

OUR LADY OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN, REVEREND MARTIN VALLELY

Dear Brothers,

I greet you as the new Fraternal Year gets underway in earnest, want and to encourage you and your families as you

strive to serve the Lord in the months to come! May His blessings strengthen you and give you courage and joy in all your endeavours for His Kingdom!

As I write these words, the whole Catholic world, and many others besides, are preparing with enthusiasm to celebrate the canonization of Mother Teresa of Calcutta, Sunday, September 4th. What a tremendous inspiration has this mighty woman of faith been to millions, for her sublime charism of seeing the face of Christ in the poor and forgotten. She gave voice to countless voiceless abandoned ones; and she showed us all that there is nothing and no one which ought ever to be considered beyond the reach of God's mercy or beyond our compassion. As a Saint of the Church, she has a very particular role in interceding for us as we try to do our part to alleviate the anguish of the marginalized and suffering.

Mother was a fountain of wise statements, which crackled with insight, challenge, and often great wit, She may or may not have originated this expression: "Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love." (It sounds

Lisieux, the Little Flower, a century earlier!) But it certainly sums up her own attitude towards the work which she undertook among the poorest of the poor. Love was of paramount importance for her, and she remarked that, "if we are spending our time judging others, we have no time left to love them".

One thing she definitely said on the matter of "Be faithful in small things, service was this: because it is in them that your strength lies." Let us not forget those words when we are tempted to abandon our works of service on the grounds that they do not seem to be making much of a difference. Her words remind us that the transformation we experience on account of our generous service may be just as important as the benefit that accrues to those whom we serve, if not even more important. As we see and serve Christ in others, we ourselves become more like Christ.

I was really taken aback when I first heard Mother Teresa speak of the forms of devastating poverty which she saw afflicting the affluent peoples of the world, a poverty in some ways more destructive than the poverty she dealt with in her own daily work. She told us that we must fight against the poverty of loneliness, the emptiness of a life without God, without meaning. She reminded us that our blindness to the duty of the moment, right where we are, with those right around us, might just be the greatest poverty of all: "It is easy to love the people far away. It is not always easy to love those close to us. It is easier to give a cup of rice to relieve a lot like something said by Saint Therese of hunger than to relieve the loneliness and pain of someone unloved in our own home. Bring love into your home, for this is where our love for each other must start."

I think, though, that my favourite story will always remain the story of an incident involving, not Mother Teresa herself, but one of her many Missionaries of Charity.....so women, and men too, who give their lives to serve in her communities. According to this story, a Western reporter was walking down a miserable street in Calcutta, where people were left to literally die in the streets. He came upon one of Mother Teresa's young Missionary Sisters, who was attending to a person in the middle of the road. It was impossible for the reporter to make out whether the person was male or female, they were so horribly emaciated and so close to death. Evidently the Sister had come upon this person when it was far too late to do anything to alleviate their suffering, to move them to one of the Homes for the Dying, or anything else. All that could be done was to just be there with the person in their final moments. Sister was holding the person's head in her arms, and making soft cooing sounds into the person's ear, after the manner of a mother with her infant. The reporter watched this scene for a little while in silence, and then let out a shudder of revulsion, from head to toe. He said, "I wouldn't do what you are doing for a million dollars." The Sister looked up at him with eyes shining, and very simply replied, "Neither would I."

If you understand what point was being made here, then you have grasped the essence of the charism of Saint Teresa of Calcutta. Celebrate her canonization, pray for her intercession, and continue to yearn to be a servant of Christ the Poor in all you do. Let her teach you how to be the man and servant which your Knights of Columbus commitment is calling you to be.

Many blessings upon you, brothers!!

Father Martin Vallely Chaplain

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations to:

Bro. Louis and Antoinette Pennachetti September 12 – 52 years

> Bro. Joe and Theresa Milton September 16 – 49 years

Bro. David and Marie Lord September 19 – 46 years

Bro. Michael and Chris McNamara September 21 – 25 years

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Willy Joki – September 17

Donald Prescott - September 27



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GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE:

The CNE has started, the NFL football season is about to start.....so it must be near the end of summer and the beginning of a busy time for our council... although the weather seems to think it's still July.

A list of events planned for our council over the coming months is included in this publication, but....before we get into the upcoming activities, I would like to take this time to once again offer our condolences to the Brother Knights that have lost loving family members over the past few weeks. Our prayers go out to Stan Semeniuk, Joe Baumgartner and Howard McNamara for their losses.

Our September council meeting will be on September 6th and of course our 4th bottle collection will take place that same afternoon so as usual please save up your bottles and collect what you can from neighbours and friends and bring them to the church parking lot between 4 and 6 PM. We will be continuing our connection with the Special Olympics on September 17th when we will be helping out with a BBQ for their Soccer Qualifier to be held at Sherwood Forest Park. We will need several Knights to help with the barbecuing...details will be available a few days before the event.

Please remember to bring your old eye glasses to place into the box at the back of the church. Brother Blair Breckenridge is taking the lead on this initiative that is aiming at providing used eye glasses to the poor people of Haiti. Joe and Joanna Baumgartner will take the donated glasses to Haiti as part of the "B the Hope for Haiti Mission" in the coming months. If you can please have the nose pads repaired (as this is free at most eye glass stores). Please see this flyer displayed in the church and in upcoming bulletins.

Other events in September will include the Holy Rosary School Open House BBQ the date for which we will know once the school opens... we also have Rosary Sunday which will be held at the Martyrs' Shrine in Midland on September 11. We have the K of C Golf tournament to be held on September 15th at Century Pines golf course...please let Carlos Paixao know if you plan to attend. For anyone that can make it the K of C State golf tournament is being held at Lowville golf course on September 16th....be sure to let me know if you want to attend this event. Then on the 24th of September we have the Pig Roast at St Gabriel's which is being held immediately following the Installation of Officers for their council as well as officers of Council 5073. Knights and Spouses are invited to this BBQ so let me know if you want to attend.

I would like to congratulate Brother Aeneas MacIsaac for being awarded the "KNIGHT OF THE YEAR" award and Brother Joe Baumgartner and his family for being awarded the "FAMILY OF THE YEAR" award. These presentations were made to these worthy brothers in front of the parish congregation that were present at Sunday Mass on August 9.

On August 16th Our Holy Rosary parish welcomed a new refugee from Sudan to our community. This is thanks to the efforts of our parish Resettlement committee chaired by our own Financial Secretary Vic Lefebvre and also includes Brothers Joe Baumgartner, Andrew Kemnitz and David Kenel and of course our Worthy Chaplin Father Vallely. Please look for additional information in the newsletter.

Ken Fleming, Grand Knight

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

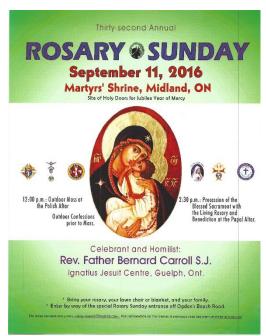


In their memory, we pray for: Marie Semeniuk, wife of Brother Stan; Katerina Baumgartner, mother of Brother Joe and Wilfred McNamara, brother of Brother Howard.

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

- Sept. 6 Council Business Meeting 7:00 pm
- Sept. 6 Special Olympics Bottle Drive
- Sept. 11 Regular Mass Schedule Resumes
- Sept 11 Thirty-Second Annual Rosary Sunday Martyrs' Shrine, Midland, ON
- Sept 15 Council 5073 Golf Tournament Century Pines Golf Course Tee off – 11:30 am
- Sept 17 Special Olympic B.B.Q Soccer Qualifier Sherwood Park (Details at Council Meeting)
- Sept 18 Vocations Mass 2:00 pm St. Matthews Parish 1150 Monks Passage Oakville
- Sept 24 Installation of Officers Councils 10061 and 5073 After 5:00 pm Mass Pig Roast to follow
- Oct. 4 Council Business Meeting
- Oct. 7 The feast of Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary
- Oct. 11 Special Olympics Bottle Drive
- Oct. 11 Council Card Game Night (Details at Council Meeting)
- Oct. 16 Quarterly Executive Meeting (Details at Council Meeting)

CONGRATULATIONS



Brother Joe Baumgartner with his wife Joanna and their family receive the Family of the Year Award from Grand Knight Ken Fleming after Mass on August 14.



Brother Aeneas Mac Isaac with his wife Barbara receives the Knight of the Year Award from Grand Knight Ken Fleming after Mass on August 14.

HOLY ROSARY WELCOMES IBRAHIM - On Tuesday August 16.

Holy Rosary Parish has sponsored a refugee from the Sudan and that person is now safe in our great country and living in our Burlington community. In the picture below you will find Brother Vic Lefebvre along with Brother Joe Baumgartner and his wife Joanna welcoming the newcomer at the Toronto airport.

Knights of Columbus Members of Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary Council 15920 are key members of the parish resettlement committee that led up to this great occasion. Our Council Chaplin Father Martin Vallely is of course the spiritual leader of the team as well as being a key motivator of this parish initiative. Our Financial Secretary Vic Lefebvre is the committee chairman and brothers Joe Baumgartner, Andrew Kemnitz and David Kenel are members of the 24 person team responsible for overseeing the fund raising and sponsorship of refugees for our parish.

The committee was first formed through the efforts of our previous Council Chaplin and Pastor Monsignor Edward House with the intention of bringing in a refugee family, but because of the extended period of time needed to sponsor a family they decided to sponsor an individual which then made it possible to provide help sooner.

The new Canadian immigrant's name is Ibrahim and he is a 31 year old from Sudan. He worked as a farmhand in the Sudan but until recently was sheltered in a refugee camp in Jakarta. Sudan is a country of 40 million people in Northeast Africa that has been besieged by 2 civil wars during which over 1.5 million people have been killed. Ibrahim speaks some English but his native language is Arabic. Brother Joe Baumgartner and his wife Joanna are providing accommodations in their home for Ibrahim for a couple of weeks until suitable accommodations can be found.

WE ARE VERY PROUD OF THE INVOLVEMENT OF OUR COUNCIL IN THIS ACCOMPLISHMENT.



Council News

POTENTIAL NEW RELATIONSHIPS ARE BEING INVESTIGATED BY MEMBERS OF OUR COUNCIL

Although one of our stated goals is to focus on local needs rather than the broader needs of Canada, we want to find some activities which maybe are more in tune with younger knights and their families; with this in mind, we are investigating a couple of potential relationships.

CRIME STOPPERS

Deputy Grand Knight Joe Milton is taking a leadership role in making contact with the Crime Stoppers organization of Halton. As you may or may not know Crime Stoppers is a civilian, non-profit, charitable organization that brings together in a triparty relationship, the police services of a community, the media and the community in the fight against crime.

The reason we are thinking about a relationship with Crime Stoppers is that it may be an activity that is more focused on youth in that it not only targets major crime but also bullying and animal cruelty.

We met with Curt Allen a retired Deputy Commissioner of the RCMP and Cal Miller a retired reporter from the Toronto Star to get some preliminary information and Joe is arranging to have someone come to our meeting in November to give us a presentation.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Brother Len Walker has agreed to contact someone he knows in the Habitat for Humanity organization to investigate a potential interface for our council.

Habitat assists low-income families to build their home by providing volunteer labour, donated materials and noprofit, no-interest mortgages tailored to their income level. As mortgages are repaid the funds are used to build more houses.

Len is working on having a representative of the local Habitat for Humanity organization to come to our October meeting to give us a presentation.





Knights in Action Sept 2016

Council 15920 Refugee Family Committee

During the month of September, we plan to reconvene the members of this committee to plan the Fund raising activities for the coming year aimed at fulfilling our commitment to raising 20% of the cost of sponsoring a refugee family up to a maximum of \$8000. We have already raised over \$2300 toward this target. The committee will report out at our October meeting

Used Eye Glasses for Haiti

Brother Blair Breckenridge is spearheading an initiative to collect used eye glasses to be donated to the B the Hope for Haiti Mission.

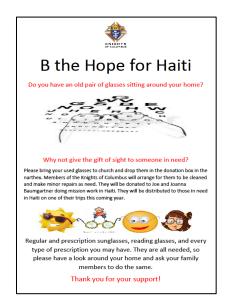
Everyone is asked to bring your old eye glasses to the church and place them in the box provided. If you can please have the nose pads repaired (as this is free at most eye glass stores). Please see this flyer displayed in the church and in upcoming bulletins.

Cob's Bakery

Brother Aeneas Mc 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 Cob's 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.









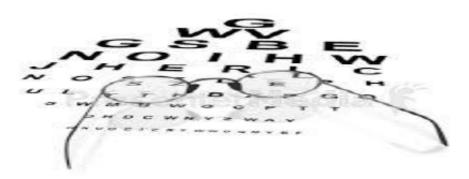
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Month		Date		Events	Category
SEPTEMBER	Meeting and Bottle Drive	September 6, 2016	1	3	Membership
	School Open House B-B-Q	TBD	2	16	Meeting
	Big Band Concert Planning Meeting Rosary Sunday, Midland	September 21, 2016 September 11, 2016	3 4	7 17	Church Community
	K of C Golf Tournament	September 15, 2016	5	3	Family
	Special Olympics Sept BBQ	September 17, 2016	6	3	Culture of Life
	Pig Roast at St Gab's	September 24, 2016	7	4	Youth
					Under 40
OCTOBER	Meeting	October 4, 2016	8	3	Entertainment
	Bottle Drive	October 11, 2016	9	56	Total
	Council Card Game	October 11, 2016	10		
	Quarterly Officers meeting	October 16, 2016	11		
	Preliminary Planning Meeting for Turkey Roll	October 25, 2016 TBD	12		
	Preliminary Planning meeting for BFT	180	15		
NOVEMBER	Meeting	November 1, 2016	14		
	Proposed Hockey Shootout	TBD	15		
	Final Planning Meeting for Turkey Roll	November 22, 2016	16		
	Breakfast with Santa	TBD	16		
DECEMBER	Turkey Roll	December 2, 2016	17		
	Santa Clause parade prep	December 3, 2016	18		
	Santa Clause parade	December 4, 2016	19		
	Meeting Valentine Dance Planning Meeting	December 6, 2016 December 13, 2016	20 21		
	Longo's Food Drive	December 15, 2016	22		
	Longo's Food Drive	December 16, 2016	23		
	Second Planning meeting for BFT	TBD	24		
JANUARY	Meeting	January 3, 2017	25		
	Officers meeting	January 15, 2017	26		
	Special Olympics BFT Qualifier	January 19, 2017	27		
	Fraternal Survey Due Date	January 23, 2017	28		
	BFT Event Special Olympics Basketball Tournament	January 21, 2017 January 28, 2017	29 30		
	Big Band Concert	January 29, 2017	31		
	Budget Preparation & Submission	TBD	32		
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FEBRUARY	BFT District event	February 4, 2017	33		
	Meeting (Budget Approval)	February 7, 2017	34		
	Special Olympics Floor Hockey	February 9, 2017	35		
	Valentine Dinner Dance	February 11, 2017	36		
	Council Audit Due Date	February 15, 2017	37		
	BFT Regional Event	February 25, 2017	38		
MARCH	Meeting	March 7, 2017	39		
	Membership Drive (Open House)	March 12, 2017	40		
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APRIL	Meeting	April 4, 2017	41		
	Nomination Planning Meeting	April 9, 2017	42		
	Officers Meeting	April 23, 2017	43		
	State Convention (usually last weekend in April)	April 28, 2017	44		
MAY	Meeting	May 2, 2017	45		
	Roses for Life weekend	May 13, 2017	46		
	Roses for Life weekend	May 14, 2017	47		
	Second Degree	May 14, 2017	48		
	Parish B-B-Q Planning Meeting	May 21, 2017	49		
	Bottle Drive	May 23, 2017	50		
JUNE	Meeting	June 5, 2017	51		
	Parish BBQ	June 11, 2017 June 17, 2017	52 53		
	Special Olympics Spring Fling Third Degree	June 17, 2017 June 18, 2017	54		
	Holy Rosary Fun day	June 18, 2017	55		
	Holy Rosary School Graduation	June 18, 2017	56		



B the Hope for Haiti

Do you have an old pair of glasses sitting around your home?



Why not give the gift of sight to someone in need?

Please bring your used glasses to church and drop them in the donation box in the narthex. Members of the Knights of Columbus will arrange for them to be cleaned and make minor repairs as need. They will be donated to Joe and Joanna Baumgartner doing mission work in Haiti. They will be distributed to those in need in Haiti on one of their trips this coming year.



Regular and prescription sunglasses, reading glasses, and every type of prescription you may have. They are all needed, so please have a look around your home and ask your family members to do the same.

Thank you for your support!

