

# St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



# January 2023

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- Pancake Breakfast: Next Pancake Breakfast will be held on Sunday, Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>, after 8:30 and 10:00 Masses. Setup will be on Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>, 7am. Please come and help out if you can.
- <u>Regular Monthly Meeting:</u> Our next monthly meeting will be held on *Tuesday*, *Jan.* 10<sup>th</sup>, 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 ends *January 28*, 2023. Please support this fund-raiser with rebates going to our parish food bank. Details below.

#### **CATCHING UP:**

#### Grand Knight's Report:

Our long-time member, Brother Brian Ennis, passed away Dec. 27. Brian contributed greatly to our council holding several positions including Treasurer. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Edie, and family.

The St. Nick pancake breakfast on Dec. 11 was very successful, with our Grand Knight, Brother Enrico being St. Nick again this year. Thanks to all who helped with the setup of the trees and stage, cooking and serving our pancake breakfast, clean-up, etc. Thanks also to Brother Moreno who was the photographer for pictures with St. Nick. Well done! See pictures below.

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

Thanks to all who helped with the ushering over Christmas.

We will have our next council meeting on Tues. Jan. 10 **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.

Happy New Year to everyone, John Cabana, PGK, St. Michael's Council 9246











#### Council Details:

**Pancake Breakfasts:** Our next pancake breakfast will be on Jan 8, 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).

Thanks to Brothers Alain & Gary and others who helped sell raffle tickets for the Christmas Gift Baskets. A total of \$700 was raised for St. Michael's Food Bank + \$250 Costco donation. Winners were: Chris Holmes, Rick Folka, Clarissa, and Antonio Darling. Antonio donated his prize to a worthy parishioner.

**Charity Appeal**: The Fall/Winter Charity Appeal raffle runs Oct. 1, 2022 to Jan. 28. 2023. This will be on-line again this year at <a href="https://www.kofcdraw.net/C9246">www.kofcdraw.net/C9246</a>. \$100,000 in prizes: first prize is a 2023 Toyota Rav4, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$30,000, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$10,000, 4<sup>th</sup> \$5,000. Early Bird prizes: Nov. 28 - 4x\$1000, Dec 19 - 4x\$1000. Get your tickets, \$5 each, on-line soon for the Final draw; tell family and friends.

December 19<sup>th</sup> Early Bird Winners (4 Prizes of \$1000): Maria de la Angeles Gonzales, ticket 561167, from Delta Marcelito Vineles, ticket 665661, from Abbotsford Colin Jones, ticket 225302, from Victoria Rudy Antonio, ticket 283152, from Surrey



# Membership Update:

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

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



## Birthdays in January:

Benny Castres, Michael de Faria Neves, Joseph Klikach (D), Larry Krystolovich, Tim Salvacion (D), Chester Ostonal, Dave Vela, & Donald Hill

# Calendar of Events:

Jan. 1st: Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God; Happy New Year

Jan. 8th: Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 and 10 am Masses; set-up Jan. 8, 7 am.

Jan. 10th: Knights regular monthly meeting, 8:00 pm after rosary 7:10 and Mass 7:30

Jan. 28th: 8 pm - Charity Appeal ticket sales close

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

Jan. - 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:

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