

St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



February 2023

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- <u>Pancake Breakfast:</u> Next Pancake Breakfast will be held on Sunday, Feb. 5th, after 8:30 and 10:00 Masses. Setup will be on Feb. 5th, 7am. Please come and help out if you can.
- <u>Pot Luck Dinner:</u> The next Pot Luck dinner will be on *Saturday, Feb. 11th*, in the Parish Centre; set up at 1 pm. Bring your favourite dish to share and BYOB. Valentine's theme.
- <u>Regular Monthly Meeting:</u> Our next monthly meeting will be held on *Tuesday, Feb. 14th*, at 8:00 pm IN PERSON, after rosary (7:10 pm) and Mass (7:30 pm).
- <u>Charity Appeal</u>: The Fall/Winter Charity Appeal with Early Bird draws, began October 1, 2022 and ended January 28, 2023. Details below.

CATCHING UP:

Grand Knight's Report:

Our last pancake breakfast on Jan. 8 was quite successful. Thanks to everyone who came out and helped. Well done!

Our next pancake breakfast will be on Feb. 5, after the 8:30 and 10 am Masses. Please come and help if you are able.

Thanks to everyone who bought or sold Charity Appeal tickets this year. It is a great fund raiser and rebates for our council are directed to St. Michael's food bank. See winners below.

Thanks to all who continue to help with the ushering for Sunday Masses.

We will have our next council meeting on Tues. Feb. 14 **in person.** 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.

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 65 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. Parish Centre Christmas lights and Keep Christ in Christmas sign have been taken down. 2

Also thanks to Brother Terry Duggan who once again is putting together the semi-annual audit for July – Dec. 2022.

The 2023 State Convention is scheduled for April 28, 29, & 30, an in-person event. Early registration, by March 17, is \$450, wives \$100. Usually 2 members attend, with 2 alternates named just in case. Our GK Enrico and DGK Peter have agreed to attend.

Vivat Jesus,

John Cabana, PGK, St. Michael's Council 9246

Council Details:

Pancake Breakfasts: Our next pancake breakfast will be on Feb. 5, after the 8:30 and 10 am Masses with setup at 7 am. For more details phone / email Brother Peter Au (604-808-9882, b7m1@hotmail.com).

Pot Luck Dinner: The next Pot Luck dinner will be on *Saturday, Feb. 11th*, in the Parish Centre, 6:30 cocktails, dinner 7 pm, with set up at 1 pm. Theme is Valentine's Day; bring your favourite dish to share and BYOB.

Charity Appeal: The Fall/Winter Charity Appeal raffle ran Oct. 1, 2022 to Jan. 28, 2023. Our council ranked 21 with 654 tickets sold, almost 10 tickets per member. Any rebates or commission will go to our parish food bank; rebate information will be available soon.

Charity Appeal Grand Prize Winners – January 28, 2023

Name of Winner	Ticket Number	Sold by Council #	
2023 Toyota RAV4 XLE – Reno Ouano	375789	9534	
\$30,000 – GG Francisco	293802	10681	
\$10,000 – Joseph DeSousa	644331	10889	
\$5,000 – Susan Dievert	152790	9990	

Pennies for Heaven: 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.

<u>Membership Update:</u>

There are no in-person exemplifications scheduled at this time. We are hoping that some of our candidates who have joined the Knights on-line, will eventually move to our council.

There is also 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. New Promo Code is BLESSEDMCGIVNEY for this year. 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.

Replacement of the church windows is now completed. Next the current lighting above the Altar will be replaced with modern LED lighting.

Later (spring / summer): - Recondition the pews and replace current floorcovering.

Fourth Degree:

Looking for new members to sign up. There is a Fourth Degree Exemplification of Patriotism, Sunday, Feb. 26, 2023, 10:30 am, St. Mary's Parish, Vancouver.

Also are you interested to join Brother Alain in ordering the new uniform? Contact Brother Alain Custeau (604-522-0485, <u>custeau@telus.net</u>).

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



Birthdays in February:

George Avelar, Matthew Cabana, John Ellerman (D), Warner Fernandes, Dave Fremantle, Enrico Garrone, Kevin Kim, Tom McCloskey (D), Bruce McLean, Bob Murphie, John Todd (D)

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Calendar of Events:

Jan. 28th: 8 pm - Charity Appeal ticket sales closed Jan. 28th: 8:01 pm – Charity Appeal ticket draw

Feb. 2nd: Feast of the Presentation of The Lord
Feb. 5th: Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 and 10 am Masses; set-up 7 am.
Feb. 14th: Knights regular monthly meeting
Feb. 14th: St. Valentine's Day
Feb. 20th: Family Day
Feb. 22nd: Ash Wednesday – beginning of Lent
Feb. 26th: First Sunday of Lent

+++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:

Kay Blair; Robert Costa; Lloyd Gerson; Mary Glavin; Herman Haffner; Stan & Carol March; Jamie & Paul McCloskey; Bruce McLean; Peggy MacDonald; Tony Patrick; Linda Viani; Anne Whittey; Paula Whire

MARY, HEALTH OF THE SICK; PRAY FOR US