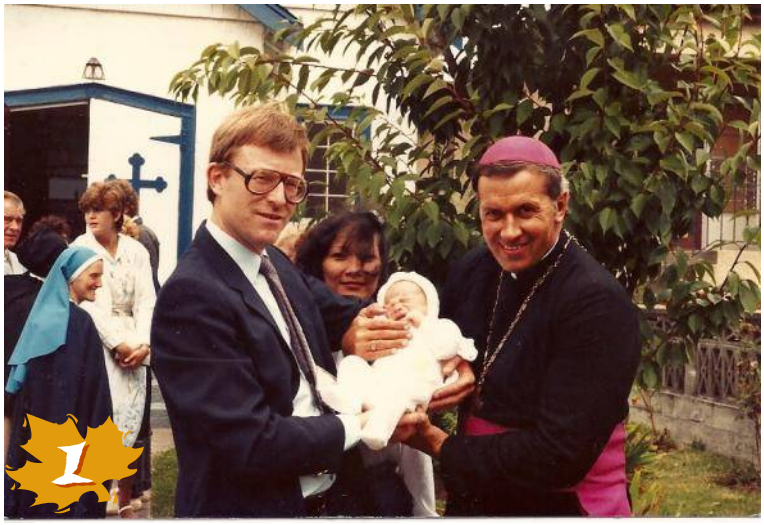

Photo 1: photo on August 19, 1984; left to right: Mr. Albert Bower - holding baby Aaron - Mrs. Leticia Bower, Bishop J. Gérard A. LaPlante **Photo 2:** Bishop Gérard blessing Mr. Aaron Bower during the confirmation rite

On September 5, 2010 Bishop J. Gérard A. LaPlante confirmed Mr. Aaron Bower, who was baptized by him at St. Raphael's Old Catholic Church on August 19, 1984 .

Photo 3: During the confirmation; left to right: Fr. Jürgen Schmode, Mr. Aaron Bower, Bishop Gérard, Deacon Jean Doucet, Fr. Martin Lotho; **Photo 4:** Fr. Jürgen, Monica Celeste, Mr. Aaron Bower, Bishop Gérard, Deacon Jean, Fr. Martin, Mr. Albert Bower

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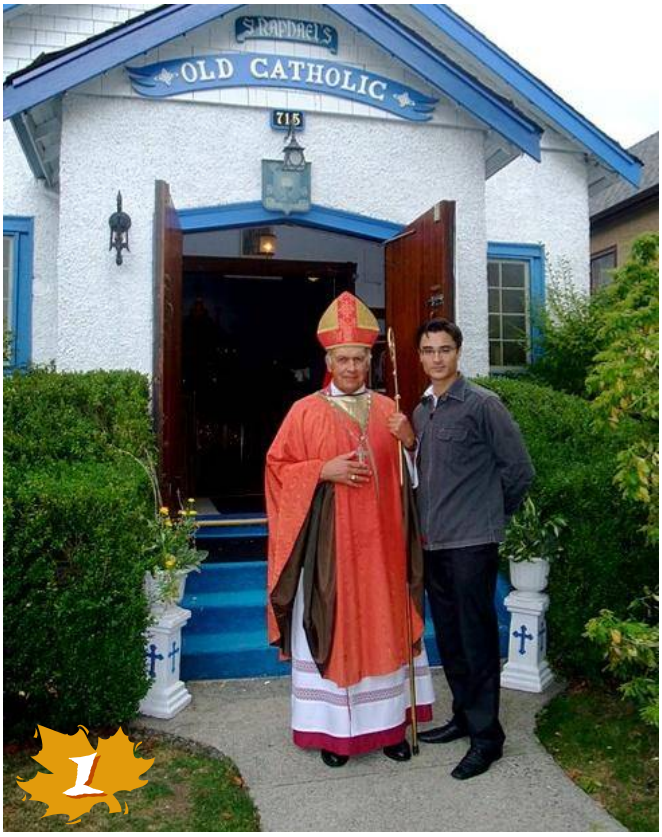

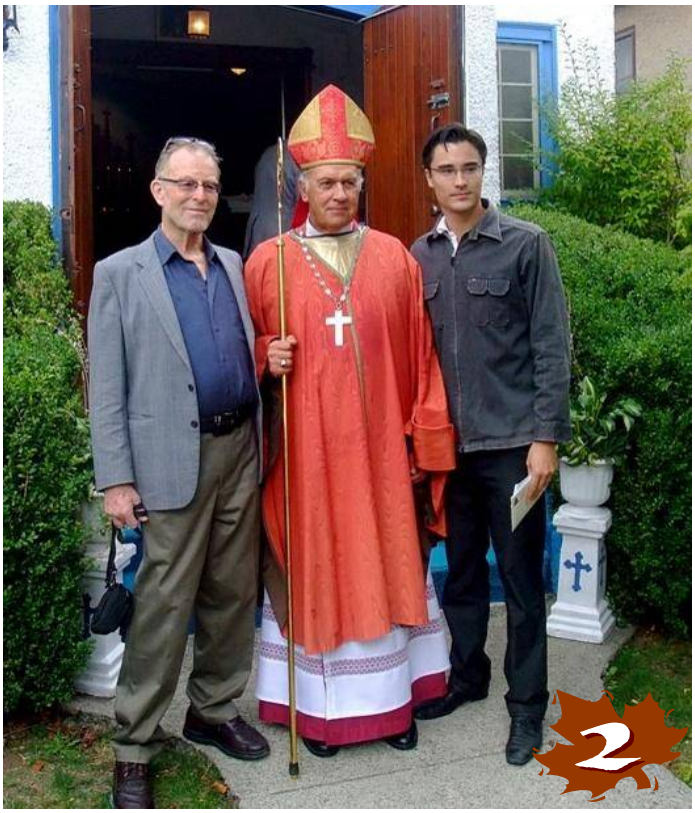

Photos 1 - 3 after the confirmation outside St. Raphael's Old Catholic Church

Mrs. Linda Miczuga passed away

Linda Miczuga née Sanderson

June 3, 1948 ~ November 2, 2010

Linda was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, daughter, sister, cousin, aunt and friend to all who knew her.

In her 62 years she celebrated life, love and family with a passion.

Linda will be remembered by all for her non-judgmental and unconditional love for her family and friends; always welcoming them with open arms, acceptance, a hug, a beautiful smile and a bowl of soup.

A favorite quote by Linda is:

"If you judge people, you have no time to love them."

Mother Teresa.

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Photo 1: back: left to right: Fr. Martin Lotho, Deacon Jean Doucet, Fr. Jürgen Schmode; front: left to right: Mr. Nelson Sanderson, Bishop J. Gérard A. LaPlante, children of Mrs. Linda Miczuga nee Sanderson.

Photo 2: The extended family of Mrs. Linda Sanderson and clergy of the Old Catholic Church of BC.

Mrs. Linda Miczuga nee Sanderson was Métis and a parishioner of St. Raphael's Old Catholic Church for more than 30 years. She was married at our Church and her children, grandchildren, many nieces and nephews were baptized and confirmed at St. Raphael's Old Catholic Church. Her sister, Mrs. Gloria Jones and her family are also parishioners. Her brother Mr. Nelson Sanderson is a parishioner and has now moved back to Winnipeg, where he organized and coordinated the Métis Games and is very active in the Métis associations in Canada.

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God has sent a guardian angel to protect us and watch over us. To gently guide us with his loving hands surrounding us, so strong and steady and true.

Our family would like to share a poem written by Linda:

Thanksgiving

"The laughter rang throughout the house and the kids were having fun. We'd play our games of thirty-one and sometimes La Barouche. Oh what fun Thanksgiving was so many moons ago, but nothing much has changed with us, we are still one big family and I am so blessed and thankful for having such a wonderful family."

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Photo 3: The funeral bookmark of Mrs. Linda Miczuga, designed by her family

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Mr. Jürgen Alsbach - long-time friend of Bishop J. Gérard A. LaPlante and the Old Catholic Church of BC and parishioner of St. Jakobus Old Catholic Church in Koblenz, Germany - visited us in December.

Photo 1: left to right:: Bishop Gérard , Mr. Jürgen Alsbach, Mrs. Vivian Ricky-Merk
Photo 2: left to right: Bishop Gérard, Mr. Mark Tasaka, Mr. Matthew Klymchuk, Mr. Tony Klymchuk, Mr. Jürgen Alsbach
Photo 3: left to right: Mr. Jürgen Alsbach, Bishop Gérard, Mr. Matthew Klymchuk, Mr. Tony Klymchuk,
Photo 4: Bishop Gérard, Mr. John Castaneda

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Photo 1: Bishop Gérard with Mr. Rudi Cesarone
Photo 2: Bishop Gérard with Mrs. Gloria Tomas
Photo 3: with parishioners
Photo 4: Bishop Gérard with Mrs. Marilyn Sztankovics

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Photo 1: Bishop Gérard with parishioner Mrs. Anneliese Egger, former trade consular of Austria in Vancouver
Photo 2: Bishop Gérard with parishioner Mr. David (Ricki-Lynn) Barnes and family
Photo 3 + 4: Bishop Gérard with Filipino parishioners

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Photo 1: Bishop Gérard with Mrs. Astrid Fox-Wong Chor
Photo 2: Bishop J. Gérard with Filipino parishioners
Photo 3: Bishop Gérard with Mr. Jürgen Alsbach (left) and Mrs. Teng, originally from Taiwan
Photos 4 - 5: Greeting parishioners

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Photo 1-4: Bishop Gérard, clergy, and parishioners

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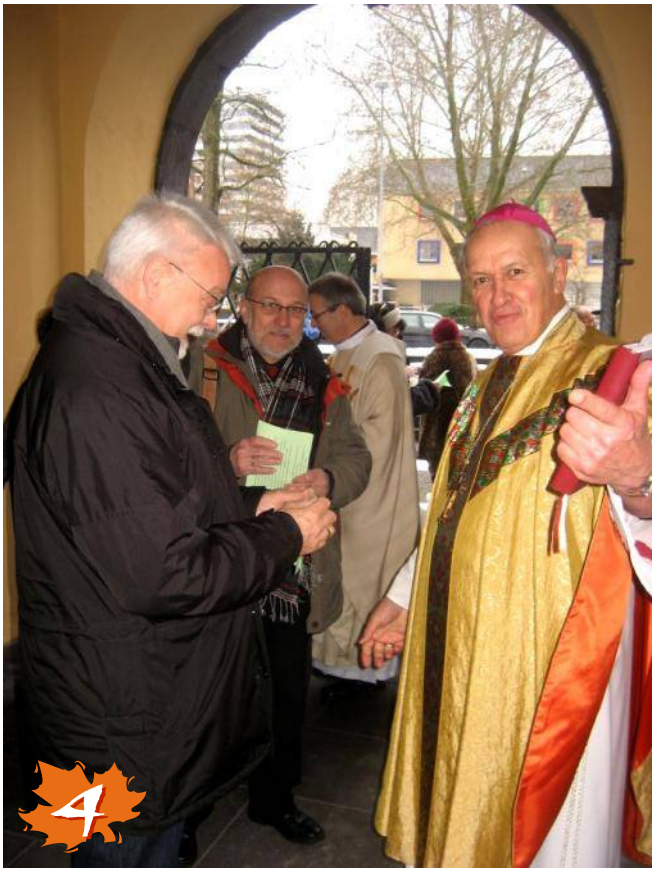
Bishop J. Gérard A. LaPlante concelebrating at St. Jakobus Old Catholic Church in Koblenz, Germany 2 January 2011

Photo 1: Bishop Gérard inside St. Jakobus Old Catholic Church in Koblenz concelebrating with Fr. Ralf Staymann
Photo 2: Bishop Gérard with Fr. Hans-Werner Schlenzig, former Vicar General of the Old Catholic Church of Germany, his wife and Mr. Jürgen Alsbach
Photo 3: left to right: Fr. Ralf Staymann, Bishop Gérard, Deacon Herbert Swoboda
Photo 4: Bishop Gérard greeting parishioners of St. Jakobus Old Catholic Church



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Bishop J. Gérard A. LaPlante visiting monastery St. Severin in Bavavia

Photo 1: Entrance of the monastery
Photo 2: Brother Johannes and Bishop Gérard
Photo 3: Mr. Jürgen Alsbach and Br. Johannes in front of the monastery
Photo 4: Mr. Jürgen Alsbach and Abbot Klaus Schlapps in the monastery store

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Photo 1: Bishop J. Gérard A. LaPlante with Abbott Klaus Schlapps and Mr. Jürgen Alsbach in the Chapel of the monastery

Photo 2: a view from the tower of the monastery towards the Alps

Feast of the Epiphany in Apfeltrang, Bavaria, Germany

Photo 1 + 2: St. Michael Church
Photo 3 + 4: Inside, procession and photo of the three kings

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