

Church built in loving memory of parents 建新堂，念親恩

The Canadian Martyrs Church was built through a gift in loving memory of Jaime and Josefina Chua Tiampo.

They were born in the Fujian Province of China, Jaime in 1900 and Josefina in 1907. As a young boy of nine, Jaime immigrated with an uncle to the Philippines, where, some years later, Josefina as a little girl also came with her family.

In the Philippines, they came under the influence of missionaries and converted to Catholicism. In 1925 they met and married and subsequently had seven children.

In 1938 the family moved to Hong Kong and spent the war years under the Japanese occupation. After the war the children received their university education in various schools in the U.S.

Starting in the early 1960s the children gradually immigrated to North America, five to Canada and two to the U.S.

Josefina passed away in Vancouver in 1979, and Jaime ten months later. They are interred in Capilano Heights Cemetery. They have twenty-one grandchildren and sixteen great grandchildren, all spread about Canada and the U.S.

In a private ceremony the plaque in the foyer of the church was blessed by Archbishop Adam Exner OMI on August 11, 2003.

加拿大殉道聖人天主堂的新堂，因得一位熱心教友善長為紀念已故雙親蔡天普先生夫人 (Jaime and Josefina Chua Tiampo) 的捐獻巨款而得以建成。

蔡氏伉儷分別於1900年和1907年在中國福建省出生。Jaime在九歲時隨親人移居菲律賓。數年後Josefina亦與家人抵達。

在菲律賓，他們分別受傳教士的薰陶而信奉了天主教。1925年，他們彼此邂逅、結婚并相繼育有子女七人。1938年舉家遷居香港，度過二次大戰日本淪陷香港的歲月。戰後，各子女在美國的不同學府接受大學教育。1960年代初期，各子女相繼移居北美，其中五人定居於加拿大，兩人定居於美國。

Josefina於1979年在溫哥華逝世，十個月後Jaime亦息勞歸主，二人同安葬於卡比蘭奴山崗墓園。遺有孫兒21人和曾孫16人，分別居於加美各地。

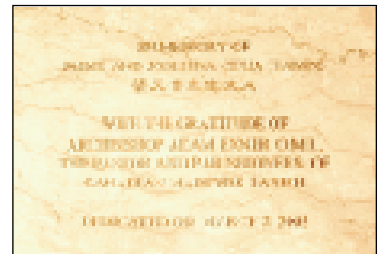
聖堂大堂牆壁渤有紀念牌匾乙個，並已於二零零三年八月十一日由溫哥華總主教 Adam Exner OMI在一個簡單而隆重的禮儀中祝聖。



Prayer



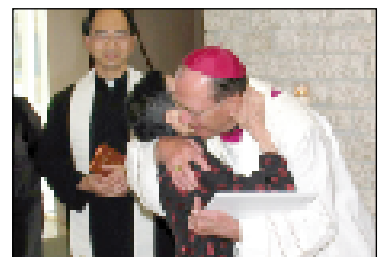
Blessing by Archbishop



The Plaque



Archbishop's words of thanks



A Big Thank-you Hug