



Board meeting of the Old Catholic Church of BC



Left to right: Mr. Fred Foster, Mr. Romain Comeau, Bishop J. Gérard A. LaPlante, Mr. Gerhard Oberauer and his son Lukas as guest, Mr. Jim Gee, Mr. Isidro Rodriguez as guest, in front: Fr. Martin Lotho, Fr. Benedick dela Cruz, Fr. Jürgen Schmode



Above: Mr. Horst Steinbach In the summer of 2014 in the garden of the Church **below:** Mr. Horst Steinbach with left to right: Fr. Benedick dela Cruz, Fr. Jürgen Schmode, and Bishop J. Gérard A. LaPlante



Bishop J. Gérard A. LaPlante with his nephew Dr. Renaud LaPlante (on the right) and his family Melissa, Emilie, his wife Josée, visiting from Moncton, New Brunswick





Left: Bishop J. Gérard A. LaPlante with the Lorenzo family, who are Mayan.



Right: Bishop J. Gérard A. LaPlante with members of the Koshaba family who are Chaldean Christians from Iraq

Below: Fr. Jürgen Schmode and Bishop J. Gérard A. LaPlante with guest from Germany: Mr. Jürgen Alsbach, Mr. Hans-Werner May, Mr. Marcel Neumann

Below right: Mr. Jürgen Alsbach, Bishop J. Gérard A. LaPlante, Mr. Jim Gee





Summer 2016

Baptism of Logan Michael Fox
12 June 2016



Mr. Michael Fox and Mrs. Roselyn Gonzales was married on 28 September 2014 at St. Raphael's Old Catholic Church by Fr. Martin Lotho. Logan is their first child.





Mr. Charles Matson, R.I.P.

Born: July 17, 1927

Passed away June 7, 2016



**At the visit of Pope John Paul II, 1984
in Abbotsford, BC,**

left to right: Fr. Miroslav Dejanov,
Serbian Orthodox Church, Mr. Charles
Matson, Rev. Fr. Cyril Bulasevich,
Russian Orthodox Church, Bishop J. Gérard
A. LaPlante, Mr. Marc Gosselin, RCMP,
Fr. Gordon Hangerud



**Mr. Matson with Mr. Jürgen Alsbach
in front of the Old Glenhaven 1993
1235 East Hastings
Vancouver, BC**

Since meeting Mr. Matson in the 1970's, Bishop J. Gérard A. LaPlante has officiated at hundreds of funerals at Glenhaven Memorial where only him and Mr. Charles Matson were present.

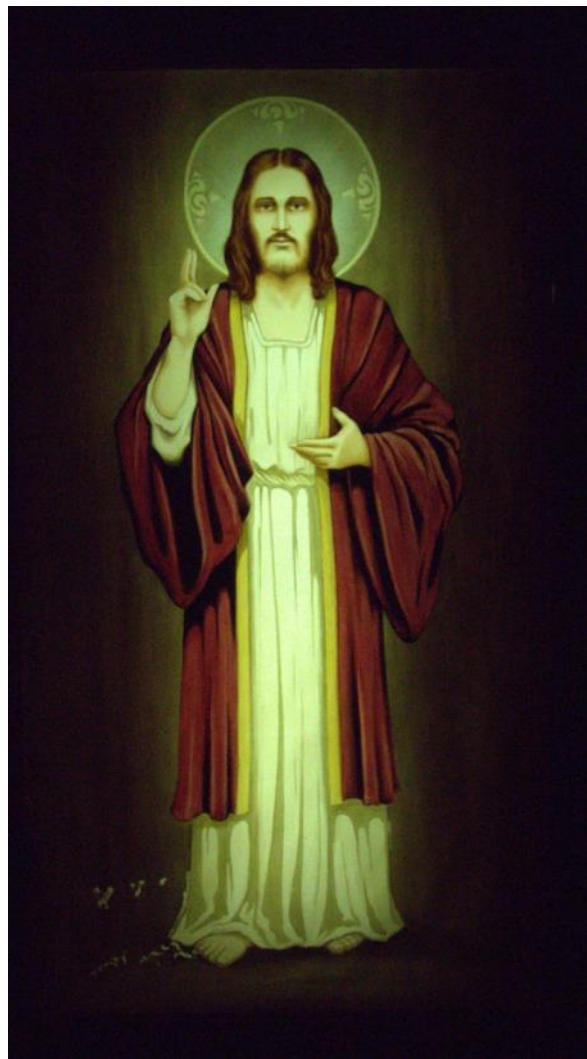
Funerals were contracted by the City of Vancouver to Glenhaven. Many of these funerals were refused by the Roman Catholic Church and other religious bodies because the deceased were not registered or did not attend regularly their parishes or Churches. The Old Catholic Church of BC does not share this point of view. Every person is made at the image of God, in life and in death. Respect, dignity is to be given no matter the creed, colour, race, gender, rank, condition of the deceased. Mr. Matson was an example of this tenet in the funeral business and as a theologian.

May the souls of all departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace and let light perpetual shine upon them.



This painting of **“The Last Supper”** was given to the Old Catholic Church of BC by Mr. Charles Matson upon closing the old Glenhaven Memorial Chapel. It was hanging in the Chapel and was a silent witness to thousands of funerals.

The painting of “Jesus Blessing” used to be in the entrance of the old location of Glenhaven Memorial Chapel. It is now at the entrance of St. Raphael's Old Catholic Church.





Baptism of Nathanael Zeus Kalaw , July 10, 2016



Mr. Chyvill Kalaw and Mrs. Janice Kalaw
(parents) with Ms. Marilyn Martinez
(godmother).

Fr. Martin Lotho and
Fr. Benedick dela Cruz



Parents , Godparents with Fr. Martin
Lotho

