



St. Michael's Council 9246 **NEWSLETTER**



April 2017

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Pot-luck Dinner:** The next Pot-luck is on *Saturday, April 1st* in the parish centre, starting at *6:00 pm*. *Set-up* will be at *10:00 am*.
- **Pancake Breakfast:** Our next Pancake Breakfast will be held on *Sunday, April 2nd*, after *8:30 and 10:00 Masses*. *Setup* will start on *Sunday, at 7:00 am*.
- **Special Olympics Walk-a-Thon:** *Sunday April 2nd*, join us on the walk or sponsor one of the walkers. The walk will start at 2:30 pm at All Saints Parish.
- **Regular Monthly Meeting:** Our next monthly meeting will be held on *Tuesday, April 11th*, at 8:00 pm, after Rosary for the Sick and Mass.
- **Parish Auction:** *Saturday, April 29th*, Knights will be bartending.
- **State Convention:** *April 28th, 29th, and 30th*.

CATCHING UP:

Grand Knight's Report:

We have 2 Knights who will be transferring into our council, namely John Fawcus and James Roy. Please welcome them when you meet them.

Due to the poor weather, the February and March pancake breakfast was cancelled. However, we did have a pancake breakfast on March 12 to make up for the cancelled ones. Not a great turnout of customers, so hopefully April 2 will be a bit better. Come out and help if you are able – we can always use more hands.

We sponsored the Day of Recollection on March 25, 2017 along with the Ladies Auxiliary. There was a tremendous turnout of parishioners and great reflections given by Fr. Rodney and Msgr Rossi. Thanks to Brother Tarcisio for arranging and picking up the trays of food, and to the Ladies for putting everything together and providing refreshments for the day.

The Special Olympics Walkathon will be on April 2 this year. Please consider coming out for this walk and getting some pledges. Or, if you are not walking, help by sponsoring one of the walkers. We will have some forms available for the next council meeting and at pancake breakfast.

Another Upcoming fund-raiser is Pennies for Heaven campaign to raise funds for vocations (please save your loose change).

The annual State Convention will be held on April 28, 29, and 30. This year our Financial Secretary, Alan Wardle and his wife Debbie will attend. Also John Todd and his wife Cathleen will attend as the second delegate. During the February meeting we voted to pay for 2 council members with their wives to attend this annual function.

The annual Clergy Appreciation dinner is coming up.

Date: April 24 (Monday) 2017

Place: St. Peter's Church Hall
330 Royal Ave, New Westminster

Time: Cocktails 6:00 p.m. Dinner 7:00 p.m.

Cost: \$30 per person

Here is an opportunity to recognize our Clergy and Religious for all the work they do for us. Please let me know, 604-294-4222 or email jcabana@telus.net, so I can contact Rod Giddens 604-525-3030, rgiddens@shaw.ca, with the number attending. A minimum of four persons are required to cover the cost of Msgr. Rossi and Fr. Swinkels. Fr. Dass will be away on a vacation.

If you have forgotten, please send your annual dues of \$40 to our financial secretary Alan Wardle, e-transfer, PayPal, cheque, or bring it to our April 11th meeting. We have to pay Supreme for every member of our council, so we rely on the membership dues to cover this cost. Thanks.

Don't forget the next pancake breakfast on Sunday April 2nd and our next council meeting at 8:00 pm on Tuesday, April 11th, after rosary (7:10 pm) and Mass (7:30 pm). And hope to see you at the pot-luck dinner on April 1st- bring your favourite dish to share and something to drink.

On behalf of my wife Bernice and myself, have a happy and blessed Easter.

Vivat Jesus
John Cabana, GK

Program Director's Report:

Hello Brothers

Finally, Happy Spring. I am currently in Prince George visiting my mother, who is doing very well. Just yesterday did a walk around the mall and was great to see her pulling out blouses and such, making comments like I have one just like this and I'm too old I don't need that anymore.

Well FYI we are having a April Pot Luck Dinner in the parish centre this Saturday April 1st set up in the morning at 10:00 AM, social starting at 6:00 PM dinner at 7:00 PM This will be followed with the Knights Pancake Breakfast April 2nd. Set up will be our usual time of 7:00 AM. We will be serving breakfasts after the 8:30 and 10:00 AM mass. We ask for as much help for both set up, serving and clean up.

As was mention in last month's newsletter we have a few Knights canvassing for pledges for our walk for Special Olympics with the walk scheduled for this Sunday April 2nd starting at All Saints Parish about 2:30 pm. Everyone invited to join, it is approximately 6.5 km and takes about 1.5 hrs. Our pot luck or pancake breakfast are good opportunities to see either myself or John Cabana to make a pledge if you have not done so yet.

Also, if you have saved some coins for our Knights Pennies for Heaven campaign you can turn over your contribution to me at either of these weekend events or our April meeting, April 11th. Our contribution is planned to be presented at the Knights of Columbus Convention April 28.

FYI April will be our last Pot Luck dinner for season, as we are skipping one in May and June 3rd will be the Knights of Columbus Awards Dinner, which is planned to be catered.

April 29th Knights will be tending the bar at St. Michael's Auction. I thank Sandie Madriaga for his offer to help, having a serve-it-rite certificate. If there are other knights with serve-it-rite and can help please call me 604-939-5793.

Bruce McLean

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



Birthdays in April:

Gilles Deschenes, Pat Krump, Dennis McKenzie, Arc Rajtar,
Jacob Rossi, Jai Singh, Alan Wardle, Nick Curalli, Darryl Way, Rafael Sevilla

Calendar of Events (April):

April 1st - Pot-Luck dinner 6 pm social, 7 pm dinner / set up at 10:00 am.
April 2nd - Pancake Breakfast / set up at 7:00 am.
April 2nd - Walk for Special Olympics (afternoon – 2:30 pm start)
April 11th - Knights regular monthly meeting
April 13th – Holy Thursday
April 14th – Good Friday
April 15th – Holy Saturday
April 16th – Eater Sunday
April 24th - Clergy Appreciation Dinner – St. Peter's
April 28th, 29th, 30th – State Convention
April 29th - Parish Auction/Knights bartending
April – Pennies for Heaven (save loose change)

Future Events:

May 7th - Pancake Breakfast
May 9th - Knights regular monthly meeting
May 29th - May Procession/Fourth Degree Color guard
June 3rd - Knights Awards Dinner (catered)
June 4th - Pancake Breakfast
June 10th - Knights Altar Boy Appreciation Day
June 15th – Confirmation
June 25th - Parish Appreciation Dinner

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

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Please pray for the sick in our Parish:

Bill & Kay Blair; Al Boire; Eileen Cassidy; Andrew Garisto; 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; 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

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