



Our Legacy

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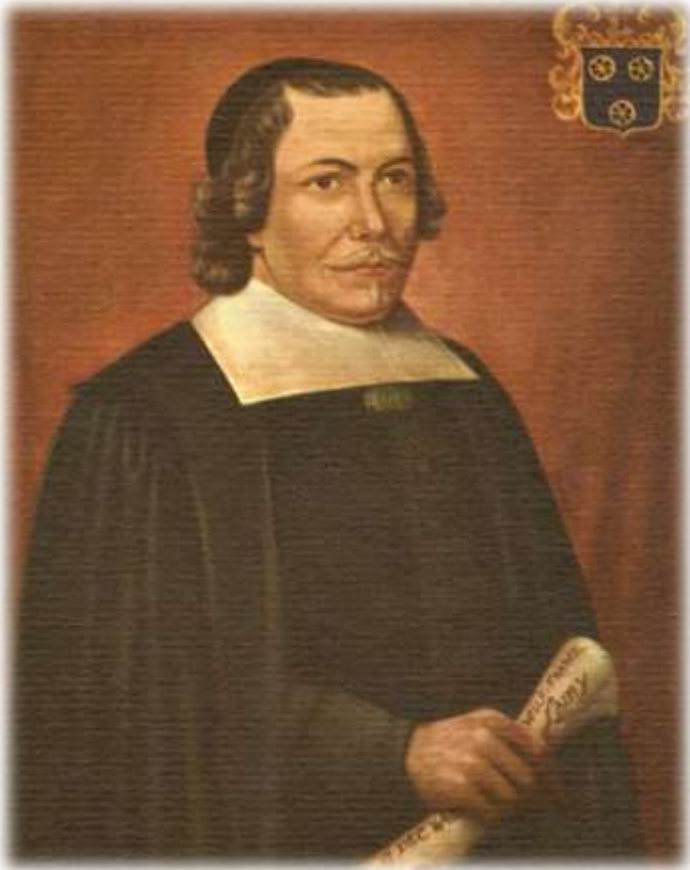


On February 2, 1630 the Venerable Jérôme Le Royer de la Dauversière, a layman, began having visions in which he was instructed to found an Order of Nursing Sisters, to open the Hospital in La Fleche to care for the poor, and to found a colony on the Island of Montreal in New France

The Religious Hospitallers of St. Joseph were founded in 1636 in La Fleche, France by Jérôme Le Royer with the Venerable Mother Marie De La Ferre



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Jérôme Le Royer acquired the deed to the Island of Montreal in 1640. He raised the necessary funds and enlisted the first colonists. The colonists left for New France at the end of 1641, establishing the Colony of Ville-Marie on May 17, 1642



Among the first colonists was Jeanne Mance, a laywoman, who was called by God in collaboration with Jerome Le Royer to serve in New France



She opened the first Hotel Dieu Hospital in 1645 in Ville Marie (Montreal)

It wasn't until 1659 that the RHSJs were able to send members of their order to assist Jeanne Mance in Ville Marie (the future Montreal)



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Under the care of the Sisters, the Hotel Dieu and the RHSJ Community of Montreal expanded greatly



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In 1945, three Sisters
from Kingston founded
Hotel Dieu Hospital on
Ontario Street in
St. Catharines, Ontario



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The Religious Hospitallers of St. Joseph
who have served in St. Catharines at
Hotel Dieu Hospital and Hotel Dieu Shaver
1945 – 2018



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After facing numerous roadblocks, the RHSJs opened a 28 bed Maternity Hospital in the Woodruff Mansion, located on Ontario Street, on October 3, 1948



Sister St. Catherine Brennan & Nurse Mary Sweeny
(1948) in the Nursery

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Sister Verna Windle with a Newborn and its mother
(1950)

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On September 10th, 1953, Hotel Dieu Hospital,
opened as an Acute Care faith based hospital on
Ontario Street



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The Hotel Dieu Hospital was so successful that an additional 125 bed Carmichael wing was added, opening in 1962



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As well as expanding its facilities, the Hotel Dieu Hospital expanded its services:



- Laboratory Technologists Training Program
- Pastoral Care Services
- Regional Ambulance Services
- Intensive & Coronary Care Unit
- Dialysis Unit
- Eye Clinic
- Detoxification Centre for males and females
- Oncology Unit
- Children's Developmental Assessment Service
- Palliative Care
- Transitional house for women
- Regional Diabetes

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On August 8, 2005 as a result of a hospital restructuring in St. Catharines, the Hotel Dieu Health Sciences Hospital, assumed governance and management of the Shaver Hospital and Niagara Rehab Centre



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The Missioning Ceremony included the blessing by the Sisters, **Hotel Dieu Shaver Health and Rehabilitation Centre** was ready to begin its new role in healthcare



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Founder's Day 2018



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Spiritual and Religious Care Week | Mission Week



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Christmas Pizza Lunch 2018



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World Day of the Sick: “Blessing of Hands”

February 2019



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Canada Health Day

May 8th, 2019



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2019 Jeanne Mance Awardee – Jennifer Posliff



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RHSJ Physician Award 2019 – Dr. Zdravkovic



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2019 Spirit Award – Nancy Gannon



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Mission

Hotel Dieu Shaver is a community of holistic and compassionate care for all those who seek our service and for those we serve. As a Roman Catholic facility, grounded in God's love, we provide the resources and care to enable people to reach their optimal level of health and well-being.



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Values

Spirituality | We contribute to the spiritual and emotional well-being of each person by respecting their human dignity in a healing environment.

Professionalism | We use our special knowledge and expertise to provide compassionate service at the highest possible standard.

Innovation | We empower our staff to embrace new ideas and processes that create improvements in what we do.

Responsible Stewardship | We respond to community needs by balancing human needs with financial resources.

Integrity | We are consistent, honest, and respectful in all we do.

Teamwork | We commit to work with clients, families and each other to achieve our mission.



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Catholic Health International is committed to perpetuating the healing ministry of Jesus in the spirit of our founding Sisters, the Religious Hospitallers of St. Joseph

We extend our helping hands and hearts as we strive to provide holistic care to those in need



Community Care Christmas Drive



Rankin Run Fundraiser – “Orange Day!”

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That seed which was planted over 383 years ago in France continues to grow today as we branch out to meet the ever changing needs of our society



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Hotel Dieu Shaver Health and Rehabilitation Centre continues to meet the unmet needs in our Community



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In 2006, Hotel Dieu Shaver created a Virtual Reality Room for rehabilitation therapy and continues to thrive today



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A Healing Garden was established in 2007 with the assistance of Elizabeth Hilton and local gardeners.



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In 2008 and 2009, the Gift Shop and Coffee Shop were renovated to reflect a more updated look.



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Numerous upgrades were made to enhance patient services and create a better work environment for staff. Among these included, upgrades to nursing stations.



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2012 saw the creation of 5 Palliative Care Rooms to give patients a respectful, quiet, and calm environment.

FLIGHT OF A BUTTERFLY

The butterfly symbolizes peace & tranquility.

There are times when a respectful, quiet and calm environment is needed outside our Palliative Care rooms. When you see the butterfly symbol is placed on a Palliative room door, we ask that all staff and visitors recognize this area as a ‘Quiet Zone.’

Please keep all unnecessary conversation and noise to a minimum to respect our Palliative patients and their families.

In 2012, Hotel Dieu Shaver Health and Rehabilitation Centre proudly announced the opening of the Centre's new 5,700 square foot rehabilitation area, affectionately known as the 'Courtyard'



An official blessing and re-opening of the newly renovated Chapel occurred in September 2014.



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Rankin Family Cancer Rehab Program

In 2018 HDS announced the creation of an outpatient Cancer Rehabilitation Program intended for oncology patients that have completed or are going through treatment. After recognizing a gap in services in Niagara, this program was brought to life through funding from the Rankin Family & the Rankin Cancer Run.



The cancer outpatient rehab program will improve patient satisfaction and quality of life, improve functional independence, help with the transition from hospital to the community, and further reduce the risk of functional decline and hospital (re) admission.

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Therapeutic Recreation



Summer BBQ's / Fun for Patients and Staff!



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Assisted Daily Living Apartment



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Virtual Fitness Centre

Patients are able to 'virtual cycle' to various locations around the world



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Carpentry Program

The Carpentry Program allows our patients to enhance their emotional and physical well being.



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Marketplace

The marketplace simulates real life experience to enable our patients to return to their regular daily routines.



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Steve Ludzik Centre for Parkinson's Rehab

The Therapy Team includes:

Advanced Practice Nurse Physiotherapist
Occupational Therapist Speech Language Pathologist
Registered Dietitian Rehabilitation Assistant
Social Worker



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Augmentative & Alternative Communication Clinic

Adult augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) is a much needed service in Niagara.

This AAC clinic's focus is on addressing the communication needs of individuals with severe speech and/or physical impairments through the provision and support of both high tech and low tech communication systems.

The team includes: Speech Language Pathologist, Occupational Therapist, Rehabilitation/Electronic technologist, and a Communicative Disorders Assistant.



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Ballet & Boxing Centre



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A heartfelt thank you to all staff and volunteers who
continue the Mission in the Spirit of our Founding RHSJ
Sisters



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The Sisters' mission of 'Caring for the sick, the poor and most needy' continues today through each and everyone associated with Hotel Dieu Shaver.



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Remembering our friend
Sister Marie "Jacqueline" DesRoches, R.H.S.J
5th January 1921 – 11th July 2018

Throughout Jackie's life she was known for her amazing sense of humor and her contagious laugh, quick wit and unwavering faith. Sister had the ability to engage others with her stories and humour, sometimes at her own expense. Among her many talents were her cooking skills, including poutine-rappi, her craft in sewing, adept at calligraphy, and an artist which many friends from the Miramichi have acquired copies. Anyone who had the privilege of knowing Jackie felt blessed to have her in their lives. Jackie inspired others by her ability to be kind, forgiving, gentle and loyal to the end no matter what she was engaged in. The world has indeed been blessed by her presence and she will be dearly, dearly missed.

