

St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



June 2012

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Pot-Luck Dinner/ Pancake Breakfast:** Announcements regarding our next Pot-luck and Pancake Breakfast will be made near the end of August.
- Our Regular Monthly Meeting: Will be on Tuesday, September 11^{th,} at 8:00 PM, after Rosary for the Sick and Mass.

CATCHING UP:

Grand Knight's Report:

Hello Brother Knights,

Well Brothers not only does another fraternal year come to an end but also my time as Grand Knight. It has been an interesting and rewarding time and I am especially grateful for all the support and encouragement you have given me in these last three years. When I started as Grand Knight I wondered how I would ever manage to fulfill all the commitments that our Council has, but I soon realized that with the core players that we have, many times all I had to do was show up and smile. I firstly thank all who have served on our executive the last three fraternal years: in no particular order, Msgr Rossi, Brothers Enrico Garrone, Brian Ennis, Tar Rossi, Dave Fremantle, Michael de Faria Neves, Bob Murphie, Bruce McLean, Paul Rossi, Stan March, Gilles Deschenes, Doug Carr, Tom McCloskey, Coral Kopchia, John Cabana, Warner Fernandes, Pat Welsh and Zvonco Basic. The fact that our Council consistently has a full slate of Officers is noticed at the State level and is something we can be proud of. Though some of the roles require very little, I thank you for standing up and being a part of our Executive. Next I want to thank those who took on the responsibilities as a Director of a service program. First and foremost (and the secret to a productive Council) I thank Brother Bruce McLean, who as Program Director (one who took the role seriously) did so much to see that our commitments such as the Pot-lucks, Pancake Breakfasts, youth, eyeglasses etc. happened, for being such a driving force in the life of our Council. I thank Brother Tony Viani for his work as Family Director, Brother Tom McCloskey for his work as Church Director, and Brother Chi Nguyen for his work as Membership Director. Also I thank Brother Alain Custeau for his work in the role of project coordinator, a go to guy who takes on the responsibility of seeing a job is organized and completed, and to Brother Chad Ciavarro for all his work on our website, to Brother Michael de Faria Neves for his incredible work on the Charity Appeal campaigns and of course thank you to Brother Stan March (our Council Godfather) who is such a rock, as we know he is always there overseeing (and doing) many of our Council events, such as the bbging for Parish meals, Pot-lucks, Pancake breakfasts Christmas fundraising etc. There are many more of you who were there front and center when duty called and helpers were needed. The events and functions that our Council takes on can be planned and coordinated to no end, but without your hard work, just wouldn't happen. For this I thank each and every one of you. There are also Worthy members who are active in the greater community, with youth sports, school fund raising, community policing etc. that I thank. You represent our Orders value Charity and are wonderful representatives. Thank you. Lastly I thank our most Worthy Chaplin Monsignor Rossi for his most generous support to me these last three years. It has been a great comfort to me to have Monsignor next to me at meetings and to know that I could seek his council when I was unsure of how to address issues that arose. Thank you Worthy Chaplin.

Now I want to address the outstanding issue of Grand Knight. In ancient times there were mighty ships know as Galleys that had a sail but were mostly powered by oars. Our Council strikes me as a galley with eager and talented oarsmen but unfortunately without a captain at the helm. Without a helmsman to steer this great vessel there is the danger of just going in circles or worse, floundering on the rocks. We have a great council here and it is vital that someone step forward and take the helm and guide the ship. A council works best when there is a progression of members taking on the responsibilities of an executive position and moving through the ranks to Grand Knight if at all possible. These positions are all doable by most anyone and that goes for Grand Knight as well. It would be most unfortunate and a little embarrassing, if our Council, for the first time in 26 years could not find anyone who will stand for Grand Knight. So Brothers, please consider putting your name forward for this position. I will see to the reporting that needs to be done over the summer, but we do need someone to come forward before September.

I wish all of you and yours a great summer (if it ever arrives) and may God Bless.

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<u>Birthdays in July:</u>

Francisco Berlanga, Terry Duggan, Leo Guacher, & Tar Rossi.

Birthdays in August:

Michael Cabana, Kurnia Carson, Alain Custeau & Johnny Rodrigeuz.

Family of the Year:

Michael de Faria Neves (with of course Marina)

<u>Calendar of Events:</u>
August 26th – Parish Picnic – Let's have a good showing of Knights

Field Agent Report:

Do you want your RRSPs to develop Financial Security with Strong Catholic Values? Call me at (778) 837-2317 or 1-877-532-KOFC (5632) for any RRSP, Annuity, and Life or Long Term Care (LTC) questions. Fraternally Yours in the Christ, Jose P. Cabalu, FIC - Field Agent

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REMEMBER TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:



Kay Blair; Al Boire; Dr. Walter & Jean Kazun; Terry Duggan; Simone Fraser, Mary Glavin; Leo Gaucher; Herman Haffner; Bill Kathrein; Stan & Carol March; Wayne Marshall; Tom, Pat, Jamie & Paul McCloskey; Mary Klikach; Kenneth Klikach; Lucy Luterbach; Peggy MacDonald; Gordon Zelko; Pat Welsh; Anne Whittey; Brian Ennis's Brother Tony; Fathers Basil Foote, Stan Frytek, Joseph Thoai Le, and Bill Somerville.

MARY, HEALTH OF THE SICK; PRAY FOR US

Note: If Worthy members have someone they would like to have on our Prayer list, please send me a note at g.jeannotte@shaw.ca.

On a lighter note: (as seen in Church bulletins)

- The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.
- Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person you want remembered.
- Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10 AM. All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the B. S. is done.
- Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 PM. Please use the back door.
- Eight new choir robes are currently needed due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.
- Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.
- Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.