

## CWL June 2020 Newsletter



We hope you are staying safe and adjusting to the new normal. Thank you to our Parish staff and those who have made Mass live streaming available. If you want to attend one of the many masses available: Tue, Wed, Thu: 9AM, 7PM Fri: 9AM, 7PM, with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after each mass Sat: 9AM, 4:30PM Sun: 9AM, 11AM **Online mass at this time and No Facebook account required, 7PM No mass on Mondays** by registration only please contact Pat 780 456 5399 at the Parish or if you would like to be added to the email list. Make sure to bring your own mask to mass and if you don't have a mask they are available to purchase for a donation. **Thank you** to all who took part in making masks. Are you receiving the Parish Bulletin? It's available on the parish website [www.saint-charles.com](http://www.saint-charles.com)

It feels like we are just getting to know Father Robert and he is now leaving us. This is our loss, but St. Martin's Parish in Vegreville's gain. We will miss him and wish him all the best.

The Parish need your help! Church donations are down to about 50%. If you are able to donate and not attending mass a Donate Now button on the website is there for your convenience. You can also contact Pat to arrange to drop off a donation. Another way to donate is by E-Transfer using the Parish office email: [ofZice@saint-charles.com](mailto:ofZice@saint-charles.com). Please include your name, address, donation amount and instructions as to where you are directing the funds.

Shelter History Book:

WIN House, WINGS, Lurana Shelter, A Safe Place, Nisa Homes, Jessie's House – the list goes on – all trace their existence to the original Edmonton Women's Shelter (EWS) founded some 50 years ago.

Honorary Life Member Ardis Beaudry and Life Member Rose-Marie McCarthy worked with writer Marsh Mildon to document the history and stories of CWL's involvement (and other church groups, volunteers, and agencies) in the development of the first women's shelters in Edmonton and Canada. Ardis was honoured by the federal government last year for her efforts.

Ardis & Rose-Marie's book,

***WINning: The Trials, Tribulations, and Triumphs of Opening a Women's Shelter***

is now available for purchase!

St. Charles CWL donated to the project last Fall. As a book supporter, St. Charles council may purchase a copy at the discounted price of \$15 (vs regular price of \$19.99).

If you are interested in purchasing a copy of the book, please email Stephanie Lehr directly at [stephanielehr1@gmail.com](mailto:stephanielehr1@gmail.com) before July 10th.

Priestly Ordination of Deacon JD Carmichael, who will be our new Associate Priest, replacing Fr. Robert:

Priestly ordinations of Dcns. Curtis Berube & JD Carmichael at St. Joseph's Basilica will be livestreamed on June 29, 2020 at 7 p.m.

The livestream is available on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and TELUS Optik TV channel 876.

Those in rural areas with slow internet may listen to the Facebook livestream by calling +1.888.958.7272 with access code 549547989 at start time.

Stories about their journey to priesthood may be found at <https://grandinmedia.ca/ardent-anglers-to-be-ordained-as-fishers-of-people-on-same-day/>

# WINning:

The Trials, Tribulations, and Triumphs  
of Opening a Women's Shelter

Marsha Mildon



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*information & book orders*

**[www.enable.org/winning](http://www.enable.org/winning) | [hfwinn2020@gmail.com](mailto:hfwinn2020@gmail.com)**

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Housing for Women Book Society

NEWS RELEASE – June 01, 2020

***WINning: The Trials, Tribulations, and Triumphs of Opening a Women's Shelter***

Edmonton, AB – Housing for Women Book Society proudly announces the publication of their book that chronicles the history and the stories of the determined people who formed the first women's shelters in Edmonton, Alberta. *WINning: The Trials, Tribulations, and Triumphs of Opening a Women's Shelter* is written by Marsha Mildon.

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“*WINning* reflects the ups and downs of fifty years of sheltering,” says shelter founder and long-time Board President Ardis Beaudry. Read the stories – heartbreaking and heartwarming – of the founders, funders, volunteers, staff, and the women who stayed in the shelters.

The Catholic Women's League, United Church Women, and Anglican Church Women, and the Quakers worked alongside the Junior League, Lee Foundation, municipal and provincial governments, Sisters of Providence, Sisters of the Atonement, professional women, baby-boomers, and later, ACWS and other agencies, to launch and maintain the women's shelters. CWL members will recognize many names: Daisy Wilson, Ardis Beaudry, Rose-Marie McCarthy, Kay Charest, Dot Keates, Kay Lonergan, Betty Nigro, and more ... and will enjoy and appreciate their amazing stories!

Society has changed a lot in 50 years, yet there are still women in need of shelter, and dedicated people working to provide it. These are their stories.

*This project is supported by the Edmonton Heritage Council and the City of Edmonton.*

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***About Housing for Women Book Society:***

Housing for Women Book Society (HfW) was created in 2018 to record the history of women sheltering women. That story began in Edmonton some 50 years ago with one of Canada's first women's shelters, formed under the guidance of ordinary women who recognized a social problem and worked diligently to provide assistance to Women in Need. Four of the original founders of Edmonton Women's Shelter and the subsequent WIN Houses collaborated with a writer who had also been involved in the early sheltering movement to gather historical resources and publish the newly-released book, *WINning: The Trials, Tribulations, and Triumphs of Opening a Women's Shelter*.

**Contact** (for book information and to arrange interviews with the founders):

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ST. CHARLES CWL PRAYER LIST  
*June 2020*

*Please pray for our CWL members  
and our council*

*For those who are sick and all who look after them:*

Martha Everatt  
Janice Brown  
Jacqueline Cuerrier  
Mary Bossio (mother of Pat Black)  
Tracy Battenfelder (daughter of Gayle Nicholson)  
Agnes Sam  
Lou Binassi  
Marie Phillips  
Faye Tkachuk  
Karin Hamilton (sister of Monika Murnane)  
Francis Huber (son of Vera Huber)  
Mary Miller (mother of Irene Midgley)  
Mary Ziska

For those who have died and all who mourn them:

Ryan Roth (son of Barb Roth)  
James Nii Ankah (grandson of Theresa Amuzu)  
Olga Babych (sister of Eva Dolinski)  
Don Adam (husband of Candy Adam)  
Betty Serbu (aunt of Emily Robertson)  
Salvatore Chiodo (husband of Elizabeth Chiodo)  
Leticia Quilala (mother of Gemma Roque)

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