



## St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



May 2020

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- ~~**Pancake Breakfast:** Our next Pancake Breakfast will be held on **Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>**, after **8:30 and 10:00 Masses**. **Setup** will be on **Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>**, at **7am**. Please come and help out if you can.~~
- ~~**Regular Monthly Meeting:** Our next monthly meeting will be held on **Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**, at **8:00 pm**, after Rosary for the Sick (**7:10**) and Mass (**7:30**).~~
- ~~**Clergy Appreciation Dinner:** Will be held **Monday, April 20<sup>th</sup>** at St. Peter's New West.~~
- ~~**Parish Auction:** Planned for **Saturday, Apr. 25**. Has been postponed until further notice.~~
- ~~**State Convention: April 24, 25 & 26** in Richmond. Has been replaced with an online business meeting **May 9**.~~

### CATCHING UP:

#### Grand Knight's Report:

Brothers, as you can see, because of the COVID-19 pandemic, our council activities have been cancelled. This is a very difficult and unfortunate time for everyone, and we should pray for one another and for the end of this virus. St. Michael's parish is streaming daily and Sunday Masses and I would encourage you and your families and friends to attend; go to [stmichaelsparish.ca](http://stmichaelsparish.ca) for the links.

Please keep in your prayers Marina de Faria Neves, sister of our Brother Michael, who died April 28<sup>th</sup>. Michael is a Past Grand Knight of our council. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.

Congratulations to Matt & Emily Cabana on the birth of their son, Elias John Cabana, born April 8; this was a home birth and he weighed 7lbs 10oz. Proud grandparents are John & Bernice Cabana. Hopefully Elias will be a future knight in our council.

The annual State Convention was to be held on April 24, 25 & 26 but this too has been cancelled. This year our Deputy Grand Knight, Brother Michael Charron, and Trustee Brother Sandie Madriaga, were planning to attend. There is an on-line business meeting scheduled for Saturday, May 9 – Brothers Michael and myself will (virtually) attend from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm.

The Parish Auction scheduled for Saturday, April 25, has been postponed until further notice. However, there is an on-line auction taking place, continuing until May 29. Looks like we won't need to run the bar, for now anyway.

If you have forgotten, please send your annual dues of \$40 to our financial secretary Alan Wardle, etransfer, paypal, cheque. We have to pay Supreme for every member of our council, so we rely on the membership dues to cover this cost. Thanks.

Upcoming fund-raisers include Pennies for Heaven campaign to raise funds for vocations; please save your loose change (rolled please) and bring it to a future meeting (TBD).

Also our annual Special Olympics Walk-a-thon was to be March 29<sup>th</sup>. Walkers can walk on their own or we may schedule a group walk in the future. Pledges and funds can still be collected as is possible at this time and we will wait for direction on distribution of the funds.

The annual Clergy Appreciation dinner has been cancelled due to the COVID-19 virus.

**Date:** April 20 (Monday) 2020

**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

Since we are getting close to our June year-end, we need to consider our executive positions for next year. I have attached the descriptions of each position and have asked Brother Bob Murphie to run the election of officers at our June monthly meeting if we have one, otherwise possibly a virtual meeting or voting procedure. If you would like to run for any of these positions or nominate someone for a particular position, phone Bob at 604-323-3611. It is a great opportunity to learn some new skills and serve others in these unique roles.

#### **Grand Knight**

The grand knight is responsible for the welfare of the council. He presides over council meetings, acts as an ex-officio member of all committees, appoints a membership and programming director, convenes officers for a monthly meeting, and ensures all necessary reports are submitted to the state and Supreme Council. He should also be aware of the council's financial status and ensure that his signature appears on all checks drawn.

#### **Deputy Grand Knight**

The deputy grand knight is second in command. He assists the grand knight with council affairs and fulfills all duties assigned to him by the grand knight. Should the grand knight be absent from a council meeting, the deputy grand knight will preside. He is chairman of the council's retention committee

#### **Chancellor**

The chancellor has a variety of responsibilities. Primarily, he assists the grand knight and the deputy grand knight in the execution of their duties and oversees the council in both their absences. He is charged with strengthening the members' interests in council activities. The chancellor is chairman of the admission committee

#### **Recorder**

The recorder is similar to a court reporter or a secretary. He is responsible for maintaining a true record of all actions of the council and its correspondence. A Recorder's Minute Book (#1403) is available from the Knights of Columbus Supply Department for keeping a record of council meetings.

#### **Treasurer**

The treasurer is responsible for the safekeeping and maintaining records of all council funds and accounts. He is responsible for depositing money into the council's accounts and provides a certificate of such monies to the grand knight. He is also responsible for payment of all expenses.

#### **Lecturer**

The lecturer is appointed by the grand knight to provide both educational and entertaining programs to the council. He is responsible for the 'Good of the Order' portion of council meetings. In order to provide members with informative and educational programs, he must be knowledgeable and aware of all council programming.

**Advocate**

The advocate is the legal representative of the council and serves as the council's attorney at trials and investigations of any interest to the council. While he does not need to be a member of the legal profession, he should be familiar with the council by-laws, the Order's Charter, Constitution and Laws (#30), Methods of Conducting a Council Meeting (#1937), and Robert's Rules of Order.

**Warden**

The warden is the 'watchdog' for council property and degree paraphernalia, except the property of the financial secretary, treasurer and recorder. He is also responsible for setting up the council chambers for meetings and ceremonial work. During ceremonial exemplifications, he will appoint and supervise guards.

**Inside & Outside Guards**

The guards have similar responsibilities, but distinct differences. The outside guard tends to the outer door admitting visitors and members to the inner door. Once at the inner door, the inside guard checks to make sure that their membership cards are current.

**Board of Trustees**

The board of trustees consists of three members elected by the council and the grand knight, who serves as chairman of the board. They oversee the work of the financial secretary and treasurer, and with the deputy grand knight serve on the council's retention committee. During council elections, only the three-year trustee is voted on, with the others moving on to become two and one-year trustees, respectively.

Vivat Jesus,  
Rafael Sevilla, GK

**Membership Update:**

Due to the COVID-19 virus, there are several **on-line exemplifications** on April 30 and May 7. There is a way to coordinate council voting electronically. Then, for the candidate, there is a downloadable invitation in PDF format that is available and the candidate clicks the associated link for the ceremony. After the ceremony, form 100s are submitted the traditional way, or electronically in Officers Online.

If you know of any candidates interested, please let me (Enrico) know and I can forward the details.

Enrico Garrone

**Fourth Degree:**

The 28th annual Clergy and Religious Appreciation Dinner which was to be held at St. Peter's on Monday, April 20 has been cancelled.

Alain Custeau

**Program Director's Report:**

Brothers these are dire times with this terrible corona virus attacking our country and world. I hope that everyone takes the necessary precautions to take care of our families and friends. We are all in this together and only together we can conquer this problem. We must pray for our health care workers, our parish community and for everyone to do their part.

As many of our events have been cancelled or postponed we must take time to consider our best action plans are to be. Our Pennies for Heaven program was to make a donation at the State Convention but many of the donations have not been collected. Also our Walk for Special Olympics, almost complete, still has some pledges to be collected for a final total to be determined. This again is just short of complete. My thought is that if we can complete collection of our funds we should donated directly to Special Olympics. This is a decision to be made by our council executive.

In closing I wish everyone a safe time through this terrible disease and pray for everyone's good health.

Brother Bruce McLean

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



### ***Birthdays in May:***

David Alexander, John Cabana, Pat Cassidy, Robert Costa, Daryl Hosein,  
Coral Kopchia, John LaBerge (D), Craig Nichols, James Roy, & Walter Whittey (D)

### **Calendar of Events:**

Due to the COVID-19 virus most events have been ~~cancelled~~:

April - Knights Walk for Special Olympics –collect pledges  
April – Pennies for Heaven for vocations – save loose change

~~May 2<sup>nd</sup>—Pot Luck dinner—6 pm social, 7 pm dinner; set up Sat.10 am~~

~~May 3<sup>rd</sup>—Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 and 10 am Masses; set up 7 am~~

~~May 10<sup>th</sup>—Mothers' Day~~

~~May 12<sup>th</sup>—Knights regular monthly meeting~~

~~May 31<sup>st</sup>—St. Michael's First Communion with 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Procession~~

~~May 31<sup>st</sup>—Knights Awards Dinner—catered~~

### **Future Events (tentative):**

June 1<sup>st</sup>—St. Michael's May Procession

June 7<sup>th</sup>—Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 and 10 am Masses; set-up 7 am.

June 9<sup>th</sup> - Knights regular monthly meeting

June 13<sup>th</sup>—Altar Servers Day

June 21<sup>st</sup>—Father's Day

June 28<sup>th</sup>—Parish Appreciation Dinner

**+++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; Robert Costa; Andrew Garisto; Bonny Gerson; Lloyd Gerson; Mary Glavin; Leo Gaucher; Herman Haffner; Stan & Carol March; Tom, Pat, Jamie & Paul McCloskey; Bruce McLean; Edmond Kim; Kenneth Klikach; Peggy MacDonald; Tony & Cathy Patrick; John Todd; Linda Viani; Pat Welsh; Anne Whittey; Gordon Zelko; Father John Swinkels; Fathers David Hughes, Joseph Thoai Le, and Bill Somerville & Br. Tom Maddix; Paula

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**MARY, HEALTH OF THE SICK; PRAY FOR US**