

St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



May 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- <u>Pancake Breakfast:</u> Our next Pancake Breakfast will be held on **Sunday**, **May** 5th, after 8:30 and 10:00 Masses. Setup will be on **Sunday**, May 5th at 7 am. Please come and help out if you can.
- <u>Regular Monthly Meeting:</u> Our next monthly meeting will be held on *Tuesday*, <u>May 14</u>th, at **8:00 pm**, after rosary (7:10 pm) and Mass (7:30 pm).
- <u>Council Fun Night:</u> St. Michael's Parish Centre, *Friday May 17th*, starting at 6 pm; all council members are invited. Details below.
- <u>Altar Boys' Appreciation Day:</u>- June 1st, starting with Mass at 9 am, then bowling and back to the parish for lunch and games. Please come and help. Details below.

CATCHING UP:

Council News & Details:

1. Parish Auction

The Parish Auction was very successful. GK Brother Peter Au, FS Brother Alan Wardle and Brother Ian William helped run the cash bar.

2. Clergy Appreciation Dinner

Monsignor Rossi, accompanied by GK Peter Au and his wife, Jany, attended the Clergy Appreciation Dinner organized by St. Peter's Council #1283 and served by 4th degrees. Monsignor Rossi offered grace before the dinner. Event was well attended by priests, brothers and sisters of the area, including recently installed Bishop Michael Kwiatkowski of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of New Westminster. State Deputy Brother Herb Yang also attended. See picture below.

3. Easter Ushering

Many responded to the request to help with the Easter ushering. A special thanks to all who came and helped during the Easter Triduum, especially to our 4th degrees who dressed in format attire.

4. State Convention

113th BC and Yukon State Convention was held on Apr 26-28 in Richmond. Our council was represented by our Delegates, GK Brother Peter Au and Trustee Brother Coral Kopchia (and their wives). The Convention was very successful. All State Officers were re-elected in the AGM. Various issues and topics had been discussed during the 3-day Convention especially Charity Appeal and COR. The State Deputy Banquet was well attended including

Archbishop of Vancouver, Bishop of Kamloops, Bishop of Prince George, and Bishop of Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of New Westminster. All 7 dioceses in our jurisdiction received a cheque of considerable amount from the donation to the Pennies for Heaven program specifically for vocation related works. We also received a recognition certificate for our donation to Canadian Wheelchair foundation.

5. Pancake Breakfasts

Our last pancake breakfast, Apr. 7, was quite successful. Thanks to everyone who came to help.

Our next pancake breakfast will be on May 5th, after the 8:30 and 10 am Masses with setup May 5 at 7 am.

All gross profit will help run our council and help fund all our charity causes. Please come and help if you are able! For more details phone / email GK Brother Peter Au (604-808-9882, peteraukofc@hotmail.com). Note GK Peter's new email address.

6. Charity Appeal

We received \$129 in commission. Thanks everyone who helped with selling the tickets. Next Charity Appeal will run from Oct 1st to Dec 14th. Stay tuned as we are looking to change a few selling strategies to improve our sales.

7. Fun Night

Brother Enrico Garrone is organizing a "fun night" for our council members on Friday, May 17, from 6 pm to whenever, in the Parish Centre. Please mark down in your calendar. RSVP is needed as food and drinks will be provided (enricog@telus.net). There will be Karaoke, games, socializing and more. Please see the poster below for detail information.

8. Altar Boy Appreciation Day

Saturday, June 1 with Mass at 9 am then bowing as was done in the past, then back to the parish for some games (soccer, balloon toss, etc.) and lunch, watermelon, snacks. Please let Enrico know if you can help, especially those with the Safe Environment course.

9. Council Officers Election

We are looking for more members to join our executive team. Being a council officer, you would be able to get the firsthand information of various council activities and programs, and help making important decisions. We are constantly needing new ideas, visions and inputs to improve our council services to our parish and various charity causes. Now is the opportunity to put forward your brilliant talents by taking part in our election of new officers for the next fraternity year. If you are interested, please contact GK Peter Au at 604-808-9882, peteraukofc@hotmail.com. Elections will be at the June council meeting. Here are the descriptions of each position:

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.





Parish Work Update:

Thanks for Brother Alain for helping with various handyman jobs around parish ground. Brother Gary is looking at replacing the Keep Christ in Christmas sign using new marine grade plywood.

Our next council meeting will be on **Tues, May 14**th, after rosary (7:10 pm) and Mass (7:30 pm), Please come out and support our council and parish.





KNIGHTS FUN NIGHT



May 17, 2024 6:00 pm Parish Centre



Join your fellow Brothers for a fun night of:

Karaoke
Card games
Board games
and great company

Please rsvp Enrico enricog@telus.net



Membership Update:

Free 1st year's membership has been extended to June 30. Tell your eligible Catholic friends to go to kofc.org/join and use the promo code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY.

Fourth Degree:

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

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

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. Completed applications must be received by June 30, 2024. For more detail, see www.kofcbc.org.

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



Birthdays in May:

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

Calendar of Events:

Apr. 26, 27, 28: State Convention

Apr. 30th: Confirmation at St. Michael's

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

May 12th: Mothers' Day

May 14th: Knights regular monthly meeting 8 pm

May 26th: First Communion at St. Michael's

May 27th: May Procession

June 1st: Altar Boys' Appreciation Day

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

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

June ??th: 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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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