



St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



April 2014

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Potluck Dinner:** Our April Pot-luck dinner will be held on **April 5th** in the Parish Center. **Set-up will be at 1:00 pm** with the social starting at **6:00** and dinner at **7:00**.
- **Pancake Breakfast:** Our monthly pancake breakfast will be held on **Sunday, April 6th**, after the **8:30 & 10:00 Masses**. **Set-up** will be at **7:00 am Sunday morning**.
- **Regular Monthly Meeting:** Our monthly meeting will be held on **Tuesday, April 8th**, at **8:00 pm**, after Rosary for the Sick and Mass.
- **Special Olympics Walkathon:** The Knights will be hosting a Walkathon on **Saturday, March 30th**. If you are not walking please consider giving a pledge to this worthy cause.
- **Clergy Appreciation Dinner:** 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. Members are encouraged to attend this dinner in support of our wonderful Clergy.

CATCHING UP:

Grand Knight's Report:

First of all, please congratulate Bro, Alan Wardle who completed his 2nd and 3rd Degrees on 15th and 20th March at St. Patrick's Maple Ridge and Assumption Port Coquitlam respectively.



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 **7th call for nominations** for this position. We will be seeking nominations for all positions for the upcoming elections at our June meeting. Bro. Brian Ennis will be assisting Bro. Bob Murphie in this

task. The following positions are open to nominations. The Lecturer is appointed by the Grand Knight. See the "Officers" section on the website (www.kofc9246.org) for a description of each of the positions on the Council

Thanks to all the Knights who helped at the March pancake breakfast. Hope to see many of you at the April 6 Pancake breakfast. Also thanks are due to all the Bro. Knights who helped at the Parish Auction.

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.

The retreat on Sat. March 22nd was well attended with approx. 75 participants. The morning session was led by Fr. Nixon followed by lunch and an afternoon session led by Msgr. Rossi. They inspired us with many reflections for Lent. The Ladies Auxiliary joined us with many of their members helping with lunch and refreshments. We must thank them for their great efforts. Above all Worthy DGK Bro. Tar Rossi was instrumental in pulling it all together.

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. You can also contact me before our April 8th meeting so I can convey the names to Council 1283.

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. Thanks to all who have helped him so far.

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, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all Bro. Knights and their families a Very Happy Easter filled with all the joy and graces promised.

VIVAT JESUS
Michael de Faria-Neves GK

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

Program Directors Report:

First and foremost I would like to draw attention and thanks to Alain Custeau for initiating work for the installation of St. Michael's new sign. Alain, with our favorite electrician Herman Haffner, Gilles Deschenes and myself installed the power conduit to light the new sign and trimmed the branches of the nearby cedar tree. Alain also was essential for organizing the resetting of the knocked over street light base at the front of the church driveway. And he has ordered the new stand with light for replacing that which was stolen. The cost which the Knights had voted to cover was actually paid for with the

church's insurance policy. These were two projects that have been on our to do list for some time. We are grateful Alain took it on himself to see these jobs done, thank you Alain.

Last month we helped out at the Parish Auction. Thanks to Stan March for covering for me while I battled a severe cold and health issues that my mother was having. The Knights, Pat Cassidy, John Todd, Gilles Deschenes and former Knight Zonco Basic with Stan took care of the bar and associated duties. At our last meeting a motion was made and passed for our council to cover the costs for the liquor license and bar supplies, which came to \$342.85. Our worthy Chaplain Monsignor Rossi wished to have the left over wine be given to the Knights but because we already have wine on and ready for bottling, it was decided the parish could add the funds from the wine returned to their profit margin. Thanks again Stan.

I congratulate Brother Tar Rossi for his work in organizing the March 22nd retreat. It was a fantastic crowd in which everyone enjoyed. The guest speakers were Father Nixon D'Silva and Monsignor Rossi. Also thanks to the Ladies Auxiliary for their work and assistance. I, for one, am glad I attended. Thank you Tar!

I congratulate all that did the walk Sunday March 30th at 1:30 PM. Once everyone was together we started the walk with a prayer for companionship with our brothers to raise funds for special Olympics, and in conjunction in remembrance of our Founding Father Michael J. McGivney's Founders Day March 29, 1882. The walk started with the rain that lasted to about half way through, which made the walk not too bad at all. I thank all my brothers that have made a pledge and if you haven't, it's not too late. The funds raised must be in by April 20, we have to know amounts no later than our general meeting April 8th so at the very least make your pledge to Alain Custeau, John Cabana or myself by our meeting. Thanks your for your support of Special Olympics. Please don't be shy, it is for a great cause. The bonus this year the Special Olympics Summer Games will be held in Vancouver July 8th to 14th.



Next, our potluck dinner will be Saturday, April 5th in the Parish Center. I encourage everyone to try to attend and share our Lenten Devotion. Setup will be at 1:00 pm with our Social at 6:00 pm and Dinner at 7:00 pm. We will follow with our Pancake breakfast, Sunday April 06th - setup at 7:00 am. We are hoping that the crowd will be better than last month, as we will be back to the usual schedule with the School childrens choir at the 8:30 mass. Brother Enrico, our Breakfast Chairman, will be counting on the membership to assist in this parish social.

April 25, 26 and 27 will be the Knights of Columbus State convention with our worthy G.K. Michael and Past G.K. Gary to represent St. Michael's council on our behalf.

April 28th St. Peters council 1283 will sponsor their Padre night. St. Michael's will be sending Father Rossi, Father D'Silva and Father Swinkels to enjoy a wonder meal. Also a few of our fourth degree members will be there to assist in serving the meals and catering. Those that wish to help please let me know, as I will be organizing the 4th degree members from our council.

Coming Events

May 3rd	Potluck - Parish Center
May 4 th	Pancake Breakfast
May 13 th	General Meeting - my anniversary
May 24 th	Simon Fraser Assembly - 4th Degree 100th Celebration At St. Mary's Ukrainian Church (550 West 4th, Vancouver - Dinner is \$50.00 per person)
May 25 th	St. Michael's First Communion
May 26 th	St. Michael's May Procession
June 1 st	Knights Pancake Breakfast
June 7 th	Knights Catered Appreciation Dinner
June 8 th	Alter Boys Appreciation Day
June 22 nd	St. Michael's Appreciation Dinner

Bruce McLean – Program Director

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

**Birthdays in April:**

Nick Curalli, Gilles Deschenes, Pat Krump, Dennis McKenzie, Jacob Rossi & Jai Singh.

Family of the Month:

April: Alain & Jacquie Custeau.

Calendar of Events:

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- April 28th – Clergy Appreciation Dinner held at St. Peters Church hall.

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REMEMBER TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Kathy McLean, mother of Brother Bruce McLean, who recovering from a stroke.



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; Kathy McLean; 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.

MARY, HEALTH OF THE SICK; PRAY FOR US