

St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



December 2021

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Paneake Breakfast: Our next Paneake Breakfast will be held on Sunday, Dec. 5th, after 8:30 and 10:00 Masses. Setup will be on Sunday, Dec. 5th, at 7am. Please come and help out if you can.
- <u>Regular Monthly Meeting:</u> Our next monthly meeting will be held on <u>Tuesday</u>, Dec. 14th, at 8:15 pm via Zoom.
- <u>Charity Appeal</u>: Our annual Charity Appeal fundraiser started Oct. 18 via on-line ticket sales. Please tell your family & friends. See details below.

CATCHING UP:

Grand Knight's Report:

Please keep Brother Bruce McLean in your prayers as he is in the hospital for an operation. Brother Bruce has contributed greatly to our council over the past years.

Usually at this time of the year, we are preparing to decorate the gym with Christmas trees for pictures with St. Nick along with our well-attended Pancake Breakfast. This year, unfortunately, we will have to cancel this event due to COVID and wanting to keep everyone safe from this pandemic. Bob Murphie, however, will still purchase Christmas trees for the church; thanks, Bob. Also Brothers Alain & Gary will be selling raffle tickets for Christmas Gift Baskets, as we have done in the past, after Mass Dec. 4-5 and Dec. 11-12, with the draw Dec. 18 after the 7 pm Mass.

While we are still in this 4th wave of the COVID-19 pandemic, we will continue with our council meeting via Zoom. It would be great to see our members again in person, but most of our business can be conducted on-line. Thanks to everyone for joining the council meetings and helping with the activities we are able to do. Our next meeting will be **Tuesday**, **Dec. 14th**, starting at 8:15 pm in case members want to attend the 7:30 pm Mass. Let us pray for the end of this 4th wave of the pandemic. Instructions to join the meeting will be coming via a separate email soon.

Thanks to Brother Peter Au for continuing to coordinate the usher schedule for Sunday Masses. If you can help out and have not already informed Brother Peter, please email him at b7m1@hotmail.com. He would be grateful if those who volunteer for ushering at a particular Mass, could let him know and we could add your name to the schedule.

The Charity Appeal raffle tickets sales started October 18th. Last year our council received a commission of \$429.30 and we voted to top this up to \$500 and donate it to the St. Michael's food bank. Hopefully we will do as well or better this year. See details below.

Merry Christmas to everyone and a healthier 2022! John Cabana, GK

Parish Council Update:

St. Michael's parish is now opened for all Masses with COVID safety rules, i.e. wearing masks, distancing, etc., as for all indoor events. Details are in the parish website at stmichaelsparish.ca. The Knights have been providing **ushers** for the Sunday Masses. Brother Peter Au is coordinating the usher schedule. If you can help out and have not already informed Brother Peter, please email him at <u>b7m1@hotmail.com</u>.

Some Church maintenance has been started, in particular, adding new insulation under the church in the crawl space and replacing the soffits.

Other church maintenance will be delayed for now:

- Replace furnace and update heating system.
- Replace basement windows.

Later: -Replace current lighting above the Altar with modern, practical lighting.

- Recondition the pews and replace current floorcovering.

Gary Jeannotte

Program Director's Report:

Charity Appeal: This year's Charity Appeal, one of our few fundraisers this year, began Oct. 18th and ends Jan. 29, 2022, 7 pm.; Early Bird Draw is Saturday, Dec. 4, 2021, 7:15 pm., for prizes 6 to 12 of \$1000 each. Sales will be on-line only again this year, and for St. Michael's the link is: www.kofcdraw.net/C9246.

Tickets are \$3 each. Prizes are all cash totaling \$135,000:

The 1st prize is \$60,000; 2nd \$40,000; 3rd \$15,000; 4th \$10,000; 5th \$3,000; and 6th to 12th \$1,000.

Note that all tickets must be sold within British Columbia and the buyer must be 19 or over. There are only 200,000 tickets for sale this year, after which sales will be closed.

We have put a notice in the parish bulletin, but please inform your family and friends to support this fundraiser.

As you can see above our Pancake Breakfasts will have to be on-hold for now due to the 4th wave of the pandemic. We would love to start these again but have concerns for everyone's safety.

However we will be having the Christmas Gift Basket Raffle this year as we did pre-COVID. Brother Alain Custeau and myself are finalizing 4 gift baskets and will be selling tickets after each Mass this weekend (Dec. 4-5) and next weekend (Dec. 11-12), 2/\$5 and 5/\$10. Draw will be on Dec. 18 at 8 pm, after the 7 pm Mass. Proceeds will go to our parish food bank.

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If you can help with selling tickets, please see Brother Alain after Mass this weekend (Dec. 4-5).

I hope everyone is staying healthy, Gary Jeannotte





60th ANNUALCHARITY APPEAL

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WIN \$ 135,000 in prizes including a \$60,000 Grand Prize

PRIZES

1 st Prize \$60,000

2 nd Prize \$40,000

3 rd Prize \$15,000

4th Prize \$10,000

5th Prize \$ 3,000

6th to 12th \$ 1,000 each! --> Early Bird (Dec 4)



Limited Tickets! BUY TODAY KofCDraw.net/C9246

Total Prizes \$ 135,000

Sales Oct 18, 2021 to Jan 29, 2022, 7pm
Early Bird Draw Saturday Dec 4, 2021, 7:15pm
Main Draw Saturday January 29, 2022, 7:15pm

An annual charity appeal of the Knights of Columbus (BC) Charity Foundation WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE OUR COMMUNITIES BETTER Thank you for your Support!

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Chances are 1 in 250,000 (total tickets for sale) to win a grand prize. Actual odds depend on number of tickets sold. 19+ to play. Problem Gambling Help Line 1-888-795-6111 w.w.w.b.cresponsiblegambling.ca Know your limit. Play within it.

Winners are responsible for cost associated with delivery/claiming of prizes.

Membership Update:

St. Peter's Westminster Council 1283 hosted a successful in-person exemplification on Sunday, November 28. There are plans underway for another ceremony in **February**. If anyone knows of a candidate to join our council, St. Michael's 9246, let me (Enrico) know.

There is still the 1-2-3 combined degrees on line. All the candidate have to do is register and watch it at the predetermine time, pay the dues, and they are knights! Ask the Catholic men you know to go to the website kofc.org/joinus, click on JOIN. Have them enter 9246 under the Council # to refer them to our council. **Free one year membership** continues until Dec. 31, 2021 using Promo Code MCGIVNEY2020. On-line exemplifications are being held on the 4th Thursday of each month.

If you know of any candidate interested, please let me (Enrico) know and I can follow up with them.

If any member has only First or Second degree, they should watch the combined 1-2-3 degree exemplification and they will become Third degree knights. Let me know if you need help with the link to this virtual ceremony. Also let our FS, Brother Alan Wardle know so he can update the membership records, 604-525-8081 or alan.wardle@telus.net. Thanks.

Enrico Garrone

Fourth Degree:

Nothing at this time.

Alain Custeau



Birthdays in December:

John Calvez, Joseph De Vaz, Stan March, Vincent Maddalozzo

Calendar of Events:

Due to the COVID-19 virus some events have been eancelled:

Nov. 28th – Fist Sunday of Advent

Dec. 4th – Charity Appeal Early Bird draw – 7:15 pm

Dec. 5th -- Pancake Breakfast / set up at 7:00 am

Dec. 4/5 & Dec. 11/12 – Christmas Gift Basket raffle ticket sales after Mass.

Dec. 14th – Knights regular monthly meeting –Zoom meeting, 8:15 pm

Dec. 18th – Christmas Gift Basket raffle draw – 8 pm (after Sat. 7 pm Mass)

Dec. 25th – Christmas Day, Birth of Jesus

Dec. - Charity Appeal raffle tickets (on-line)

+++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; Robert Costa; Lloyd Gerson; Mary Glavin; Leo Gaucher; Herman Haffner; Stan & Carol March; Tom, Jamie & Paul McCloskey; Bruce McLean; Peggy MacDonald; Tony Patrick; John Todd; Linda Viani; Pat Welsh; Anne Whittey; Paula Whire

MARY, HEALTH OF THE SICK; PRAY FOR US