



St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



July / August / Sept 2016

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Parish Picnic:** The annual St. Michael's parish picnic will be held on *Sunday, August 28*, behind the Parish Centre, starting after the noon Mass. Bring something for the barbeque. We may be asked to help out with games for the children, if anyone is available.
- **Pot Luck Dinner:** The next Pot-Luck dinner will be on *Saturday, Sept. 10* in the parish centre with *social at 6:00pm* and *dinner at 7:00pm*. Bring your favourite dish to share. Please come and reconnect with our members for the new fraternal year. Set up will be at *10:00 am*, back to the original time!
- **Pancake Breakfast:** Our next Pancake Breakfast will be held on *Sunday, Sept 11*, after *8:30 and 10:00 Masses*. *Setup* will start on *Sunday, at 7:00 am*. Please come and help out on this first Pancake Breakfast of the new term.
- **Regular Monthly Meeting:** Our next monthly meeting will be held on *Tuesday, Sept 13th*, at *8:00 pm*, after Rosary for the Sick (*7:10*) and Mass (*7:30*).
- **Parish Feast Day:** The annual Parish Feast Day dinner/dance will be on *Sat., Sept 24th*. The Knights will be cooking chicken and Italian sausages. Details in the Program Director's report.

CATCHING UP:

Grand Knight's Report:

Brothers, I hope everyone is having a good summer and taking a bit of time to relax. Congratulations to Brother Chad Ciavarrro and his wife Danielle on the birth of their daughter, Mia, in June, while my wife, Bernice, and I welcomed our first grandchild, Jacqueline Donna, born May 31.

Thanks to Brother Gilles for filling in for me at the June council meeting, since I was in Winnipeg, visiting my daughter and granddaughter. Also thanks to Brother Bob Murphie for running the election of officers for the next term.

It is with sadness that I am announcing that our Financial Secretary, Dave Fremantle, wishes to "step down" after 25 years of service to our council.

He has contributed a great deal to our council keeping all the membership records in order and corresponding with Supreme as needed. Thanks, Dave, for all your hard work over the years. I am hoping he will still be an active member of our council, perhaps in a less demanding capacity, as well as mentoring the new Financial Secretary.

I am very pleased to announce that Brother Alan Wardle has agreed to take the position of Financial Secretary of our council (pending State approval).

Brother Alan is a third degree member and is anxious to get more involved with our council. Although retired from TELUS, Alan is president of the Hyack Festival Association. (Welcome to retirement, Alan!) Brother Alan will be an excellent addition to our executive. Of course, we are relying on Brother Dave Fremantle to help with the transition and to be a great mentor for Brother Alan. Again, Dave, thanks for all your work with our council as Financial Secretary for the past many years.

Please support the new executive for the 2016/2017 Fraternal year:

Grand Knight:	John Cabana
Financial Secretary:	Alan Wardle
Deputy Grand Knight:	Gilles Deschenes
Recorder:	Peter Finnegan
Treasurer:	Tarcisio Rossi
Chancellor:	Gary Jeannotte
Advocate:	Bob Murphie
Warden:	Dennis Webster
Inside Guard:	Chad Ciavarro
Outside Guard:	Brian Ennis
Trustee 3 years:	Bruce McLean
Trustee 2 years:	Michael de Faria Neves
Trustee 1 year:	Enrico Garrone
Lecturer:	Fergus Savage

Also, please support:

Program Director:	Bruce McLean
Membership Director:	Gary Jeannotte
Church Director:	Fergus Savage
Culture of Life Director:	Pat Krump

Please welcome our new District Deputy, Robin Smith, past Grand Knight of St. Peter's council. Brother Robin replaces Brother Raymund Siglos, who has taken a position with State. In the near future, Brother Robin would like to form a Second Degree team for our district; if anyone is interested in becoming a member of this Second Degree team, please let me or Robin know.

Congratulations to our new members who have taken their Admission (First) degree in the Knights of Columbus: Tony Patrick on June 5; Paul Savage and Michael Charron on June 22 – welcome to St. Michael's Council 9246.

Also, congratulations to the following members who have completed their Knighthood (Third) degree: Joe Alexander and Charles Phoday on July 30 in Langley.

On Thursday, June 23, at the Gr. 7 farewell reception, I presented the 2 Ernie Crocock scholarships of \$250 each to Sean Hernandez and Charlotte Cho. They are both planning to attend St. Thomas More Collegiate next year. I would like to thank Brother Gary for making up the certificates for these awards.

A big thank you to all who came out to help build the walkway around the parish centre on Saturday, July 23, and Thursday, July 21. Thanks to Brother Alain for coordinating this effort.

Please remember in your prayers Tony Arruda, a long-time parishioner at St. Michael's, who passed away in July.

Also, please remember in your prayers, Andrew Garisto, son of Michael Garisto, who is having some medical problems.

Looking forward to the next fraternal year; first council meeting Sept 13, 2016.

Vivat Jesus,
John Cabana, GK

Program Director's Report:

Welcome back Worthy Brothers to our Knights of Columbus new term for 2016 / 2017, I hope that everyone had a pleasurable and enjoying summer with your families. Our council has had some success at recruiting members to take responsibilities as executive members of our council. As everyone knows our long time Financial Secretary Dave Fremantle has elected to not take that position for another year. It is with great sadness that we accept Dave's resignation and thank him for his past 25 years in the position of Financial Secretary for our council. As you can imagine we will have very large shoes to fill. Dave did his job with dedication and also made our council operate with great success, addressing all our concerns and that of State and Supreme councils. I personally thank Dave for his help when I was Grand Knight of St Michael's council. Our council will not be able to continue if this position is not filled. Now that said please remember that all positions on our council's executive are not by any means full time jobs. They are done by volunteers in every council and every council is operated in the same manner. If you are approached to take a job please consider these two things, first these positions are in many ways a means of learning things to better yourself and two they are positions that give us opportunities to work/help our fellow parishioners and our church/community.

During this summer we did have a group of Knights do some work around the parish centre such as build a new patio stone walk way. This walkway gives access to the patio in the back of the centre from the entrance to the Parish Centre Hall in the basement. It improves access for the elderly and physically impaired by not having to walk on the grass that was there previously. At the time that was done we also had members working cleaning the Parish Centre gutters which, because of the difficulty to do that work, had started to grow many weeds. For some this weed garden may mean that Catholics are very conscious of the environment and promote this type of roof top garden but our Monsignor Rossi could not agree that invasive weeds should be part of his environment. The job was not completed at that time because of the effort to get up on the roof without proper harness and rope to tie a person off to eliminate any chance of a fall. There is work on St. Michael's school scheduled and a lift truck will be used which will also give the Knights the ability to access those gutters that could not be done and thereby completing the job. Unfortunately I will be away the last two weeks of August and not there to help with that or with the Parish Picnic so I am looking for help to do the things that I would have normally been a big part of.

Sept 10th we will have a Pot Luck Dinner in the Parish Centre. The set up will go back to our original time of 10:00 AM as I could not get much help to set up for the dinners at 5:00 PM.

Pot Luck Dinners are a means for the membership and our friends to meet and socialize together. All that is required for you to attend is make and bring a dish that will feed yourself along with a couple others. Remember that you are not feeding everyone and when many attend there is always a great selection of different foods that can be enjoyed by most. This is a great way new members can

get to know others in our council and parish, so come out and join us. Please note that we do have coffee and tea but if you would like to enjoy a bottle of wine bring what you like. Please note that because there is the Parish feast Day Sept 24th we will not have a Pot Luck dinner in October

Sept 11th will be the Knights Pancake Breakfast. Please make yourself available to help setting up and serving the public.

Sept 24th Parish Feast Day, the Knights will be cooking the main course for the dinner. It will consist of chicken parts and Italian sausage. Depending on the weather our start time will be 12:00 noon if weather is not too good but if it is nice we'll start at 1:00 PM. This job does not take a lot of people but certainly a few is imperative.

Oct 2nd there is a Knights Pancake Breakfast.

Thank You gentlemen, look forward to seeing you working together with our executive making our St. Michael's a great place for us and our parishioners.

Bruce McLean

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



Birthdays in July:

Leo Guacher, Tar Rossi,
Joe Alexander, Terry Duggan

Birthdays in August:

Michael Cabana, Alain Custeau
Edmund Kim, Johnny Rodriguez & Moreno Rossi,
Peter Finnegan, Edmond Kim, Paul Savage

Birthdays in September:

Herman Haffner & Monsignor Rossi.

Calendar of Events:

August 28th: Parish Picnic after the noon Mass. Bring something for the bbq.

Sept. 10th: Pot-luck dinner – Parish Centre. Bring your favourite dish to share.

Sept. 11th: Pancake Breakfast / set up at 7:00 am.

Sept. 13th: Knights regular monthly meeting

Sept. 24th: Parish Feast Day dinner / dance

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

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Please pray for the sick in our Parish:

Bill & Kay Blair; Al Boire; Eileen Cassidy; Andrew Garisto; Bonny Gerson; Lloyd Gerson; Mary Glavin; Leo Gaucher; Herman Haffner; John La Berge; Stan & Carol March; Wayne Marshall; Tom, Pat, Jamie & Paul McCloskey; Kathy McLean; Edmond Kim; Kenneth Klikach; Anibal Ibarra; Peggy MacDonald; John Todd; Linda Viani; Pat Welsh; Anne Whittey; Gordon Zelko; Father John Swinkels; Fathers Basil Foote, Stan Frytek, David Hughes, Joseph Thoai Le, and

Bill Somerville & Br. Tom Maddix; Paula Whire and GK Robert Tan of St. Francis de Sales Council 8853

MARY, HEALTH OF THE SICK; PRAY FOR US