

4TH NEWS

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August 2017

Blessing and Dedication Ceremony of St. Gregory the Great Catholic Elementary School

The Bishop Reding Assembly Colour Guard, students, staff, trustees, and families, as well as the Honourable Minister Kevin Flynn gathered on June 6th in the St. Gregory the Great school gymnasium to celebrate this momentous occasion.

The Very Reverend Monsignor Kroetsch presided over the Liturgy, with the assistance of Father John Van Hees, pastor of Mother Mother of God Parish. The ceremony began with a blessing of the water by Monsignor Kroetsch, followed by a blessing of the students, parents, staff, trustees and guests that filled the gymnasium. Following the blessing of the water, student representatives from each class were asked to bring up their classroom cross for a blessing.



Faithful Navigator Andrew Eckstein with Monsignor Murray Kroetsch, Father John Van Kees and Principal Daniela Attardo

Spectacular performances were provided by the St. Gregory the Great School Choir throughout the Liturgy, as well as a closing song, "I Can See Clearly Now" led by Mrs. Oko and performed by Grades 1-3 students.

St. Gregory the Great Catholic Elementary school is the newest Catholic school in Oakville opening its doors in September 2016. It is located at 16 Mile Drive,

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GENERAL MEETING
Wednesday,
September 20, 2017
7:30 pm
Marian Hall



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FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR'S REPORT

S.K. Andrew Eckstein

Worthy Sir Knights;

I am honoured to serve our Bishop Paul F. Reding Assembly 1981 as your new Faithful Navigator for the 2017 / 2018 fraternal year. I sincerely consider it a privilege to serve our assembly and community throughout the Oakville area. I would like to say thank you to all of our new and returning executive positions, and especially our past Faithful Navigator Jacob Floris for his support during my takeover this past month. We have much to be proud of in our assembly. Our "Visibility and Patriotic Pres-

ence" throughout the Oakville area will continue our efforts to support opportunities for service to our Church and our community at large.

We all have unique talents and leadership skills. When we all work together to accomplish our goals our assembly will continue to grow. Together we all need to ensure our Patriotic arm of the Knights of Columbus remains strong through active support of our many programs including our very special "To Be a Patriot Program" Are you aware our very own SK Paul Waters was accorded the Governor General's Caring Canadian Award in 2012 for recognition of his role in bringing the Knights of Columbus "To Be a Patriot Program" to our Catholic schools.

My personal goals for our assembly this year are simple. In the next year I will strive to enhance our communication process, increase our visibility and participation with key events, and grow our membership. I am confident once many of our existing 3rd Degree Knights understand the true historical background, we will grow and continue to serve with pride and distinction.

To all of you serving at this time, thank you for all you do and your ongoing support.

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



FAITHFUL PILOT'S REPORT

S. K. Kevin Badour



August 1, 2017, the following S.K.'s and Family Members are in need of our prayers:

Recent Additions to the Prayer List:

August 1, 2017 - Sir Knight Joe Luciani passed away following a heart attack on July 25th. He was taken off life support after a donor for his lungs was ready. Thank you to all of you who have been praying for Joe following his heart attack. We ask all Knights to please focus your prayers on the provision of comfort and strength to his family during this very difficult recovery time.

July 29, 2017 – Please note, with deep sadness we have been informed that our beloved Past Grand Knight, Dr. Jack E. Cudmore passed away very peacefully with his family at home. Please keep brother Jack, as well as the entire Cudmore family in your prayers.

July 24, 2017 - Our assembly received notification today Sir Knight John Skanes had an unfortunate accident and is currently recovering from a broken hip. Please keep John in

your prayers.

July 14, 2017 - It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of David Skanes, son of John and Patricia Skanes. Please keep David, John, and Patricia Skanes in your prayers.

July 14, 2017 - It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of PGK Donald Lennox (St. Vincent De Paul Council #9528, Windsor), on July 6, 2017, Step-father of SK Kevin Badour, Faithful Pilot. Please keep Don, Rose his wife, SK Kevin, and the Family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time of loss of their loved one.

S.K.'s or Family Members at home and in need of our prayers:

- **SK John Skanes** Our assembly received notification that John had an unfortunate accident and is currently recovering from a broken hip. Please keep John in your prayers.
- Rose Lennox, please keep Rose in your prayers, Mother of SK Kevin Badour.
- **SK Brian Dobson a**sked if we could add the name of Janine Mayall, to your prayers. Janine is being treated for cancer and is in need of prayers of healing and comfort. Prayers are being requested by family and friends. Please pray for her.
- **Sir Knight Joe McNally** was discharged March 19 from The University Rehabilitation Institute. He is so happy to be home after been hospitalized for over six weeks. This auto accident has been a very traumatic experience for both Joe and his wife Maeve.
- S.K. PFN Milt Cowan is still dealing with problems with his feet, although it appears to be under control at present. He is at home and recovering.
- S.K. Melchor José's father is still recovering after surgery for two aneurysms. Also, his mother-in-law is still recovering from blood pressure issues.
- Fr. & S.K. Ted Hughes, a Brother and a former associate at St. Dominic's parish recently been diagnosed with a very aggressive form of cancer.
- **PGK Andy Livingstone**, Andy is currently still recovering at home
- 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

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S.K.'s or Family Members who are in the hospital:

- **SK Pio Gomes** suffered a stroke and is now undergoing therapy in OTMH to regain his ability to speak. We continue to pray for his recovery.
- 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 has been in hospital many months (since June I believe) and now is being treated there as a nursing home patient. As you know he had one leg amputated above the knee and also struggles with a heart condition and diabetes. He has been accepted at Sunnybrook Veteran's Hospital in Toronto and is being transferred there tomorrow (Thurs Jan 19th). He is in good spirits and very excited for the move. It will cause travel concerns for Breda however as it will be a long commute from their home in Burlington. I expect her visits will be no more than weekly and have heard of no plans for her to have any support.
- S.K. Peter Wouters' mother is in need of our prayers
- Lady Margaret Forsey, wife of **S.K. George Forsey** needs our prayers
- S.K. John O'Boyle has requested prayers for his nephew, Michael, who is ill
- Mary Sullivan, daughter of S.K. Ron Sullivan has been suffering from cancer and after chemo and radiation has under-gone a serious operation
- Peter Grodesky, brother in law of S.K. Paul Brown
- S.K. Wayne Kendall PGK, PFN, FT

Recently Departed:

August 1, 2017 – Sir Knight Joe Luciani

July 29, 2017 – Past Grand Knight, Dr. Jack E. Cudmore.

July 14, 2017 - David Skanes, son of John and Patricia Skanes.

July 14, 2017 - **PGK Donald Lennox** (St. Vincent De Paul Council #9528, Windsor), on July 6, 2017, Step-father of SK Kevin Badour, Faithful Pilot.

"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!

Vivat Jesus',

Faithful Pilot S.K. Kevin Badour Bishop Paul F. Reding Assembly 1981

<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. They wish their ailments to be disclosed. Report when and if they wish to be removed from the list!



The annual audit of the Assembly was completed on July 26th with both the outgoing and incoming Faithful Navigators in attendance. The audit report was sent to the Supreme Master, Vice-Supreme Master and District Master that same day, almost a week before the deadline.

Faithful Purser Brian Thornton

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north of Dundas Street and west of Sixth Line, , St. Gregory the Great School can accommodate approximately 671 students, and has a one story child care centre connected to the school near the Kindergarten classrooms.



"As we bless and dedicate this school, for all who will learn and grow here, for all who will gather here, we take as our motto to be like our Patron, St. Gregory the Great. To always be servants of God, to be good servants to one another."

Very Reverend Monsignor Kroetsch



UPCOMING MEETINGS

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



MEETING DATES:

Wednesdays: September 20, 2017 October 18, 2017 November 15, 2017



FAITHFUL CAPTAIN'S REPORT

S.K. Ronald Van Der Steen

Dear Sir Knights,

Hope you have been having a great summer. We will back on our regular meeting schedule beginning on Wednesday September 20th—at Marian Hall at 7:30 pm.

I look forward to meeting and seeing you at our first meeting with our new Executive team.

Faithful Captain Ron Van Der Steen

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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:

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- 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



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Albert L McDonagh
Rev Fr. Louis M Lenssen
Iskandar R Massis
Ronald H Van Der Steen
Reginald J Dubiel
John J Skanes
Rory A Facca





David and Paola Hinca
Patrick and Lisa Zak
Edward and Marie Viana
Francis and Pauline Collins
Brendan and Mary Wall
Kevin and Virgilia Badour
Michael and Karen Parsons
Benjamin and Theresa Nachuk
Jarvis and Isabel Nahdee
Elmo and Lisa Nasato
Anthony and Rose Saade
Henry and Anita Thissen
Joseph and Gladis Di Paulo

COMMANDER'S REPORT

Assistant Commander S.K. Ron Sullivan

COLOUR GUARD EVENTS

EVENT: All Star Awards Gala **LOCATION:** Holiday Inn Oakville

DATE: Wednesday, September 20, 2017

Vivat Jesus'

S.K. Ronald Sullivan Assistant Commander

KNIGHTS IN ACTION





Vice Master Brendan Saunders presided over the Installation of

Officers of the 2017-18 Bishop Reding Assembly

BISHOP REDING EXECUTIVE OFFICERS 2016/2017

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Martin Kosterman, PGK, FDD

Faithful Inner Sentinel Stephen Hoo

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Faithful Trustee 2018 Brian Dobson

Faithful Trustee 2019
Paul Waters, PGK, FDD, PFN

Faithful Trustee 2020 Liberato DiBacco

Membership Director Steve Germann PFN

Faithful Commanders

David Fisher , Henry Thissen, Paul Fields

OTHER OFFICERS

Faithful Assistant Commander Ron Sullivan, PGK

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Diocesan Chair Brian Dobson

Communication Officer Ron Sullivan, PGK

Webmaster David Fisher

| ■ July | August 2017 | | | | | September ▶ |
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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 | 7 Civic Holiday | 8 3881 General Meeting 7:30 pm | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 | 15 National Acadian Day | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | 21 Discovery Day (Yukon) | 22 14446 General Meeting 7:30 pm | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | |