

OUR LADY OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN, REVEREND MARTIN VALLELY

Dear Brothers,

A Blessed Canada Day, and hopes for a most enjoyable summer for you and yours! I look very much forward to collaborating with our new Grand Knight Joe Milton, and the new Executive of our Council, in the next two years. And I thank you all again for the extraordinary commitment which characterizes your membership in our Council and in our parish community.

One thing it is necessary to emphasize is the importance of family. Summer might be a good time to draw attention to this. Increased leisure

time, and a hopefully slower pace, should leave lots of space and time for being together with family, rediscovering one another, and showing that we truly care. The Church has always put a great deal of emphasis on the importance of fostering family life, as the first school of faith and love. A couple of years back, Pope Francis wrote an extraordinary Apostolic Exhortation called Amoris Laetitia, on the joy of love as experienced in family life. The document has drawn some attention in virtue of one or two controversial sections; often overlooked in those discussions is the document's overall ringing affirmation and encouragement to families to continue striving to grow strong. The Holy Father notes how this positive development is so often achieved by giving attention to the little things in daily life: for example, really listening to the other person when he or she is talking to us. A whole chapter is devoted to some very thought-provoking reflections on the raising of children in the complex situation of the world of today. Respect for the wisdom of the elderly family members, and care for their needs, is stressed. The Exhortation is lengthy, to be sure; but it is in general not difficult to read, and provides a lot of food for thought.

Many of the themes of Amoris Laetitia will be recapitulated and expanded upon during late August's World Meeting of Families in Ireland, which the Pope will attend. Please pray for the success of that gathering, and do not forget to give lots of attention to your families during these summer months!

I was thinking of how I could put forward a Saint as a strong model of family life. We have already spoken of Mary and Joseph, earlier this year. The Holy Family remains our most powerful model for family life well lived. Unfortunately, it has not been a strong tradition in the Church's life to canonize laypersons who were married and raised families. So many of the canonized Saints of the Church's history have been priests and those in consecrated life. And some of the laypersons who were canonized were widows who entered religious life after losing their husbands, notably some well-known queens in earlier European history. However, an interesting development occurred when, in October, 2015, the Pope canonized the French natives Louis and Zelie Martin, the first married couple to be canonized together. Everyone knows Saint Therese of Lisieux, the Little Flower. But now her parents joined her in the roll of the Saints!



They were an interesting pair, Louis and Zelie. They each attempted in younger life to enter religious communities, but for various reasons did not end up pursuing that vocation. Louis became a watchmaker, and Zelie a lacemaker. They married in 1858, and shared nearly 20 years of blessed wedded life. They had nine children, of whom only five, all girls, survived infancy. All five went on to become nuns. Zelie died of cancer when little Therese was only 4, and even her eldest sister was still a teen. Louis had to soldier on raising his daughters alone after that, and struggled a great deal. The family life was close-knit and very devout, always striving to put God first. Prayer was a very high priority for the couple, and a deep appreciation for life's simple and joyful treasures, and for their children. Interestingly, Pope Francis canonized the Martins during the very Synod on the Family which ultimately gave rise to *Amoris Laetitia*. They were like a living illustration of the points he would make in the Exhortation.

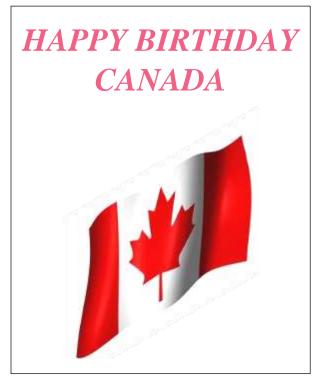
As *Amoris Laetitia* draws to its conclusion, the Holy Father states: "As this Exhortation has often noted, no family drops down from heaven perfectly formed; families need constantly to grow and mature in the ability to love. This is a never-ending vocation born of the full communion of the Trinity, the profound unity between Christ and his Church, the loving community which is the Holy Family of Nazareth, and

the pure fraternity existing among the saints of heaven.....Let us make this journey as families, let us keep walking together. What we have been promised is greater than we can imagine. May we never lose heart because of our limitations, or ever stop seeking that fullness of love and communion which God holds out before us."

And he concludes with a prayer to the Holy Family, which in part reads: "Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel, and small domestic churches........Holy Family of Nazareth, make us once more mindful of the sacredness and inviolability of the family, and its beauty in God's plan."

God bless you and your families, my brothers!

Father Martin Vallely Chaplain



GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

It appears that Tuesday, June 05th, 2018, was the beginning of a "New Chapter" in my life. That date, I was elected the Grand Knight, for Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary Council 15920, commencing at the July Meeting. I would also like to thank all of our members, who agreed to serve in various capacities, as members of our "New Executive." I feel humbled and very honoured to assume the position as the "Third Grand Knight" for this Council, since it was instituted on March 29th, 2014. It has been my honour to have served the two previous Grand Knights, Brother Donald Prescott and Brother Kenneth Fleming, during their respective tenures. Their leadership and hard work has made our Council, what it has become today, a much honoured Knights of Columbus Council. Last year winning the Number One Council in the Province of Ontario.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all our members for their hard work and what they do for this Council, the Church, the School and the Community, as a whole. They are all a credit to the Knights of Columbus. I would also like to take this opportunity to send special thanks out to our Council's Chaplin, Rev. Father Martin Vallely and Fellow Member, Rev. Father Michael Downey, whose guidance, prayers and spiritual leadership has enhanced our Council, and brings us closer to our Church and God.

June was a very busy month for our Council:

On Wednesday, June 06, members from our Council participated in the 7th Annual Halton Catholic Children's Education Foundation (HCCEF) Charity Golf Classic, held at the Hidden Lake Golf and Country Club, Burlington, ON. On Thursday, June 07, members of our Council assisted Ms. Cathy Choma, Principal of the Holy Rosary School, with holding their Annual Holy Rosary School Fun Fair. Also that date, our Grand Knight, Brother Ken Fleming and his wife, Dianne, celebrated their 49th Wedding Anniversary, enjoying a quiet dinner together.

On Sunday, June 10, our Council sponsored the Parish BBQ, after the 11 o'clock Mass.

On June 13, 14, 15 and 18, our Council assisted the Assumption Catholic High School with their school uniform collection. On June 19, 20 and 21, our Council again assisted the Assumption Catholic Hugh School with their school uniform sales.

On Friday, June 15, members of our Council assisted by Brothers from Monsignor James Corbett Warren Memorial Council 5073 and St. Gabriel Parish Council 10061, sponsored A Spring Fling BBQ for the Special Olympics, held at St. Christopher's Anglican Church.

On June 25, our Council Chaplin, Rev. Father Martin Vallely, Grand Knight Ken Fleming and I attended the Grade Eight Graduation at Holy Rosary School.

See you all at the meeting on July 03rd.

Vivat Jesus Joe Milton Grand Knight

PRAYER NETWORK

In charity, we pray for:

Brother Mark Freeman Brother Don Prescott Brother Michael Nelligan Evangeline Nelligan, wife of Brother Michael



Shannon Wilken, daughter of Bro. Michael Nelligan

Theresa Milton, wife of Brother Joe Richard Cupido, grandson of Brother Guido Linda Cupido, daughter-in-law of Brother Guido

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

David Lord – July 8 David Kenel – July 17



Family Fraternal Benefits from a Brother Knight

Call your Fraternal Adviser Bro. Mario Rodriguez, F.I.C. 1-905-820-8117

E-Mail: mario.rodriguez@kofc.org

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations to:

Bro. Henry and Stella Rudachyk July 2 – 25 years

Bro. Mark and Jacqueline Freeman July 7 – 12 years

Bro. Anthony and Maryse Cordeiro July 10 – 25 years

Bro. Leonard and Andrea Walker
July 17 – 36 years

Bro. Blair and Ida Mary Breckenridge July 28 – 28 years

CALENDAR OF COUNCIL EVENTS

July 3 – Special Olympics Bottle Drive– 4 to 6 pm

July 3 – Council Business Meeting – 7 pm

July 7 – Maddie Smith Block Party Fundraiser Trailwood Drive – 4 to 10 pm

July 14 – Special Olympics Baseball Tournament Details at the Meeting

Aug. 7 – Special Olympics Bottle Drive – 4 to 6 pm

Aug. 7 – Council Business Meeting – 7 pm

Sept 4 – Special Olympics Bottle Drive – 4 to 6 pm

Sept 4 – Council Business Meeting – 7 pm

Sept 9 – Thirty-fourth Annual Rosary Sunday Martyrs' Shrine – Midland

Sept 14 – Eight Annual Ontario State Council Golf Tournament Lowville Golf Club, Burlington

Oct. 2 – Council Business Meeting – 7 pm

Oct. 7 – The Feast Day of our Patroness Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary

Oct. 9 – Special Olympics Bottle Drive – 4 to 6 pm

Council News

Grand Knight Ken Fleming presents members with Degree Certificates



Cornelis (Kees) Van Asselt receives a First Degree



Daniel Giroux receives a Second Degree



Steve Marsh receives a Second and Third Degree



Andrew Kemnitz receives a Third Degree



GK Ken Fleming presents
Brother Aeneas MacIsaac with a
Supreme Knight's Certificate of
Commendation recognizing his 40
years of marriage to wife Barb

OUR LADY OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY 2018 – 2019 COUNCIL OFFICERS

Chaplain Rev. Fr. Martin Vallely **Grand Knight** Joe Milton Past Grand Knight Ken Fleming, PGK Deputy Grand Knight Willie Joki Chancellor **Hugh Johns** Recorder Aaron D Cunha Financial Secretary Vic Lefebvre, PGK Ron Lehocki Treasurer Len Walker Lecturer Advocate Michal Janecek Warden David Lord Inside Guard Blaise Mac Isaac **Outside Guard** Andrew Kemnitz Trustee 2018 Anneas Mac Isaac Trustee 2019 Joe Baumgartner Trustee 2020 Mark Freeman

June 2, 2018 Halton Alive Walk for Life

Once again this year our Worthy Financial Secretary and District Deputy SK Vic Lefebvre took on the task of organizing a team to participate in the annual "Walk for Life" presented by the Halton Alive organization. This year Brothers Aeneas MacIsaac, Jim Hession and Ken Fleming joined Brother Vic and walked the 5 km course along with 50 other participants. Our team raised \$1,250 and was one of the highest fundraising teams.





Six members of our Council became 4th Degree Knights at a ceremony in Waterdown

Our relatively small council is quickly becoming a significant part of the Knights of Columbus's impact on the city of Burlington as 6 more of our members joined the Pope John Paul II Assembly on June 3rd. Brothers Marc Clare, Mark Freeman, Jim Hession, Willie Joki, Aeneas MacIsaac, Steve Marsh along with Brother Antoine Awada from St. Antoine-Daniel Council are now all "Sir Knights" and they have received the highest honour in our order. Congratulations brothers. That brings the total number of 4th degree Knights in our council to 13 and gives a great boost to the Assembly.

The 4th degree ceremony took place at St Thomas Church in Waterdown. The day began with the candidates receiving their degrees and ended with a great meal where their wives joined into the celebration

Pictured here are our proud Sir Knights. Missing is S.K. Steve Marsh who had to leave early for another engagement.



7th Annual HCCEF Golf Tournament took place on June 6th

On Wednesday, June 06th, members from our Council participated in the 7th Annual Halton Catholic Children's Education Foundation (HCCEF) Charity Golf Classic, held at the Hidden Lake Golf and Country Club. Brothers Ken Fleming, Vincent Iantomasi, Willie Joki and Vic Lefebvre entered a foursome and although they didn't win the lowest score they had a great time. Our own Brother Marc Clare was the organizer for this year's golf fundraiser and the event was a great success due mainly to his hard working efforts. They had an amazing turnout and raised \$16,000 for the foundation. Brother Sam Cervoni also made a great contribution to the event as he arranged for an opportunity for the golfers to win a two year lease on a beautiful 2018 Lincoln SUV. Fortunately for Sam no one got a hole in one and so the vehicle was returned to the dealer.





June 7, 2018 Holy Rosary Fun Fair

On Thursday, June 7th, members of our Council assisted Principal Cathy Choma and the other teachers at Holy Rosary School to present their Annual Holy Rosary School Fun Fair.

According to Principal Cathy this year's event was the most successful ever and not only did everyone have fun but the school generated a small profit. A special thank you goes out to the council members that helped make the event so successful.



Holy Rosary Parish BBQ hosted by our council

On Sunday, June 10th, our Council sponsored the Parish BBQ, after the 11 o'clock Mass. Brother Blair Breckenridge was the chairman for this year's event and as usual he did an outstanding job making sure all of the equipment was in place and the delicious hotdogs and sausages were ready for the hungry parishioners right after the last Mass. Again a special thank you to all of the members of our council that helped out. I understand there were a total of 22 of our members that attended the event.







Our Council helped out at the Assumption High School Uniform collection and sale



Every year our Council is invited through Brother Vincent Iantomasi to help Assumption High School with their gently used uniform collection and sale. This year the collection days were held on June 13, 14, 15 and June 18. The uniforms were sorted by size and gender and then were made available for sale on June 19, 20 and 21. A special thank you to Brothers Vic Lefebvre, Hugh Johns (and his wife Cathy), Willie Joki, Bob Judge, Aeneas MacIsaac, Blaise MacIsaac, Andrew Kemnitz, Marc Clare, Vincent Iantomasi and Ken Fleming for offering their time to help with this event. We will be asked to help again later in the summer to hopefully sell the balance of the uniforms collected. There will also be a barbecue that our members will be asked to help with.

The Annual Special Olympics Spring Fling took place on June 15th

On Friday, June 15, the Knights were requested by Special Olympics Burlington to look after the food for their annual celebration called "The Spring Fling". Our council took the lead role and we were assisted by Brothers from Monsignor James Corbett Warren Memorial Council 5073 and St. Gabriel Parish Council 10061. The event was held at St. Christopher's Anglican Church on Guelph Line. The Knights served delicious hamburgers and hotdogs to the estimated 200 hungry athletes and their families. The food was also supplied by the Knights and all 3 participating councils shared the cost. Faithful Navigator Frank Miele pitched in and helped with the event as well.







Holy Rosary Elementary School Graduation on June 25



On June 25th, our Council's Chaplin, Rev. Father Martin Vallely, Grand Knight Ken Fleming and Grand Knight elect Joe Milton attended the Grade Eight Graduation at Holy Rosary School.

Our council provides two \$50 Awards to deserving students from the school. This year the winners were Daniel Stevenson who won the Knights of Columbus Math Award and Diego Trejo who won the 21st Century Learner-Catholic Graduate Expectation Award.









Grand Knight Ken Fleming presents the

Knights of Columbus 21st Century Learner-Catholic Graduate Expectation Award

To **Diego Trejo**

Chaplain Fr. Martin Vallely presents the

Holy Rosary School Citizenship Award

To **Faith Hood**

Grand Knight Ken Fleming presents the

Knights of Columbus Math Award

To **Daniel Stevenson**



Thirtyfourth Annual

Rosary Sunday



12:00 p.m.: Outdoor Mass at the Polish Altar

2:30 p.m.: Procession of the Blessed Sacrament with the Living Rosary and Benediction at the Papal Altar.



September 9, 2018

Celebrant and Homilist:

Father Thomas M. Rosica, CSB

Chief Executive Officer Salt and Light Media















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Knights in Action June 2018

Brothers help out at Holy Rosary

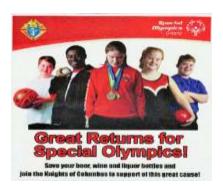
Brothers David Lord, Joe Milton, Sam Cervoni Hugh Johns and Ken Fleming help out around the school. Jobs include maintaining the sign and repairing various items around the school. In June, Sam and Hugh delivered a new "Lost and Found" box to the School.





Special Olympics Bottle Drive

The 2018 bottle drive was kicked off on May 22 with a great effort from our Council and the many donators in our parish and community. We added another \$955 to our ever increasing total of funds destined to help the Special Olympics. Next bottle drive is Tuesday, July 3rd.



Cobs Bakery

Brother Aeneas Mac 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 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.



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.

