



St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



April 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Pancake Breakfast:** Our next Pancake Breakfast will be held on **Sunday, Apr. 3rd**, after **8:30 and 10:00 Masses**. **Setup** will be on **Sunday, Apr. 3rd, at 7am**. Please come and help out if you can.
- **Regular Monthly Meeting:** Our next monthly meeting will be held on **Tuesday, Apr. 12th**, at **8:00 pm IN PERSON**, after rosary (7:10 pm) and Mass (7:30 pm).
- **ICON:** St. Joseph ICON will be at St. Michael's April 17 to April 24. We will hopefully have a prayer service during that week, probably Tues. after the 7:30 pm Mass.
- **Priests' Appreciation Dinner:** Westminster Council, 1283, April 25. Details below.

CATCHING UP:

Grand Knight's Report:

Assuming we don't get a spike in Omicron sub-variants, we will have our April council meeting **in person**. This is an exciting time to get together since it has been 2 years without an in-person meeting. Even though many restrictions have been lifted, we should still be careful and follow safety protocols: stay home if you are not well, use masks if you feel more comfortable, keep some distancing and avoid any risks that are possible in a group setting.

Thanks to Brother Peter Au for coordinating 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.

If you have not already done so, please send your annual dues of \$40 to our financial secretary, Alan Wardle, etransfer, paypal, or mail cheque (payable to Knights of Columbus, Council 9246), to: Alan Wardle 302 Richmond Street New Westminster, BC V3L 4B6. Honorary members, over 70 and 25 years with the Knights, dues are \$10, Honorary Life, N/C. We have to pay Supreme for every member of our council, so we rely on the membership dues to cover this cost. Thanks.

Thanks to Brothers Gary Jeannotte, Alain Custeau, and Dave Vela for their work around the parish.

The 2022 State Convention is scheduled for April 22, 23, & 24, and hopefully an in-person event. Early registration, March 2, is \$420, wives free. Brother Peter Au and his wife will be attending from St. Michael's Council.

Vivat Jesus,
John Cabana, GK

Parish Council Update:

St. Michael's parish is now open 100% for all Masses but we are encouraged to follow COVID safety rules, i.e. stay home if you are not well, wear masks if you are comfortable doing so, and keep some distancing to keep everyone safe. 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 b7m1@hotmail.com. If you cannot make your scheduled time, please find a substitute or let Brother Peter know, so that there is always a knowledgeable usher.

Also, if the Mass is getting full, please usher people to an available seat so that no one is left standing at the back of the church. More ushers will be needed for Easter Services, so let Brother Peter know if you can help.

Plans are being made to replace church windows, starting with the basement, to reduce heat loss. Then the furnace and heating system will be reviewed.

Later: -Replace current lighting above the Altar with modern, practical lighting.
 - Recondition the pews and replace current floorcovering.

The Parish Auction will be on-line again this year due to COVID 19; items on-line will be available to bid on from April 11 for 2 weeks until Sat. April 23rd.

Gary Jeannotte

Program Director's Report:

Charity Appeal: This year's Charity Appeal, one of our few fundraisers this year, began Oct. 18th and ended Jan. 29, 2022. Our council received a commission cheque for \$373.80. Due to lower than expected sales, there are no rebates this year. At our last council meeting, we voted to top up this amount to \$400, and donate \$200 to the Ukraine through the Knights of Columbus, and \$200 to our parish food bank. To support the needs of our diocesan Bishop's, there will be another on-line 50/50 raffle, July 1, 2022 to Aug. 13, 2022. More details coming soon.

Pancake Breakfasts: We have not started this yet for safety concerns due to the pandemic. We will keep an eye on the COVID numbers and lifting of restrictions, i.e. vaccination passports for restaurants, etc., and try to open this up again as soon as possible. We also need a new coordinator, preferably with Food Safe, for this activity. Let me (Gary) or GK John Cabana know if you can help with this task.

With spring approaching we are looking at a fundraising campaign I hope all worthy members participate in: our annual "**Pennies for Heaven**" fundraiser. I urge ALL members to set aside loose change for this worthy cause. We have until Convention to collect so let's make the effort to support this worthy cause. Send any donations to me (Gary) or bring your donation to the April council meeting.

I hope everyone is staying healthy,
 Gary Jeannotte

Membership Update:

St. Mary's Vancouver is holding exemplifications on Sat., April 2 after the 5 pm Mass and Sat., June 11, after the 5 pm Mass. Candidates should arrive before 6 pm. Let me know of any candidates that are available to attend.

There is the 1-2-3 combined degrees available 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 June 30, 2022 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:

April 25: Council 1283's annual Clergy and Religious Appreciation Dinner returns
 Time: Cocktails 6:00 PM Dinner 7:00 PM
 Place: St. Peter's Church Hall, 330 Royal Ave, New Westminster
 Tickets: \$35 each. Email, call or text [Rod Giddens](mailto:Rod.Giddens@kofc.org) at 778-888-2724

Please email our GK, John Cabana, if you are planning to attend. He needs to let Brother Rod know by April 10 how many will be attending from St. Michael's. This is always well attended and shows our appreciation for the Priests and Religious in our area.

Alain Custeau

Other News:

The B. C. and Yukon State Council has 14 Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary Program bursaries available at \$1000 each. Applicants must be enrolling in the 1st or subsequent year of higher education. Application forms must be requested from the Bursary Chairman: Herb Yang, 2809 Mara Drive, Coquitlam, BC, V3C 5T9, or email herbykofc@gmail.com. Completed applications must be received by June 30, 2022. For more detail, see www.kofcbc.org.

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



Birthdays in April:

Peter Au, Gilles Deschenes, Pat Krump, Dennis McKenzie, Arc Rajtar, Jacob Rossi, Alan Wardle, Nick Curalli, Rafael Sevilla, Antonio Daling, Richard Golding

Calendar of Events:

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

Apr. 2nd: Exemplification – St. Mary’s Vancouver, 6 pm (after 5 pm Mass)

~~Apr. 3rd: Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 and 10 am Masses; set up 7 am.~~

Apr. 10th: Palm Sunday

Apr. 12th: Knights regular monthly meeting 8 pm, IN PERSON (bring Pennies for Heaven)

Apr. 14th: Holy Thursday

Apr. 15th: Good Friday

Apr. 16th: Holy Saturday

Apr. 17th: Easter Sunday

Apr. 17th: St. Joseph ICON at St. Michael’s for one week

Apr. 19th: St. Joseph ICON prayer service after Tues., 7:30 pm Mass

Apr. 22nd – Apr. 24th: K of C State Convention

Apr. 24th: Divine Mercy Sunday

Apr. 25th: Westminster Council, 1283, Clergy & Religious Appreciation Dinner

May 1st: Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 and 10 am Masses; set up 7 am – tentative

May 8th: Mothers’ Day

May 10th: Knights regular monthly meeting 8 pm, IN PERSON

June 5th: Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 and 10 am Masses; set up 7 am – tentative

June 14th: Knights regular monthly meeting 8 pm, IN PERSON

+++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