

St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



March 2023

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- <u>Pancake Breakfast:</u> Next Pancake Breakfast will be held on **Sunday**, **Mar.** 5th, after 8:30 and 10:00 Masses. Setup will be on **Mar.** 5th, 7am. Please come and help out if you can.
- Pot Luck Dinner: None March or April. Next will be May. Details later.
- <u>Regular Monthly Meeting:</u> Our next monthly meeting will be held on *Tuesday, Mar. 14th*, at **8:00 pm**, after rosary (7:10 pm) and Mass (7:30 pm).
- Lenten Retreat: Saturday, Mar. 25. See further details in the parish bulletin.
- <u>Priests' Appreciation Dinner:</u> St. Peter's, Westminster Council, 1283, *Monday, Apr. 17*. Details below.

CATCHING UP:

Grand Knight's Report:

Our next pancake breakfast will be on Mar. 5, after the 8:30 and 10 am Masses. Some of our members are on vacation or unable to be there, so please come and help if you are available.

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. We are waiting to see what our commission / rebate will be.

We will have our next council meeting on Tues. Mar. 14. 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 all who continue to help with the ushering for Sunday Masses. Also, thanks to Brothers Gary Jeannotte, Alain Custeau, and Dave Vela for their work around the parish.

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 is not able to attend, so Brother Coral Kopchia and DGK Peter Au 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 Mar. 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: Not this month. We will talk about this at our next council meeting since attendance at these dinners is very low.

Charity Appeal: The Fall/Winter Charity Appeal raffle ran Oct. 1, 2022 to Jan. 28, 2023. Our council ranked 23 with 675 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

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N	Name of Winner	Ticket Number	Sold by Council #	
2	023 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.

Membership Update:

A combined 1-2-3 exemplification was held on Feb. 25 at Our Lady of Assumption in Port Coquitlam. Welcome Brother Henry Angkasa to our council. Also congratulations to Brother Antonio Daling who completed his 2nd and 3rd degree at the same time. See pictures below.

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. Lighting upgrades and painting has started. Later (spring / summer): - Recondition the pews and replace current floorcovering.

Plans are underway for the Parish Auction, Sat., April 22, 2023; theme is "Fun in the Sun". Keep this date in mind, since the Knights are usually asked to run the bar.

Fourth Degree:

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

April 17: Council 1283's annual Clergy and Religious Appreciation Dinner

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

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

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 by June 1, 2023 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, 2023. For more detail, see www.kofcbc.org.

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Birthdays in March:

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

Calendar of Events:

Mar. 5th: Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 and 10 am Masses; set-up 7 am.

Mar. 12th: Daylight Savings time begins Mar. 14th: Knights regular monthly meeting

Mar. 17th: St. Patrick's Day

Mar. 20th: Solemnity of St. Joseph, husband of Mary and Patron of Canada

Mar. 25th: Lenten Retreat / Day of Recollection at St. Michael's

Mar. 25th: Feast of the Annunciation

Apr. 2nd: Palm Sunday Apr. 9th: Easter Sunday

Apr. 17th: Westminster Council, 1283, Clergy & Religious Appreciation Dinner

Apr. 22nd: Saturday, Parish Auction Apr. 28, 29, 30: State Convention

+++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