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From left to right in front now: His Excellency Bishop David Motiuk of the Edmonton Ukrainian Eparchy, Archbishop Emeritus Joseph McNeil, Fr. Adam Lech, the Chancellor of the Edmonton Catholic Archdiocese and Elk Island National Park superintendent Dale Kirkland at a memorial to Saint John Paul II on Sept. 17, 2016. McNeil was the Archbishop at the time when Saint John Paul II visited Alberta in 1984 and then visited Elk Island National Park on Sept. 17 that year.



Archbishop Emeritus Joseph McNeil, centre, speaks at the re-established memorial to Saint John Paul II.

Knights of Columbus re-establish memorial

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Our Lady of Lourdes Council No. 6382 (Star/Lamont), along with the other Alberta Councils in District No. 19 and Parks Canada, re-established a memorial to Saint John Paul II in Elk Island National Park on Sept. 17, 2016. The other Knights of Columbus Councils include: Fr. Duncan MacDonnell Council No. 6363 (Fort Saskatchewan); Archbishop MacDonald Council No. 6083 (Sherwood Park); Our Lady of the Highway Council No. 4249

(Vegreville); and St. Sophia Council No. 15885 (Sherwood Park).

The memorial, consisting of two new trail head signs and a bench with three plaques, recognizes the visit of Saint John Paul II to the park during his Canadian visit in 1984. During his visit to the park on a quiet day in his schedule, the then Pope prayed the rosary, read his breviary, and meditated.

The original memorial was established in 1988 and was much smaller. The revised memorial now includes much

more information and provides visitors with an opportunity to reflect on the life of Saint John Paul II and the impact he had not only on the Catholic Church but, indeed, on the whole world.

The dedication and blessing ceremony was presided over by: Archbishop Emeritus Joseph McNeil who accompanied Pope John Paul II during his visit in 1984; His Excellency Bishop David Motiuk of Edmonton Ukrainian Eparchy; and, Fr. Adam Lech, Chancellor of the Edmonton Catholic Archdiocese.

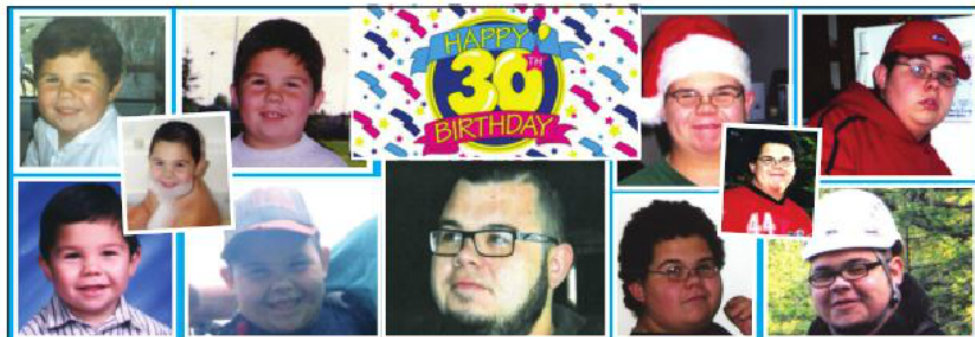


**In loving memory of
Aurelia (Rae) Melnyk**

April 25, 1939 – Sept 20, 2015

Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day, unseen, unheard, but always near, still loved, still missed, & very dear. With love.

Ed, Murray & family, Scott & family



Taylor, Congratulations and Love to you on September 28rd
Mom, Rod, Justin, Sarah, Ashley, Gabriella & Orry



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