



St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



March 2014

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Pancake Breakfast:** Our monthly pancake breakfast will be held on **Sunday, March 9th**, after the **8:30 & 10:00 Masses**. **Set-up** will be at **7:00 Sunday morning**.
- **Regular Monthly Meeting:** Our monthly meeting will be held on **Tuesday, March 11th**, at **8:00 pm**, after Rosary for the Sick and Mass.
- **Potluck Dinner:** There will not be a Potluck Dinner this month due to the Parish Auction. Next Potluck will be in April.
- **Lenten Retreat:** The Knights will be hosting a retreat on **March 22nd**. All Parishioners will be invited. Look for more details to follow.

CATCHING UP:

UPCOMING EVENTS/GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT:

First of all please welcome our newest member Bro. Peter Finnegan who was recruited by Bro. John Cabana at our February pancake breakfast. He attended the 1st Degree exemplification at St. Peter's Westminster Council 1283 on 24th February 2014.



The role of recorder is still vacant and therefore our worthy Advocate Bro. Bob Murphie will be seeking nominations for a replacement. If you are interested please contact Bro. Bob 604 468 8405 or me 604 526 0178. This is the **6th call for nominations** for this position.

Thanks to all the Knights who helped at the February pancake breakfast. I hope to see many of you at the March 9th Pancake breakfast.

Our ever faithful Bro. Terry Duggan who has audited our council accounts every 6 months for numerous years wishes to step down and pass the baton over to a new auditor. If any Bro. with an accounting background is interested in taking on this role please contact Bro. Terry 604-931-4901 or me 604-526-0178 to get details. The next audit will take place in July 2014 and Bro. Terry will gladly work with you on this. The council will always be indebted to Bro. Terry for his unfailing dedication.

We will be having a retreat on Saturday March 22nd during Lent and it will be open to all parishioners. It will start after the 9am Mass and will be held in the Parish Centre. There will be a morning session led by Fr. Nixon followed by lunch and an afternoon session after that. The Ladies Auxiliary have confirmed that they will be joining us.

The next Clergy appreciation dinner will be held at St. Peter's church hall on Monday April 28th. Msgr. Rossi, Fr. Nixon D'Silva and Fr. Swinkels have all been invited to the event. Details are as follows

Date: April 28 (Monday) 2014
 Place: **St. Peter's Church Hall**
 330 Royal Ave, New Westminster
 Time: Cocktails 6:00 p.m. Dinner 7:00 p.m.
 Cost: \$25 per person

To help offset the costs, Brother Knights and Sir Knights and their ladies will be encouraged to attend in a minimum ratio of two, for each Clergy and Religious from our parish. You are welcome to ask any interested parishioners. Please RSVP to Rod Giddens 604-525-3030 or rgiddens@shaw.ca before **April 14** with the number of persons attending.

Bro. Alain Custeau will be working on 2 projects one being the replacement of the lamppost at the entrance and the other being the installation of a new sign at the entrance. He will need help in completing these projects. Please contact Alain at 604 522 0485 if you are available to help.

The next State Convention will be held on April 25-27, 2014 at the Sheraton Airport Hotel in Richmond. Bro. Gary and I plan to attend with Bro. Coral as an alternate.

Finally, a motion was made by me at our Feb. 11 meeting to donate \$500 to the Heralds of Good News religious order in support of their seminarians. Please join in the discussion and voting on this issue at our March 11 meeting. Supreme rebates \$100 for every \$500 we donate to support vocations.

VIVAT JESUS
Michael de Faria-Neves GK

Program Directors Report:

I would like to keep this short. Just a reminder of upcoming events: the Parish Auction on March 1st, this Saturday. Thanks to the Knights that have volunteered to look after the Bar. On March 9th we have our Pancake Breakfast. On March 22nd there is the Knights Retreat where everyone is welcome. Finally, our March for Special Olympics goes on March 30th. The March is our way to help a very worthy cause. Please remember that the Special Olympics will be held in Vancouver this summer, so Knights are encouraged to volunteer. I put out a request that someone come forward and take on the responsibility to organize the March for me this year. I am currently distracted because of the health issues my mother is having. She has been down from Prince George to Lions Gate Hospital, and I could use the extra time to be with her.

April 5th we will be back for another Pot Luck Dinner in the Parish Center and April Pancake Breakfast.

Bruce McLean
Program Director

+++++ **VOLUNTEERING – IF NOT ME THEN WHO?** +++++

**Birthdays in January:**

Gary Jeannotte, Han Kim, Walter Matiash (D), & Dennis Webster.

Family of the Month:

March: John & Bernice Cabana.

Calendar of Events:

- March 9th – Monthly Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 & 10:00 Masses.
- March 11th – Regular monthly meeting.
- March 22nd – Lenten retreat.

++++Pray for **PRIESTS, BROTHERS, and SISTERS ...They need us – we need them**++++

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REMEMBER TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Matteo Ciavarro (son of Chad Ciavarro and Grandson of Tar Rossi) and Bruce McLean's granddaughter.



Kay Blair; Al Boire; Joe Dorval; Simone Fraser, Mary Glavin; Leo Gaucher; Herman Haffner; Bill Kathrein; John La Berge; Stan & Carol March; Wayne Marshall; Tom, Pat, Jamie & Paul McCloskey; Mary Klikach; Kenneth Klikach; Anibal Ibarra; Peggy MacDonald; John Todd; Linda Viani; Pat Welsh; Anne Whittey; Gordon Zelko; Father Swinkels; Fathers Basil Foote, Stan Frytek, David Hughes, Joseph Thoai Le, and Bill Somerville & Br. Tom Maddix.

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