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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN, REVEREND MARTIN VALLELY



Dear Brothers,

What a wild month April has been.....weather-wise, if nothing else. Now it looks as though we shall finally be enjoying the longed-for Spring. And any number of other things, inside and outside of the parish's life, have occupied our attention in these past weeks. I think, for example, of our wonderful celebrations of Holy Week and Easter, in which Knights played multiple significant roles.

I think of the sudden passing of former Holy Rosary Pastor and Council 15920 founder Monsignor Edward House, which happened only minutes after Vic had E-Mailed the April News Bulletin to us on Holy Thursday. Not lost on us was that that very day, March 29th, was Monsignor's birthday, Founding Day for the whole Order, and Founding Anniversary Day (four years now) for Council 15920. I am proud of our Knights who stood guard for our beloved Monsignor House during his wake and funeral at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King.

I think of how, as Canadians, we have grieved over the Junior Hockey Team tragedy in Saskatchewan in early April, as well as the dreadful and senseless tragedy of the attack on innocent pedestrians in Toronto, less than a week ago. With all of these events, our new parish Canadian and Papal flags (your gift to our community) have been at half-mast more than they have been at full-mast this past month.

I think of the recent Ontario State Convention, during which our Council was again acknowledged and congratulated for numerous achievements during the past year. I think of the steady, unsung work of the Knights in everything from care for our parish physical plant through to continued ministry to those in need, in so, so many ways.....not to mention your---sorry, our---ever-strengthening fraternal bonds, which help to make our parish stronger.

Especially in May, we ought to remember, even in the midst of many busy activities, that Our Blessed Mother Mary is watching over us with tender care and protection, urging us always to seek her Son and to obey him in everything we do. This applies in a special way when we are fulfilling our Order's mandate to defend and stand up for innocent and vulnerable human life, whether it be on Mothers' Day in the Roses for Life Campaign; joining the CWL in 12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care on Friday, May 4th; participating in the Halton Alive! Walk for Life, or any number of other projects.

Some of you are aware that I am at this time in the middle of cataract surgeries. The right eye surgery was performed on Monday, April 23rd. The left eye surgery has not yet been scheduled. A couple of my friends have quipped that it surely must resemble the story about Saint Paul in *The Acts of the Apostles*. His conversion event took the shape of a blinding vision of Our Risen Lord which knocked Paul to the ground and deprived him of his sight. After the Christian leader Ananias came to visit Paul and laid hands on him, “something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored” (Acts 9:18). And, sure enough, I see the parallel, as the world looks very different to me now!!

But this brings us back to Saint Paul, whom I propose this month as a saintly model for us as Knights. We hear his story, his actions, and his sufferings as recounted in *Acts*, especially during this Easter Season. We read from his letters almost every Sunday, in the Second Reading at Mass. His conversion, from being a fierce opponent of the fledgling Christian Way, to becoming its most powerful preacher and its first theologian, is indeed truly a story of learning how to “see”, all over again. Though much can be said of Paul, I want to emphasize for you that he never forgot the grace of his conversion. He constantly returned to it whenever he was tempted to discouragement in the face of personal doubts, or of overwhelming struggles to make the Gospel known. I refer you especially to his letter to the *Romans*, Chapters 7 and 8. There he gives profound and moving insight, deeply personal, into how the Holy Spirit helps us through our times of darkness, so that we will grow closer to Christ and never lose heart.



Paul will always be a reminder to us that a true leader remains firm in conviction of the truth, and knows well that the kind of example he gives will be his greatest contribution, his greatest witness to what he believes. May all of us follow the path of Saint Paul, for whom “to live is Christ” (Philippians 1:21).

May God continue to bless you richly, especially if you or your loved ones are going through any trials at this time.

Father Martin Vallely
Chaplain



ROSES FOR LIFE SUNDAY
MAY 12 AND 13 – AFTER ALL MASSES



We will be handing out a decorative “red rose” to all parishioners on their exit from church this Mother’s Day. In return, we will accept their donation which we will then donate to the Pro-Life movement. This is our Annual Program to promote the gift of life.

We would like to have as a minimum, 2 Brothers at each Mass, but ideally we would have 4 Brothers. Please call me at 905-523-7518 if you are available and give me your preferred time.

Don Prescott
Past Grand Knight

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

It's hard to believe we are coming up to the end of my second year as Grand Knight and when I look back I am very happy with what we have done as a council despite my being a rookie at this thing. The only way I can figure that we are still going strong.... after Don's great leadership for the first two years.... is that we have so many great people that do their part to make it a success and fun at the same time.

The council executive nominations will take place at our meeting on May 1st and our election of new officers will take place at our June 5th meeting. I encourage everyone to think seriously about putting yourself on the list of candidates for the 12 elected positions available. I guarantee you that you will get a feeling of satisfaction by assuming a leadership role and the time will go by very quickly. The nominating committee made up of our 3 trustees has been working for the past month on building a slate for the roles. If you are on the fence as to whether to take on a role please say yes and help our council to continue to be strong.

April was degree month for our council as we saw several of our members earn their second and third degrees in the Knights. Congratulations to all of them (see the newsletter for more details) and I encourage everyone who is still in the 1st or 2nd degree to complete their steps to full Knighthood as quickly as possible. I also encourage everyone to be on the lookout for new Catholic men to join the Knights. We recently heard at the convention in April that a good place to look for prospective new members is the people you may know or be aware of that are not fully practicing their faith. By joining the Knights it may be a way to bring them closer to the faith and they may become strong Catholics in the process. We only need one more and 3 more insurance members to earn our 4th consecutive Star council award.

May is going to be an extremely busy month with the focus on Pro-life activities. May 10 is the "March for life" in Ottawa...a special bus has been arranged to get people there for only \$35. The weekend of May 12 and 13 we will be distributing "Roses for Life" after all masses and on June 2 we will be participating in the Halton Alive "Walk for Life" There is still time for you to join Brother Vic's team and walk with us and or make a donation.

Our first Special Olympics bottle drive will take place on Tuesday, May 22nd so please save up your bottles and come on out so we can make 2018 the best year for our bottle drive. Please don't forget to get your foursome signed up for the HCCEF golf tournament set for June 6th.

See you all at the meeting on May 1.

Vivat Jesus

Ken Fleming,
Grand Knight

MAY 1 – BUSINESS MEETING – EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

PRAYER NETWORK

In charity, we pray for:

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

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations:

Bro. Mark and Bev Taylor
 May 10 – 32 years
Bro. Dan and Peggy Giroux
 May 16 – 37 years
Bro. Marc and Susan Clare
 May 18 – 22 years
Bro. Sam and Timeena Cervoni
 May 26 – 56 years

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Ken Browne – May 22
 Melvin Ilagan – May 23
 Vic Lefebvre – May 28
 Howard McNamara – May 31

CALENDAR OF COUNCIL EVENTS

- May 1 – Business Meeting – 7 p.m.
Executive Nominations
- May 2 – Serra Club Dinner – 6 p.m.
Liuna Station Banquet Centre
- May 4 – 12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care
Holy Rosary Church
8 a.m. – Mass
7:30 pm – Closing Prayer
and Benediction
- May 10 – March for Life
Parliament Hill – Ottawa
- May 11 – Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast
Holy Rosary School – 9:00 am
- May 11 – Holy Rosary Parish
Appreciation Evening
7:00 Evening Prayer
7:30 Wine & Cheese Social
- May 12-13 – Roses for Life Sunday
Collections After all Masses
- May 22 – Special Olympics First Bottle Drive
- May 26 – Officer Training – 8:15 am
St. Thomas the Apostle Church
Waterdown
- May 31 – Holy Rosary School Fun Fair
- June 2 – Halton Alive Walk for Life
2054 Mountainside Drive
8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- June 5 – Business Meeting – 7 p.m.
Election of Council Officers
- June 6 – 7th Annual Golf Tournament
Halton Catholic Children’s
Education Foundation

ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations

Reverend Father Martin Vallely
 May 3 – 38 years

Council News

Brother Stan celebrates 40 years with the Knights

Brother Stan Semeniuk is pictured with GK Ken Fleming presenting him with a certificate signed by Supreme Knight Carl Andersen honouring his 40 years of dedicated service to the Knights of Columbus. Stan is a very strong supporter of our Council and the Parish of Holy Rosary and he helps out at many events both with the Knights and with the Parish. He can be found every Monday helping out at the “Out 4 Lunch” luncheon at St Mathews for example.



On behalf of all of the members of Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary Council I would like to congratulate Stan once again for his dedication and strong support of our order as demonstrated by 40 years of service.

Our latest 2nd Degree Members received their degrees on April 9

On Monday April 9, six of our members received their 2nd degrees (Formation Degrees) at a ceremony held at St. Margaret Mary Church in Hamilton. Congratulations to Brothers Sheldon McCormack, Marc Clare, Steve Marsh, Mark Freeman, Andrew Kemnitz and Dan Giroux. Thank you also to our membership director Don Prescott for helping to organize this event along with our District Deputy Vic Lefebvre and Brother Vince Iantomasi. Brothers Jim Hession, Joe Milton, David Lord and Ken Fleming came out to witness the event as well.



Burlington CATCH18 meeting held April 11

A special meeting was held in the Parish center on April 11 to kick start the Habitat for Humanity project CATCH 18. Members of St. Gabriel’s council joined several of our members along with representatives of the CWL, the local school board and Habitat for Humanity to hear from our project chairman Len Walker.

Len did a masterful job of summarizing the goals and aspirations for this worthwhile project. The meeting was a big success as several action items were identified that will ensure the project is approved and properly supported by all parties. Len also met during the month with members of Council 5073 to bring them up to speed and he received strong indications of support from them. The Halton Catholic School Board has been approached to provide the required permission to work with the Burlington Catholic schools.

The next step is to clearly define the action items and begin to formulate specific projects for the team to undertake. It was made clear at this meeting that although the goal is to raise money for the Habitat cause...the major goal for the Knights in this project is to participate with other members of our community and give their time to help increase awareness of the needs of the families that Habitat helps.



Holy Rosary CWL and our Knights host Denis Olivier presentation April 24

On the evening of April 24 our Council in co-operation with the ladies of the CWL hosted a presentation from Denis Olivier entitled “Healthy and Fulfilling Life through Mental Wellness”.

A large group of our members and members of the Parish came out to and everyone had a great time. Mr. Olivier was a very good speaker and left everyone with some good tips on aging and some very good laughs...which we all should do every day. Special thanks to the ladies of the CWL for doing all the work to make this happen.



2018 Ontario State Convention

GK Ken Fleming along with Deputy Grand Knight Joe Milton and District Deputy Vic Lefebvre attended the 115th Knights of Columbus Ontario State Convention held in Toronto on the weekend of April 20-22. This is the last year the event will be held at the Delta near the airport as the event will move to Niagara Falls next April. The State board hopes that this will encourage more of the over 500 councils and 55,000 members to attend.

357 Knights from across the province were on hand for this annual event that provides the State board with the opportunity to keep the councils informed of activities and issues but also to present awards to the deserving councils for their efforts. Our Council was front and center once again this year winning 10 awards including Best Council and Best Newsletter for our division. Other division awards included a Silver Trillium award (completing essential requirements of the Knights), Honorable mention for Membership quota, Winner of best church project (flag poles), Winner best Council project (Fraternal events), Winner best Culture of Life project (Palliative Care and Pro-Life), Winner best Family project (school events), Best Youth project (Scouts to CJ). We also won the Best Family project for the province for the support we give the schools.

A BIG CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ENTIRE COUNCIL FOR ANOTHER VERY SUCCESSFUL AND REWARDING YEAR.

The many resolutions that we discussed at our April meeting were reviewed and the results will be communicated to you at our May 1 meeting.

Our Council Honoured at MP Karina Gould Volunteer Appreciation event on April 25

Our council was represented at this years "Volunteer Appreciation" evening hosted by MP Karina Gould along with members of the other councils in the district. Brother Aeneas MacIsaac and GK Ken Fleming received certificates on behalf of our council. Although specific mention is made for their roles with the Special Olympics and for our work with Cobs bread...this is really recognition for all members of the Knights in all councils.



Our Knights undertaking several projects around the Church and School

We would just like to give some recognition to the hard work that many of our guys do with the infrastructure around the church. If you have a particular skill that can be put to use please let us know. This is not to in anyway take away from the work our members do in the various ministries around the parish which they do an outstanding job on. But the maintenance work may sometimes be a less obvious contribution.

Painting the library and Heritage room

Brothers David Lord and Jim Hession have recently completed the painting of the library and the Heritage room. They have done a great job and..... Thanks to Brother Jim's contacts..... Benjamin Moore paints on Fairview Street, donated a can of their best paint to the project. If anyone ever needs paint Benjamin Moore at 3300 Fairview St. should be the first choice.

Plumbing and other repairs around the rectory

Brother David Lord has made several visits to the rectory to make some repairs. It seems the plumbing issues are a little persistent but I'm sure Brother David will get everything working properly.

Repairs to the sign on the front lawn of the church

Brother Sam Cervoni continues to keep an eye on the sign at the front that has already been temporarily repaired but which is still in a less than perfect state. Sam did the temporary repair and has arranged for several quotes to either repair or completely replace the sign. This will be an on-going project for some time.

Changing the sign at the front of the school

Brothers Joe Milton, David Lord and Ken Fleming do a great job of keeping the school sign up to date for Principal Choma and the school office staff.

New Lost and Found box for the school

Brother Hugh Johns has almost completed the building of a larger and more robust box that the school can use to store all of the many lost or misplaced items the students create. Brother Hugh has used his significant carpentry skills to produce this item and we are very thankful for that. The final step is to have Brother Sam Cervoni arrange for the addition of the school crest on the box. They are aiming to get this finished before the upcoming Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast coming up on May 11.

New flooring for the Library

A selection of the type and colour of flooring has been made and we are just waiting for a day that both the room is available and the installer is available. We are hoping for either May 12th or May 19th for the installation. We will need some help to remove the old flooring and help with the installation...Brothers Steve Marsh, Mark Freeman and Marc Clare have offered their services and Brother Jim Hession is also involved and is arranging the supplier and installer for us.

Sanding the floor in the Parish Center

This project has been deferred to the summer months when the hall is used a little less so the sanding debris and varnish odours can dissipate. Brothers Vince Iantomasi, Mark Freeman and others have offered to work on this project,

A COLLAGE OF OUR BROTHERS IN ACTION AT CHURCH AND SCHOOL PROJECTS



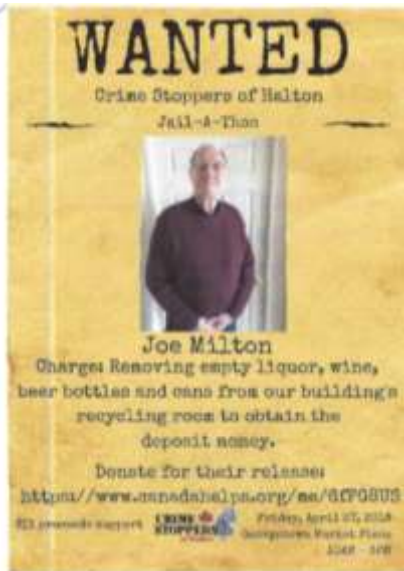


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Joe Milton released thanks in large part to our Councils generosity

Brother Joe was successfully released with over \$800 raised for his bail.

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ALL IN.

Burlington Knights of Columbus have arranged transportation to Ottawa by coach bus.
Join us on Thursday, May 10, 2018

Itinerary:
 5:30 am Mass at St. Gabriel's Church, Burlington
 6:00 am Board bus
 12:30 pm Rally - Ottawa
 1:30 pm March - Ottawa
 10:00 pm (approx.) - arrive back at St. Gabriel's Church



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Saturday, June 02, 2018
Burlington Christian Fellowship
(2054 Mountainside Drive, Burlington)

8:30 am – 3:00 pm

Every year 100,000 lives are lost to abortion in Canada

The Walk for Life commemorates these lives with each step we take.
Every step of our 5 km walk symbolizes 14 children taken through abortion.



 **Walk FOR Life**
CONFERENCE

Saturday JUNE 02, 2018

Schedule:
5km Walk
BBQ Lunch
Speaker Session 1
Break
Speaker Session 2

8:30AM - 3:00PM \$15
BURLINGTON CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
2054 MOUNTAINSIDE DR., BURLINGTON, ON

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Halton Catholic Children's
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7TH ANNUAL HCCEF Charity Golf Classic

Golfers, Sponsors &
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Wednesday, June 6, 2018

Hidden Lake Golf & Country Club | 1137 #1 Side Road, Burlington, ON

All proceeds from the HCCEF Charity Golf Classic support the
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On the recommendations of our Catholic school communities, HCCEF provides financial assistance to students – to ensure that:

- All are able to attend school with the basic necessities of life (i.e. food and clothing).
- All are able to fully participate in all aspects of school life (i.e. field trips / experiences) which are normally open to all students.

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HCDSB Social Worker

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\$175 / golfer – March 1 - April 30/18

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Golf, Cart, Lunch, Dinner & Prizes
Dinner only - \$50.00 per person
Entries due by: Friday, June 1, 2018

For further information contact: Marc Clare - Executive Director, HCCEF
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Knights in Action April 2018

Brothers help out at Holy Rosary

Brothers David Lord, Joe Milton, Sam Cervoni and Ken Fleming come out several times a month to help out around the school. We now have several new projects to work on. The school needs a new "Lost and Found" box.... So Brother Hugh Johns will be working on building a new one. Other projects at the church will include the sign at the front of the church as well as painting walls, repairing floors in the hall and library. The latter projects will require a complete council effort.



Special Olympics Bottle Drive

The 2018 bottle drive will start up on the Tuesday following the Victoria Day weekend. Let's make 2018 the best year ever.



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.



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.