



St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



December 2018

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Pot Luck Dinner:** Next Pot-Luck dinner is the Christmas Pot-Luck, **Saturday, December 8, 6pm social, 7pm** dinner. Bring your favourite dish to share and BYOB. Instead of a gift exchange, please bring approximately \$10 worth of nonperishables for our food bank. Setup will be on **Saturday, Dec. 8 at 10am**, along with the St. Nick setup in the school gym.
- **Pancake Breakfast:** Our next Pancake Breakfast will be held on **Sunday, Dec. 9**, after **8:30 and 10:00 Masses**. Setup will be on **Saturday, Dec. 8, at 10am** along with setting up Christmas Trees for the St. Nick breakfast. Please come and help out as many hands are needed.
- **Regular Monthly Meeting:** Our next monthly meeting will be held on **Tuesday, Dec. 11th**, at **8:00 pm**, after Rosary for the Sick (**7:10**) and Mass (**7:30**).
- **Food Bank Christmas hampers:** Delivery of St. Michael's food bank hampers will be on **Thursday, Dec. 20**. Help out if you are able.
- **Charity Appeal:** Our annual Charity Appeal fundraiser continues. Please try to sell some books of raffle tickets. We may need to help out staffing Mall times if there are not enough school parents. Please lend a hand if you are asked and available to help.

CATCHING UP:

Grand Knight's Report:

Please remember in your prayers our dear Brother Dennis Webster who passed away Monday, December 19, 2018. Dennis was always willing to help with various Knights' activities – he will be greatly missed. His funeral Mass was held on Saturday, November 24 at St. Michael's. Also, keep in your prayers, his wife Nancy and daughter Kimberley.

Thanks to Brother Bruce for organizing the raffle of Christmas Gift Baskets again this year for a fund raiser for our parish food bank. Also thanks for setting up the Grey Cup pool. And also, for attending our Parish council meeting on behalf of the Knights.

Congratulations to Brother Ian Williams who took his Formation (Second) degree in the Knights of Columbus on Monday, Nov. 12th at All Saints in Coquitlam. I encourage all members to complete their Second and Third degree for full knighthood in our organization. Thanks to Brothers Enrico Garrone and John Cabana for attending this degree.

Wishing all of you and your families a Blessed Christmas and successful New Year.

Rafael Sevilla, GK





Charity Appeal Update:

Brother Alain Custeau is distributing Charity Appeal raffle books to council members to sell; he's given out about 100 books so far. We've sold over 100 books between sales at Royal City Centre and St Michael's. There are 88 books still to sell. We have another week at Royal City Center in January, date TBA. Thanks to all the Knights who are selling tickets. If you need books, contact Brother Alain. Tickets are \$3 each this year. This is a great fund raiser for our council, so please help out selling tickets.

Please finish selling the books you have and turn them in to Alain by December 25. Thanks.

Knights of Columbus - Charity Appeal Raffle Tickets

The 57th Annual BC Knights of Columbus Charity Appeal Raffle tickets are now available!

1st Prize \$60,000 cash
 2nd Prize..... 2019 GMC Sierra 1500 Crew 4x4
 3rd Prize2019 Ford Mustang Ecoboost Fastback
 4th Prize 2019 Toyota Prius C
 5th Prize..... 2019 Harley Davidson 1200 Iron
 Plus 12 Early Bird cash prizes!!

Membership Update:

Hello brothers, we distributed close to 40 K of C brochures at the last membership drive. Thanks to all who came to help.

There is a 2nd degree at St. Luke's, Maple Ridge, Mon., Jan. 21, 2019, reg. at 7:30pm.

There is a 3rd degree at St. Luke's, Maple Ridge, Mon., Feb 11, 2019, reg. TBA

There is a 4th degree at Star of the Sea, Surrey, Sat., Feb. 9, 2019, reg. at 1:00pm.

Enrico Garrone

Fourth Degree:

There will be a 4th Degree Christmas dinner at Coquitlam Grill December 9, 5:30 pm.

Celebrating 100 years since the end of WW1, the Remembrance Day ceremony was held on November 11 at the 10 am Mass at St. Michael's. Special thanks to Alain Custeau for organizing a very worthy Fourth Degree Color Guard tribute to all our veterans. Thanks also to those that took part: Lloyd Gerson, Stan March, Roland Lambert, Alain, Bruce McLean, Tar Rossi and our newer Fourth degree members Michael Charron, Sandie Madriaga, Alan Wardle, Rafael Sevilla and you might say vets, Father Swinkels, Monsignor Rossi and Herman Haffner.



Program Director's Report:

Worthy Brothers and your families,
With the coming of the festive season my wife Benita and myself want to wish you all a most wonderful, joyous, holy and healthy Christmas Season with Christ.

Our November Pot Luck Dinner was a small crowd but as usual the food was great with plenty to go around. Our 50/50 was quite successful even with fewer people there. It raised \$145; because of the lack of proper change we gave out \$73 to the winner, Zvonco Basic, of which he donated \$30 back to the council to make a deposit of \$102 to council account at our November meeting. Discussion at the dinner was for our Christmas Pot Luck; instead of bringing a gift to be used as a door prize we agreed to bring approximately \$10 worth of nonperishables for our food bank. And as I am writing this report, for fun I am asking everyone to wear something with the Christmas theme. For the men the wildest Christmas tie and the ladies their choice, perhaps a Santa Hat, Christmas sweater or something. So dig out something outrageous to show off and come join us. Saturday December 8th, at 6:00 PM in the Parish Centre.

If you read your last newsletter, our Pancake Breakfast with St. Nick will be the next day December 9th in the school gym. The set up for both will be on the Saturday Dec.8th starting at 10:00 AM. Please remember that it will not be the usual time in the morning before the breakfast because there is so much to do. We will have to put together the stage for St. Nick, decorate the trees, set up the tables and chairs and remember to place the Keep Christ in Christmas sign on the school. With lots of help the work should be done sometime around noon. I will at the same time be setting up for our Christmas Pot Luck so we need lots of help not only for this but especially for serving at breakfast.

The Knights' Grey cup Pool was completed this past weekend. We raised \$300 for the food bank which was turned in for deposit at last meeting as well. The game was typical fashion in CFL, lots of action and turnovers with a slippery field. the winners were: 1st quarter score - Calgary - 7 Ottawa - 0, Glen Hill with \$25, 2nd Quarter score - Calgary - 21, Ottawa - 11, Warren Dumbusky with \$50, 3rd Quarter score - Calgary - 24 Ottawa - 14, John Cabana with \$25 and Final score was Calgary - 27 Ottawa - 16 with Chris Ellard winning \$100. Both scores for the 2nd quarter and the final were changed just seconds before their end times which I am sure made a couple people hurting, write, Tar. Congratulations to Brother John and to the others that I curl with.

The Gift Basket Raffle sales are going well and will continue until our breakfast with St. Nick after which I will make the draw for the winner. Thanks to those brothers that are helping me sell after and before each Mass Saturday and Sunday.

In case you missed it, St. Michael's Walkathon raised \$16,000 many thanks to those that pledged the walkers.

Prayers in memory of Dennis Webster, beloved Brother Knight.

Words of thought:

Life isn't tied with a bow but it is still a gift.

Vivat Jesus,
Bruce McLean

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



Birthdays in December:

Joseph De Vaz, Stan March, Vincent Maddalozzo

Calendar of Events:

Dec. 2nd: Start of Advent

Dec. 8th: Set-up Christmas Trees, breakfast, and pot-luck - 10 am

Dec. 8th: Pot-Luck Dinner – 6 pm social, 7 pm dinner

Dec. 9th: Pancake Breakfast with St. Nick after 8:30 and 10 am Masses

Dec. 11th: Knights regular monthly meeting

Dec. 20th: Delivery of food bank Christmas Hampers

Dec. 20th: St. Michael's Penitential Service

Dec. 25th: Birth of Jesus

December: Charity Appeal Raffle Ticket Sales. Try to sell some books.

Future Events:

January 6th - Knights Pancake Breakfast (TBC)

January 15th - Next Parish Council meeting

January 16th - St. Michael's First Confessions

February 2nd - Knights Pot Luck

February 3rd - Knights Pancake Breakfast

March - Knights Walk for Special Olympics

April 27th - St. Michael's Auction

May 10th - Monsignor Rossi's Anniversary - 50 years ordained a Priest, 30 years at St. Michael's, and his 75 years of LIFE

+++**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:

Bill & Kay Blair; Al Boire; Eileen Cassidy; Andrew Garisto; Bonny Gerson; Lloyd Gerson; Mary Glavin; Leo Gaucher; Herman Haffner; Stan & Carol March; Tom, Pat, Jamie & Paul McCloskey; Edmond Kim; Kenneth Klikach; Bruce McLean; Peggy MacDonald; Marina Neves; Tony & Cathy Patrick; John & Cathleen Todd; Linda Viani; Pat Welsh; Anne Whittey; Gordon Zelko; Father John Swinkels; Fathers Basil Foote, 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