



St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



January 2016

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Pancake Breakfast:** Our next Pancake Breakfast will be held on *Sunday, Jan. 10th*, after *8:30 and 10:00 Masses*. *Setup* will start on *Sunday, at 7:30 am*.
- **Pot-luck Dinner:** There is no Pot-luck dinner in January. The next Pot-luck is planned for *Saturday, Feb. 6th* in the parish centre; starting at *6:00 pm*. *Set-up* will be at *5:00 pm*.
- **Regular Monthly Meeting:** Our next monthly meeting will be held on *Tuesday, Jan. 12th*, at *8:00 pm*, after Rosary for the Sick and Mass.
- **Charity Appeal:** Ticket sales started on *Oct. 3rd*. Please return all sold tickets to Brother Gary by Sunday, *January 10*, to be entered in the **Early Bird draw**; you can bring them to the Pancake Breakfast. We also may need some volunteers to help with ticket sales at Lougheed Mall. **Final draw** is end of January; all tickets, sold and unsold must be returned by *Jan. 24th*. This is a big fundraiser for us with our portion of sales going to our food bank.

CATCHING UP:

Grand Knight's Report:

First of all, on behalf of myself and my wife, Bernice, Happy New Year to everyone! I hope 2016 will be filled with many blessings for you and your families.

Our council sponsored the Holy Family Prayer Program this year with the icon of an etching of the Holy Family by Giovanni Balestra. The prayer program was after Mass on Tues Dec. 29, Sat, Jan. 2, and Tues, Jan 5. It could have been better attended, but went very well. Thanks to Fergus Savage and others who helped with the readings.

Many thanks to those who helped with the St. Nick pancake breakfast on Dec. 6, especially Tom McCloskey who was our St. Nick again this year. There was lot of work to set up the gym with Christmas trees and cook many more breakfasts than usual; a special thanks to Brother Enrico for coordinating the cooking tasks and Brother Bob Murphy for getting the trees. Also, thanks to Brother Bruce for coordinating the Christmas pot-luck and set up the night before in the parish centre; this was very well attended and everyone had a great time.

Charity Appeal raffle ticket sales received a little boost with some Mall times given to us from St. Helen's parish. Thanks to Brother Gary for quickly finding Knights to cover the shifts, since the school parents were not available; thanks to all who helped to sell the tickets as well. Remember, tickets for the early bird draw need to be given to Gary by January 10, 2016 (perhaps at the pancake breakfast), to be entered into the early draw. Main draw will be the end of January, so keep this in mind and get the tickets back to Gary in time.

Don't forget the next pancake breakfast on Sunday January 10 and our next council meeting at 8:00 pm on Tuesday, January 12, after rosary (7:10 pm) and Mass (7:30 pm).

Happy New Year,
John Cabana, GK

Program Director's Report:

Worthy Brothers happy New Year from my family to yours. I would like to make my report short and sweet. So firstly thanks to those that helped with our St. Michael's food bank fund raisers, i.e. The Knights Grey Cup Pool and Gift Basket Raffle, namely, Stan March, Gilles Deschenes, and Kurnia Carson selling tickets at church for three weeks. We were very successful raising \$922 and with our council adding \$178 brought the total to \$1100. Our St. Michael's Parish handed out 70 Christmas hampers to the needy December 21st. Volunteering to deliver these hampers was very satisfying and having the recipients being so gracious giving many thanks.

Finally many thanks to all that worked at St. Nick's breakfast it also was a huge success.

Please make note that our next Pot Luck Dinner will not be until February. We will have our pancake breakfast Sunday January 10th our set-up will be 7:00a.m. Please come out to help. God Bless us all

Bruce McLean

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



Birthdays in January:

Doug Carr, Benny Castres, Michael de Faria Neves, Joseph Klikach (D), Larry Krystolovich, Tim Salvacion, Chester Ostonal, & Dave Vela.

Calendar of Events:

Jan. 5th: 7:30 pm – (Tues. after Mass) Last prayer program with the Holy Family icon.

Jan. 10th: Pancake Breakfast / set up at 7:30 am.

Jan. 10th: Return sold Charity Appeal tickets to Gary for the Early Bird draw.

Jan. 12th: Knights regular monthly meeting.

Jan.: Charity Appeal tickets sales on-going. Please sell some books on your own.

No Potluck Dinner in January.

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

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REMEMBER TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:



Please pray for the sick in our Parish:

Tony Arruda; Kay Blair; Al Boire; Matteo Ciavarro; Eileen Cassidy; Joe Dorval; Simone Fraser, Bonny Gerson; Lloyd Gerson; Mary Glavin; Leo Gaucher; Herman Haffner; John La Berge; Stan & Carol March; Wayne Marshall; Tom, Pat, Jamie & Paul McCloskey; Kathy McLean; Edmond Kim; Mary Klikach; Kenneth Klikach; Anibal Ibarra; Peggy MacDonald; John Todd; Linda Viani; Pat Welsh; Anne Whittey; Gordon Zelko; Father John Swinkels; Fathers Basil Foote,

Stan Frytek, David Hughes, Joseph Thoai Le, and Bill Somerville & Br. Tom Maddix; Paula Whire and GK Robert Tan of St. Francis de Sales Council 8853

MARY, HEALTH OF THE SICK; PRAY FOR US