



## *St. Michael's Council 9246* **NEWSLETTER**



*April 2024*

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- **Pancake Breakfast:** Our next Pancake Breakfast will be held on **Sunday, Apr. 7<sup>th</sup>**, after **8:30 and 10:00 Masses**. **Setup** will be on **Sunday, Apr. 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 am**. Please come and help out if you can.
- **Priests' Appreciation Dinner:** St. Peter's, Westminster Council, 1283, **Monday, Apr. 8**. Details below.
- **Regular Monthly Meeting:** Our next monthly meeting will be held on **Tuesday, Apr. 9<sup>th</sup>**, at **8:00 pm**, after rosary (7:10 pm) and Mass (7:30 pm).

### **CATCHING UP:**

#### **Council News & Details:**

Thanks also to those who helped with the Lenten Day of Recollection on March 9, especially Brother Tarcisio Rossi who coordinated the luncheon.

Thanks to all who continue to help with ushering, especially over Easter.

Our next council meeting will be on **Tues, Apr. 9<sup>th</sup>**, after rosary (7:10 pm) and Mass (7:30 pm), Please come out and support our council and parish.

Annual dues notices 2024 were sent out Dec. 15; please send your annual dues of \$40 to our financial secretary, Alan Wardle, etransfer ([alan.wardle@telus.net](mailto:alan.wardle@telus.net)), paypal, or mail cheque (payable to Knights of Columbus, Council 9246), to: Alan Wardle, 302 Richmond Street, New Westminster, BC V3L 4B6.

With Credit Card "Square" you can now process your dues at our Pancake breakfast Apr. 7. Or E-Mail Brother Alan with Credit Card number, Exp. Date, and CVV. Or Call him (604-525-8081) to arrange cash drop off.

Thanks to Brother Gary and others who helped with the church grounds cleanup. See picture below.



**Pancake Breakfasts:** Our last pancake breakfast, Mar. 3, was quite successful, especially since there was the First Communion program (8:30 Mass) and Rite of Initiation (10:00 Mass). Thanks to everyone who stepped up to help since it was very busy. .

Our next pancake breakfast will be on **Apr. 7<sup>th</sup>**, after the 8:30 and 10 am Masses with setup Apr. 7 at 7 am. Please come and help if you are able! For more details phone / email Brother Peter Au (604-808-9882, [b7m1@hotmail.com](mailto:b7m1@hotmail.com)).

**State Convention:**

The 2024 State Convention is scheduled for April 26, 27, & 28, an in-person event. We took advantage of the early registration with price reduction by March 15. Usually 2 members attend, with 2 alternates named just in case. Our GK Peter will attend with Brother Coral Kopchia, but we need 2 names as alternates in case they are unable to attend.

**Charity Appeal:** We should find out our commission for Charity Appeal at the State Convention.

**Pot Luck Dinner:**

There was not enough interest to have a Pot Luck dinner on April 6, as suggested at our last council meeting, so stay tuned for a future date for a Pot Luck or catered dinner. Also, Brother Enrico is organizing a “fun night” in May; more to follow.

**Altar Boy Appreciation Day:** Tentative date Saturday, June 1. Possibly to REV’s Bowling as was done in the past, then back to the parish for some games and lunch or snacks.

**Membership Update:**

Free 1st year’s membership has been extended to June 30. Tell your eligible Catholic friends to go to [kofc.org/join](http://kofc.org/join) and use the promo code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY.

**Parish Council Update:**

Brother Gary is looking at replacing the Keep Christ in Christmas sign using new marine grade plywood.

Parish Auction is on April 20. Knights will be helping with the bar.

**Fourth Degree:**

We are always looking for new members, so please consider joining the Fourth Degree.

**April 8:** 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 from the Bursary Chairman: Christopher Chen, #333-1231 Pacific Blvd, Vancouver, BC V6Z 0E2 Email: [chrischen.kofc@gmail.com](mailto:chrischen.kofc@gmail.com). Completed applications must be received by June 30, 2024. For more detail, see [www.kofcbc.org](http://www.kofcbc.org).

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



### ***Birthdays in April:***

Peter Au, Gilles Deschenes, Pat Krump, Dennis McKenzie, Arc Rajtar, Jacob Rossi, Alan Wardle, Nick Curalli, Rafael Sevilla, Antonio Daling, Richard Golding

### **Calendar of Events:**

Apr. 7<sup>th</sup>: Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 and 10 am Masses; set-up 7 am.

Apr. 8<sup>th</sup>: Feast of the Annunciation

Apr. 8<sup>th</sup>: Westminster Council, 1283, Clergy & Religious Appreciation Dinner

Apr. 9<sup>th</sup>: Knights regular monthly meeting

Apr. 20<sup>th</sup>: Saturday, Parish Auction – Knights to help with the bar.

Apr. 26, 27, 28: State Convention

May 5<sup>th</sup>: Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 and 10 am Masses; set up 7 am

May 12<sup>th</sup>: Mothers' Day

May 14<sup>th</sup>: Knights regular monthly meeting 8 pm

June 1<sup>st</sup>: Tentative Altar Boys' Appreciation Day

June 2<sup>nd</sup>: Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 and 10 am Masses; set up 7 am

**+++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; Michael deFaria Neves; Lloyd & Bernice Gerson; Mary Glavin; Herman Haffner; Stan & Carol March; Jamie & Paul McCloskey; Peggy MacDonald; Linda Viani; Anne Whittey; Paula Whire

**MARY, HEALTH OF THE SICK; PRAY FOR US**