

4TH NEWS

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POPE FRANCIS TO ATTEND WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES IN PHILADELPHIA -HAMILTON DIOCESE TRIP PLANNED

The **Diocese of Hamilton is planning a trip** to the World Meeting of Families, departing Sept. 22, 2015 and returning September 28, 2015 both Bishop Crosby and Bishop Miehm will be attending.

The World Meeting is designed to be significant to people of all ages at all stages of life. Every keynote address and workshop will be based on the concepts of marriage, family and relationship. This is a family event with workshop streams for those 18 and older, 6, 12 years and day care for those 5 and younger. The first 100 people to register for the Hamilton Diocesan trip will have both their registration and transportation (by bus) paid by the Diocese, leaving only the cost of hotel and food.

For more information and to register, please go to www.hamiltondiocese.com, or call 905-528-7988 ext. 2250 (Teresa Hartnett)."I believe that this event has the power to transform, in deeply positive ways, not just the Catholic Church, but our entire community," stated Archbishop Charles Chaput of Philadelphia.







GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, January 15, 2015 Location: St. Matthews Parish Church, 1150 Monks Pass; Mass at 7pm; Renewal of Obligations—All Officers to be present

EXECUTIVE MEETING

Thursday, January 8, 2015 Location: Marian Hall 1494 Wallace Road 7:30 pm All Executive Meetings are at Marian Hall

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Faithful Navigator's Note

Navigator's Message January 2015

I want to start off by congratulating this Sir Knight for the many years of invaluable service he has given Bishop Reding Assembly in the service of producing and keeping our membership directory records current. It is an awesome task to be sure, and **SK Dr. Bob McCarney** deserves our heartfelt thanks and appreciation. The directory

is our primary source of information for our membership's use in communicating with each other. It also lets us know at a glance who our Assembly Officers are; it lists our District Officials, all District 8 Assemblies and their FNs, our Honoured Widows and a listing of the Assembly's deceased members. Dr Bob has, after this lengthy time, decided to retire from these duties and turn the responsibility over to a younger Sir Knight. So, thank you SK Bob for all that you are and all that you continue to do for this Assembly. Thank you for your kind words and the words of encouragement when they are needed. The younger SK who will be looking after our members' directory going forward is **SK Milt Cowan**, *PGK*, *PFN*, *DD*. I would like to ask that all Sir Knights review their contact information and that if you have changes, please contact SK Milt at your earliest convenience. It is hoped that an updated directory will be available to the members by early spring.

To all Sir Knights who don regalia, our Commanders will be knocking at your doors very shortly. We are entering Confirmation season where we are called upon to serve our bishops and priests. If you have regalia, please sign up for these duties when requested. There is a list of current events in this month's Commander's Corner. When we put on our capes, our chapeaux and our swords, we are committing ourselves to the service of our Church, our Country and our Assembly. Remember also that when a member of our Order passes away, we can be called upon, under certain conditions, to honour them and support their families at wakes and funeral services. It is most gratifying for the family to feel the support at the time of their loss from the men their spouses so loved to be with.

A quick reminder that June 12th should be booked on your 2015 calendar already.

At our general meeting this month, the Assembly Elected Officers will be renewing their Obligations of Office and all Executive Members are asked to please wear their tuxedo and social baldrics for this occasion. Cardinal McGuigan Province Vice Supreme Master **SK Brendan Saunders** will be officiating at the ceremony.

And lastly, Lady Mary and I wish you nothing but health, happiness and the spirit of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism for 2015.

God bless all that you are and all that you do.

Brendan

Brendan Wall, PGK, FN Bishop Paul F Reding Assembly 1981





Faithful Pilot's Report |

As of December 29, 2014, the following S.K.'s and Family Members are in need of our prayers:

Recent Additions to the Prayer List:

- Brother Larry Low who underwent a triple bypass operation on late November and continues to recover.
- Carmen Borg, mother-in-law of Bro Paul Saliba to your prayer list. She is seriously ill!
- Brother Peter van de Ven has been in the Hospital but was home Christmas Eve.
- Bro. Jack Paterson has had health issues which he has overcome but asks for your prayers for his new health problems
- S.K. Wavne Kendall PGK, PFN, FT

"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!"

The following S.K.'s and Family Members who have passed away:

- Madeline Bastien, mother of Lady Chantal Bastien, wife of Sir Knight Ronald Gauthier, December 26, 2014
- Sir Knight Joe MacPherson PGK, PFN, from Pope John Paul II Assembly, December 22, 2014
- Helen Thornton, Nov. 27, 2014 widow of SK Jack Thornton, mother SK Brian Thornton and SK Kevin Thornton;
- SK Bill Fitzpatrick, November 21, 2014
- SK Milan Kosturik, CG November 19, 2014
- Justin Floris, November 8, 2014, son of SK Faithful Pilot Jacob and Lady Loretta Floris
- Wim van de Vrande, October 29, 2014, father-in-law of SK Bill Wright, father of Lady Miriam Wright
- Lucas Fiorella Oct 12, 2014 in his 19th year friend of the Fisher family
- Elizabeth Watson Oct 20, 2014 Lady Margie Grier's Aunt and widow of Bro. Robert Watson of Dearborn Michigan
- Bro. Hugh MacDonald-Sept., 12, 2014 father-in-law of SK Michael Cassidy and father of Lady Jan Cassidy
- Josephine Dabrowski, Aunt of SK Milt Cowan, PGK, PFN, DD
- Nuala Ready, wife of 4th Degree Candidate James Ready, April 5th, 2014
- Lady Winnifred McGuire, wife of the late SK Mick McGuire, on March 28, 2014;
- Rita Gallant, mother of Frank Gallant Master 8th Ontario District, passed away in early March 2014;
- Fr. S.K. Harry Schmuck, passed away on February 15, 2014;
- Muriel Blomely, the grandmother of Sir Knight James Montague, passed away on February 4, 2014;
- Archie Macdonald, Brother-in-Law of the Faithful Admiral of Bishop Paul F. Reding Assembly, Gerry Kupferschmidt PGK, PFN, DM, passed away on February 2, 2014;
- Brian Hackett, brother-in-law of Gerry Kelly, PFN of Bishop Reding Assembly passed away on Jan 27, 2014;
- Milagrina Noronha, mother of Sir Knight Pliny Noronha passed away on Jan 22, 2014;
- SK Sargon (Julo) Mesih passed away on January 2, 2014.

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:

S.K. Jacob Floris, Faithful Pilot, 4th Degree Bishop Paul F. Reding Assembly, 905-399-4400.

The following have been contacted either through the Grand Knights or directly to ensure the flow of information: Marian Council 3881, GK Steve Maloney 905-847-0558

Sick and Deceased - S.K. Peter Bonfield, 905-844-2332 email = pmbonfield@sympatico.ca Coordinators:

- S.K. Bob McCarney, 905-844-6732, email = mccarneyb@skylinc.net

- S.K. John O'Boyle, 905-634-0664 email = job35@bell.net

- S.K. Paul Waters, 905-319-9563, email = paulh2os@cogeco.ca

Mary Mother of God Council 14446, S.K. Milt Cowan PGK, PFN, 905-842-4319 email miltcowan@cogeco.ca

Faithful Commander's Corner

COMMANDERS' REPORT – DECEMBER 30TH, 2014 DAVID FISHER

Sir Knights, our service to the Confirmundi within the Halton Region is about to be begin. Our Faithful Navigator has asked for me to issues a full "call out" to our Honour Guard and Colour Party members to participate in the celebrations of Confirmation in 2015, along with our other Regalia events.

I look forward to continuing to serve you as Commander, along with our Faithful Pilot SK Jacob Floris.

Yours in Christ.

David Fisher – (905) 257-3316 Faithful Commander Bishop Reding Assembly 1981 dilfisher@gmail.com

UPCOMING COLOUR CORPS & HONOUR GUARD COMMITMENTS

Event: Confirmation with the Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, DD

When: Friday, January 9th, 2015 – 7 pm

Where: Mary Mother of God Church, 2745 North Ridge Trail, Oakville

Time: HG to assemble in Day Chapel by 6:30 pm.

HG Attendance response cut-off: Sunday, January 2nd

Event: Confirmation with the Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, DD

When: Saturday, January 10th, 2015 – 10:00 am

Where: Mary Mother of God Church, 2745 North Ridge Trail, Oakville

Time: HG to assemble in Day Chapel by 9:30 am.

HG Attendance response cut-off: Sunday, January 2nd

Event: Confirmation with the Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, DD

When: Saturday, January 10th, 2015 – 1:30 pm

Where: Mary Mother of God Church, 2745 North Ridge Trail, Oakville

Time: HG to assemble in Day Chapel by 1:00 pm.

HG Attendance response cut-off: Sunday, January 2nd

Event: Council 14446 Basketball Free Throw Championships

When: Friday, January 23rd, 2015 – 7:00 pm

Where: St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic School, Oakville

Time: HG to assemble by 6:15 pm to review flag carrying protocol.

HG Attendance response cut-off: Sunday, January 18th

Event: Council 3881 Basketball Free Throw Championships

When: **Saturday, January 24th, 2015 – 9:00 am**Where: St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic School, Oakville

Time: HG to assemble by 8:15 am to review flag carrying protocol.

HG Attendance response cut-off: Sunday, January 18th

Event: Confirmation with the Most Reverend Anthony F. Tonnos, DD

When: Friday, January 30th, 2015 – 7:30 pm

Where: Saint Matthew Parish, 1150 Monks Passage, Oakville

Time: HG to assemble downstairs by 7:00 pm.

HG Attendance response cut-off: Sunday, January 24th

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Event: Confirmation with the Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, DD

When: Friday, February 6th, 2015 – 7:30 pm

Where: Saint Matthew Parish, 1150 Monks Passage, Oakville

Time: HG to assemble downstairs by 7:00 pm.

HG Attendance response cut-off: Sunday, February 1st

Confirmation with the Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, DD Event:

Saturday, February 7th, 2015 – 10:30 am When:

Saint Matthew Parish, 1150 Monks Passage, Oakville Where:

Time: HG to assemble downstairs by 10:00 am.

HG Attendance response cut-off: Sunday, February 1st

Event: Confirmation with the Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, DD

Saturday, February 7th, 2015 – 2:00 pm When:

Where: Saint Matthew Parish, 1150 Monks Passage, Oakville

Time: HG to assemble downstairs by 1:30 pm.

HG Attendance response cut-off: Sunday, February 1st

Event: **Burlington / Oakville District Basket Ball Free Throw Championships**

When: Thursday, February 7th, 2015 – 7:00 pm

Where: Corpus Christi High School, Upper Middle Road, Burlington

Time: HG to assemble by 6:30 pm to join with PJPII Assembly in providing the colour Guard for this event.

This request comes from Jere Hartnett - FN PJPII Assembly

OTHER CONFIRMATIONS SCHEDULED IN 2015

Saturday, March 28, 10:30 a.m.& 1:30 pm

Most Reverend Daniel J. Miehm, DD - St. Andrews Roman Catholic Church, 47 Reynolds St, Oakville

Saturday, April 11, 11:00 a.m. & 2pm

Most Reverend Daniel J. Miehm, DD - Saint Dominic Parish, 2415 Rebecca Street

Tuesday, May 12, 7:00 p.m.

Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, DD - St James Parish Hall, 231 Morden Road in Oakville



Patrick Guay Melchor V Jose Pliny X Noronha Rev Fr. Chester Chmurzynski Kevin T Gleeson Donald J Williams Joseph A McNally Martin C Kosterman

> John B Murphy Brendan G Wall

Thomas W Schramm Ronald Civitarese



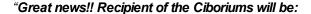
Albert and Helen McDonagh Reynold and Dorothy Camilleri

Ciboriums and Chalices In Memory of our Sir Knights

The Memorial Fund allows us to purchase, engrave and provide WORKING Ciboriums and Chalices honouring the S.K. who have passed away! They are not presented to the family to keep in their home to admire. This year I found out that there are four of our memorial chalices given in past years in a closet and have not found a home in a WORKING parish or community. This is a dishonour to the men's names engraved on them and lacking in representing the service they gave to their Church, Family, Knights and Community. I will attempting to retrieve them and find working homes for them.

What some people might not understand is that, by providing engraved Ciboriums and Chalices, we are providing a much needed source of the Ciboriums and Chalices to area that DON'T have them, CAN'T afford them or have no other means of providing a sanctuary of our Lord's Host. I have heard of tin cans that service as sanctuaries. I have heard of carved out wood to provide communion, dishes etc.

On the other hand we were able to find homes for all seven of the honorees this year! Brother Terry Murphy, Deacon at St. Mathew's parish, has found homes for three Ciboriums as represented by his note to me which I have included below.



- 1. Holy Rosary Parish on the Onion Lake First Nation SK (visiting priest at this time).
- 2.. St. Charles Borremeo Parish in Moosomin SK Fr. Frederick Akah MSP Pastor
- 3.. Holy Spirit Parish in Maidstone SK, Fr. Greg Elder Pastor

Ciborium's would be greatly appreciated, as at present the blest Hosts are reserved in a small tin in the tabernacle."

Thanks to The Knights and especially yourself for this most generous offer!

Peace, Terry

Again, through a conversation with S.K. Gerry Kupferschmidt, I was able to reach out to Fr. Tom Vermiglio from Kitchener who is working with a number of missions in developing countries in both South America and Africa. There is a real need and the following represents the note I received for Fr. Tom.

"The Ciboria and Chalices will go to Uganda, Karamoga region. They will go to Father David Baltz and Fr. John Bosco Mubangizi.

God bless you all and thank you for the help to the missions." Regards Fr. Tom

The above use of our gifts, in memory of our Brother Sir Knights, is what the Memorial Fund is all about! Moreover, when we find a need, and fill it with love and honour, we live up to our Patriotic pledge! Please give generously in supporting this worthwhile program.

Vivat Jesus

S.K. Jacob N. Floris, Faithful Pilot Bishop Paul F. Reding Assembly 1981









Pope Francis received Supreme Knight Carl Anderson in a private audience at the Vatican on Dec. 12, the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. It was the third such audience granted by Pope Francis to the supreme knight.

During the course of the meeting, the supreme knight spoke with the Holy Father about the Order's many activities. On behalf of the 1.8 million members of the Knights of Columbus, the supreme knight presented the Holy Father with a contribution of \$1.6 million from the Vicarius Christi Fund, for the pope's personal charities. In addition, the supreme knight spoke about the Knights of Columbus Christian Refugee Relief Fund and provided the pope with a contribution of \$400,000 from that fund to supplement the relief efforts of the Holy See in the Middle East.

The supreme knight was also present at the special Mass celebrated by Pope Francis in St. Peter's Basilica to mark the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. At the conclusion of the Papal Mass, Msgr. Eduardo Chavez, postulator of the cause of St. Juan Diego, and co-author with the Supreme Knight of a book on Our Lady of Guadalupe, presented the Holy Father with a silver rose. Over the past few months, the silver rose was hand-carried by **Knights of Columbus from Canada**, through the United States, to Mexico City as a symbol of unity in the continent of America.

For more than 50 years, the Order has sponsored the Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose Program to honor the Blessed Virgin under her title of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas. In 2001, Supreme Knight Anderson dedicated the Order to Our Lady of Guadalupe. Since that time, the Order has organized and supported numerous spiritual initiatives and academic conferences to promote devotion to the Virgin of Guadalupe.

Faithful Captain's Report

Sir Knights,

Looking forward to seeing and working with you in 2015. Thank you for all your assistance in 2014 for the good work, service and fraternal activities that you have participated in our Assembly.

Wishing you and your family a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year.

Vivat Jesus

Pat Guay, Faithful Captain Bishop Reding Assembly 1981

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOP OF HAMILTON

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Christmas is supposed to be a time of joy and peace. The birth of Christ in a manger is presented in soft and beautiful terms. The message and the music of angels announces the divine nature of the event. However, in human terms, the story of the birth of Jesus is filled with hardship, rejection and flight. The love of Mary, the determination of Joseph, and the devotion of the shepherds lessen the horror of homelessness and migration.

We have seen that horror most recently in the lives of too many people who have been forced to flee their homes because of decrees that have caused death, destruction, and despair. These people have left everything – their homes, their jobs, their belongings. But, despite threats they have clung to their faith in Jesus Christ – their sole hope!

This Christmas, remember these people – sisters and brothers in faith. Pray for them. One day they may be sitting beside you in your parish church praying in thanksgiving for the welcome they received and for the religious freedom we experience here. We have many rich blessings – which must be protected and shared. Remain alert that they not be lost. Share them generously, so they may be enjoyed by others.

Sincerely in Christ and Mary Immaculate, (Most Rev.) Douglas Crosby, OMI Bishop of Hamilton

New Contact Information:

Any member whose contact information (addresses, phone numbers and email addresses) has changed in any way should notify the Faithful Comptroller at Tel:(905) 849-6773

Email: ronkwapis@bell.net

We require the correct information if we are to serve you to the best of our ability

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SENDS \$2.2 MILLION FOR REFUGEE RELIEF

Funds will assist with housing and general relief for Iraqi and Syrian Christians and other religious minorities

The Knights of Columbus Christian Refugee Relief fund has donated \$2.2 million to help displaced Iraqi and Syrian Christians and other religious minorities who continue to face violent persecution and the very real prospect of extinction.

Intended to help families living in very difficult situations as refugees, the funds will help provide permanent housing for the increasing number of displaced families in Iraq. Specifically, the Knights' donation of \$2 million will pay for the construction of new homes on property owned by the Chaldean Catholic Archdiocese of Erbil, in the Kurdish-controlled region of Northern Iraq. Work on the homes may begin as early as next month.

The K of C Christian Refugee Relief Fund has also made a separate donation of \$200,000 in general aid to the Greek Melkite Catholic Archdiocese of Aleppo, Syria. The Supreme Council began the fund in August with \$1 million and has since raised an additional \$1.7 million in donations from individual Knights, local Knights councils and others, for a total of \$2.7 million. Public donations are still being accepted to continue to address the urgently needed situation.



"This is a concrete response to the unfolding humanitarian crisis in Iraq and to the urgent appeals from the region as well as Pope Francis' request for material assistance for those affected by this persecution," said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson.

In reference to the long standing of the Christian communities of the Middle East, Supreme Knight Anderson said the donations were "accompanied by fervent prayers for all those suffering in the land of the Holy Apostles." The houses will be built for Iraqi Christians who were driven from their homes in Mosul and the surrounding area. They left with little more than the clothes they were wearing in order to escape forced conversion and martyrdom, and have since lived as refugees in emergency shelters and random locations far from home.

"With winter setting in, already grave conditions are expected to only worsen as these families are going without proper shelter, which is so fundamental to living their lives," said Supreme Knight Anderson. "These new homes are signs of hope that will allow this community to begin to blossom once again."

Those wishing to assist with Knights' relief efforts can donate to K of C Christian Refugee Relief by visiting www.kofc.org/donate, or by sending cheques or money orders to: K of C Christian Refugee Relief, Knights of Columbus Charities, P.O. Box 1966, New Haven, CT 06509-1966. [Editor's note: Canadian contributions can be made to: Knights of Columbus Canada Charities, Gift Processing Center, PO Box 7252 Station A, Toronto, ON M5W 1X9. Make cheques payable to: Knights of Columbus Canada Charities, Inc. Kindly write K of C Christian Refugee Relief on the memo line of your cheque].

The Knights of Columbus has a long history of providing humanitarian relief and has done so following the 9/11 terrorist attacks; last year's typhoons in the Philippines; hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Sandy; nationwide tornadoes; flooding in Mexico; and tsunamis in Indonesia and Japan.

The organization has also long supported persecuted Christians. Throughout the 1920s, the Knights provided humanitarian assistance and created international awareness of the persecution of the Catholic Church in Mexico.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

■ December	~ January 2015 ~					February ▶
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4 Feast of Epiphany	5	6 3881 Executive Meeting 7:30 pm	7	8EXECUTIVE MEETING 7:30 PM Marian Hall 1494 Wallace Road	9 Confirmation Mary Mother of God Parish 7 pm Bishop Crosby	10 Confirmation Mary Mother of God Parish 10:00 am & 1:30pm Bishop Crosby
11 2nd Degree St. Patrick Church 921 Flagship Dr Mississauga 3pm	12	13 3881 General Meeting 7:30 pm 14446 Executive Meeting 7:30 pm	14	15GENERAL MEETING St. Matthew's Parish 1150 Monks Pass 7pm Mass; Renewal of Obligations	16	17
18	19	20	21 Adoption Information Night Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton -7pm 735 King St. Hamilton www.hamiltoncca s.on.ca	22	23 14446 Basketball Free Throw Championship 7pm St. Thomas Aquinas Secondary School 124 Dorval Dr.	24 3881 Basketball Free Throw Championship 9 am St. Thomas Aquinas Secondary School 124 Dorval Dr 1st Degree St. Francis Xavier 5560 Mavis Rd. Mississauga 10:30 am
25	26	27 14446 General Meeting 7:30 pm	28	29	30 Confirmation St. Matthew's Parish 7:30pm Bishop Tonnos	31 St. Matthew Parish Winter Banquet Le Dome, 6 pm, \$50