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CAMPS

by: Kevin Prada



Can you believe it?! This past season of summer camps marked the 20th anniversary of camps here in Saint-Malo. God has taken this ministry through an incredible couple of decades, and the fruits of His blessings are still being felt. Over 5000 campers have come through our doors, and I am blessed to have been able to count myself among them.

Picture it. I was a little 13 year-old, right in the middle of those awkward pre-teen years, and wanted nothing to do with the faith. Quite frankly, I thought that this whole "faith thing" was un-cool and plain old boring. One day, out of the blue, I got a registration form to attend this "Jesus camp" in Saint-Malo, and immediately rejected the idea of spending a week singing Kumbaya around a camp fire. But soon, I heard of a few of my friends from school who would be attending, figured it couldn't be that bad, and I finally decided to register. I have not been the same person since. The day I arrived, I saw people who had this weird thing about them: they were joyful and joy-filled. And they weren't weird! They were actually quite normal.

I soon met God, really met Him, for the first time, through the genuine witness of the counselors and fellow campers. I saw something in them, something I deeply wanted. I went back home on that Friday, giving my name to be a counselor the year after, having found what my heart yearned for: a personal relationship with the person of God.

I am only one of the many people whom God changed forever through the humble camps here in Saint-Malo. Why do the kids keep coming back, year after year? It's because they are safe here. They are safe to be who they are. They are safe to praise their God, without judgment or reprimand. They are free, in the freedom that only Christ can give. And it's fun! Between beach time, canoeing, archery, music, games, sports, there is never a dull moment! And this past summer was all that and more!

On that note, I look forward to the next 20 years. I look forward to witnessing the Lord at work in so many more lives. I invite you to pray, along with all of us, for the future of this beautiful ministry. ✠



Meet this year's OUTREACH TEAM!



My name is Amber Wsiaki and I'm the Catholic Outreach Team Coordinator. I started this position in January 2013 and I was on the first Catholic Outreach Team in 2008-2009. My year on Outreach touched my heart and has played a huge role in shaping me into the woman I am today. I learned a lot about myself, God, and others while on Outreach, so when I discerned that God was calling me to be the Outreach Coordinator, I had no problem saying yes! I am so at peace in this position, and although it's not always easy, God is giving me the grace to see Him at work in my life and the lives of the Team members. I'm truly enjoying journeying with this team, and the staff is a pleasure to work with. I knew this job would be a fun adventure, but I never expected it to touch me like this so early on in the year! Although the year has only just begun, we are already looking to recruit team members for next year and we're contacting Catholic schools and parishes as the team will be available to put on retreats from November to May.

If you are interested in being on the Catholic Outreach Team of 2014-2015, or if you would like to have the team put on a retreat for your children, youth or young adults, please call or e-mail me (outreach@catholicway.net). ✠



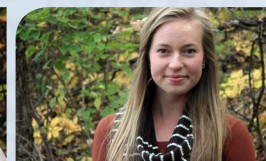
Céline Grenier

Hi! I am 19 years old and I come from the small farm town of St. Labre, Manitoba. The reason I have joined the Catholic Outreach Team is to strengthen and deepen my personal relationship with God. I also hope to get a better and steadier prayer life.



Andrew Armstrong

Hello, I'm 22 years old and from Winnipeg, Manitoba. Though I'm not sure what God has in mind for me this year while on the Catholic Outreach Team, I feel He has called me to serve during this year, and, like Mary during the Annunciation I have decided to respond with an active and prayerful "Yes".



Brianne Giesbrecht

Hi, I am 18 years old, and prior to living at the CSE I lived on a farm near Niverville Manitoba. I am very excited to be participating this year on the Catholic Outreach Team. It's a blessing to be here and learn about our rich Catholic faith in order to go out and share it with others. I look forward to meeting new people and new communities from all around Manitoba.



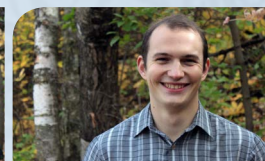
Jeremy Reiter

Hi there, I'm 18 years old and from Selkirk, MB. My whole life I've been a lukewarm Catholic but I've recently realized just how much God has done for me, so I wanted to spend this year, and the rest of my life giving thanks to Him and spreading His good news.



Nicole Knockaert

Hello, I'm 19 years old and from the town of Treherne MB. Back in April, I had just wrapped up my second year of university when I felt God calling me to take a year off of school. More recently, I felt Him calling me to join the Catholic Outreach Team. Through this year I hope to grow in love for God, become more knowledgeable of my faith and to share my faith with others.



Joseph Bertrand

Hi, I'm 22 years old and am from Winnipeg. I'm here in St. Malo to offer myself to the church through the Catholic Outreach Team. In my year here I hope to grow in my relationship with God by giving of myself to others through the ministry of evangelization.



A word from our director...

LEADERS in the New Evangelization

by: Anita Vander Aa



This past year has truly been a year of growth and grace at the Catholic School of Evangelization. Personally, as I look back on last year, I can see how God has used it to prepare me and all of us for the adventures that are to come and that are now here.

The CSE has a new look, literally. With a lot of work from the Board of Directors, and a step of faith, all of the windows of the original building have been replaced, and it has been insulated and new siding installed. It has transformed the building substantially, showing on the outside, the beauty of the community that lives on the inside.

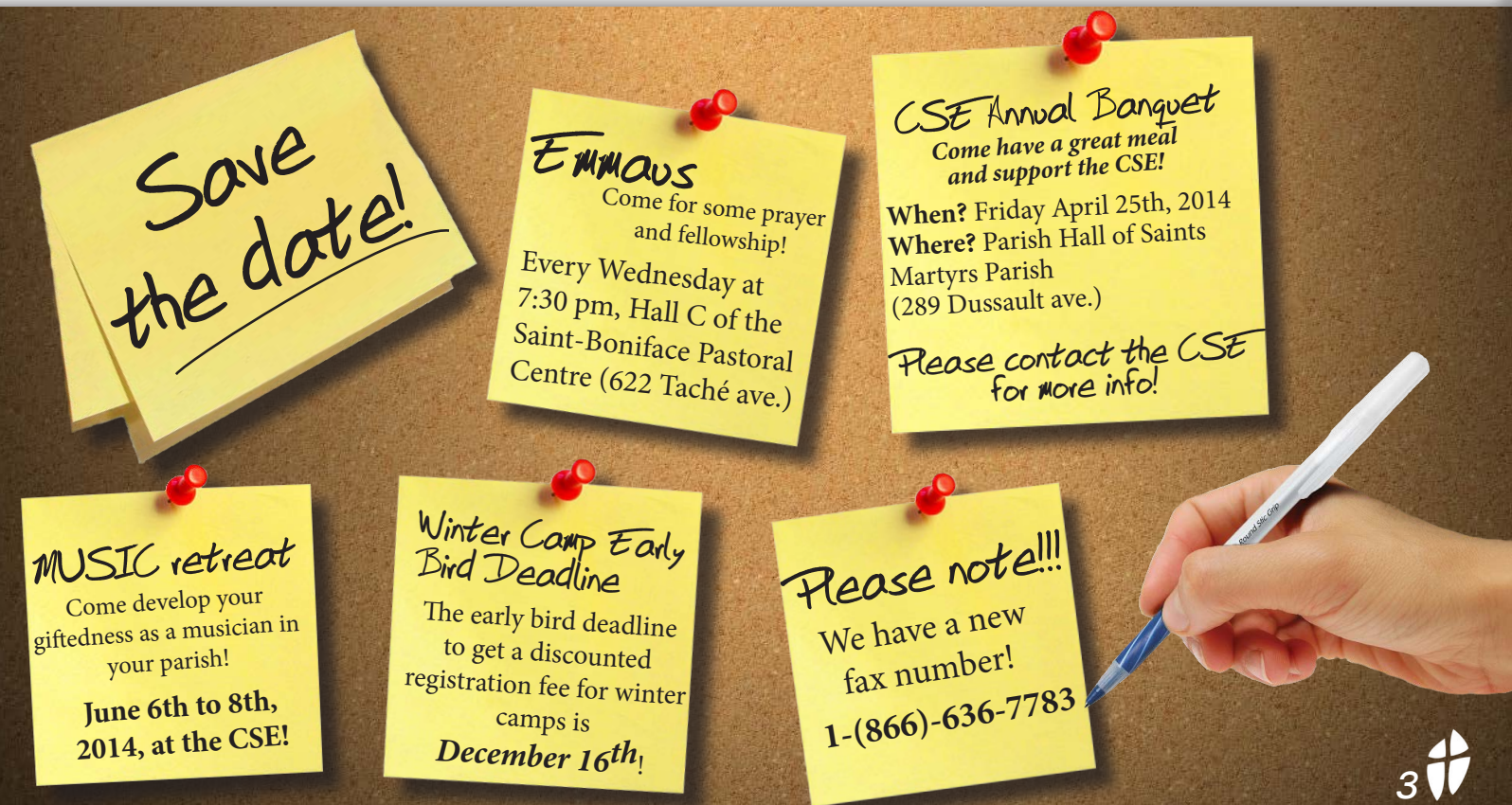
The CSE is also proud to unveil its new logo, designed by Kevin Prada, our new Associate Director. The cross in the center of the logo represents that Christ is at

the center of our ministry. The light radiating from the inside out speaks about the call of the Church, to reach out into the world and share the Good News of Jesus Christ.

The different colors represent the ways that we, the CSE accomplish this call.

The new Catholic Outreach Team has been preparing for a year of ministry. Please read on and get to know these beautiful young adults a little more and keep them in your prayers. And our new staff members Amber Wsiaki, Kevin Prada, Caleb Sterzer and Mariette Hutlet have brought new energy, hope and joy to the life of the CSE.

As we answer the call to be leaders in the new evangelization, please continue to pray for all of our ministries. Thank you for all of your support, and feel free to come by for a visit!



Save the date!

EMMAUS
Come for some prayer and fellowship!
Every Wednesday at 7:30 pm, Hall C of the Saint-Boniface Pastoral Centre (622 Taché ave.)

CSE Annual Banquet
Come have a great meal and support the CSE!
When? Friday April 25th, 2014
Where? Parish Hall of Saints Martyrs Parish (289 Dussault ave.)
Please contact the CSE for more info!

MUSIC retreat
Come develop your giftedness as a musician in your parish!
June 6th to 8th, 2014, at the CSE!

Winter Camp Early Bird Deadline
The early bird deadline to get a discounted registration fee for winter camps is
December 16th!

Please note!!!
We have a new fax number!
1-(866)-636-7783

PLANNED GIVING: What Is It And Why Is It Important To The CSE?

by: Rita Tully, CGA

Planned giving, or gift planning, is the process of designing charitable gifts so that the donor realizes philanthropic objectives while maximizing tax and other financial benefits. Generally, a planned gift is any gift of significant size made with forethought about the benefits to the CSE and the financial implications to the donor and the donor's family.

Planned gifts are often bequests, life insurance policies, and similar arrangements where the commitment is made now but the funds are not available to the church or charity until some future time.

The majority of planned gifts are deferred, but gift planning also includes outright gifts. A planned gift can be a major gift for current needs, consisting of securities or real estate, and structured and timed to limit any tax on capital gain and obtain full benefit of the tax credit.

If you would like to explore planned giving options and the CSE, please call Rita Tully, CGA (204-864-2137) for a no-charge professional and confidential conversation about your situation.

NEW STAFF!

The CSE has the pleasure to welcome two new staff members on board! See below to get acquainted with them and to see how they will be advancing the CSE's mission.



Mariette Hutlet

I'm the Women's Dorm Coordinator for this year. I'm so blessed to have the opportunity to journey with the team this year and I'm looking forward to seeing how the rest of the year will unfold!



Caleb Sterzer

I'm the Men's Dorm Coordinator this year. I'll be journeying with the men on team, and assisting them in their ministry.



YES! I would like to support the Catholic School of Evangelization and its ministries in their efforts!

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I hereby authorize the Catholic School of Evangelization to make a monthly deduction from my bank chequing account or credit card for the amount indicated above on the 15th of ____ mm ____ yyyy

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