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SASMAD

Service d'accompagnement spirituel des personnes malades ou âgées à domicile Pastoral Home Care

#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

### Monday, June 6

Grief support after the loss of your spouse. Please note the time change of our regular meeting: 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. via Zoom. New members are welcome. For more info, and the Zoom link, contact: LossSpouseSupport@gmail.com

## Friday, June 10

Prayer Time with SASMAD and the Friends of Mercy 3:00 p.m.

## Sunday, June 19

Father's Day Happy Father's Day to all the Dads!

## Save the Date!

The annual Pastoral Home Care/SASMAD Retreat will be held on **Friday, September 23** from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Please mark you calendars and look for details in your inbox over the summer.

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Throughout the summer, even with vacations, there is someone available to answer any questions that may come up. Call the SASMAD office at 514-272-4441 or e-mail sasmad@diocesemontreal.org

# **Heading Into Summer**

As we move into summer mode, we consider how the weight of the last two years has impacted us, as volunteers in this ministry and those that we have the privilege of visiting. A global pandemic, war in Ukraine, political strife, loss and grief, personal challenges all weigh upon us. Here is a poem of blessing to reflect on as we enter into this time of renewal and rest. Thank you for your good and faithful work accompanying others through these challenging times. Thank you for your generosity and your faithfulness. We remember the Word of Jesus who said: "Come to me, all of you who are weary and heavy burdened, and I will give you rest." Mt. 11:28. Many good, fruitful events are planned for the Fall... but first REST!

## Update to volunteer information

In the coming months, volunteers will be asked to update their information in our files as part of a general SASMAD "mise à jour".

This may include:

- an update to your police check if it is more than three years since your last one.
- an update to your personal information if there are any changes.
- info about who you are accompanying and how long you have been seeing them.

You will do this update (it will take only a few minutes) at a team meeting, or individually.

The Bridge will resume publication in September!



## What is coming up in the Fall?

Plans are being made to hold a **basic formation** session for new volunteers in person! Anyone interested can <u>click</u> <u>here</u> to fill out the application form. Details to come!

SASMAD'S 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration with several events planned. Details to come.

PHC/SASMAD Retreat Sept. 23 with Sr. Pat O'Neill, snmj.

Thank you to all those who expressed their sympathy to our director, André Dupré, at the recent loss of his mother, Murielle Tassé. Your support and prayers were deeply appreciated.



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