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Message from the President

Sadly, 2026 began with a series of concerning hate-motivated crimes in our city, including the defacing of Shaarey Zedek Synagogue and Kelvin High School, as well as vandalism at Habibiz Café, a local Muslim-owned restaurant. These incidents have caused me to reflect on how we, as a Multifaith Council and as people of faith, are called to respond.

Recently attending the United Way's 60th Anniversary Gala, I was reminded that even in difficult times, there is great good being done in our community. A single candle can dispel darkness; together, our collective efforts shine even brighter. I firmly believe in the power of love, service, and collaboration.

In 2026, our Council will continue that work. In March, we will honour a recipient of the Lieutenant Governor's Award for the Advancement of Interreligious Understanding, and in April, we will host our annual "For the Sake of the City" Multifaith Breakfast. We look forward to partnering with the Mayor's Office and with each of you as we keep the flame of faith and hope alive in our community.

Christine Baronins
President, Manitoba Multifaith Council



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MMC Executive meets with Mayor Scott Gillingham

Want to get involved?

We are currently looking for individuals to fill open positions on the council:

- Fundraiser
- Social Media Specialist

If you would like more information regarding these opportunities, please contact us at:

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We are looking for individuals who are interested in interfaith work and would like to serve on one of our four working committees:

Corrections Committee: To execute the purposes of the Council relative to the corrections system in Manitoba.

Spiritual Health Committee: To work with health organizations to improve the wellness of Manitobans and bring faith groups and practitioners together to serve the community.

Education and Interfaith Network Committee: To generate multi-faith education programs in Manitoba communities and to foster networking among the various interfaith organizations.

Community Relations Committee: To strengthen relationships between the Manitoba Multifaith Council and Faith communities, Community organizations, and Government and civic leaders

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SIGNIFICANT DATES AND OBSERVANCES IN FEBRUARY/MARCH

February 18

Islam: Ramadan

The month of fasting, self-examination and devotion during which physically able Muslims do not eat or drink from the first sign of dawn until sunset.

Buddhist: Tibetan New Year

Losar is a 15 day celebration, with the main celebration on the first 3 days.

March 2-3

Judaism: Purim

The festival of lots is a holiday that commemorates the deliverance of the Jewish exiles in Persia, from the destructive plot by Haman.

March 4

Hindu: Holi

The festival of colors, celebrating the arrival of spring. This is one of the most known Hinduism holy days.

March 4

Sikh: Hola Mohalla

A Sikh festival featuring martial arts, poetry, and community gatherings.

March 21

Baha'i: Naw-Ruz*

The Baha'i New Year, celebrated with joy and festivities.

March 19-27

Hindu: Chaitra Navratri

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A nine day festival dedicated to nine forms of Goddess Shakti.

March 21

Islamic: Eid al-Fitr*

Marks the end of Ramadan, celebrated with a feast and prayers. On one of the most important Islamic holy days.

March 31

Jain: Mahavir Jayanti

Celebrates the birth of Lord Mahavira, the founder of Jainism.

COMING EVENTS



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BEYOND THE PHYSICAL: *Spiritual Health in Community Care and Support*

SEMINAR-WORKSHOP



FEBRUARY 25, 2026
1:00-4:30 PM
180 HENRY AVENUE,
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The Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at Winnipeg warmly invites you to attend Break the Fast (Iftar) event at the Manitoba Legislative Building at 6.15 P.M. on 15 March 2026. This gathering offers an opportunity to experience the spirit of Ramadan, learn about the significance of fasting in Islam, and connect with community members in a welcoming and respectful environment. Guests will observe the breaking of the fast at sunset, followed by dinner and informal interaction.

Event Details

Date: Sunday, March 15, 2026

Venue: Golden Boy Room

Manitoba Legislative Building

450 Broadway, Winnipeg

Cost: Complimentary

Registration Deadline: March 6, 2026

Important: Please bring a valid photo ID for security check-in at the reception desk upon arrival.

Due to limited capacity, attendance is by confirmed registration only. Please register on Eventbrite.



Join us for a special Jewish Passover seder meal, led by Rabbi Carnie Shalom Rose, Rabbi Anibal Mass, and Cantor Leslie Emery. Designed as an interactive experience, the seder invites all participants to take part in this meaningful community event.



SCAN HERE TO REGISTER

bnaibrith.ca/eventssa/winnipeg-interfaith

Seats are limited

Please reserve your tickets by March 11

Location will be sent upon confirmation

TICKETS

ADULTS: \$30

STUDENTS & TEENAGERS: \$25

CHILDREN UNDER 12: \$18

For more information contact: 204.487.9623 or wbb@bnaibrith.ca



JEWISH FOUNDATION OF MANITOBA



Congregation Shaarey Zedek

*11th Annual
Multi-Faith*

LEADERSHIP BREAKFAST
"For the Sake of the City"

WITH

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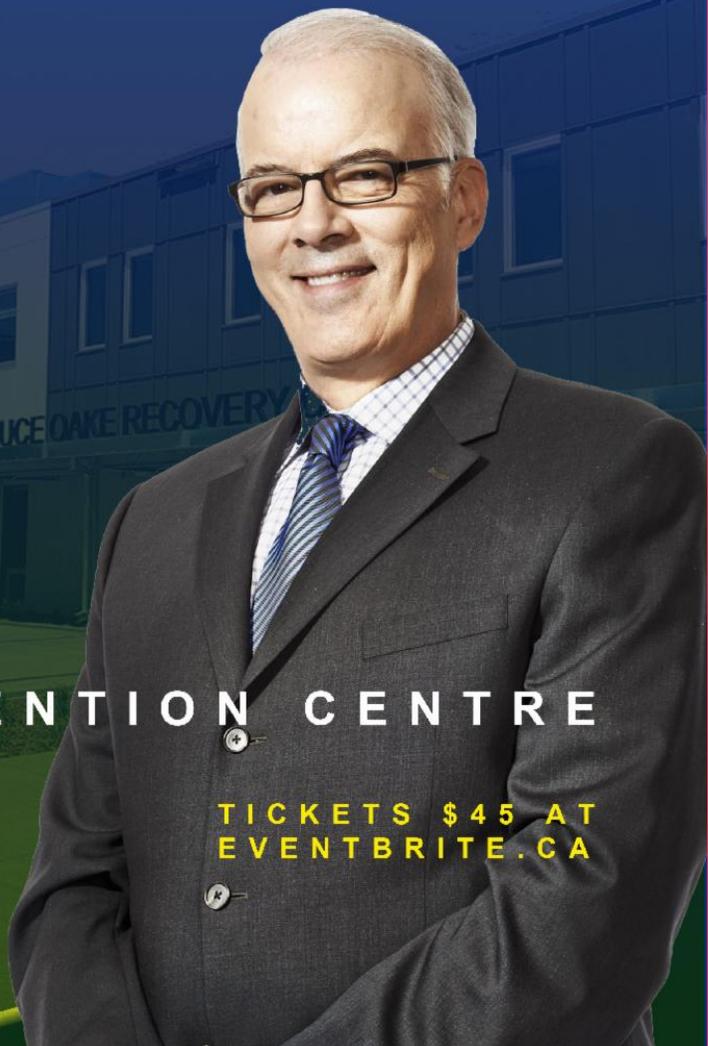
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