

St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



May 2023

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- <u>Pancake Breakfast:</u> Our next Pancake Breakfast will be held on **Sunday**, **April** 30th, after 8:30 and 10:00 Masses. **Setup** will be on **Sunday**, **April** 30th, at 7am. Please come and help out if you can. Other dates in May were not possible.
- <u>Regular Monthly Meeting:</u> Our next monthly meeting will be held on *Tuesday, May 9th*, at **8:00 pm**, after rosary (7:10 pm) and Mass (7:30 pm).
- <u>Altar Boys' Appreciation Day:</u> June 3rd, starting with Mass at 9 am, then Rev's Bowling and back to the parish for lunch and games. Please come and help. Details below.
- **Pot Luck Dinner:** Next Pot-Luck dinner will be **June 10**th combined with knights' annual awards as we used to do before COVID. Details below.

CATCHING UP:

Grand Knight's Report:

Thanks to everyone who helped with ushering over Easter. The services were very beautiful as always. And thanks to all who continue to help with the ushering for Sunday Masses.

To all who helped with the bar at the Parish Auction, Sat., April 22, thank you; theme was "Fun in the Sun". Thanks to Brother Peter Au who stepped up to coordinate the knight's involvement.

Thanks to DGK Peter Au and Brother Coral Kopchia for attending the 2023 State Convention on April 28, 29, & 30, an in-person event.

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. Brother Bob Murphie will conduct 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, PGK, St. Michael's Council 9246

Council Details:

Pancake Breakfasts: Our next pancake breakfast will be April 30, after the 8:30 and 10 am Masses with setup at 7 am. Dates in May were not working out, so April 30 was decided. Since Brother Peter will be attending the State Convention at the same time, the coordinator for this month is GK Enrico (604-540-8760, enricog@telus.net), with help from Brother Moreno Rossi.

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 at the State Convention.

Altar Boy Appreciation Day: Saturday, June 3rd. After 9 am Mass, we will drive the boys to REV's Bowling as was done in the past, then back to the parish for some games and lunch. Please come and help as we need drivers, cooks for lunch, game organizers. GK Enrico is the coordinator.

Pot Luck Dinner: Our next Pot-Luck will be on **June 10th** combined with an Awards night. Please make an effort to come to this event since previous pot-luck dinners were poorly attended; a lot of work goes into having this evening, so we hope for a better turnout on June 10th: 6:30 pm cocktails, 7 pm dinner. Bring your favourite dish to share and BYOB.

Membership Update:

We will have a **membership drive in June, tentatively June 10/11** 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.

We still have some members who have signed up on-line but have not completed their exemplification. We will follow up with them and try to find a ceremony that fits their schedule.

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 and painting have now been completed. Lighting upgrades have also been done and look great.

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

The Parish Auction was Sat., April 22, 2023; theme was "Fun in the Sun". Knights were able to rally and help with the bar. Thanks to those who obtained their "Serve It Right" certification at the

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last moment so we could make this all happen. Special thanks to Brother Peter Au for stepping up to coordinate this event.

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).

April 17: 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. GK Enrico and Brother Alain attended with their wives along with honoured guests Monsignor Rossi and Father DePaul.



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 May:

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

Calendar of Events:

Apr. 28th: Confirmation at St. Michael's

Apr. 28, 29, 30: State Convention

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

May 9th: Knights regular monthly meeting 8 pm

May 14th: Mothers' Day

May 28th: First Communion at St. Michael's

May 29th: May Procession

June 3rd: Altar Boys' Appreciation Day

June 4th: Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 and 10 am Masses; set up 7 am

June 10th: Pot-Luck / Awards, 6:30 pm cocktails, 7 pm dinner

June 10th& 11th: Membership Drive at St. Michael's, all Masses – tentative

+++Pray for PRIESTS, BROTHERS, and SISTERS ... They need us - we need them++++

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<u>REMEMBER TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:</u>



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