



St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



March 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Pancake Breakfast:** Our next Pancake Breakfast will be held on **Sunday, Mar. 6th**, after **8:30 and 10:00 Masses**. **Setup** will be on **Sunday, Mar. 6th**, **at 7am**. Please come and help out if you can.
- **Regular Monthly Meeting:** Our next monthly meeting will be held on **Tuesday, Mar. 8th**, at **8:15 pm via Zoom**.
- **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.
- **Priests' Appreciation Dinner:** Westminster Council, 1283, April 25. Details below.

CATCHING UP:

Grand Knight's Report:

While we are still dealing with COVID-19 and the Omicron variant, we will continue with our council meeting via Zoom; 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, Mar. 8th**, starting at 8:15 pm in case members want to attend the 7:30 pm Mass. Let us pray for the end of this pandemic. Instructions to join the meeting will be coming via a separate email soon.

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:

As requested by Monsignor Rossi, a small group of 6 Knights participated in the Synod questions and discussions via a Zoom meeting, Feb 22. Some points from our discussion have been sent to St. Michael's parish office for consolidation with suggestions from other parish organizations.

St. Michael's parish continues to be open for all Masses with COVID safety rules, i.e. 50% capacity, 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 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.

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.

Plans are underway for the Parish Auction in April, on-line again this year due to COVID 19.

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.

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

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).

I hope everyone is staying healthy,
 Gary Jeannotte

Membership Update:

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](#) at 778-888-2724

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 March:

Lukas Hardjowasito, Gary Jeannotte, Hyunsuk Kim, Sandie Madriaga, Dennis Webster (D), Walter Matiash (D), Phillipp Salvador.

Calendar of Events:

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

Mar. 2nd: Ash Wednesday – beginning of Lent (fast & abstinence)
~~Mar. 6th: Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 and 10 am Masses; set up 7 am.~~
 Mar. 8th: Knights regular monthly meeting via Zoom
 Mar. 13th: Daylight Savings time begins
 Mar. 17th: St. Patrick's Day
 Mar. 25th: Feast of the Annunciation

Apr. 10th: Palm Sunday
Apr. 17th: Easter Sunday
Apr. 17th: St. Joseph ICON at St. Michael's
Apr. 25th: Westminster Council, 1283, Clergy & Religious 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; 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