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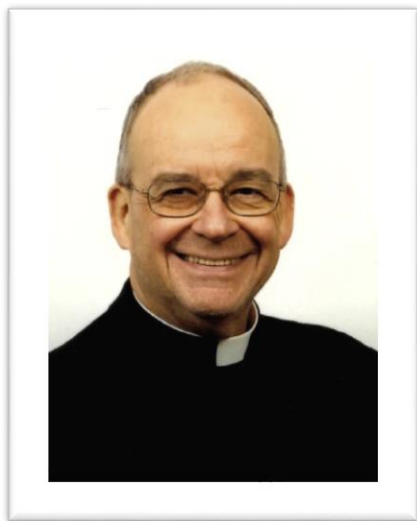


The Holy Family! Jesus, Mary and Joseph

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN, REVEREND MARTIN VALLELY



Dear Brothers,

Here's praying that you and those you love will have every blessing and happiness in this New Year 2017. I pray that your faith may grow strong, your trust in Our Lord never waver, and your outreach of love to others be a flowing river of goodness and healing.

We all know that these are interesting and difficult times in which we live. It is important for us to get our priorities straight, to put our trust in what really lasts, not in what is passing and fading. At the dawn of a New Year, when people traditionally make resolutions and are determined to better their lives, I suggest that we make a couple of spiritual resolutions.....nothing enormously burdensome, but the sort of thing that will keep us on track.

- 1) May we resolve to deepen our relationship with Jesus through our prayer. I urge everyone to offer their day and their life to God, in a complete surrender, at the beginning of each new day. Ask the Lord to show you what it is he especially wants of you that day, and ask him to show himself to you, so that you will know how to respond. Knights of Columbus ought to be men who are particularly devoted to seeking out God's will for their lives, so that they may know him and serve him.
- 2) May we resolve to do something this year, whatever it might be, to get to know our Catholic Faith better. A better acquaintance with the Scriptures, with the teachings of the Church and the Catechism, with Catholic perspectives on developments in the world.....all these will make of us Knights who are well-equipped, well-armed, to face the inevitable challenges of our society today.
- 3) May we resolve to build or re-build a broken relationship, end a grudge, do away with resentment, heal festering wounds, speak in such a way as to build up, never to tear down.
- 4) May we resolve to think first, before we speak, so that others will hear out of our mouths only the kind of thing they would hear from Christ Jesus himself.
- 5) May we resolve that, each day, we will do even just one outreach to help someone else, for which we will expect no reward, no thanks, just the satisfaction of having tried to be like Christ to another.

Every blessing be yours!!! Here's to a great year ahead for our families, our K of C Council, our parish, and our world.

Father Martin Vallely
Chaplain

GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE:

I hope everyone has been able to enjoy the wonderful Christmas season with your families and friends and that you are refreshed and ready to tackle another year with the same enthusiasm that we have come to expect from members of the Knights.

December was an especially busy month with the Turkey Roll, Breakfast with Santa, the Santa Claus Parade and the Longo's food drive just to mention the main events. I hope you don't get tired of hearing me say thank you to all of you....you continue to impress me with your hard work and great support. I hope and pray that we never lose the level of enthusiasm that our Council has....and so with that in mind here is what is in store for us for January and February.

We start off the month of January with the 7th Aldershot Scout Group Bottle drive which happens on Monday January 2nd...bring your bottles to East Plains United between 3 pm and 5pm. Our first meeting of the year is on Tuesday January 3rddon't forget to bring your completed fraternal activity forms. On Saturday January 7th, we are helping the Special Olympics put on a Leadership training course for the athletes in the church hall between 10 and 3:30 pm. This is intended to help boost their confidence levels and prepare them for taking leadership rolls. We will act as mentors for them during the training....Please come out to help.

We hope to have our second council "Card Party" on Tuesday January 17th and don't forget to invite your wives/guests to join us. Brother Aeneas will be presenting another fun evening for us all I'm sure. We have been moving the date of this around a bit so I hope this date works. Don't forget to get your tickets for the sixth Big Band Concert on January 29. See the poster at the end of this newsletter.

January and February are traditionally Basketball Free Throw months and this year is no exception. We will be helping the Special Olympics run their Qualifier on Thursday January 19th at Haber Center starting at 7 pm. Then on the Friday night January 20, we will help the brothers of St. Gabriel's council to set up the gym at Notre Dame starting at 7 pm. The actual Council BFT will take place on Saturday morning January 21st in the gym at Notre Dame. The event will run from 9 am until noon. The District BFT event will take place on Saturday February 4th at Corpus Christie High school starting at 9 am. We will also be asked to supply some volunteers for the Saturday as well as the Friday night before to set-up the gym.

Sticking with the Basketball theme on January 28th, the Dr. Frank Hayden Basketball Tournament is being held by the Special Olympics at the Haber center, 3040 Tim Dobbie Drive running from 8am until around 4pm. They have named one of the gyms after us so we need some guys to help man the scorer's desk. According to Cate we need 3 scorers for the events and if we figure on maybe 3 shifts we would need about 9 volunteers. This is always a fun event for everyone involved.

As you can see 2017 is shaping up as another fun filled active year for our council. I am looking forward to working with you all.

Ken Fleming,
Grand Knight

PRAYER NETWORK

In charity, we pray for:

Brother Loy De Mello
 Brother Sam Cervoni
 Richard Cupido, grandson
 of Brother Guido
 Linda Cupido, daughter-in-
 law of Brother Guido
 Shannon Wilken, daughter of Bro. Michael
 Nelligan



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



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 from a Brother Knight***

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CALENDAR OF COUNCIL EVENTS

- Jan. 2 – 7th Aldershot Scout Bottle Drive
 East Plains United Church
 3 to 5 pm
- Jan. 3 – Council Business Meeting
- Jan. 7 – Special Olympics Leadership Course
 Holy Rosary Parish Centre
 10 to 3:30 pm
- Jan. 17 – Council Card Party
 Holy Rosary Parish Centre
 Members and Spouses/Guests
 7:00 pm
- Jan. 19 – Special Olympics BFT Qualifier
 Haber Centre
 7:00 pm
- Jan. 20 – Basketball Free Throw Set-up
 Notre Dame High School
 7:00 pm
- Jan. 21 – Basketball Free Throw Competition
 Notre Dame High School
 9 to 12 noon
- Jan. 28 - Dr. Frank Hayden Basketball Tournament
 Haber Centre
 8 am to 4 pm
- Jan. 29 – Big Band Concert
 2:00 pm Matinee
 Burlington Performing Arts Centre
- Feb. 4 – District Basketball Free Throw Competition
 Corpus Christie High School
 9:00 am
- Feb. 7 – General Business Meeting
- Feb. 11 - Valentine's Dinner Dance
 Details at the January meeting

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Aeneas Mac Isaac – January 20

Sam Cervoni – January 28

Ken Fleming – January 31

NEW MEMBERS RECEIVE THEIR 1st DEGREE CERTIFICATES



At our regular business meeting on December 6th two of our new members received their 1st degree certificates. On the left Brother Earl Kent Roy receives his certificate and on the right Brother Daniel Giroux receives his certificate from Grand Knight Ken Fleming.



A NOTE THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S DESK:

By this time, regular members will have received you Annual Dues invoice, via e-mail, as a cost cutting measure. You may bring your payment to our next General meeting on Tuesday, January 3 or send your payment by Canada Post to my home address: 1404 Dewbourn Crescent, Burlington, L7M 1E7.

Remember to make your cheques payable to: K of C Council 15920.

I ask you to please take the time to complete the annual Survey of Fraternal Activity form for the 2016 Fraternal Year. The form is included elsewhere in this publication and can also be found in the "links of interest" on our Council web site. Unfortunately, you cannot fill the form on line.

Please add up all of the time you volunteered during 2016 in any capacity including K of C activities of course but also any other activity where you are helping others or providing assistance to others. This can include church activities, scouting, community service, visiting the sick etc. etc. Please fill out the form and bring it with you to our meeting on January 3rd. These survey results have to be submitted by the end of January to Supreme so please get them done now so we have time to summarize them and get them submitted.

Thank you for your co-operation and assistance.

Vic Lefebvre, PGK, PFN, FDM
Financial Secretary

Council News

TURKEY ROLL DECEMBER 2nd

The 2016 K of C Council 15920 Turkey Roll was a great success in all respects. Planning, scheduling, execution and delivery all went “According to Hoyle” with volunteer participation and attendance exceeding expectations with receipts nearing record amounts for the charitable activity.

The atmosphere in the Holy Rosary school gym was electric from the start of the event through to the final spin of the wheel. Our volunteers, including many Brother Knights, their wives, families and friends were again generous with their time and efforts in helping to sell tickets for and hand out the many prizes. Almost Forty turkeys, many hams and fruit baskets as well as bottles of wine and Crown Royal were among the prizes and kept the ticket sellers, the bar and the stage busy for the entire night, which flew by and left all wondering where the time went.

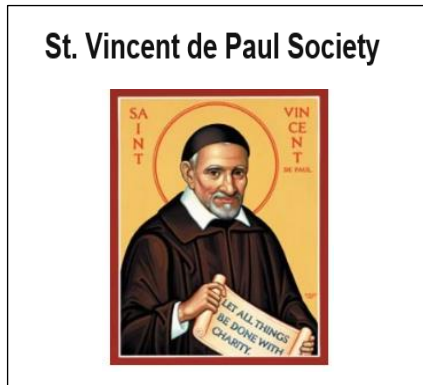
By all accounts the evening was a huge success with all who attended leaving for home with more than they came, including thinner wallets.

Special thanks to the many volunteers, without whose help the activity would not have been possible. Our Brother Knights should all be very proud of their efforts in making this great event a huge success.

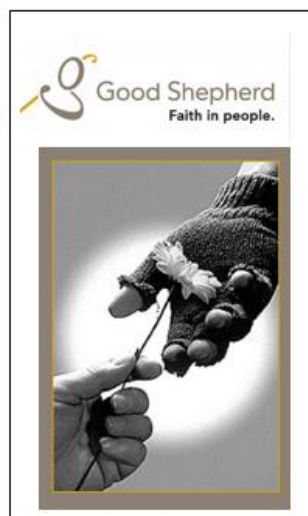


PROCEEDS FROM TURKEY ROLL DELIVERED TO CHARITABLE GROUPS

During December Grand Knight Ken Fleming had the pleasure of delivering several Council donations to some of the organizations that our K of C Council supports. Funds generated by the Turkey Roll Meat Spin this year amounted to \$3100 and so cheques were delivered as follows: \$500 to the St Vincent de Paul Society, \$500 to the Burlington / Halton Compassion Society and \$2,100 to Holy Rosary Church.



OTHER ORGANIZATIONS WE SUPPORT



Burlington Food Bank
PartnershipWest

Carpenter Hospice

HOLY ROSARY BREAKFAST WITH SANTA – DECEMBER 3rd

Despite finishing up the Turkey Roll very late the night before 11 of our faithful Knights came out at 7AM on Saturday, December 3rd to help Holy Rosary School put on its “Annual Breakfast with Santa” event in the school gym. The Knights helped the other volunteers cook up 3 large buckets of pancakes (hundreds of them) to feed the over 300 students and parents that attended the event. Principal Cathy Choma and the rest of the teachers and organizing committee members were very pleased with the help we provided...the guys were there until 11am ensuring the place was cleaned up. Brother Willie Joki offered to take the left overs to the Good Shepherd food bank so nothing went to waste.....thanks Willie.



LONGO'S FOOD DRIVE IN SUPPORT OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD FOOD BANK – DEC 15 & 16

Once again Brother Vic Lefebvre did a fantastic job of arranging the annual Longo's Food Drive event which was held at Longo's on Fairview Street on December 15 and 16. Brother Vic has been working with the Good Shepherd for many years and he and Margret Enright do a great job in providing the much needed supplies for the food bank. This year with the help of many of our Knights they collected twelve thousands of pounds of food and other essentials which was delivered to the food bank by Brother Aeneas Mac Isaac and his (somewhat) faithful truck and gleaming silver trailer....thanks Brother Aeneas for always being there.



BURLINGTON SANTA CLAUS PARADE December 4th

This year's Santa Claus Parade took place on Sunday December 4th with the procession following the regular Guelph Line, New Street and Brant Street route on a clear and seasonably cold day.


Brother Knights from all the Burlington councils were represented in building this year's float and a tremendous effort was made by volunteers from each council to create a beautiful setting. This made the event a happy and cheerful one for all on board, especially the Burlington Special Olympians, approximately 20 in number. The Special Olympics athletes have now become fixtures on the K of C float and this year they brought their Provincial athletes to enjoy the festivities. Coach Cate Hawkins rode on the float with the other athletes that were members of the swim team.

The float was dismantled expertly and efficiently near the No Frills plaza on Brant Street by our volunteer Brother Knights. Special thanks to Brothers Sam Cervoni, Dave Kenel and Aeneas Mac Isaac for their hard work in building and taking down the float and transporting all the material required for the effort.



UPCOMING EVENTS

For the next meeting- Annual Fraternal Activities Report – Please take the time to complete the fraternal Survey form which can be found on the Council web site. Please add up all of the time you volunteered during 2016 in any capacity including K of C activities of course but also any other activity where you are helping others or providing assistance to others. This can include church activities, scouting, community service, visiting the sick etc. etc. Please fill out the form and bring it with you to our meeting on January 3rd. These survey results have to be submitted by the end of January to Supreme so please get them done now so we have time to summarize them and get them submitted.

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<p>Over the last ten years, the Knights of Columbus donated more than \$1.5 billion to charitable and benevolent causes and more than 682 million hours of volunteer community service to aid the less fortunate. To help prepare our Fraternal Survey for the Supreme Council office, please complete the information requested below and return it at our next meeting. This information will assist us in determining the total number of hours of community service volunteered by our members.</p>			
1. Number of visits you made during 20__ to:			
Sick — caring for the sick/nursing homes/hospitals			
Bereaved — visits of condolence			
2. Number of times you served as a blood donor during 20__			
3. Estimated hours of community volunteer service during 20__:			
Church Activities — service in all Church related activities			
Community Activities — service in all community related activities			
Youth Activities — service in all youth related activities			
Habitat for Humanity — service in all related projects			
Culture of Life Activities — service in all related projects			
VAVS			
Food For Families			
Special Olympics			
Miscellaneous Activities — service in areas not outlined above			
4. Number of hours of fraternal service during 20__:			
Sick/disabled members and their families — household chores, transportation, tutoring, counselling, etc.			

Jan 7- Special Olympics Athletes Leadership Training Course – We are helping the Burlington Special Olympics to run a Leadership course for some of the athletes. We will be mentors for the athletes and the course will run from 10am to 3:30. Let Grand Knight Ken know if you would like to help out.

Jan 19, 20, 21 K of C BFT – The Basketball free throw event happens this year on January 21st at Notre Dame High school between 9 am and noon. St Gabriel council are running the event this year and will need our help. On Thursday January 19 the Special Olympics will hold their qualifier at the Haber center starting at 7PM. We will help them run the qualifier and present them with the \$2,000 cheque from last year's bottle drive. The gym set up will happen for the BFT on Friday night Jan 20.

Jan 28- Dr. Frank Hayden Basketball Tournament – The Special Olympics at the Haber center, 3040 Tim Dobbie Drive running from 8am until around 4pm.

Jan 29 Big Band Concert – A matinee tribute to Dean Martin and Ella Fitzgerald at the Burlington Performing Arts Centre.

Knights in Action Dec 2016

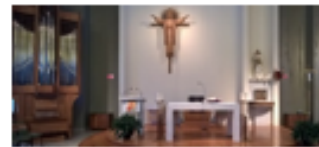
Brothers help out at Holy Rosary School

Brothers David Lord, Joe Milton, Sam Cervoni and Ken Fleming come out several times a month to keep the school sign up to date. This month Brother Sam Cervoni has offered to build the school a new cross for the front lobby.



Knights help out in the church

Brother Sam Cervoni is working on a system for mounting all of our awards and plaques on the wall of the hall beside our Charter



Used Eye Glasses for Haiti

Brother Blair Breckenridge is spearheading an initiative to collect used eye glasses for donation to the **B the Hope for Haiti Mission.**

Joanna Baumgartner wife of our brother Joe has already delivered over 200 pairs to the needy people in Haiti. The collection box will remain in the church so please continue to collect used eye glasses for this effort.



Cob's Bakery

Brother Aeneas Mc Isaac and his wife Barb continue to take a leadership role for the Knights by ensuring that every Sunday evening all of the unused baked goods from Cob's Bread in north Burlington is delivered to the Good Shepherd food bank. Brother Vic Lefebvre is also there most every Sunday to help deliver this significant community contribution.

Several of our knights have signed up to help Aeneas and Vic whenever they are needed. This is an excellent example of how the Knights of our council work together in an unselfish way to help those in need.





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Dean Martin & Ella Fitzgerald



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