

OUR LADY OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN, REVEREND MARTIN VALLELY

Dear Brothers,

you should take pride in your accomplishments, let them be a spur to still greater action and generosity in years to come!

While I am not in my "youth" as a priest anymore (36 years now!), I am still relatively young as a Knight. I was the Pastor of Saint Francis Xavier Parish in Stoney Creek when I at last joined the Fraternity in September of 2008, and I served as Chaplain to Reverend Gerald M. Warren Stoney Creek Council 7969 thenceforth until leaving the parish just one year ago. It has been a wonderful experience for me to be a Knight of Columbus. Knights seem to go out of their way to be visibly supportive of their priests at all times, not to mention their initiative and availability for so many things in the parish. The Knights of 7969 immeasurably enhanced my experience as a Pastor in Stoney Creek; so I was delighted to learn that there was an active Council here in this parish.......and doubly delighted to discover first-hand how much you have grown and achieved in just two years of existence!! My personal thanks are due to Monsignor Edward House for his strong encouragement towards the formation of a Council here, and his unflagging support of you during your infancy. May God richly bless him with peace and health during a fruitful retirement. I also thank in a special way your founding Grand Knight, Don Prescott, the Council Executive, and all of you, for your enthusiasm and commitment.

Brothers, I write these words on Canada Day.......I encourage you to stand proud for this nation, so richly blessed, and to do your part to make it a better country, centered once more in the God whom we still invoke whenever we sing our national anthem. You will do this even more by your example, and the commitment of your lives, than you will by any words you speak. In the Lord's Prayer, we always ask our Heavenly Father to "give us this day our daily bread". This is a reference, not only or even primarily

to food, but rather to the grace of God which we need, just for today, to do his work. As men of prayer, knowing that your strength lies in God alone, you ask him daily for that grace. Never cease doing just that.

Further, the "daily bread" is given in order to be shared. Never lose your obviously powerful sense of identification with justice and the needs of all our brothers and sisters, especially those who are forgotten. Even as recently as just yesterday, in a Jubilee Audience at the Vatican, our Holy Father Pope Francis reminded us that mercy is not just a word, but a whole way of life. Mercy without works is dead, as what renders it living is its constant dynamism, its reaching out to the needy, to the aid of those who are spiritually and materially disadvantaged. He said: "Mercy has eyes to see, ears to listen, and hands to console.......The works of mercy are not theoretical ideas, but consist instead of concrete witness. We need to roll up our sleeves to alleviate suffering......"

May your commitment to the ideals of the Knights of Columbus be consistently lived out in action. No one is asking you to do everything which could possibly be done; but we are all called to do something.

God bless you, and pray for me as I begin my service to the Parish and to the Council. I assure you that I pray for you all!

Father Martin Vallely Chaplain

A FAREWELL MESSAGE FROM MONSIGNOR EDWARD HOUSE

THANK YOU PARISHIONERS OF HOLY ROSARY PARISH

I wish to thank the Parishioners of Holy Rosary for their good wishes and gifts at my retirement party. In particular, I wish to thank the Knights of Columbus, Catholic Women's League, St. Vincent de Paul Society and parishioners for their support and kind gifts.

I am most grateful to the Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League for honouring me with a reception following all the Masses and for their generous gift on behalf of the Parish of an iPad.

I have truly enjoyed my appointment at Holy Rosary Parish and I am most grateful to everyone for their priestly support and friendship. May God continue to bless the parish abundantly. With every best wish, I am,

Yours sincerely, Monsignor Edward House

GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE

First of all let me thank our Past Grand Knight Don Prescott for the amazing job he has done over the past 3 years. As Grand Knight Don has been instrumental in creating a very successful council filled with a great bunch of Catholic men that take pride in being part of this very rewarding and supportive organization. I also wish to thank the other members that were officers over that time and that have relinquished their roles to the new group of officers....including Brothers Anthony, Vince, Hugh, Sam, Bill and Mathew.....great job guys.

There is no way that I can hope to match the job Don has done but I promise to do whatever I can to try to maintain the level of energy and participation that our membership has demonstrated. I look forward to working with all of you to continue to support our parish and community. I will be in touch with all of you over the next few weeks as we plan the activities for the coming year.

I hope in my own way to make the next couple of years as rewarding and fun as possible. I have always told my kids, to be successful you have to "Work hard and Play hard" so I will do the same here. I will be asking various individuals to take a leadership role in several aspects of our activities such as Church, School, and Community, Youth etc. so we can ensure everyone gets to contribute and the involvement load is shared as much as possible.

The month of June was outdoor month with the barbecues at the Church and with the Special Olympics as well as the fun fair at Holy Rosary School. I want to thank all of the members that helped at these events. I would especially like to thank Brother Blair for his work in organizing the church barbecue...he also helped at the other two events. Thanks as well to Brother Aeneas for the use of his truck and trailer and Brothers Jim and Michael M. for the use of their barbecues....I hope I didn't miss anyone.

Our next meeting is July 5 the same day as our next bottle drive so I encourage everyone to come out and bring your empty bottles with you.

Ken Fleming, Grand Knight

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations to:

Bro. Anthony and Maryse
Cordeiro
July 10 – 23 years
Bro. Len and Andrea
Walker
July 17 – 34 years
Bro. Blair and Ida
Breckenridge
July 28 – 26 years

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Howard McNamara
July 1
David Lord
July 8
David Kenel
July 17



Family Fraternal Benefits from a Brother Knight

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Bro. Trevor D'Mello, F.I.C.

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PRAYER NETWORK

In charity, we pray for:

Brother Loy De Mello 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

CALENDAR OF COUNCIL EVENTS

July 5 - Council Business Meeting

July 5 - Special Olympics Bottle Drive

Aug. 2 - Council Business Meeting

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Sept. 6 - Council Business Meeting

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Sept 11 - Thirty-Second Annual **Rosary Sunday** Martyrs' Shrine, Midland, On

Oct. 4 - Council Business Meeting

Oct. 7 - The feast of Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary

Oct. 11 - Special Olympics Bottle Drive

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2015 - 2016**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

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Come early to the next meeting and learn how to take advantage of these tools to better communicate with your Brother Knights.

Financial Secretary Vic Lefebvre will provide hands on instructions starting at 6:30 pm.

Cob's Bread weekly collection enters its second year for our Council

Last year Brother Aeneas Mc Isaac brought this great opportunity to our Council. Amazingly Aeneas and his wife Barb have delivered an estimated 7 tons of freshly baked goods to the Good Shepherd Food Bank. Aeneas gets help from many of our Council members but it is his persistence and hard work that have brought this great community contribution to reality. The retail value of all of this fresh bread is difficult to estimate but at \$2 per pound it is fairly safe to say that over the last year our council has provided ~ \$30,000 worth of food to the food bank with just 2 hours of our time on Sunday evenings. This does not include the December Longo's food drive which contributes another 7 tons of food. Even though you would never hear it from Aeneas...it is difficult to spend the Sunday dinner time packing up bread and driving it to Hamilton rather than spending that time with your family.

"THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN BROTHER AENEAS"











June Events

HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL FUN FAIR - JUNE 9

Members of our council stepped up to help Holy Rosary School put on their annual Fun Fair for the children and their families. It was a great success with many prizes and lots of food for the happy and hungry kids. Brothers Don Prescott, Vic Lefebvre, Joe Milton, David Lord, Hugh Johns and Ken Fleming were there to help set up, sell raffle tickets, serve food and clean-up. Brother Blair Breckenridge was also there decked out in his Scout leader uniform recruiting youth for the 7th Aldershot Group.









ANNUAL HOLY ROSARY CHURCH BBQ- June 12

Brother Blair Breckenridge was the organizer for this Annual Holy Rosary Church BBQ and the event was a success as usual. For a nominal cost the Knights offer hotdogs and sausages along with ice cream to the hungry parishioners after the 11am Mass. Many of our Knights come out to cook, serve and prepare the food. Some of our members graciously offered their barbeques so we had enough cooking power to serve everyone.



SPECIAL OLYMPICS "SPRING FLING" JUNE 17

The relationship we have with the Special Olympics movement continues to expand and it grows in both involvement and enjoyment. Members of 2 of the other 3 Burlington councils worked with members of our council on June 17th to serve delicious hamburgers and hotdogs to the large crowd at St. Christopher's Anglican Church on Guelph Line. For a nominal cost members of St Gabriel's council and Monsignor James Corbett Warren Memorial Council along with our council provided the food and water for this event. The "Spring Fling" is an annual event for the Burlington Special Olympics and they use it to celebrate the end of the Winter / Spring athletic season but also as a way to thank the many volunteers that make the Special Olympics so "Special". Brothers Don Prescott, Joe Milton, David Lord, Aeneas Mac Isaac, Blair Breckenridge, Jim Hession, and Ron Lehocki and his son Ryan were hard at work manning the barbecues along with the volunteers from the other councils. Speaking of barbecues, a special thank you goes to brothers Jim Hession and Michael McNamara for allowing us to use their barbecues for this event, and also a special thank you to brother Aeneas for using his truck and trailer to pick up the barbecues. Please note in the picture below the "Special Fairy" that also flew in for this event.

All of the hard work we do for the Special Olympics is reaping not only great satisfaction for our members but a lot of recognition from our community and from the parents and volunteers of the Special Olympics.....great work keep it up.



HOLY ROSARY GRADUATION-JUNE 28th

Holy Rosary School held its grade 8 graduation ceremony on Tuesday evening June 28, 2016. Grand Knight elect Ken Fleming and Deputy Grand Knight elect Joe Milton attended the event and presented awards to two of the graduates. Cooper Raposo received the \$50 Knights of Columbus award for his accomplishments in Mathematics and Kyle Pailley received the Knights of Columbus \$50 award for "Catholic Graduate Expectations, 21st Century Learning".



Awards and Degrees in June



New member Brother Sheldon McCormack. "Welcome Brother Sheldon"



Brothers Vic, Joe, David and (taking the picture) Don were on hand to congratulate Brother Sheldon McCormack on earning his 1st degree.

Knights in Action May 2016

CWL "Strawberry Social"

Members of our council attended the CWL Strawberry social meeting held at Holy Rosary Church on June 21. The Executive Director of Carpenter Hospice – Karen Candy made a presentation concerning their aspirations for a community driven palliative care initiative.



Maintaining the school sign

Brothers Joe Milton, David Lord and Ken Fleming have taken the lead in helping Cathy Choma and Holy Rosary School to keep the sign on the front of the school up to date.



2016 Special Olympics Bottle Drive

The next Special Olympics bottle drive is planned for Tuesday July 5 between 4 and 6 pm. Knights are reminded to canvass their neighbourhoods for bottle donations and to come out to help. Our last collection day was a huge success with \$700 collected for the Special Olympics.



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.

