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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN, REVEREND MARTIN VALLELY



Dear Brothers,

Well, October certainly did not turn out as I had expected it would. But God continues to walk with us on our journey through life. I

want to thank you all very much for your thoughtful and compassionate expressions of condolences upon the October 14th death of my brother, Deacon John Vallely of the Diocese of London. The Mass & Prayer Remembrance from the Sisters of the Precious Blood is particularly appreciated, as are individual condolences, and the visit to London of four Brother Knights who came to pay their respects throughout the day of visitation. I speak on behalf of my family as well, in offering this appreciation. Your thoughtfulness and support has helped to make the sorrow of these days much easier to bear. My brother was a man of deep faith, commitment, and service throughout his life. I know that he will intercede for us all from his place before God's throne.

I write these words of gratitude to you just as the Church is beginning November with days of great importance to us. As I wrote to you this time last year, "November begins with two of the most special feasts we have in the Catholic Church, All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day. These great

festivals proclaim our solemn belief in what is called the 'Communion of Saints', that spiritual unity which exists among all Christ's faithful people, living and deceased. On account of that unity, we are able to be of immeasurable assistance to those souls who have gone before us in death (praying for the dead, that they may be set free from Purgatory, is one of the most deeply ingrained of Catholic practices).

"And likewise, those saints who have been raised to glory in heaven are an immeasurable help to us here below, offering us example, encouragement, and blessing from the treasury of Christ's redeeming grace. The great throng of saints in heaven includes people from every imaginable background and walk in life. Some of them were real 'somebodies' in the world; others quite the opposite. Some lived a pure and spiritual life from their very beginnings on this earth; others were great sinners, or just unbelievers, whose lives were turned around by God's grace, often through the way God used other persons or events to bring them around to him.

"Every story is a human story, another story of God making his way into this world, just like he did in Jesus Christ. To be a saint is to recognize this movement of God in one's own life, and to 'give him permission'. It's straightforward enough, but often quite tough to actually do. It's why we need to be praying constantly, and supporting one another. A saint, as they often define it, is a struggling sinner. Moreover, as many a Pope has

reminded us, the Church is ultimately saved and set on the right path, not by its official leaders or its great intellectuals, but by its saints."

I do not think I can improve on what I said in those remarks a year ago. In keeping with our theme series this year of noting saints who have a particular resonance for the spiritual lives of men, I want to take note now of Saint Stephen. We honour him on the day after Christmas, as many know. The Acts of the Apostles tells us that he was a fearless defender of the truth of Jesus Christ against early opposition to the Church's message. He did not hesitate to speak the truth, even though it produced fierce negative reaction, and led to his death by stoning. Stephen is traditionally honoured as the Church's very first adult Martyr. His dying words, borrowing from the Psalm, were "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit".



But I particularly want to highlight Stephen because he was one of the seven "devout men of good repute" who were chosen by the Apostles to be ordained the very first Deacons in the Church. Their principal role was to take care of the needs of those who would otherwise risk being neglected and ignored in the community. My brother John chose to enter the Permanent Diaconate, when it was still in its infancy in London (and in Hamilton, for that matter). It was the crown of his life's commitment, as he saw it. And he gave himself to it wholeheartedly, especially in caring for his brother Deacons as their Director, and in working very hard to develop the best possible formation program for those seeking to serve the Lord and his Church in this way. Saint Stephen, Saint Lawrence, Saint Francis of Assisi, and other Deacons in the Church's history, were great models and examples for my brother's life and service; and they constantly remind all of us to

develop our spiritual lives with humility, total dedication, and a yearning to serve the lowest and the least.

Please continue to keep Deacon John in your prayers, as well as myself and my family. And thank you again for your support and your love.

Father Martin Vallely
Chaplain

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations to:

Bro. Joe and Joanna Baumgartner
November 14 – 25 years

Bro. Robert and Elizabeth Judge
November 21 – 53 years

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Lou Pennachetti – November 1

Michael Nelligan – November 4

Michal Janecek – November 6

Bill Fraser – November 8

Robert Judge – November 8

Mark Taylor – November 16

Danny Morosin – November 27

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

We are so fortunate to live in such a beautiful country as Canada and it is especially beautiful in the fall with the many colourful displays on the trees and great and bountiful harvest we enjoy. Please make sure you wear your poppies in November and that you remember those that served and died so we can enjoy our lives in freedom. If you can please join our fellow Knights in the Remembrance Day parade in downtown Burlington on the 11th that would be a nice way to show our gratitude. Thank you to everyone that attended our flag blessing and raising on October 7th; please see the newsletter for more information. A video of the event will be available shortly on our website.

Thank you everyone for your prayers for Father Martin's brother John Vallely who passed away during October. Although I did not know him personally he must have been an outstanding person both in his life as a doctor and as a permanent deacon. Our sympathies to Father Martin and his family. Thank you also for your prayers for our Brother Hugh Johns who has been hospitalized and as of this writing is improving but still in much need of our prayers.

Our annual Turkey Roll is fast approaching and we are well underway with preparations for this our biggest fundraiser of the year. Brother Vic Lefebvre is the chairman of this year's event so make sure you let Vic know that you are ready to help out. Brother Jim Hession is looking after the ticket sellers and we hope this year to get more of our parishioners involved so if you know someone that would like to help out please let Jim know. As in past years the silent auction is a major part of the fundraising process. Brother Joe Baumgartner is looking after the tracking and preparation of the silent auction items so I would ask that you get your information to Joe as early as possible. If everyone would be responsible for at least 3 items each that would ensure plenty of items are available. The best way for you to do this is to ask for a donation from your employer or your favorite restaurant. Gift cards and gift certificates are the most popular items. Brothers Bill Fraser (Waterdown Rd to Botanical Gardens) and Bob Judge (King Road to Waterdown Rd.) have agreed to cover all of the retailers along Plains Road... so check with them first so we don't duplicate.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our meeting on Tuesday the 7th. We have lots to review and discuss so it should be a great meeting.

Vivat Jesus

Ken Fleming,
Grand Knight



**ANNUAL TURKEY ROLL
HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL GYM
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2017
7:00 PM**



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



In his memory, we pray for:
 Deacon John Vallely, brother of our Chaplain,
 Father Martin, who passed away on October 14.

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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 E-Mail: trevor.d'mello@kofc.org***

CALENDAR OF COUNCIL EVENTS

- Nov. 1 – Dinner with Bishop Crosby
 Le Dome Banquet Hall
 1173 North Service Road
 Oakville
 Doors open at 5:30 pm
- Nov. 4 – The Bell Bazaar
 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
 Sponsored by Holy Rosary CWL
- Nov. 7 – Council Business Meeting
- Nov. 11 – Remembrance Day Parade
- Nov. 11 – Special Olympics Card Making
 In Holy Rosary Parish Centre
- Nov. 12 – Turkey Roll Follow Up Meeting
 After 11:00 am Mass
- Nov. 26 – Pope John Paul II Assembly
 Annual Christmas Dinner
 Tyandaga Golf Course
 \$50.00 per person
 Doors Open at 5:00
 Dinner at 6:00
 All are Welcome
- Nov. 28 – First Degree
 Mary Mother of God Council
 Oakville
- Dec. 1 – Annual Turkey Roll
 Holy Rosary School Gym
- Dec. 2 – Breakfast with Santa
 Holy Rosary School – 7:00 am
- Dec. 2 – Santa Claus Parade float set up
- Dec. 3 – Santa Claus Parade
- Dec. 3 – Valentine's Dinner Dance
 Preliminary Meeting
 After 11:00 am Mass
- Dec. 5 – Council Business Meeting
- Dec. 8 – Council 5073 Turkey Roll
- Dec. 14-15 – Good Shepherd Food Drive
 Longo's Markets – Fairview Street
- Jan. 2 – Council Business Meeting
- Jan. 28 – Big Band Concert

Council News

October Card Party

A big “thank you” again to brother Aeneas for organizing our 3rd Card Night with the help of brothers Don Prescott and Joe Milton. We had 14 members join us this time and everyone had a great time. Father Martin walked away with the highest score followed closely by Brother Blaise Mac Isaac.



October 10- Last Bottle Drive of 2017

Our final bottle drive in support of the Special Olympics took place on the Tuesday after the Thanksgiving weekend. It was the 5th time this year that the weather co-operated as it was a nice sunny fall day that allowed our guys to enjoy a couple of hours of fraternity. Enjoyment and satisfaction in knowing we have raised a significant amount of money for the Special Olympics athletes. A special thanks to Brother Willie Joki for bringing out his truck to help deliver the bottles to the beer store. Brother Aeneas (and his trailer) couldn't make it as he was enjoying a well-deserved break / vacation as he drove to Chicago and Winnipeg and saw some NHL hockey that week.

With another \$300 collected in October our total collection for the year is almost \$2,100....a great job by everyone. After accounting for the portion already given to the Special Olympics, we will have a cheque for \$1,500 ready to give to Cate and the Burlington athletes sometime in November.



October 7-Flag Raising and Blessing

One of the biggest events of our council's history took place in October which fittingly is the month of Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary. On October 7th, we took part in the blessing and raising of our new parish flags and flag poles. The flags and poles were made possible by a joint effort from our Fourth Degree Pope John Paul II Assembly, our parish and of course our council as well as Council Members. A special thanks also goes to our own Financial Secretary Vic Lefebvre. Vic conceived the idea back in the spring when he realized that since this is a special year for our country the Fourth Degree Assembly should do something patriotic as they are the most obviously patriotic segment of the Knights. He presented them with a plan that covered all of the Catholic churches in Burlington and funding was quickly approved by the Assembly members although not necessarily for flags and poles. Our council and the parish then agreed to supplement the funding so that both a Canadian Flag and a Papal flag could be erected at Holy Rosary.

Our Member of Parliament and Minister of Democratic Institutions Karina Gould was not only on hand to help celebrate the occasion, her office donated the Canadian flag and other 150th birthday memorabilia. The Fourth Degree was out in large numbers and this included Assembly members from Burlington, Hamilton and Oakville...a special thanks to Commander David Fisher for being there. David is also the Grand Knight of Mary Mother of God Council 14446 in Oakville. Our Chaplain and Pastor Father Martin blessed the flags immediately following the 5 PM Mass that afternoon. Many of our members were in attendance to enjoy this special occasion.





Dr. Deacon John Valley

We were all saddened to hear of the passing of Dr. Deacon John Valley, brother of our Chaplain and Pastor Father Martin Valley. John who was also a permanent deacon at Holy Family Church in London Ontario passed away on October 14th and the visitation and funeral took place on October 19th and 20th. Several of our members represented the council at the visitation service held at Holy Family Church on the Thursday evening. It was a very moving ceremony which included a wonderful eulogy delivered by Father Martin in honour of his brother. It is obvious that John was a special person who touched the lives of many people; this is obviously a trait that runs in the Valley family.



Brother Patrick Petrowski receives a certificate from GK Ken Fleming in recognition of his 25th wedding anniversary in September. Congratulations Patrick



Habitat for Humanity®
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Thanks to the special efforts of our council Lecturer Brother Len Walker a committee has been formed to look into ways that we can work with Habitat for Humanity. Len has been able to create a committee which includes members of our council as well as our parish CWL. A very successful preliminary meeting was held at the Habitat for Humanity Halton offices on October 24th. During this meeting John Gerrard the CEO of Habitat presented a very interesting history of Habitat in Halton which includes a key role played by Holy Rosary Parish. He also presented an update on what Habitat is all about and the plans it has to help the needy of Burlington.

The committee has already had preliminary discussions with Holy Rosary School where the grade 8 class is very interested in doing something with Habitat so they can achieve their goal of better understanding "Social Justice" in our community. A plan will be developed to find ways to not only include the Knights but other members of our parish and school community. More information will be available over the next weeks and months.

Halton Alive Gala Dinner

On behalf of our Council, Vic Lefebvre presented a plaque to Halton Alive. This will be awarded to the “Team” that raises the most per participant funds at the Annual Walk for Life event. Vic challenged all present to participate in this event. Elea Hoffman presented the award to the winners of this year’s award to the Knights of Aldershot., our team. Attending the event were Ron and Susan Lehocki, Anneas and Barb Mac Isaac, Jim and Diane Hession and Vic Lefebvre.



Halton Alive Euthanasia Symposium

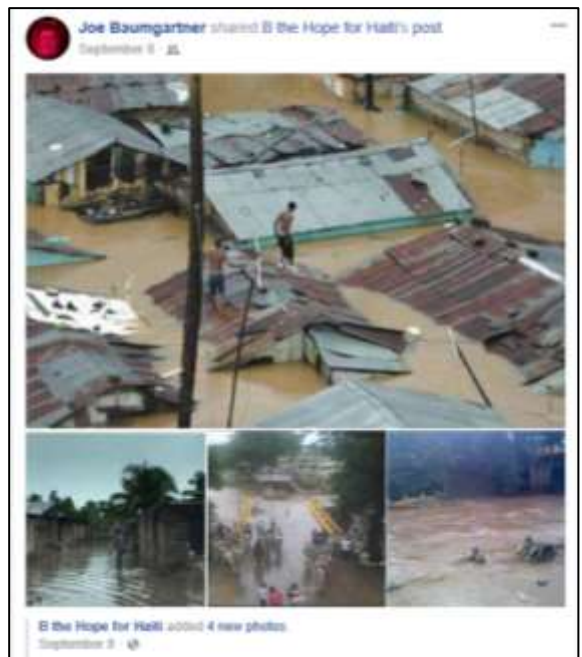
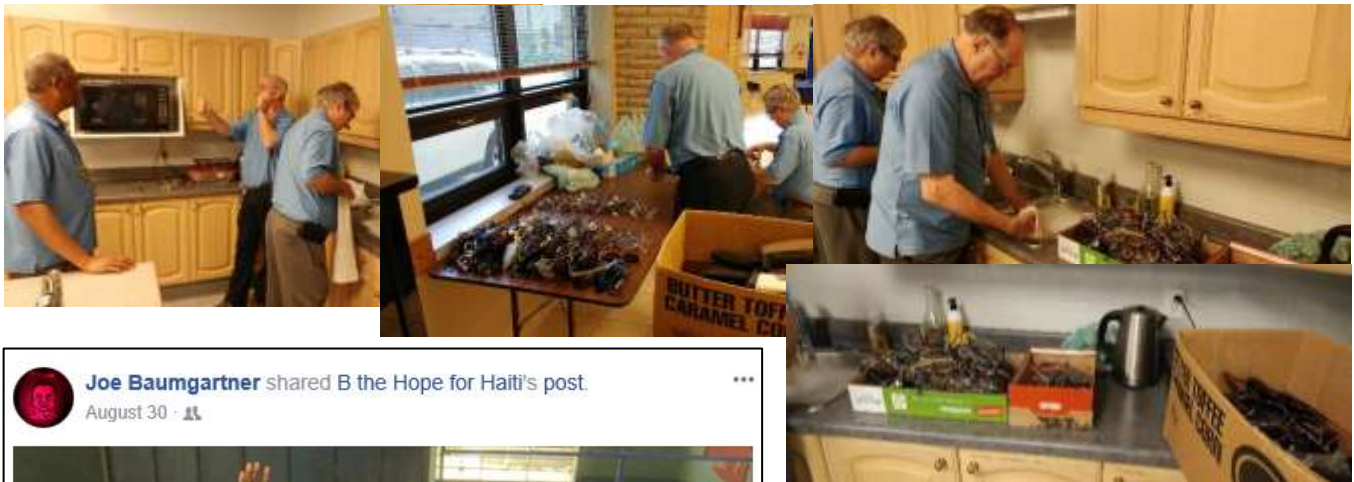
On October 28th, the Halton Alive organization were in our Holy Rosary Church hall to present a live streaming of the “National Euthanasia Symposium” presented by the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition. Thanks to the efforts of Vic Lefebvre, our council Financial Secretary, the hall was made available to Halton Alive at no cost. The event ran from 9 AM until 4:30 PM and included many excellent speakers. The speeches were very motivational and educational and they covered many aspects of this very important issue. Thanks also to Grand Knight Ken Fleming and Deputy Grand Knight Joe Milton for helping with the event.



Glasses for Haiti

Earlier this year Brother Blair Breckenridge responded to a need expressed by Brother Joe Baumgartner and his wife Joanna for used eye glasses to go to Haiti. An initiative was created whereby a box was made available at the back of the church for people to place their gently used and no longer required eye glasses. The response has been overwhelming as well as heart-warming because in total well over 500 pairs of very useable eye glasses of all descriptions, prescriptions and sizes are available to help the people of Haiti.

Approximately 200 pairs of glasses have already been delivered by Joanna to the poor and needy in Haiti. An additional 344 pairs were sorted and cleaned by members of our council during the weekend of October 21st and 22nd. These glasses will now be checked over one more time under the watchful eye of Brother Blair and they will soon be available for Haiti. Thank you to all of the parishioners who donated the glasses and to the efforts of our Knights to complete this excellent project.



Membership Drive Weekend

We held our annual membership drive on the weekend of October 21st and 22nd and we had a moderate response from those attending mass that day. We met 3 prospective members that all said they would consider joining but they didn't visit our display and we had one additional potential member that Joe Milton was attending to. Sometime after that weekend Brother Vince Iantomasi notified us that he had 2 more candidates that have or will fill out an application. We hope to firm up the actual new members (at least 4) over the next few days and so we have arranged for a first degree to be hosted by our brothers at Mary Mother of God Council 14446 in Oakville on November 28, 2017....thanks Vic for arranging that.

In the pictures below you can see the new display boards that were donated by Brother Aeneas Mac Isaac and designed and created by our own Vic Lefebvre...great job guys. Thanks as well for the efforts of Don Prescott our council Membership Director, Joe Milton Deputy Grand Knight, David Lord council Warden and Brother Blair Breckenridge for helping out.





Halton Catholic Children's Education Foundation

7th Annual HCCEF Evening with Bishop Crosby

On November 1, our Council sponsored a table at this year's "Evening with Bishop Crosby". This was an enjoyable evening attended by 450 guests. Seated at our table were Brothers Bill and Linda Fraser, Joe and Theresa Milton, Michal Janacek and his fiancé Melissa and Vic Lefebvre. Also present but not at our table, our Chaplain Fr. Martin Vallely, Pastoral Minister Mary Edmondstone and Cathy Choma, Principal at Holy Rosary School. Bishop Crosby did his best to visit with all attendees. Pictured with His Excellency is Marc Clare, Executive Director of the Foundation.





***POPE JOHN PAUL II ASSEMBLY 3176
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER***

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2017
TYANDAGA GOLF COURSE**

DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 – DINNER AT 6:00

FESTIVE DINNER

Cheese & Crackers

Assorted Rolls with Butter

Garden House Salad

Roast Turkey with Stuffing, Home Style Gravy with Cranberry Sauce

Mini Roast Potatoes tossed in Herbs, with Fresh Mixed Vegetables

Grande Marnier Chocolate Mousse with Fresh Brewed Coffee and Tea

(Vegetarian option also available upon request)



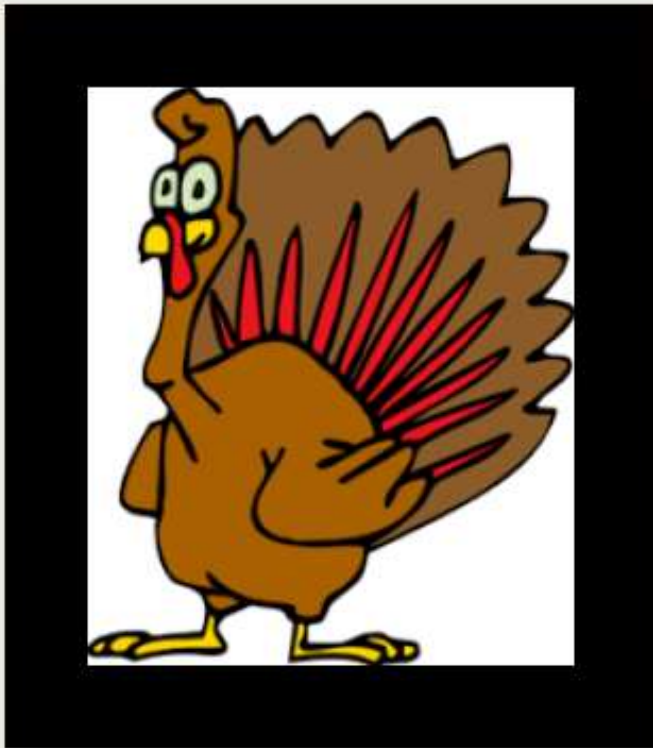
Tuxedo or Business Suit

\$50.00 per person

Tickets Available from:
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***Merry
Christmas***





FRIDAY DEC 1 – 7PM
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
ANNUAL TURKEY ROLL
AND SILENT AUCTION
TICKETS \$5
Holy Rosary School Gym

Please join us for fun and games at our annual Turkey Roll and game night. Everyone 19 years and older are welcome.

Proceeds go towards supporting local charitable activities.

Please contact **Ken Fleming** at 905-336-6521
or **Vic Lefebvre** at 905-336-3056

Cash donations and donations of auction items are also welcome.



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Roast Beef on a
bun

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7 pm

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It's never too late to assist our Brothers at St. Gabriel Parish Council. If you are looking to get your Poinsettias or Christmas Sweets, call 905-869-4972.

2017 Poinsettia Sale!

Hand in your order after one of the following weekend Masses:
 October 21 / October 22
 October 28 / October 29

or call 905-869-4972



St. Gabriel's Parish

Size	Colour	Price	Quantity
6" pot	Red	\$9.00	
6" pot	Pink	\$9.00	
6" pot	White	\$9.00	
8" pot	Red	\$17.00	
8" pot	Pink	\$17.00	
8" pot	White	\$17.00	
8" pot	Tri-Colour	\$17.00	
10" pot	Red	\$23.00	
10" pot	Pink	\$23.00	
10" pot	White	\$23.00	
10" pot	Red Glitter	\$23.00	


Red


Pink


White


Red Glitter


Tri-Colour

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ (Optional)

Thank you!

Orders **MUST** be received by November 5
 Please give this order form to a Knight at the back of the Church or call 905-869-4972 to order.

2017 Cakes & Cookies

Hand in your order after one of the following weekend Masses:
 October 21 / October 22
 October 28 / October 29

or call 905-869-4972



St. Gabriel's Parish

Item	Price	Description	Quantity
	\$12.00	Cookies 450g Tin of Delicious Shortbread Cookies with Chocolate Chunks	_____
	\$13.00	Fruit Cake Twin Pack 900g Twin Pack in a Gift Box (1 light iced 450 grams and 1 dark plain 450 gram)	_____
	\$14.00	Dark Fruit Cake Block 900g Pre-Sliced Block of Dark Fruit Cake in a Decorative Gift Box	_____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ (Optional)

Thank you!

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 Please give this order form to a Knight at the back of the Church or call 905-869-4972 to order.

Knights in Action October 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 final bottle drive for 2017 was held on October 11 and with the collections for that day the total for the year is almost \$2,100. This will result in a donation to the Special Olympics of an additional \$1,500 as the balance has already been given to the Special Olympics



Used Eye Glasses for Haiti

The final cleaning and preparation of the glasses for the **B the Hope for Haiti Mission** was completed in October. Thanks once again to the efforts of Brother Blair Breckenridge almost 550 pairs of glasses are or will be available for Joanna Baumgartner wife of our brother Joe to bring to Haiti. We understand she will be returning to Haiti in November to help the needy there. Thanks to all of the members and parishioners that helped with this project.



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.