

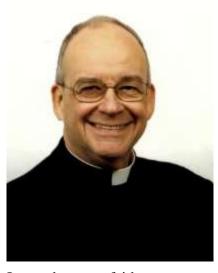
OUR LADY OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN, REVEREND MARTIN VALLELY

Dear Brother Knights,

Here's praying that you and those you love will have every blessing and happiness in this New Year 2018.

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. Our Knights Council continues to engage in extraordinary outreach efforts, which has long ago earned my undying admiration. And it is not only your generosity, but your cheerfulness in doing it all!!! May God continue to bless you as you help our parish community to grow and to give.

For 2018, I urge you once again to resolve to deepen your life of prayer. It is a lifeline for us, to daily talk to the Lord, reflect on his goodness and mercy with gratitude in our hearts, and commit ourselves once again to trying to be the very best we can be, as our gift back to him. Make sure your prayer is living, focused, and real. It is not always necessary to rely on formal prayers. Many times, Jesus wants us just to talk to him as we would talk to any friend. And be sure your prayer is not only requests. You yourselves know how you feel when you have a "friend" who only talks to you when they want something.

Real friends genuinely want to get to know each other better, in every way. One way to do this, when it comes to Jesus, is to read the Scriptures, for there he really does communicate himself to us. Even just a little something from the Gospels, each day, can be a tremendous window in to the heart of God. One suggestion I can make, in this regard, is the Wednesday evening group which meets in the Parish Centre Library for an hour, 7 - 8 P.M. They still call themselves "Quest", though that name may be changing. It is a time of simply looking at the Scripture readings for the coming Sunday, and sharing thoughts. No special expertise is needed. I realize that many of you are out several nights a week as it is, with your many involvements. Do not feel this is something you would be having to make a commitment to do every single week. Even just dropping in occasionally would be helpful, I am sure.

Our supreme model for what it means to be a person of prayer is Mary, whom I put forward as our special

figure for this month. In our series of Saints who may be able to speak in a particular way to the spiritual needs of men, this is the first female I have presented. And who could be more appropriate? January is a fitting month to think of Mary, for the New Year begins with honouring her as

Mother of God, the most exalted of all her titles. If you look to the Christmas Gospels, it is remarkable how often Mary is characterized as "pondering all these things in her heart". This is the essence of true prayer: being still before the profound mystery of it all. Mary is never described as understanding everything which was happening to her and her little family; in fact, often, quite the opposite. But she allowed herself to be drawn into the depths of the heart of God. She truly listened to him, and she was graced beyond measure with holy insight, with fearless courage to do the Father's will, and with deep peace. Nothing could disturb that peace, even the horrors she would have to undergo as she watched her Son give himself in suffering and death for us poor sinners.

It is of course no accident that Mary is a major Patroness of the Knights of Columbus. Entering into prayer and communion with the Lord as she did, we too can act with courage, we too can dwell in deep peace.

A richly blessed New Year to you and your families, my dear brothers!

Father Martin Vallely Chaplain

GK Ken Fleming presents a Commendation Certificate to Brother Joe Baumgartner in recognition of him and his wife Joanna's 25th Wedding Anniversary in November

Congratulations Joe and Joanna



CALENDAR OF COUNCIL EVENTS

- Jan. 2 Council Business Meeting
- Jan. 11 Special Olympics BFT Qualifier Haber Centre 7:00 pm
- Jan. 13 Special Olympics Leadership Course Holy Rosary Parish Centre 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
- Jan. 15 Second Degree Ceremonial Holy Rosary Parish Centre 7:00 pm
- Jan. 19 Basketball Free Throw Set-up Notre Dame High School 9:00 pm
- Jan. 20 Basketball Free Throw Council Competition Notre Dame High School 8:00 am to 12:00 noon
- Jan. 27 Dr. Frank Hayden Basketball Tournament Haber Centre 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
- Jan. 28 Big Band Concert 2:00 pm Matinee Burlington Performing Arts Centre
- Feb. 6 General Business Meeting
- Feb. 10 Valentine's Dinner Dance Holy Rosary Parish Centre Cocktails 6:15 – Dinner 7:00 \$40.00 per person All are Welcome

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Aeneas Mac Isaac – January 20

Sam Cervoni – January 28

Ken Fleming – January 31

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

January is going to be a very busy month for our council as it has been over the past few years. The Basketball Free Throw is happening this year on Saturday January 20th and we are hoping to have another large turn-out of students and parents including the Special Olympians.

The involvement with Special Olympics is always enjoyable times for our members so we are getting a lot of it this month. Starting on Thursday January 11th, we will be helping at their Basketball Free Throw Qualifier starting at 7 pm at the Haber Center. They are expecting the largest number of participants ever this year with almost 50 athletes. Then on Saturday January 13th, they are holding an Athletes Leadership Training Course at Holy Rosary Parish Centre and we will need several Knights out to act as mentors for the participants. The Dr. Frank Hayden Special Olympics Basketball Tournament takes place on Saturday January 27th. We will need several volunteers out to man the time clocks in the "Knights Gym" starting at 8 am and going to mid-afternoon.

Other activities in the month will include a 2nd degree ceremony on Monday, January 15th for all of our 1st degree Knights. Then on Sunday January 28th, we will have the annual "Big Band" concert at the Performing Arts center starting at 2 pm.

Please don't forget to fill out the Survey of Fraternal Activity form and bring it with you to our meeting on January 2nd. Copies of the form can be printed from the web site under the "links of interest" tab.

See you all on the second.

Vivat Jesus

Ken Fleming, Grand Knight

A NOTE FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S DESK:

By this time, regular members will have received their Annual Dues invoice, via e-mail, as a cost cutting measure.

You may bring your payment to our next General meeting on Tuesday, January 2. We also now accept credit card and interact/debit as a convenience to pay your dues. Another option is to send your payment by Canada Post to my home address: 1404 Dewbourne Crescent, Burlington, L7M 1E7.

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

Vic Lefebvre, PGK, PFN, FDM Financial Secretary



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

PRAYER NETWORK

In charity, we pray for:

Brother Hugh Johns
Brother Michael Nelligan
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



Valentine's Dinner and Dance February 10, 2017.

Cocktails 6:15, Dinner at 7pm. Great music door prizes, spot dances, cash bar and raffle prizes.

Everyone over 19+ welcome to come out and enjoy a fun evening...bring you friends.

Tickets at \$40.00 each are available from Ron and Susan Lehocki at 905-521-9445 or after all masses prior to the event.



Our newest members receive their certificates at our December 5th meeting

Two of our newest members were on hand at our December meeting to accept their Knights of Columbus Certificates. Brothers Steve Marsh and Marc Clare are pictured receiving their certificates from GK Ken Fleming. Brother Mark Freeman was unable to attend. Welcome guys to our council and we hope you get the same enjoyment and satisfaction the rest of us get from being involved in council activities.





Council News

2017 Turkey Roll – December 1

Congratulations to the organizing committee, all of the members of our council and other Holy Rosary parishioners for the excellent and very successful 2017 Turkey Roll held at Holy Rosary School on Friday December 1. Also a special thank you goes out to the members of the Lions Club that came out to help us again this year. Stephen Clarke, Grand Knight of St Gabriel's Council is also a member of the Burlington Lion's Club and he along with his brother and several other Lions members worked very hard and contributed immensely to the overall success of the evening.

This year we saw a record crowd come out on a cool but pleasant December evening to enjoy the fun and excitement of this year's event. Proceeds for all segments of the event were at or near the highest for many years if not forever. The silent auction proceeds were a little below previous years but for the first time in a while all of the items on the tables were sold.







Breakfast with Santa- December 2

Despite getting to bed a little late the night before several of our members came out to help the school present the 2017 "Breakfast with Santa" on Saturday December 2nd. A special thank you goes to brothers Jim Hession, Don Prescott, Willie Joki, Earl Kent Roy, Joe Milton, Bob Judge and Ken Fleming for the great job done cooking the pancakes for the estimated 200 students and families out to enjoy the breakfast. They worked so hard that they kept blowing fuses in the school but their patience and persistence paid off as everyone had plenty to eat. The ham and pancakes that were left over were delivered to the Good Shepherd food bank by Brother Willie Joki so nothing went to waste.....thanks Brother Willie.



Habitat for Humanity progress report

Brother Len Walker is working hard to create a plan for moving forward with our Habitat for Humanity CATCH18 project. Construction will get underway in 2018 on the Crew-Goetz Landing project in Burlington so our timing is good. We hope to have a kick-off event sometime in the spring to get us underway. We hope to have Brother Steve Marsh and his band involved in a fundraiser dinner to be held at a local venue (possibly the Burlington Golf and Country Club). There will be other activities happening very soon as well especially involving the students at Holy Rosary Elementary and Notre Dame Secondary schools....so stay tuned.





The CREW-GOETZ

Santa Claus Parade December 3

Council 5073 takes the lead every year and do a great job on the Knights of Columbus Keep Christ in Christmas (Santa Claus) parade float. This year some of our Knights helped with the set-up and tear down of the float and made sure the 15 members of the Special Olympics were safely on the float. Thanks goes to Brothers Sam Cervoni, Aeneas Mac Isaac, David Kenel and Ken Fleming for their help.

This year one of the athletes asked if he could MC the float and the organizers agreed. So Nathen Browne, son of Co-ordinator Cate Hawkins, brought out his amplifier and music and did a great job adding to the fun and excitement for the athletes and others on the float.



2017 Bottle Drive proceeds donated to Burlington Special Olympics- December 5

Burlington Co-ordinator Cate Hawkins was on hand after our December 5th meeting to thank our Knights for everything they do for the Special Olympics and to receive the \$1500 cheque. The \$1,500 was part of a total of over \$2,100 raised as a result of the 5 collection days we had during 2017.

A special thank you goes to Deputy Grand Knight Joe Milton who has collected bottles from his apartment building for many months now and his contribution represents a major portion of what we donate. Joe has collected over \$1000 over the past couple of years...his only complaint is his car tends to smell like a brewery sometimes.....Great work Joe.





2017 Longo's Good Shepherd food drive- December 14-15

Once again this year our Financial Secretary SK Vic Lefebvre organized a food drive at Longo's to help the Good Shepherd Food bank. Many of our Knights came out and braved the chilly drafts coming from the doors as they greeted shoppers entering the store on December 14th and 15th. No one really likes pestering....sorry asking....people to spend more money... but our guys did it with smiles on their faces. Thanks very much to all those that manned the doors from 9 am until 8 pm both days. The results were well worth it as over 10,000 lbs of food was delivered to the food bank...of coursein Brother Aeneas Mac Isaac's trusty silver trailer.



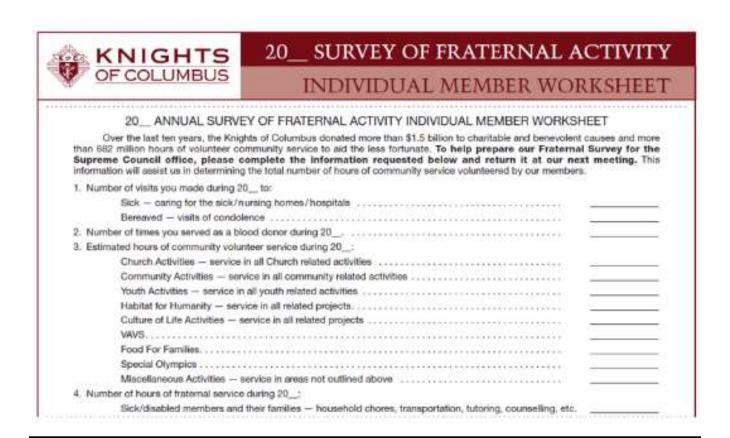
Annual Fraternal Activities Report

Please take the time to complete the Survey of Fraternal Activity Individual Member Worksheet form #1728A by clicking on this link.

http://www.kofc.org/un/en/members/resources/forms/council.html

Please add up all of the time you volunteered during 2017 in your capacity as a member of our Council. This can include church activities, community service (e.g. Food Collections at Cobs Bakery), visiting the sick, etc. Please fill out the form and bring it with you to our meeting in December or January. 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. The following is a sample of the form.

Vic Lefebvre, PGK, PFN, FDM Financial Secretary Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary Council 15920



Knights in Action December 2017

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.

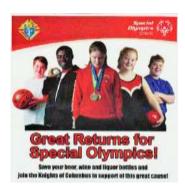






Special Olympics Bottle Drive

The 2018 bottle drive will start up on the Tuesday following the Victoria Day weekend next year and as usual we will have a collection after all long weekends until Thanksgiving. Thanks to everyone that helped in 2017.....we raised \$2,100 for the Special Olympics, a cheque will be presented to them in December.



Cobs Bakery

Brother Aeneas Mac Isaac and his wife Barb continues to take a leadership role for the Knights by ensuring that every Sunday evening all of the unused baked goods from Cobs 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.

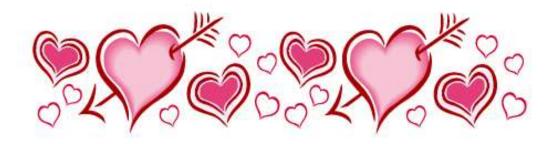
2nd Cobs Bakery night

Brother Vic Lefebvre has arranged a second night for picking up bread at Cobs that the Pope John Paul Assembly is looking after Great work Vic.





Holy Rosary Parish Knights of Columbus



Valentine's Dinner & Dance

Saturday, February 10th, 2018 Cocktails 6:15 pm, Dinner 7:00 pm



Bring your Valentine and come on out for an evening of dining, dancing and fun.
Enjoy great music, door prizes spot dances and raffle

Cash Bar Tickets \$40.00 each

Come dine, then dance to the Hits of Today & Yesterday Couples, singles, groups—all (19+) are welcome.

For tickets call Ron or Susan at 905-521-9445 or purchase following Mass every weekend until they're gone.

Get your tickets early for this fun-filled evening!

