

St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



May 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Pancake Breakfast: Our next Pancake Breakfast will be held on Sunday, May 8th, after 8:30 and 10:00 Masses. Setup will be on Sunday, May 8th, at 7am. Please come and help out if you can. This is our first pancake breakfast since COVID!
- <u>Regular Monthly Meeting:</u> Our next monthly meeting will be held on <u>Tuesday</u>, May 10th, at 8:00 pm IN PERSON, after rosary (7:10 pm) and Mass (7:30 pm).
- <u>Membership Drive</u>: We will have a Membership Drive on **Sat.** / **Sun.**, **May 14/15** after all the Masses. Pease help out at the Mass you attend, by handing out pamphlets & getting names of potential members.
- Special Olympics Walk-a-thon: Postponed for this year.

CATCHING UP:

Grand Knight's Report:

As we cautiously move forward from the COVID pandemic and variants, we will have our first pancake breakfast since the virus began 2 years ago, on Sunday May 8th, which is also Mother's Day. We will need helpers for setup, cooking, and serving. See details below.

We will have our May council meeting **in person** again this month. 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.

Our council held the Prayer Service with the ICON of St. Joseph on Saturday, April 23, with readings, rosary, and litany of St. Joseph. There were not very many who attended, however; thanks to Brother Tarcisio for doing the readings. See picture below.

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 <u>b7m1@hotmail.com</u>. 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.

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 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, John Cabana, GK

Program Director's Report:

Pancake Breakfasts: As mentioned above, we will be having our Pancake Breakfasts again, starting May 8, Mother's Day, after the 8:30 am and 10 am Masses. Brother Peter Au and Brother Enrico Garrone will be purchasing necessary supplies. Please come out and help with this event after 2 years of not having them due to the pandemic. We will need helpers for setup, cooking, serving, etc. For more details or to confirm your help, phone / email Brother Peter Au (604-808-9882, b7m1@hotmail.com) or Brother Enrico Garrone (604-540-8760, enricog@telus.net). Set-up will be at 7 am.

Pennies for Heaven: Brothers, we collected \$240.36 for our Pennies for Heaven fundraiser. We will submit a cheque for this worthy cause from our council. Thanks to all who contributed.

Charity Appeal: To support the needs of our diocesan Bishops, there will be another on-line 50/50 raffle, July 1, 2022 to Aug. 13, 2022. More details coming soon.

I hope everyone is staying healthy, Gary Jeannotte

Membership Update:

We will have a **membership drive May 14/15** weekend after all the Masses. Please help by handing out pamphlets after Mass and obtaining contact information for any candidates. This is a chance to grow our membership and find worthy candidates for our council.

St. Mary's Vancouver is holding exemplifications on 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 predetermined 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

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 <u>b7m1@hotmail.com</u>. 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..

Approval has been given to replace church windows. Once completed, 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 starting April 19 and closing on Sat. April 30th. Please support this great fundraiser. See our parish bulletin for more details.

Gary Jeannotte

Fourth Degree:

April 25: Council 1283's annual Clergy and Religious Appreciation Dinner was held. Fourth Degree members served the dinner. This was a wonderful way to show our appreciation for the Priest's 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.

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Birthdays in May:

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

Calendar of Events:

May 8th: Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 and 10 am Masses; set up 7 am

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 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