$25. each can be purchased at the parish office of St. Andrews Cathedral or the Knights of Columbus Council 1256 payable by cash or check (please make out checks to Knights of Columbus Council 1256). Further questions please contact Deputy Grand Knight-Roy Redford: 250.882.4413 Knights of Columbus/Council 1256

<u>Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada</u> Why is there such a collection?

Every year, the Bishops of Canada make an appeal for financial assistance to support their work and the work of each diocese/eparchy by means of the Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada. The President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB), the Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, O.M.I., Bishop of Hamilton, has described this Collection as an invitation to "all the faithful to participate in the life and mission of the Church through their active involvement in the life of their parish community, their prayers, their diverse charisms, their moral support, and the contributions of their time and talents. The Collection for the Needs of the Church is an opportunity for Catholics to truly help their diocese/eparchy participate in the regional episcopal assemblies and the CCCB. Any additional revenue which is raised is used by the diocese/eparchy for its own pastoral programs and other activities."

The Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will take place on 23 and 24 September 2017. This annual charitable initiative furthers the collegiality and synodality of the Bishops' ministry in leading, shepherding, teaching, guiding, sanctifying and pastorally caring for all of God's children, disciples of Christ in Canada.

What Is The Catholic Women's League

Hello and Welcome to all women of the parish! This is an invitation to all of our 16+ women parishioners. A little info about the CWL of our parish and across Canada, we pray you will consider being a member? You can be an active member in our parish and attend meetings on the **second Wed. of the month** @ 1pm or help us at our bake sales or other activities we may do during the year or participate at Sat/Sun Mass as an Usher, Carrying of the Gifts, Extra-Ordinary Minister, Collection Minister or visiting the sick of our parish, participate at our monthly CWL Sun. Mass or be a spiritual member and offer your prayers daily for the League. Our membership fee is \$30.00 yearly we start collecting the monies in Sept. 2017 and aim to complete by December 2017.

You can contact: CWL Organization Convenor –

Carol Molloy (and the admin. assistant of the parish) 250.384.3884 or The President of Our Lady Queen of Peace CWL: Elsie Lambton – 250.995.1531 or Past President: Bertha Landrie – 389.1307

Mission Statement:

The Catholic Women's League of Canada is a national organization rooted in gospel values calling its members to holiness through service to the people of God.

League Objectives:

The Objectives of the League shall be to unite Catholic women of Canada:

- to achieve individual and collective spiritual development.
- to promote the teachings of the Catholic Church.
- to exemplify the Christian ideal in home and family life.
- to protect the sanctity of human life.
- to enhance the role of women in church and society.
- to recognize the human dignity of all people everywhere
- to uphold and defend Christian education and values in the modern world.
- to contribute to the understanding and growth of

religious freedom, social justice, peace and harmony League Prayer: We humbly pray You, O God our Father, to bless The Catholic Women's League of Canada. Bless our beloved country, our homes and families. Send Your Holy Spirit upon us to give light to our minds and strength to our wills that we may know and fulfil Your great law of charity. Teach us to share with others at home and abroad, the good things You have given us. This we ask through our Lord Jesus Christ and the intercession of our patroness, Our Lady of Good Counsel. Amen

Through our parish communities we are involved in deepening our spiritual church life and spreading the GOOD NEWS. Members of the national executive meet annually with federal government ministers on issues raised by resolutions, which come from the parish level, and have included such issues as religious freedom, renewable energy, farmers' rights, abolition of the death penalty, suicide prevention, child poverty, protection of human life and building partnerships and relationships with Canada's indigenous peoples. In our parish once a month Sat/Sun Mass we collect for our Missions:

Esk-Omi to help the Inuit in Northern Canada

Moricetown - Mission near New Hazelton, B.C.

North Island Catholic Communities here on Vancouver Island

We collect for flowers in memory of your loved ones or special Intention of family members or friends, for the Easter Lillies or Poinsettia's that decorate our beautiful Sanctuary yearly.

We are active at our League member's funeral making tea/coffee.

We are active in the children's Liturgy on Sundays and bring in a cake for the children receiving their sacraments.

Well this is a brief description on the CWL, looking forward to another successful year, and we thank all of you in advance for your love and support of our league in the parish.

Next meeting is Wed. Oct. 11th at 1:00pm Consider on becoming a C.W.L. member!

The Canadian Martyrs

Patrons of Canada – Feast Day: Sept. 26

Eight French missionaries became martyrs in North America in the 17th century, six Jesuits and two "donnés", laymen who served the Jesuits. Three were killed at Ossernenon, today's Auriesville, near Albany, New York. Five were killed in Huron territory, about 150 km north of Toronto. The two main figures are Fr. Jogues and Fr. Jean de Brefeuf.

Fr. Jogues was eventually held prisoner in Manhattan With the help of the Dutch, he escaped and made his way to France and back to New France. On Sept. 24, 1646, with the lay donné Jean de la Lande he left Trois-Rivieres on a mission to evangelize the Iroquois. They were met with hostility when they arrived at Ossernenon because the Iroquois blamed the Blackrobes for the epidemic that had killed many people in their village. Father Jogues was killed by a hatchet blow on the head, on October 18, 1646. They next day, Jean de la Lande met with the same fate. Fr Jean de Brebeuf came from Normandy. He arrived

in Quebec in 1625 and spent his first winter in the bush with Montagnais hunters in order to study their way of life. He was in Huronia from 1626 to 1629 and again from 1634 until his death. He and his fellow Jesuit Fr. Gabriel Lalement were caught in a surprise attack in a village they had named St. Louis, and taken to another one they called St. Ignace, where they were tortured for several hours and died, Brebeuf on March 16, 1649. Fr Lalement had arrived in Quebec in 1646. He had been in Huronia six months when he was tortured alongside Brebeuf. His agony last 15 hours; he died on March 17, 1649.

The Canadian martyrs were canonized on June 29, 1930, by Pope Pius XI. In 1940, Pope Pius XII declared them to be secondary patrons of Canada, after St. Joseph. **ADVERTISE:** Your ad can be in the bulletin. Call the parish office at: 250-388-5571 for more information. Please **call 384-3884, or email**: **office@qop.ca.** We appreciate the support of these sponsors. Please support them:

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