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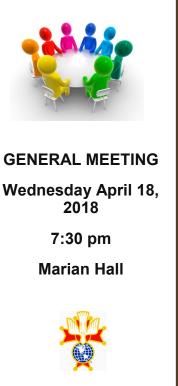
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SIR JAMES MONTAGUE RECEIVES **BENEMERENTI MEDAL**

On Sunday March 4th Sir James Montague received the Benemerenti Medal, an honour conferred by Pope Francis. The Benemerenti Medal is an honour awarded by the Pope to members of the clergy and laity for service to the Catholic Church. The Medal was first established in 1834. The Benemerenti Medal was presented during a celebration of the



Liturgy of the Word at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. During the same celebration others parishioners from the Diocese were also honoured. A number of priests were also conferred by the Holy Father the title of Monsignor including Father Victor McNamara, Father Peter Coughlin and Father Paul Boucher.



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FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR'S REPORT

S.K. Andrew Eckstein



Happy Easter to all Sir Knights ! Having just returned from the warm weather of beautiful Barbados during March break, I feel completely recharged while my suntan fades quickly with each passing day.

Similar to the past few months my message to all Sir Knights is simply to remember the importance of our upcoming confirmations during the month of April. We have two planned for St. Andrew's on April 7th, and another two planned at St. Dominic's on April 28, 2018. Please sign up on line, or kindly give notification via email so our commanders have a good idea exactly how many will be attending.

We received notification this week one of our commanders will be stepping back in their responsibilities therefore if anyone would like to take on this role for our assembly please contact our Senior Commander David Fisher, or your Faithful Navigator to discuss. The role of the commander would be to wear our purple colors, become familiar with our protocol, and help to organize our team of Sir Knights before our various events. We currently have purple regalia available in our inventory for your use including cape and chapeau.

Overall, our assembly continues to be challenged with Sir Knights attendance at monthly meetings, and involvement with various events for the assembly. This is not uncommon throughout other assemblies in Ontario due to the aging of our membership, and the majority of Sir Knights preference to be less active for various personal reasons. We are very fortunate to have a great team at Bishop Redding Assembly 1981. For all who are currently on the executive team, and also those who assist on a regular basis, your support is always most appreciated.

Please consider joining us at our next meeting on April 18, 2018 starting at 7:30pm, and if you have available time, also consider joining our team at one of our upcoming confirmations at St. Andrew's or St. Dominic's parish.

Vivat Jesus,

Andrew Eckstein, Faithful Navigator Bishop Paul F. Reding Assembly 1981 Knights of Columbus



URBI ET ORBI: DEATH, FEAR DO NOT HAVE THE LAST WORD, POPE SAYS

By <u>Cindy Wooden, Catholic News Service</u> VATICAN – Easter makes it clear that in the life of Jesus, but also in the lives of modern men and women, "death, solitude and fear" do not have the last word, Pope Francis said before giving his Easter blessing.

"The words heard by the women at the tomb are also addressed to us: 'Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen,'" the Pope said as he prepared April 1 to give his Easter blessing "urbi et orbi" (to the city and the world).

"By the power of God's love," Jesus' victory over death "dispels wickedness, washes faults away, restores innocence to the fallen and joy to mourners, drives out hatred, fosters concord and brings down the mighty," the Pope said, quoting the formal Easter proclamation.



Standing on the central balcony of St. Peter's Basilica after having celebrated a morning Mass in the square, Pope Francis focused on how Jesus foretold his death and resurrection using the image of the grain of wheat, which bears no fruit unless it is put into the ground.

"This is precisely what happened: Jesus, the grain of wheat sowed by God in the furrows of the earth, died, killed by the sin of the world," the Pope said. "He remained two days in the tomb; but his death contained God's love in all its power, released and made manifest on the third day, the day we cele-

brate today: the Easter of Christ the Lord."

After a stormy Holy Saturday with rain beating down throughout the night, Easter morning dawned bright and sunny at the Vatican, highlighting the thousands of flowers, trees and bushes donated by flower growers in the Netherlands.

The garden created on the steps of St. Peter's Square included 20,000 tulips in yellow, red, pink, white and orange. Some 13,500 daffodils and more than 3,500 roses also were part of the scene, but the flower-growers association drew special attention to close to 1,000 cymbidium, also known as boat orchids. The orchids closest to the altar were green, the color of hope. Others were yellow, speckled with red, reminiscent of drops of Christ's blood, according to the press release from the flower growers.

Pope Francis gave a brief homily during the Mass, speaking without a prepared text about how God's actions throughout history to save his people have been acts that surprised them, touched their hearts and prompted them to rush to share the news with others.

"The women who had gone to anoint the Lord's body found themselves before a surprise" when they reached the empty tomb, he said. "God's announcements are always a surprise, because our God is a God of surprises."

That surprise caused the women to rush back to the other disciples to share the news, he said, just like the shepherds rushed when they heard the angels announce Jesus' birth and like Peter and John ran to tell others when they found the teacher and master they had been seeking.

FAITHFUL PILOT'S REPORT

S. K. Kevin Badour

MARCH 31, 2018, THE FOLLOWING SIR KNIGHTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS ARE IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS:

IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS: Paul Waters, PGK, PFN Leonard Collins son of PFN Don Collins Marie Sullivan, daughter of DGK Arthur O'Sullivan. Rose Lennox, Mother of SK Kevin Badour. SK Pio Gomes recovering from a stroke. Janine Mayall, friend of SK Brian Dobson, Janine is being treated for cancer S.K. PFN Milt Cowan . **S.K. Melchor José's** father is still recovering after surgery for two aneurysms. Also, his mother-in-law is recovering from blood pressure issues. Loretta Floris, wife of PGK, FN Jacob Floris S.K. PGK Tom Wingle S.K. PGK Wayne Kendall S.K. PGK, PFN Bob McCarney S.K PGK John Crilly Mary Hunchik, daughter of PGK S.K. J. O'Boyle

- Collette Livingstone, wife of S.K. PGK Andy Livingstone
- S.K. PGK Andy Livingstone

IN HOSPITAL:

- Fr. Robert Dun, brother of Lady Eleanor Nespal, is in the Kitchener hospital
- S.K. James Raats (TMW 7th & 8th Ontario District Marshal) son was admitted to the hospital.
- S.K. Paul Coughlin's (8th Ontario District Marshal) wife is under distress and has been in hospital.
- S.K John O'Boyle .
- S.K. Peter Wouters' mother
- Lady Margaret Forsey, wife of S.K. George Forsey
- S.K. John O'Boyle's nephew, Michael, who is ill
- Peter Grodesky, brother in law of S.K. Paul Brown
- Mary Sullivan, daughter of S.K. Ron Sullivan

DECEASED:

• Brother Charles Cuschieri, March 8, 2018

PRAYER

"Dear Lord, we thank you for the blessings you have bestowed on us: health, employment, financial stability, friends and family. Please continue to guide us, strengthen us and extend your healing protection over our friends and family members. Please allow us to act righteously to provide comfort, healing, and earthly strength to our brothers and sisters, in Your name, with the skills to which you have gifted us. Lead us Lord and help us to do Your will. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, Your son, our Healer and Lord. Amen!"

Mary Queen of Knights, Pray for Us For these and for all those who might be in need of our prayers, we pray!

CONTACTS FOR INPUT OF SICK AND DECEASED:

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The following have been contacted either through the Grand Knights or directly to ensure the flow of information:

Marian Council 3881

<u>Sick and Deceased</u> - S.K. Peter Bonfield, 905-844-2332 pmbonfield@sympatico.ca - S.K. Bob McCarney, 905-844-6732 mccarneyb@skylinc.net - S.K. Paul Waters, 905-319-9563 paulh2os@cogeco.ca

Mary Mother of God Council 14446

- S.K. Milt Cowan PGK, PFN, FDD, 905-842-4319 miltcowan@cogeco.ca

<u>Note to Above Listing</u>: We the Knights of Columbus support the privacy of Member, Family and Friends when compiling the PRAYER list. If you wish us to place a name on the list, please ask the person who we are praying for if they want to be put on the list and whether they wish their ailments to be disclosed. Indicate when and if they wish to be removed from the list!

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"Those people left what they were doing; housewives left their potatoes in the pan -- they would find them burned later -- but what is important is to go, run to see the surprise" that was announced, Pope Francis said.

On Easter, he said, Christians should ask themselves if they have hearts open to being surprised by God and if they feel a need to rush to share with others the good news of God's saving acts.

After the Mass and after greeting each of the cardinals and many of the bishops and monsignors present near the altar, Pope Francis climbed into the Popemobile for a quick trip around St. Peter's Square and part of the way down the main boulevard leading to the square. He then went up to the balcony to give his formal Easter blessing.

In his remarks to the tens of thousands of people in St. Peter's Square, Pope Francis insisted Jesus' power over death continues today and can bring peace to the world's most serious situations of conflict, including in Syria, the Holy Land, Yemen, Congo, South Sudan, Ukraine, the Korean peninsula and Venezuela.

"We Christians believe and know that Christ's resurrection is the true hope of the world, the hope that does not disappoint," the Pope said. "It is the power of the grain of wheat, the power of that love which humbles itself and gives itself to the very end, and thus truly renews the world."

In all the "furrows of our history, marked by so many acts of injustice and violence," he said, the power of the Resurrection and the acts it inspires in believers "bears fruits of hope and dignity where there are deprivation and exclusion, hunger and unemployment, where there are migrants and refugees -- so often rejected by today's culture of waste -- and victims of the drug trade, human trafficking and contemporary forms of slavery."

Pope Francis included special prayers for "those children who, as a result of wars and hunger, grow up without hope, lacking education and health care; and to those elderly persons who are cast off by a selfish culture that ostracizes those who are not 'productive.'"



UPCOMING MEETINGS

GOOD FRIDAY WAY OF THE CROSS

The Knights of Columbus and St. James Youth Group hosted the Good Friday "Way of the Cross" Walk on March 30, 2018. Approximately one hundred people braved the cold and participated in the annual procession across Oakville. It began with a service at 9:00am at St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Church.

Following the service, the eight kilometre procession began. Reflections



and the Stations of the Cross were observed at various locations including the lakefront , various parks and churches along the route. At noon, the procession stopped at St. James Church (above) where

the Knights (Mary Mother of God Council 14446) served hot soup and bread to the participants.

Following lunch, the group continued their procession along Rebecca ending around 2:15 pm at St. Dominic Parish where refreshments were served by the Knights.

Thank you for all of the Knights that assisted from serving lunch, guiding the procession, and driving participants from St. Dominic's parking lot in the morning to St. Andrew's for the start. More photos on page 6.



Anthony Salis Don Henry Gerald Kupferschmidt Paul McCandlish James Eichenberg



Patricia & Paul McCandlish Joan & Don Collins Violent & Michael Dignam Leah & Mesiton Rivera Margaret Anne Grier & David Fisher Marie & Peter Bonfield Nancy & James Eichenberg

GENERAL MEETINGS—3RD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH 7:30 PM MARIAN HALL



MEETING DATES:

Wednesdays: April 18, 2018 May 16, 2018 June 20, 2018

COLOUR GUARD EVENTS



- **EVENT:** Confirmation Masses (2)
- LOCATION: St. Andrew Church
- **DATE:** April 7, 2018
- **TIME:** 11:00 am and 2:00 pm (Assemble at 10:30 am and 1:30 pm)
- **EVENT:** Confirmation Masses (2)
- LOCATION: St. Dominic Church
- **DATE:** April 28, 2018
- **TIME:** 10:00 am and 2:00 pm (Assemble at 9:30 am and 1:30 pm)
- **EVENT:** Confirmation Mass
- LOCATION: St. James Church
- **DATE:** May 8, 2018
- TIME:7:00 pm (Assemble at 6:30 pm)



BISHOP REDING EXECUTIVE OFFICERS 2017/2018

Faithful Friar Fr. Louis Lenssen, CRSP

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Faithful Trustee 2020 Liberato DiBacco

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SETS INSURANCE RECORD FOR 17TH CONSEC-UTIVE YEAR

\$8.78 BILLION IN NEW INSURANCE SOLD

The Knights of Columbus recorded its 17th consecutive year of growth in insurance sales in 2017 with \$8.78 billion in new life insurance sold — an increase of more than \$245 million over the previous year. The K of C now has more than \$109 billion of life insurance in force, signifying a \$39.5 billion increase in the last decade due to record sales.

"We remain committed to our founding vision of protecting the financial future of Catholic families," said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson. "We offer top-quality financial protection provided by professionals who are brother Knights, who share our values and who act on them."

The Knights of Columbus was founded in 1882 in New Haven, Conn., by Father Michael J. McGivney. Today, it is the largest Catholic fraternal order in the world. "As a true parish priest, Father McGivney accompanied his people in times of tragedy and sought to alleviate their hardships with practical solutions, which led to the establishment of the insurance program," said Supreme Knight Anderson.

The new sales record caps a solid year for the Knights. In February, for the fifth consecutive year, the organization was named a "World's Most Ethical Company®" by the Ethisphere® Institute, an independent center for research promoting best practices in corporate ethics and governance.

In 2017, the Knights was again listed on the Fortune 1000 list (880) and earned a financial strength rating of A+ (Superior) from AM Best.

With one of the lowest lapse rates in the industry, the K of C offers a product line designed to provide life insurance, annuities, disability income and long-term care policies to meet the needs of Catholic families, all while enjoying a stellar reputation for financial security.

 March 	April 2018					May ►
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 EASTER	2 Easter Monday		4 4	5	6	7 CONFIRMATION St. Andrew Church 11:00 am, 2:00 pm Colour Guard (arrive 10:30 am and 1:30 pm) SPRING MEMORI- AL MASS - Holy Sepulchre 11 am
8	9	10 Nat'l. Siblings day 3881 General Meeting 7:30 pm	11	12	13	14
15	16		18 GENERAL MEETING 7:30 pm	19	20	21 Mass for New Catholics Bishop Crosby Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King 5pm
22 Earth Day National Association of Vocation and For- mation Directors Hamilton Sheraton Hotel	23 World Book Day	24 14446 General Meeting 7:30 pm	25	26	27	28 CONFIRMATION St. DominicChurch 10:00 am, 2:00 pm Colour Guard (arrive 10:30 am and 1:30 pm)
29	30		1			