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2026 FIFA World Cup – June 20, Germany vs Ivory Coast, at Toronto BMO Field

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HKLSCOPA AGM Results

LSCOPA (<https://www.lscoba.com/poll-result-of-the-2026-agm/>)



The Committee of the Association for 2026-2027, elected in the AGM, shall be:

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FIFA World Cup Watch Parties – A Lasallian Celebration

Victor Leung (77)

Ask almost any Lasallian, and they will tell you that football—or soccer, as it is known here in North America—runs deep in our community’s DNA. Many of us spent countless hours kicking a ball around during recess, after school, or even every single day. Naturally, Lasallians across North America were thrilled to learn that Canada, the United States, and Mexico would co-host the 2026 FIFA World Cup. Canadian fans were especially eager to welcome 13 matches on home soil, split between Toronto (7 matches) and Vancouver (6 matches).

For years, football was not considered a dominant sport in Canada. However, after climbing to a record-high ranking of 40th in the world (up from 72nd in previous years), Canada earned its place as a co-host alongside the top 48 teams in the world. The team’s momentum only grew: following a hard-fought Group B run—a victory over Qatar, a draw against Bosnia-Herzegovina, and a narrow loss to Switzerland—Canada made history by advancing to the Round of 32!

To capture this historic energy, the LSCOBAs Vancouver Chapter organized group watch parties to rally behind Team Canada. After all, football is always best experienced together as ONE united brotherhood.

Round of 32: Canada vs. South Africa (June 28, 2026)

Our first gathering took place at Harold’s Kitchen & Bar at the Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel in Richmond, BC. Though our group was intimate with just six members, we quickly realized we were surrounded by fellow fans sharing the exact same goal: to cheer on our Canadian team.

The energy in the restaurant reached a fever pitch at **90+2’** during stoppage time, when Stephen Eustáquio buried the winning goal into the back of South Africa’s net! Thundering cheers exploded across the room, fusing every patron into one roaring crowd. That dramatic 1–0 victory sent Canada into the Round of 16—yet another milestone in Canadian football history.



Riding high on the excitement, we immediately decided to host another watch party for the FIFA World Cup Final on July 19. Even though we didn’t yet know who would be playing, we knew that if we didn’t lock down a table early, finding space closer to game day would be impossible.

The Final: Spain vs. Argentina (July 19, 2026)

Our second watch party brought us back to Harold’s for the championship showdown between Argentina and Spain. Demand was high—our table of 16 filled up quickly, and we were delighted to welcome three new, younger alumni to the fold.

However, the event almost didn’t happen. Just one day before the match, when our President called the restaurant to confirm our reservation, we were shocked to learn that Harold’s had no record of our booking!

Knowing the chances of finding a venue for a large group the day before the World Cup Final were slim to none, the Board of Directors scrambled to find an alternative—but without success.

Relief came just in time: after a member brought the matter directly to the General Manager, our lost reservation was miraculously located!

On match day, with the majority of our table and the restaurant cheering for Spain, we were treated to a thrilling 1–0 victory over Argentina. It was a fitting, high-stakes finale that nicely wrapped up an unforgettable 2026 FIFA World Cup for football fans across the globe.



James Ng (President, second left) and Nelson Ng (Vice-President, right) welcomed our two new members – Dominic Au (2021, left) and Jason Chan (2013, second right) at the World Cup Watch Party

Note: Brian Chan (2023) was absent from this photo

Vancouver Watch Party: Canada vs. Switzerland (June 24, 2026)

As one of the two host cities for the 2026 FIFA World Cup, Metro Vancouver buzzed with excitement as it prepared to welcome massive crowds of football fans from across the globe. Numerous large-scale watch parties were established throughout the tournament, running from June 11 to July 19. While the official watch party took place at the FIFA Fan Festival in Hastings Park, a temporary TSN/CTV broadcast studio and free public viewing area were set up at Jack Poole Plaza in the heart of Downtown Vancouver. This transformed the Coal Harbour waterfront into a stunning national television backdrop, drawing huge daily crowds eager to cheer on their favorite teams. Meanwhile, Granville Street was completely closed to traffic, turning into a vibrant FIFA party hub for locals and tourists alike.

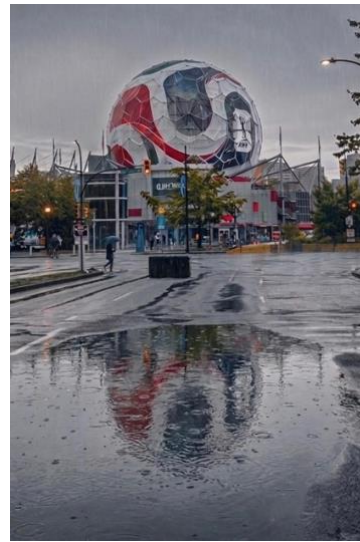
Eager to seize this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, many Vancouverites flocked to watch parties across the city. For the crucial Round of 16 match between Canada and Switzerland, fans gathered in droves to rally behind Team Canada.

Even though kickoff wasn't until noon, the Canada Line train from Richmond to Waterfront Station was already overflowing with supporters clad in red and draped in Canadian flags. TransLink recorded a massive surge in transit use, hitting nearly 1.4 million riders—a six-year record for the transit system!



At Jack Poole Plaza, thousands gathered into a sea of red, with waving flags and roaring cheers filling the air throughout the game. Late arrivals were unable to secure a spot near the giant screens and had to scatter to other downtown venues showing the live broadcast. While some lucky fans managed to find comfortable seating nearby, others were more than happy to settle for street-side views of the match.

Plagued by injuries—including a fractured leg suffered by midfielder Ismaël Koné and a lingering hamstring issue for captain Alphonso Davies—Canada ultimately fell to a formidable Swiss side, which was ranked 12th in the 2022 FIFA World Cup. Despite the tough loss, Team Canada united the entire nation through their heroic performance. Advancing from a rank of 40 all the way to the Round of 16 was a monumental achievement for the program and a true point of pride for the country. Thank you, Team Canada!



An iconic feature for the FIFA World Cup was the transforming of Science World into a giant 40-metre recreation of the Adidas Trionda, the official match ball for the FIFA World Cup 2026.

Toronto Chapter 2026 AGM

Kevin Kwok (88)

The Toronto Chapter held its 2026 Annual General Meeting on June 10 at Casa Deluz Banquet Hall (豪門宴) in Scarborough. The AGM date has been postponed from the conventional May 15 to allow the Board of Directors more time to ensure compliance with applicable regulations, prevent potential legal disputes, and act in the best interests of our organization. External, independent legal counsel has been retained.



Group photo



A few gangs



Hall photo



Head table with Shum Sir and Yu Sir



Kevin Kwok (88) presented the Presidential Report

The resolution of no appointment of an auditor was confirmed. In light of membership stacking applications received during April/May 2025 by Jimmy Chang (66) and Michael Chow (89), and the subsequent allegations against the Board and President. Details can be found [here](#).



Sunny Leung (96) presented the Financial Report



Chris Fong (94) presented the external independent legal counsel



Louis Heung (68) from HK, with David Sin (69)



Patrick Ko (95) from Vancouver attended Toronto AGM

HKLSOBA – Toronto Summer Events and Golf Tournament

Kevin Kwok (88)

Dear La Salle Brothers, Old Boys, and Friends,

I hope this message finds you well. On behalf of the HKLSOBA-Toronto Chapter, we are delighted to invite you and your families to a fantastic season of alumni events. This summer, we have three wonderful opportunities to reconnect, compete, and create new memories together.

Please mark your calendars for the following events:

1. Joint School Soccer Fun Day 2026

A celebration of sportsmanship and brotherhood with teams from Chinese University, St. Joseph's College, and Wah Yan Group.

- Date: Sunday, August 9, 2026
- Time: 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM
- Location: Bayview Reservoir Park
- Activities: Friendly matches, skill challenges, and fun for all skill levels.
- Cost: Free

2. Annual Picnic 2026

A wonderful chance to unwind, reconnect, and enjoy great company.

- Date: Sunday, August 30, 2026
- Time: 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM (Food served at noon)
- Location: Thomson Memorial Park, Site 02 – 1005 Brimley Road, Scarborough
- Cost: Free

3. 2026 LSOBA Brother Thomas Golf Tournament & Dinner Reception

A day of friendly competition and fellowship for our Lasallian community.

Golf Tournament

- Date: Sunday, 13 September 2026 | 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM
- Location: St. Andrew's Valley Golf Club, 4 Pinnacle Trail, Aurora, ON L4G 3K3
- Cost: \$99 (green fee) + \$25 (shared cart) + tax, payable at the pro shop
- Dinner Reception

- Date: Sunday, 13 September 2026 | 7:00 PM
- Location: Starchiva Cuisine 星芝華私廚, 160 East Beaver Creek Rd, Unit 4-6, Richmond Hill, ON L4B 3J6
- Cost: \$75 per person
- Schedule:
 - 12:00 PM – Registration
 - 12:30 PM – Tee-off
 - 4:30 PM – Golf concludes
 - 6:30 PM – Reception
 - 7:00 PM – Dinner and awards

All skill levels are welcome. Guests may compete in contest holes and the Guest Low Gross competition, but only La Salle old boys are eligible for the Brother Thomas Cup.

Please RSVP by 31 August 2026 – indicate your participation for golf only, dinner only, or both. Kindly also advise if you are bringing guests, as capacity is limited to 32 players.

For registration or questions regarding any of these events, please contact Kevin Kwok ('88) at kevinkwok26@gmail.com.

We look forward to your company at these memorable events and to the camaraderie that defines our Lasallian spirit.

Yours sincerely,

Kevin Kwok ('88)
President, HKLSOBA-Toronto

80th Anniversary of Recover of La Salle College

Mark Huang (85)

Some of you may not realize that this August and September is a special milestone for the La Salle College for it marks the 80th anniversary of the recovery of La Salle College and the class resumption after World War II. Mark Huang (85) has accurately captured the efforts and many challenges faced by the Brothers at the time which eventually led to the success recovery of our school campus and the start of classes in September 1946.

The newsletter is delighted to have permission from Mark Huang to repost this significant part of LSC history to our readers. The original posting of the following article can be found in ***Sons of La Salle Everyone – A History of La Salle College and Primary School (1932-2007) by Mark Huang in 2007.***

Upon the surrender of the Japanese in August 1945, the Brothers in exile in Indo-China began planning to return to Hong Kong. They were however caught by internal unrest in Indo-China, and it was unsafe for them to leave their houses, let alone travel abroad.

Brother Cassian's Records in the Community Diary:

Home Coming

The return to Hong Kong following the Japanese capitulation in August 1945 was not as easy or immediate as we had imagined. Indo-China was now caught up in its own war and the nationalist movement which the Japanese had encouraged and promoted since 9th March now assumed enormous proportions. All the towns where the Brothers had schools became immense concentration camps. No European Brother dared to leave the house for fear of being taken hostage.

It was the arrival of the French troops that finally made communication possible once more. Some Brothers managed to return by air. Brother John, director of St Joseph's, who had heroically endured the four years of occupation, gave welcome to four Brothers from La Salle who made the return journey in March and in May.

.... La Salle College was now requisitioned by the British military authorities and turned into a hospital for the Indian regiment.

After several efforts and some influence in high places, notably the Director of Education Mr. T Rowell and the Honourable Leo d'Almadae Castro we were able to regain possession of our classes in August 1946 [one separate account stated the date as 7th August]. From the hospital we managed to get some tables and benches, but furniture in general was in a most lamentable condition.

Brother Aimar, who was then aged 73, had been suffering from ill health since the outbreak of war in Hong Kong. Unfortunately, he did not live to return to his beloved La Salle College, and passed away at Nha Trang, South Vietnam, on 5th November 1945. It was exactly 15 years to the day that he had officiated at the foundation stone laying ceremony of La Salle College. Brother Aimar could hardly have imagined how quickly the school would grow and bloom, and equally how swiftly the fate of the school would change.

Earlier in July 1944, another Brother who worked in La Salle College, Brother Basilien Coin, also died during the Indo-China exile. He was the Prefect of Boarders, and is remembered as being jovial and good-natured.

The arrival of French troops in Indo-China stabilised the situation. Several Brothers quickly took the opportunity to get out of the country to return to Hong Kong by plane. Brothers Cassian and Casimir were flown back to Hong Kong by the R.A.F in April. Two other Brothers arrived in May, all warmly welcomed by Brother John, the Brother Director of St. Joseph's, who had valiantly stayed behind in Hong Kong to watch over the College grounds during the occupation.

On returning to the campus in the summer of 1946, the Brothers found the main building occupied by the 15th Indian Casualty Clearing Station [CCS] and had been used as a hospital since January 1946. The Annex had billets for Indian Troops RIASC of some 200 men. Records recovered from the military files some 50 years later recorded that after the surrender of the Japanese, between 15th September and December 1945, the College building was occupied as a Japanese Prisoner of-war hospital for Japanese soldiers.

My dear General,

It is after much thinking that I am daring to approach you concerning a subject which has given me much anxiety during the past few months; it is the reopening of La Salle College, the largest of our Catholic schools in the Colony, and the only one whose buildings have been totally or partially requisitioned uninterruptedly since September 1939.

I understand that the Brothers have approached the army Medical Authorities over the matter and so far have received no satisfaction. I consider the reopening of La Salle College next September as absolutely imperative, and that steps should be taken at once in order that the main buildings and the Annex of the College be released and placed at the disposal of the Brothers without further delay. If military necessities should require the temporary maintenance of a portion of the buildings under the Medical Department I have no doubt that we could come to a satisfactory mutual agreement, provided I be in [a] position to assure the parents of our Catholic boys that they may send their children to La Salle College at the beginning of September next.

With the fervent hope that this, my earnest request, will be considered favourably, and calling for a special blessing from Almighty God on you and all your men,

I remain,
my dear General,
Yours sincerely,
Henry Valtorta
Vicar-Apostolic of Hongkong

What the College grounds were exactly used for between February 1942 and August 1945 remains a mystery. Available records of the time immediately before and after the above period indicate the main school building was used as a hospital. Therefore, it may be a reasonable deduction that the campus continued to be used as some kind of hospital facility after the surrender of Hong Kong, all through the Japanese occupation till the summer of 1945.

As for the Annex, one would recall that it provided temporary classrooms in 1939 when the main school building was taken over as a German Internment facility. Even though there were twelve rooms, to have 200 army personnel residing on the grounds did not offer much space, not to mention the absence of extensive cooking and bathing facilities and lavatories.

Recovery of La Salle

In one correspondence from with His Excellency Mgr. Henry Valtorta, Vicar-Apostolic, on 9th April 1946 to Brother Director John, it can be seen how eager the church was to reopen Catholic schools in the colony. The letter stated:

My dear Brother John,

It has been suggested to me, in view of the great need of Catholic Schools for boys in Kowloon, that I approach you and ask you whether you think it advisable that I, too, should personally join you in insisting with the Military Authorities for the release of the building of La Salle College so that it may be made ready for the opening of the next School term in September. Do you think this is advisable?

Brother John replied that arrangements were being made already, and he was confident that school would reopen by September 1946. Apparently, the negotiations did not proceed as smoothly as Brother John had expected. From the Catholic Church records, the next correspondence on file for La Salle College was a courteous but unmistakably strong letter from the Vicar-Apostolic addressed to the General Officer in Command in Hong Kong, Major—General Francis Festing on 8th June.

The Church placed much importance on pressing for the reopening of La Salle College, probably because first, there was a shortage of schools at that time and the Church wished to address that issue quickly; and second, the Church may have felt it was important for the Military to return the building to its rightful owner speedily.

By 4th July, the Military agreed to release four rooms on the rear bottom floor of the College and the adjacent bathroom and toilets of the College as the Brothers quarters, but they were unwilling to release more. One school record indicates that at the time the school building housed only less than 50 patients, and the school premises were almost certainly largely unused.

Brother Cassian remarked in the Community Diary that with the intervention of the Director of Education Mr. T Rowell and the Honourable Leo d'Almadae Castro, and evidently with the assistance of the Church, the Brothers were able to regain full possession of the College in August 1946. While the Brothers warmly welcomed the news, it offered them little time to restore the College for regular classes in a month's time. The school building was said to be in reasonable condition, but there was hardly any of the school furniture and equipment left. The school field and the tennis courts were in an appalling condition owing to the lack of care and maintenance for some five years.

Brother Cassian, who had become the new Principal of the College after Brother Aimar's' passing, records:

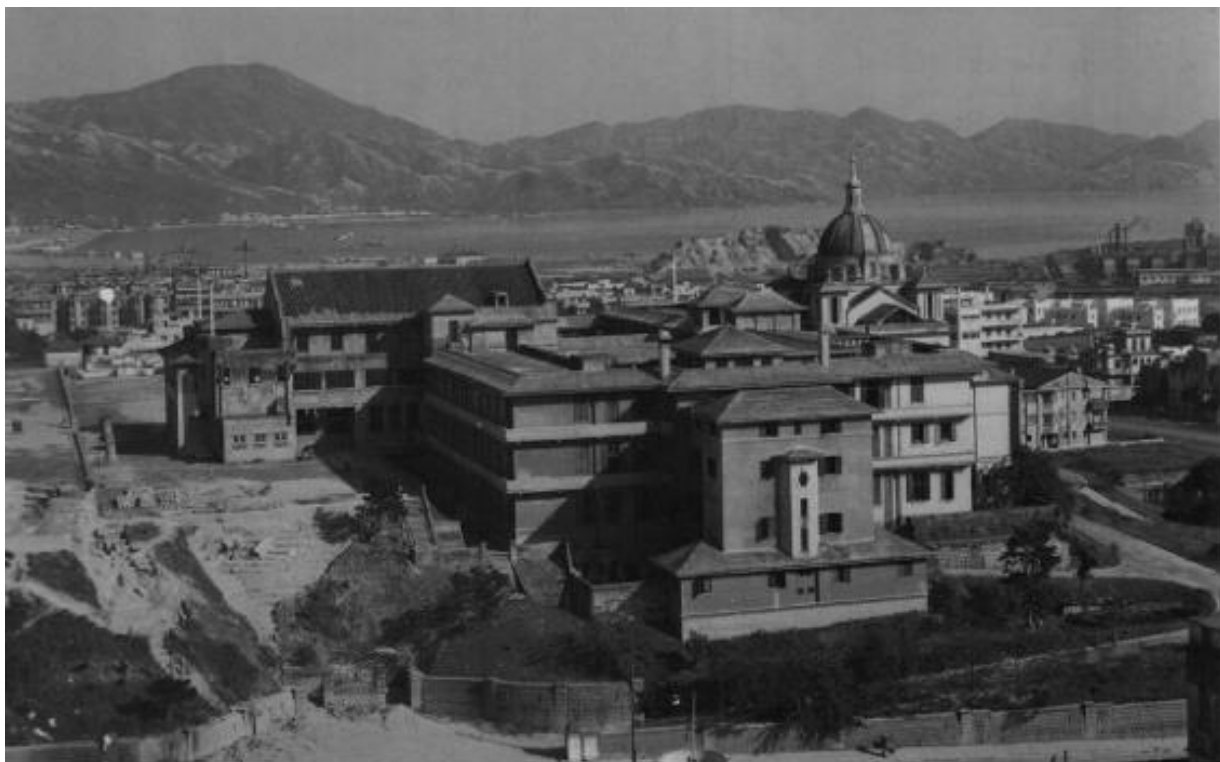
We went ahead at once with the task of putting things in order. Desks were retrieved from the Maryknoll Sisters, as well as beds, cupboards and other items. Everything in the stores was in a lamentable condition. Repair work got underway at government expense. Also repaired was the extensive damage to the playing field and other facilities resulting from lack of maintenance. The entire cost rose to \$31,205 of which the department of education paid half.

School Reopens

Amidst the restoration, classes recommenced in early September 1946.

The School Prospectus showed, among other details:

On 9th September 1946, after an absence of almost five years the school reassembled in the school hall, 590 students in all classes from Class 1 to 8. Furniture was still lacking, and students had to make do with sharing desks and chairs, three boys to two chairs and one twin desk. New arrivals and returning students slowly filed in and by mid-October, 16 classes were full. The boys had emerged physically much thinner, as they had lived through a terrible crisis either in Hong Kong or in mainland China. Those whose families escaped to Macau fared a bit better as Portugal was not at war with Japan.



Some of the pre-war lay staff also rejoined the school, including Charles Dragon, Benedict Lim and James Ng. These three gentlemen were part of the original team of teachers that arrived in Hong Kong from Malaya some 20 years before and had been with the Brothers since the St Josephs Branch School days. These stalwarts in turn became the unifying force, drawing many old staff back, and also bringing in new ones.

On 1st October, Brother Assistant Superior General, Brother Lawrence O'Toole, came to Hong Kong together with the Brother Visitor Barnitus, and they were delighted with how soon the College had recovered.

According to the school report of 1946-1947, the student population stood as:

Class 8-5 185 Catholics, 200 non-Catholics

Class 4-1 129 Catholics, 136 non-Catholics

Total 314 Catholics, 336 non-Catholics

Grand Total 650 students

As the school got back into swing, the absence of Brother Aimar was deeply felt by the Brothers and staff, as he was the one who had run the school from its very first days, and was someone who was relied upon dearly. On 5th November 1946, on the first anniversary of his death, a solemn service was held at St. Teresa's Church. Presiding was Reverend Father Spada, Brother Aimar's old friend from Chatham Road days. School activities were slowly returning to normal, and one of the earliest groups to get back on its feet were the Scouts. In fact, some of the 17th Scouters had already recommenced their gathering as early as March of the same year, and so they were the earliest student group to formally reconvene. Many of the previous leaders were still actively interested, notably, Mr. Francis X. Loo, and the Ma brothers, Richard and Henry. Both Ma brothers were injured while serving in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps. Both were lucky to be alive, and the school was happy to have them back.

Sadly, not all the Scouters returned. Two of the pre-war leaders, John Chung Yew Mun and Francis Lim Seang Teik, a teacher of La Salle, died while defending Hong Kong as members of the HKVDC. Both were attached to Company No. 3, and both died on 19th December 1941, bravely defending the crucial Wong Nai Chung Gap on the Island.

Back to School

Brother Cassian remarked in the Community Diary that the government was considering changing the school curriculum so that the medium of instruction in the elementary classes, Class 5 to 8, would be conducted exclusively in Chinese. Students promoted to Class 4 could opt to continue attending classes in Chinese or switch to English.

Besides, Brother Cassian began to show his concern for more civic matters in Hong Kong:

Despite its prosperity and its importance as a centre for industry and commerce, Hong Kong has little intellectual life. Everything is subordinated to business: no museum, no civic centre, no public theatre, no public library, and few ordinary libraries.

Brother Cassian did not just sit back and criticise. He began actively to take a lead in affairs he felt needed to be addressed. In the following few years, Brother Cassian was active in instigating several important organisations in the Colony. He was the co-founder of the very popular Hong Kong Schools Music Festival. The Festival continues to honour Brother Cassian with the "Brother Cassian Scholarship for Singers", in

recognition of his contribution to establishing the movement. Brother Cassian also became the founder and first president of the Hong Kong Teachers' Association, holding the office for its first three years. Brother Cassian stepped down from the directorship of the College in 1947, and was succeeded by Brother Patrick Toner, who held the post until 1956.

喇沙雕像中的教育傳承

Victor's capture: https://docs.google.com/document/u/0/d/1hKPJCPhVoLBD20z-3oKp5ZA4q2_T6Ea/mobilebasic?pli=1

SingTao's post: <https://www.stheadline.com/knowledge/3581182/>

知識轉移
根本月報

從魯昂到香港： 喇沙雕像中的教育傳承

若在法國旅遊，漫步巴黎，或走訪法國北方古城魯昂(Rouen)，常會在教堂外牆或廣場一隅遇見人物雕像，它們靜靜承載着文化與歷史。其中有些人物或似曾相識——那是聖若翰喇沙(Jean-Baptiste de La Salle, 1651-1719)。在位於巴黎第六區的聖敘爾比斯教堂(église Saint-Sulpice)內，喇沙雕像旁有一立一坐的孩童求學，呈現教學場景；魯昂的聖克萊芒廣場(Place Saint-Clément)也有相似雕像。此外，以香檳酒聞名於世的蘭斯(Reims)亦可見其身影。對於在香港讀過喇沙會學校的人，這種相遇或帶來一種熟悉感。

喇沙雕像形象多樣，若強調其教育精神，往往會於身旁配以一至兩名學生，呈現親切的教師形象。梵蒂岡聖伯多祿大教堂於1904年設置由意大利雕塑家Cesare Aureli設計的喇沙雕像，身旁亦有兩名站着求學的學生，屬其1900年封聖後的典型形象。

在九龍喇沙書院正門，也矗立聖若翰喇沙像：他手持書卷，身旁一站一坐兩名學生，構成生動教學場景。這個雕像與魯昂的極為相似，並非偶然，而有清晰歷史來源。魯昂雕像由19世紀法國雕塑家Alexandre Falguière與建築師Édouard Deperthes設計，1875年原置於Place Saint-Sever，1887年遷至聖克萊芒廣場。Falguière為法國學院派雕塑代表人物，風格寫實而富動感，代表作包括《鬥雞勝利者》與《聖泰西修》。他並未將喇沙塑造成遙不可及的聖者，而是呈現一位與兩名學生互動的教師。此風格啟發了Aureli在29年後的梵蒂岡作品。

理念延續

據英國殖民地部檔案，1922年港督司徒拔與署理港督施勳指，喇沙書院將設置由法國製作的喇沙雕像，即Falguière原作的仿製像，風格與巴黎及魯昂的相若；聖若瑟書院內的彩色雕像亦承此傳統。香港與法國的喇沙像源自同一藝術原型，實乃教育理念的延續。

聖若翰喇沙生於蘭斯，放棄優裕生活。當時教育仍局限於貴族階層之際，他卻致力推動平民教育。與教師共同研究教學，創立學校及修士



■位於魯昂聖克萊芒廣場的喇沙銅像



■位於喇沙書院正門的喇沙雕像

團體，提倡以學生為本，強調紀律與關懷，並重視教師培訓與課堂制度，使教育由個人傳授轉向制度化發展。

這一精神由其創立的基督學校修士會(天主教喇沙會)延續。1875年來自法國與愛爾蘭的六名修士由馬賽乘Hough號輪船來港辦學，接辦並發展聖若瑟書院。至今，喇沙會在港設有多間學校，學生來自不同階層與種族，維持開放多元收生背景。仍採政府津貼模式，貫徹其教育理念。

中西融合

魯昂與香港雕像還有一個共通點：皆曾在戰亂或變遷中面臨遷移。魯昂雕像因城市發展遷移，並在二戰期間險遭納粹德軍熔毀；喇沙書院亦於戰時被徵用，但因雕像材質為大理石而免於被日軍熔毀，日後校舍搬遷仍得以重置，象徵教育精神在動盪中延續。

20世紀初人口上升，因應學童增加，1932年建立喇沙書院。二戰期間，不少喇沙會學校師生及舊生參與香港保衛戰，加入香港防衛軍或支援工作，部分更於黃泥涌峽戰役中犧牲。這段香港歷史鮮為大眾知悉，但從中可見教育不再抽象，而成為承擔與實踐。

香港部分學校設有孔子雕像。孔子提倡「有教無類」、因材施教，重視仁愛及品格，與聖若翰喇沙的理念遙相呼應。兩者皆強調師生關係與人格培養，視教育為改良社會的重要途徑。當喇沙與孔子形象並存於香港校園，正體現中西教育的對話與融合。兩位先賢在不同國度和時空，皆放棄財富或官位，堅持在教育前線擔當真善美的傳承者，啟發後學。

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服務基層青年

喇沙會多年來在港辦學，近年，來自印度、菲律賓、越南、泰國及新加坡等地的喇沙會修士亦相繼來港服務，投入教學及行政工作中。昔日，修士們開辦學校為學生爭取求學機會；那麼，今天的香港社會又面對著哪些需要？從菲律賓來港七年的麥修士認為，部分人特別是香港以外的人士，常誤以為

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香港是一座沒有窮人的富裕城市，但事實上，在這個社會的角落，仍然有許多身處弱勢，需要援助的年輕人，例如尋求庇護者的子女及居住在劏房的學童。

麥修士舉例，為著基層學童的需要，喇沙會與明愛、聖猶達堂及香港馬爾他騎士會合作提供課後輔導服務，除了為學童安排寧靜的學習環境，部分義工導師更是退休校長及副校長等，能向學童提供最適切的教育輔導，「他們就像外祖父母一樣，耐心與慈祥地教導這些孩子。」

他補充，在喇沙書院更設有服務學習課程，而陳瑞祺（喇沙）書院及聖若瑟書院亦設有服務學習活動，鼓勵學生親身走到社區參與愛德服務，運用他們所學的知識，幫助有需要人士，「因為學生學習不只是為了文憑試，而是更好地服務他人。」

近年，喇沙會修士於每個月第二主日，在新界喇沙中學安排主日感恩祭，並歡迎外籍人士參與，藉此關顧在港工作或居住的外籍人士的靈性需要。麥修士提到，外籍人士在彌撒後可以一同煮食和唱歌等，輕鬆歡度假日。喇沙會有時也為他們安排講座活動，例如邀請專家分享防止詐騙及勞工法例的資訊，幫助他們保障自己的權益。

體現喇沙會大家庭精神

麥修士自小在菲律賓的喇沙會屬校成長，回想昔日的校園生活時，最難忘修士們充滿愛的教學方法，而且他們甘願離開家人，全身心奉獻於主，活出作為教育者的生命。他深受修士們影響，在17歲時便加入修會，從事教學及行政工作至今，他稱，「見到學生的成長，我們都充滿作為教師的喜悅。」

自去年起，喇沙會舉辦了一系列來港150周年慶祝活動，當中融入了許多新嘗試，盡顯教育路上的革新精神。麥修士特別提到最近在香港浸會大學舉辦的聯校匯演活動，八所屬校的學生攜手同台演出，凸顯喇沙會大家庭的凝聚力，更讓大眾看見學生們的塔冷通。此外，他也對修士們聯合於香港、九龍及新界進行愛德服務，留下深刻印象——他們為公眾進行身體檢查，進一步體現喇沙會信仰、教育與社區團結的精神，亦加深了喇沙會大家庭成員的關係。

多年來，喇沙會作育英才，陪伴青年人走過成長的歲月，麥修士直言修會將繼續秉承一貫的辦學精神，以信德、熱誠及團結為依歸，為學生提供人文教育和基督教育，裝備學生懷著信德熱誠的心，服務他人，光榮天主。（吳）



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Vivien Lai Scholarship Announcement

William Lai (61)

The following is a scholarship announcement from Dr. William Lai, class of 1961 and long-time member of LSCOBAA Edmonton Chapter. For those who are less familiar with William Lai, he is best known as a former senior Personnel Selection Officer in the Canadian army reserves who also saw duty with the Canadian UN Peacekeeping Force in the Former Yugoslavia managing Critical Incidence Stress Debriefings services for deployed soldiers in theatre. He retired as a Major. In his civilian life, William was also a psychologist specialising in several clinical conditions throughout his career, and latterly in Post Traumatic Stress Disorder affecting Canadian military personnel and members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.. He has also been a regular contributing author to our newsletter with numerous articles published under his name in many past issues NA Lasallians.

The Vivien Wai-Ying (Lien) Lai Graduate Endowment

As some of you may know, my beloved wife, Vivien, passed away in 2023, to the devastation of not only me and our family, but also her profession.



Vivien and I met at the University of Hong Kong. We both graduated the same year, 1966, the difference being she graduated with First Class Honours, while I was further down the totem pole. As with many First Class Honour graduates, Vivien became an A.O. in the HK Government's Colonial Secretariat. A.O. stood for Administrative Officer which, in those days, meant a destiny to be in the top echelons of government service.



We were married in 1968 and then decided to pursue graduate studies in Canada. Vivien earned her M.A. in Sociology from Toronto's York University. She then proceeded to carve out a very distinguished career in Canada. Having given up her prospect to be a high HK Government official, she parlayed and brought forward her First Class attributes to benefit the New Brunswick and Alberta governments instead. Throughout her Canadian career, she had received innumerable awards and accolades, including the YMCA Women of Distinction Award, the (Alberta) Premier's Gold Award, the Award of Excellence from the Alberta Association on Gerontology, and many annual awards recognising her various and continuing contribution to and innovations in her area of expertise, policies and services for the elderly population.

She was particularly ecstatic when she was awarded the Queen Elizabeth Platinum Jubilee Medal which prominently laureates her life-long achievements. She was presented with the Medal in February 2023. Very tragically, she did not even have a full year to enjoy her most treasured award. She passed away in October of that year.

The Alberta Association of Gerontology has posthumously established not one but two Vivien Lai Changemaker Awards to recognise her innovativeness in formulating policies and service parameters for the elderly population.

I have established a scholarship at the University of Alberta in Vivien's name to support and further graduate research in her area of expertise. The scholarship is in the form of an endowment fund, which means only the earnings and proceeds of the fund will be given out as scholarships, leaving the principal to earn more income to grant more scholarships. While the fund is sufficient to be operational at this time, it welcomes further contributions which would increase the value of the principal, and hence a higher return to support more research. Canadian donations to the fund are eligible for tax receipts, if you are looking for a tax relief option. Contributions from US sources may also qualify for tax deductibility under certain circumstances, as a result of the US-Canada tax treaty. Please see this link: axsharkinc.com/are-donations-to-foreign-charities-under-tax-treaties-deductible/. Contributions in any amount are greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your attention.

Contributions to the Vivien Wai-Ying (Lien) Lai Graduate Endowment fund are most welcome.

Your generous support will help ensure that future generations of graduate students can continue Vivien Lai's legacy of excellence and innovation in elder care. By contributing to this endowment, donors play a vital role in advancing impactful research and supporting the development of forward-thinking policies that benefit seniors both locally and internationally.

Further donations will enhance the value of the fund and hence will support more research in these areas.

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This kind of research is a natural extension of Vivien's life-long accomplishments.

A brief biography of Vivien Lai (1943-2023)

Born in Hong Kong, Vivien excelled academically since kindergarten when she won a pennant for being first in her kindergarten class. She won distinction awards in secondary school, and went on to receive several prestigious scholarships before graduating from the University of Hong Kong (HKU) with First Class Honours in history and political science. After graduation, as with most First Class graduates, she held high office in the Hong Kong Government Colonial Secretariat. She met the love of her life, William, at HKU and they decided to pursue graduate studies in Canada. She earned a Master's degree in Sociology at York University in Toronto.

Her Canadian career began with the New Brunswick civil service where she worked in the area of health services research and planning. Her public service career continued in Alberta where she held several senior management positions in the health planning field. She then specialized in continuing and long-term care for the elderly. Through her diligence and creativity, she became the utmost expert in the planning and development of elder care in Alberta. The current system of continuing care in the province is, in no small measure, the result of her years of work as a government planner and policy developer. Her visionary leadership and ability to move ideas into action helped to place Alberta in the forefront of innovative seniors' care in Canada. Her reputation extended beyond the borders of Canada. She was named to the Canadian delegation to a tri-nation working conference on continuing care. She was invited to speak at

symposia in Japan and Australia several times. She was very well known and connected with her counterparts in Scandinavia. Her service was recognized by many accolades such as the Women of Distinction Award from the YWCA, the Alberta Association on Gerontology Award of Excellence, the Alberta Premier Award of Excellence, and numerous annual awards for being innovative and creative in the planning and development of continuing care services in Alberta. More recently and most importantly, she was honoured with the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal. She remained active after retirement with consulting, volunteering, and establishing a new program of Continuing Care in Alberta and beyond. She volunteered with the Alberta Association of Gerontology for many years, serving in various executive capacities, including being President for several years.

In her official capacities, including as a prior Adjunct Professor in the Master of Health Services Administration programme at the University of Alberta, Vivien had also mentored internship students and had strongly stressed the importance of gaining knowledge in innovating services for the elderly. The Alberta Association on Gerontology has posthumously created the Vivien Lai Changemaker Awards to honour Vivien and recognise her dedication to excellence in services for the elderly.

The promotion of creative research in these areas by this Graduate Endowment dovetails perfectly with her vision. The endowment stands as a tribute to her vision and dedication, fostering research and innovation that will shape the future of elder and continuing care.



Once Upon a Time in Argentina, World Cup 1978 (Part 3)

Danny Leung (71)

The Surprise Package

After a brief period of playing mediocre football, Italy came back with a young crop of players from the famous club Juventus. Coach Enzo Bearzot sworn to change their negative defensive tactics. In their first game, France scored in the opening minute. Very seldom would you see the Italians pushing forward so hard. They created chances with a fine 2-1 win. In the second game, they continued to reap rewards by beating Hungary 3-1. In the final group game against Argentina, they played their best containment soccer. Their twin strikers Roberto Bettega and Paulo Rossi, stars of the team, combined well in a one-two to score a beautiful goal. In the next group stage, they were the better team in a scoreless tie with W. Germany. The foggy pitch blocked Bettega's vision as he missed two easy chances in front of the goalmouth. They led Holland in their second round and Brazil in their bronze medal matches with brilliant starts. Their fragile mentality kicked in and they defended too early, thus losing 2-1 in both games. Rossi would reach to a new height in 4 year time.

The Disappointments

The reigning world champion W. Germany had to battle with the retirement of their best players Beckenbauer, Overath and Mueller. Coach Schoen employed a safety first tactics which ended up with one win, four draws and one lost. The camp was unsettled as Bonhof and Flohe were fighting for the midfield general position. They missed out the bronze medal match when the Austrian striker Hans Krankl scored a late goal in the 3-2 game. The adventurous style of the Germans in the last decade had vanished into playing some boring football.



Archie Gemmill's solo world class goal vs Holland

Brazil had the veteran Rivellino, “white Pele” Zico, midfield schemer Dirceu and long range shooter Nelinho to prompt some serious challenge. Coach Coutinho, with a physical fitness background, had forsaken their traditional skill for a workmanlike approach by excluding 2 promising players Falcao and Socrates. Both Rivellino and Zico had a different idea as to how Brazil should play. The team did not lose any games with 4 wins and 3 ties but failed to score enough to advance to the final. They would complain for years about the lopsided loss of Peru to Argentina that kept them out from the final. Their third place award was quickly forgotten in football history.

Peru with its brilliant early round display by disposing Iran, Scotland and tying with Holland; was a disappointment by losing all their next 3 games (photo 2). Players like Cubillas the greatest Peru footballer, captain Chumpitaz, wingers Oblitas and Munante were totally wasted in their shameful “arranged” 6-0 loss to Argentina.

Scotland was confident after beating European champion Czechoslovakia in the qualifier and England in the British Home Championship at Wembley. Heads were high and coach Ally MacLeod declared his team a world champion before the tournament. He fatally elected not to do any homework against the opponents. A farewell party with players standing on an open-top bus in Hampden Park only hyped up the unrealistic expectation. Reality kicked in as Peru stretched their defense with quick wingers. Cubillas, the old man labeled by the Scots, scored two brilliant goals in a 3-1 win. The second game was not any better as they could not beat the low ranking Iran. The worst came when winger Willie Johnston was sent home after being tested positive on banned drugs. Drunken reports, in-fighting in the camp and media pressure further cooked up the boiling situation. They restored some pride with a marvelous 3-2 win against Holland but were ousted due to an inferior goal difference. Macleod’s self-destructive nature cost his job. There goes a generation of good players, Gordon McQueen, Kenny Dalglish, Joe Jordan and Archie Gemmill.

Foul Play of the tournament

Who else but Peru for letting in 6 easy goals to give Argentina the berth to the final.

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Brother Thomas said it quite well at the inauguration of this newsletter in 2009: “The big challenge will be to ensure that that second, third and more editions see the light of day. It will only continue if each Chapter supplies news, views and copy on a regular basis.” It would be even better if the word “Chapter” is replaced by “Lasallian”. You are urged to help nourish this newsletter by contributing articles, news and even just pictures as often as you can. The subjects of your contributions need not be limited to only materials regarding LSC, LSPS, OBA chapter, HKLSCOBAs and old boys, but may also include other subjects that are of general interest to the old boys community.

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