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MESSAGE FROM SPIRITUAL ADVISOR Msgr. Edward House

“The Mercy of God”

Dear Brother Knights:

Pope Francis gave this talk on Mercy and I thought it would be good for all of us to read it. He goes in to detail describing the “mercy of God” and how it relates to our spiritual lives. I hope you will enjoy.

(Msgr. House)

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I meet with you at the end of the works of your plenary session. I greet you cordially and I thank the Cardinal Prefect for his courteous words.

We are in the Holy Year of Mercy. I hope that in this Jubilee all the members of the Church will renew their faith in Jesus Christ, who is the face of the Father’s mercy, the way that unites God and man. Therefore, mercy constitutes the architrave that supports the life of the Church: the first truth of the Church, in fact, is the love of Christ. How can we not desire, then, that the whole Christian people — pastors and faithful — rediscover and put at the center, during the Jubilee, the corporal and spiritual works of mercy? And, when in the evening of life, we are asked if we fed the hungry and gave drink to the thirsty, we will also be asked if we helped persons come out of doubt, if we were committed to receive sinners, admonishing and correcting them, if we were capable of combatting ignorance, especially that concerning the Christian faith and the good life. This attention to the works

of mercy is important: they are not a devotion. It is the concreteness of how Christians must carry forward the spirit of mercy. Once in these years, I received an important Movement in Paul VI Hall; it was full. And I touched on the subject of the works of mercy. I paused and I asked the question: “Which one of you remembers well what are the spiritual and corporal works of mercy? Whoever remembers them, raise his hand.” There were no more than 20 in a Hall of 7,000. We must teach this to the faithful again, which is so important.

There is a cognitive and unifying relation in faith and in charity with the mystery of Love, which is God Himself. And, although God remains a mystery in Himself, God’s effective mercy became in Jesus affective mercy, He having made Himself man for the salvation of men. The task entrusted to your dicastery finds here its ultimate foundation and its proper justification. The Christian faith, in fact, is not only knowledge to be kept in the memory, but truth to live in love. Therefore, together with the Doctrine of the Faith, it is necessary also to protect the integrity of customs, particularly in the most delicate realms of life. The

adherence of faith to the person of Christ implies both an act of reason as well as a moral answer to His gift. In this regard, I thank you for all the commitment and responsibility you exercise in treating cases of abuse of minors by clergymen.

Care for the integrity of the faith and of customs is a delicate task. A collegial commitment is important to carry out this mission well. Your congregation appreciates very much the contribution of consultors and commissioners, whom I would like to thank for their precious and humble work; and I encourage you to continue in your practice of treating questions in your weekly congress and those that are more important in the ordinary or plenary session. Correct synodality must be promoted at all levels of ecclesial life. In this connection, last year you organized a timely meeting — with the representatives of the Doctrinal Commissions of the European Episcopal Conferences —, to address collegially some doctrinal and pastoral challenges. Thus, you contributed to awaken in the faithful a new missionary impetus and greater opening to the transcendent dimension of life, without which Europe risks losing that humanistic spirit that it loves and defends. I invite you to continue and to intensify the collaboration with such advisory organs, which help episcopal conferences and individual bishops in their solicitude for the holy Doctrine, at a time of rapid changes and growing complexity of the problems.

Another important contribution of yours to the renewal of ecclesial life is the study on the

complementarity between hierarchical and charismatic gifts. According to the logic of unity in legitimate difference — logic that characterizes every authentic form of communion in the People of God —, hierarchical and charismatic gifts are called to collaborate in synergy for the good of the Church and of the world. The testimony of this complementarity is all the more urgent today and it represents an eloquent expression of that ordered pluri-formity that connotes all ecclesial fabric, as reflection of the harmonious communion that it lives in the heart of God, One and Triune. The relation between hierarchical and charismatic gifts, in fact, refers back to its Trinitarian root, in the bond between the Divine Incarnate Logos and the Holy Spirit, who is always gift of the Father and of the Son. In fact, if this root is recognized and received with humility, it enables the Church to allow herself to be renewed at all times as “a people that derives its unity from the unity of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,” according to the expression of Saint Cyprian (*De Oratione Dominica*, 23). Unity and pluri-formity are the seal of a Church that, moved by the Spirit, is able to set out with a sure and faithful step towards those ends that the Risen Lord indicates to her in the course of history. Here one sees well how the Synodal dynamic, if correctly understood, is born of communion and leads to an ever more realized, deepened and dilated communion at the service of the life and mission of the People of God.

Dear brothers and sisters, I assure you of my remembrance in prayer and trust in yours for me. May the Lord bless you and Our Lady protect you.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations:

Bro. Michael and Evangeline Nelligan
February 4 – 49 years

Bro. Andrzej and Ewa Kemnitz
February 23 – 49 years

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Kevin Demeter – February 6

Joe Milton – February 16

Blair Breckenridge – February 21

Claude Penin – February 21

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE:

Brother Knights:

Thank you to all Brothers for assisting in the January Basketball Free Throw Council Competitions as well as the Special Olympics events. These events were chaired by our Program Chairman Ken Fleming. Thank you Brother Ken.

I encourage you to attend the Valentine's Dinner Dance on Saturday, February 6. Invite another couple or two and help make this event another success.

On February 9, we are co-sponsoring the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Breakfast and Dinner with the C.W.L. The chair for this event is Brother Joe Milton.

In closing, I want to thank you for your co-operation in providing me with your Fraternal Activity Survey. In 2015, our Council 8,412 donated volunteer hours and \$6,837 in Charitable Disbursements. This is an increase of 3,317 hours and \$2,734 from last year. With a modest value of \$10.00 per volunteer hour, our Council contributed over \$84,000 to our community. When we add the 10,000 pounds of dry goods in the Longo Food Drive and the approximate 8,000 pounds of bread from Cob's Breads we collected during 2015, we can add another \$27,000 bringing our total contribution to \$117,837 or 3,273.25 per member. **CONGRATULATIONS BROTHERS!**

I look forward to see you at our meeting on Tuesday, February 2 at 7:00.

Don Prescott
Grand Knight

Written Notice of Motion:

Whereas Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary Council 15920 has expressed an interest in raising funds to support a refugee family by hosting a "Big Band Concert" on Friday, April 8, 2016 at the Burlington Performing Arts Centre, and

Whereas the rental of the Burlington Performing Arts Centre requires prepayment for the rental of the facilities,

I move that the Council commit to an expenditure of \$1,645.00 for the rental of the Performing Arts Centre.

Vic Lefebvre, PGK, PFN
Financial Secretary
January 5, 2016



***FAMILY FRATERNAL BENEFITS
FROM A BROTHER KNIGHT***

*Call your Fraternal Adviser
BRO. TREVOR D'MELLO F.I.C.
1-800-263-KOFC (5632)
E-Mail: trevor.d'mello@kofc.org*

Cob's Bakery –every Sunday

Brother Aeneas and his merry troop of volunteers continues to ensure that all of the excess baked goods available from the Cob's bread store in north Burlington is delivered to the Good Shepherd food bank every Sunday evening between 6 and 8 PM. Thanks again to Aeneas and his wife Barb along with Master Vic Lefebvre and all of the other knights that help out.



PRAYER NETWORK



In charity, we pray for:

- Brother Howard McNamara
- Richard Cupido, grandson of Brother Guido
- Linda Cupido, daughter-in-law of Brother Guido
- Concetta Iantomasi, mother of Brother Vincent
- Cindy Boyd niece of Brother Aeneas Mac Isaac
- Wilfred McNamara, Brother of Howard
- Theresa Milton, wife of Brother Joe

In the memory of Julien Lefebvre, brother of Brother Vic

Prayer for Healing

Almighty and merciful Father, by the power of your command, drive away from me all forms of sickness and disease. Restore strength to my body and joy to my spirit, so that in my renewed health, I may bless and serve you, now and forever more.

To be included in the Prayer Network, contact Bro. Vic Lefebvre at 905-336-3056 or by e-mail at kofcholyrosary@outlook.com

CALENDAR OF COUNCIL EVENTS

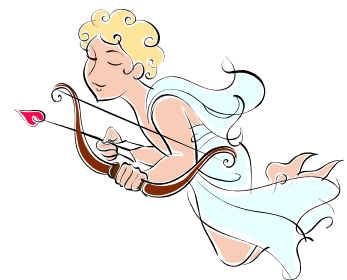
- Feb. 2 – Business Meeting
7:00 pm in Parish Centre
- Feb. 6 – **Valentine’s Dinner Dance**
6:15 Doors Open
7:00 Dinner is Served
Rocking Robin
Holy Rosary Parish Centre
\$40.00 per person
- Feb. 6 – Basketball Free Throw
District Competitions
8:00 am to 1 00 pm
St. Thomas Aquinas High School
124 Dorval Drive
Oakville
- Feb. 9 – **Shrove Tuesday**
8:30 am Pancake Breakfast
6:30 pm Pancake Dinner
Parish Centre
- Feb. 10 – Ash Wednesday
- Mar. 1 – Business Meeting
- Mar. 25 – Good Friday
- Mar. 27 – Easter Sunday

VALENTINE’S DINNER DANCE
Saturday, February 6



Dancing to Rocking Robin
Holy Rosary Parish Centre

Doors open at 6:15
Dinner at 7:00
\$40.00 per person



January Events

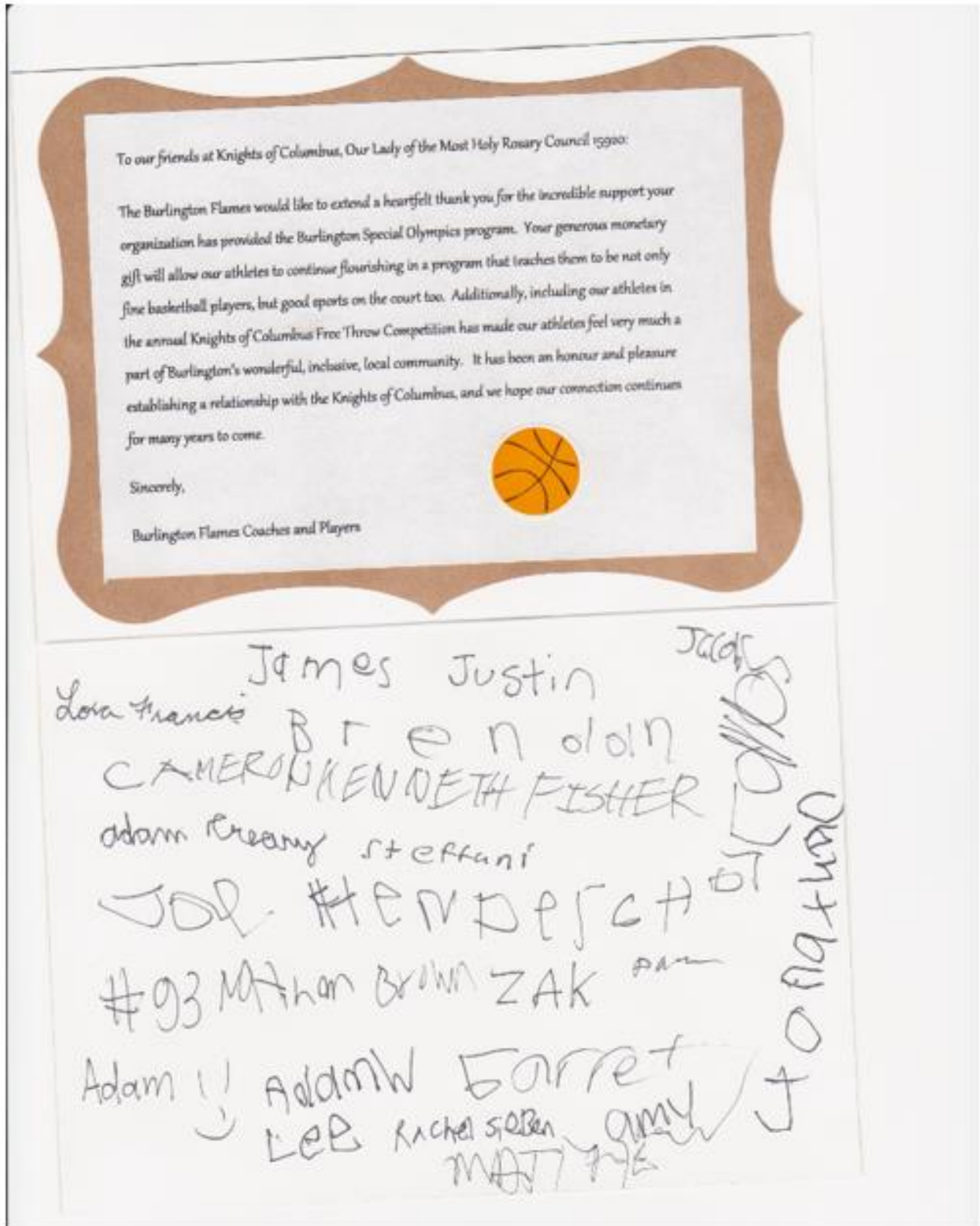
We had a very busy start to the New Year with lots of Basketball events to take in and enjoy. We started on January 14th with the Special Olympics Qualifier at the Haber Center. There were over 30 enthusiastic Special Olympics athletes there to test out their shots. Justin Sargent led all of the competitors in the Rec. division with 12 baskets out of 14 attempts followed closely by Adam Warlick and James Stevenson each with 10 baskets. In the competitive division, the winner was Adam Quinn with 8 baskets follow by Matthew Duff-Tyler with 7 successful attempts. All 30+ competitors were invited to the K of C Basketball Free Throw at Notre Dame High School on January 23rd.



Brother Knights David Lord, Joe Milton, Willie Joki, Blair Breckenridge, Don Prescott and Ken Fleming came out to help score the Special Olympics Qualifier and we were treated to a special presentation by the coaches and athletes. The team wanted to thank our council for all of the support we have given to the Special Olympics and especially for the \$1,100 donation we made to the basketball team. Coach Sarah Bauer handed us a beautiful card signed by all of the Special Olympics basketball team. Three of them including Lee Nolan and Rachel Sieban each made brief speeches to thank all of the Knights for their help.



Here is a copy of the card given to our council by the Special Olympics Basketball team.



Special Olympics Swim Meet

Five of our brothers came out to the Special Olympics swim meet held at Centennial Pool on New Street on January 24th. The intent was for the brothers to help with timing of the event...but thanks to a "senior moment" from our Program Director they went to the wrong pool and by the time they found the right place they had been replaced. The error cost our Program Director 5 breakfasts on the way home.



Knights of Columbus 44th Annual Burlington Basketball Free Throw

Continuing the Basketball theme on January 23rd our council was the host council for the 44th annual Basketball Free Throw. The event was held this year at Notre Dame High school. We had almost 300 kids and another 300+ in the stands for this fun event.

Mayor Rick Goldring who has been a very faithful supporter of this event was there to encourage the kids to have fun and enjoy themselves. Other special guests included MP Karina Gould, MPP Eleanor McMahon, Camillo Cipriano HDCSB, Gord Truffen HDSB and Catherine Hawkins of the Special Olympics. The top 4 winners in each category are eligible to move on to the District 67 final to take place in Oakville on February 6th. Three of the students from Holy Rosary School finished in the top 4 and are invited to go to the district event...they were Katie Hunt age 11, Valeria Barenò also age 11 and Audrey Murphy age 13.

Our Grand Knight Don Prescott did a masterful job as Master of ceremonies and he personally handed the trophies to the 14 overall category winners. The 3 other Grand Knights in Burlington GK John D'Addario Council 5073, Victor Joseph Council 10061 and Tim O'Brien Conseil 10340 also were there to support the event and help Don with the awards. The Pope John Paul II Colour Guard led by Commander Sir Knight David Stokes did their customary great job of leading the athletes into the gym and exciting the crowd with their regalia. District Deputy Steve Reynolds was among the special guests along with our own Master Sir Knight Vic Lefebvre.

The participants with the best shooting percentage were 9 year old Hayden Pauley of Ryerson Public School and 11 year old Jason Singh of C.H. Norton Public School with an amazing 93.3% (14 out of 15 attempts). Girls Alessia Nigro age 10 and Joelle Pecyna age 11 both shot 80% (12 of 15 attempts) while Adam Quinn of the Special Olympics shot 66.7% (10 of 15 attempts).

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED MAKE THIS EVENT A SUCCESS !!



44th Annual Basketball Free Throw Council Competition in Action

