



OUR LADY OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY

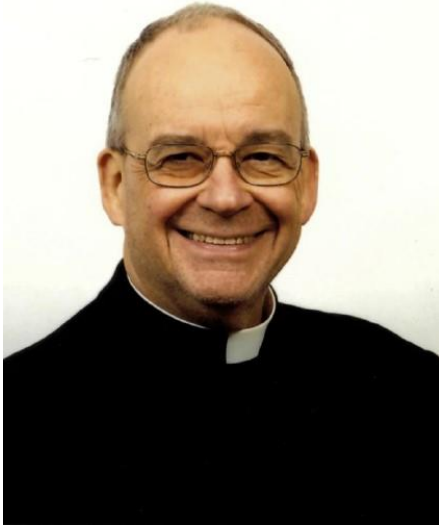
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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN, REVEREND MARTIN VALLELY



Dear Brothers,

I greet you as the new Fraternal Year gets underway in earnest, and I want 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!

I have had a practice, in my past Newsletter messages, of choosing a “theme” of sorts for a given fraternal year. And I would like to inaugurate that practice for our Council as well. This year, I would like to spend a bit of time every month speaking about a Saint, particularly Saints who serve as effective role models for men. Most of these would, predictably, be males, but not necessarily all. It is often said that our age lacks real heroes. If there is perhaps some truth in that, then we as Catholic men need to look to the heroes of our Catholic Tradition for help on our journey.

I choose to begin with someone probably most have at least heard of, but may not know very well. It is Saint Augustine (A.D. 354 – 430), whose Feast Day is August 28th. What you may remember for sure is that Augustine’s mother was Monica, who prayed in tears for many years that her wayward son would return to the Faith (Saint Monica is an excellent one for us to pray to if we are worried about any of our family members who have fallen away from the Faith). Augustine drifted from his faith as a young adult, on account of immoral living, to be sure; but also on account of getting caught up in peculiar currents of thought and philosophies which were very attractive, but also devastatingly harmful. One could say that, for a long while, Augustine was too smart for his own good. He actually became a professor, teaching these false philosophies.

African-born, Augustine ended up teaching in Milan, Italy, where he encountered the great Doctor of the Church Saint Ambrose. Partly on account of Ambrose’s teaching and counsel, and partly in virtue of a massive internal struggle occasioned by world-weariness, loneliness, and the sense that he had lost all direction and meaning in his life, Augustine allowed God to speak to his soul, and was converted back to the Lord and his Church. Monica’s prayers were answered at last! Augustine returned to North Africa after his mother’s death, became a priest and a Bishop, and ultimately became one of the greatest teachers and shepherds the Church has ever known. The scope of his influence on Catholic thought and life is immeasurable.

Augustine’s greatest contribution, perhaps, is his teaching on the workings of Divine Grace. Do not be thrown off by that expression into thinking that we are speaking of some lofty and dry mental gymnastics which would be of only minimal or no interest to you. Augustine put the immense power of his mind into touch with his own personal experience, to develop a teaching which is thrillingly intimate and personal. He is talking about how God wants to dwell deep within us, to unite us to himself completely. His very life is infused into our souls! Our relationship with God is not to be empty and stale, but to be pulsatingly alive and vigorous. In short, a real man falls hopelessly in love with Jesus Christ. I believe that all Knights of Columbus should be real men who fall hopelessly and unashamedly in love with Jesus Christ. And that love is to be the basis of their eagerness to serve as Knights.

Just to give you a taste of the soaring passion of Augustine’s discovery of God, and the life of joy he came so close to losing entirely, I share with you a magnificent passage from his Confessions, a book which essentially tells the story of his conversion.

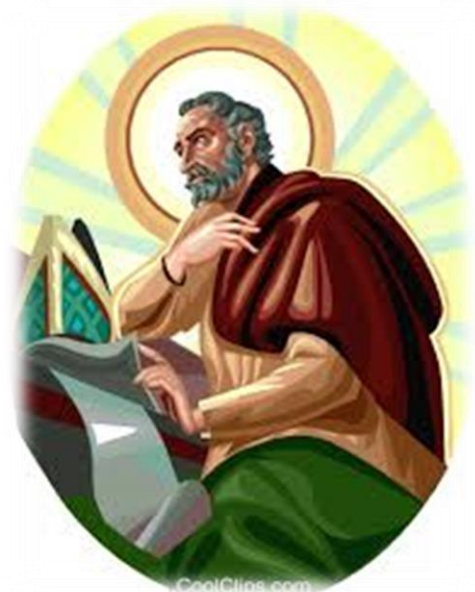
Late have I loved you, Beauty so ancient and so new, late have I loved you!

Lo, you were within
but I outside, seeking there for you,
and upon the shapely things you have made
I rushed headlong – I, misshapen.
You were with me, but I was not with you.
They held me back far from you,
those things which would have no being,
were they not in you.

You called, shouted, broke through my deafness;
you flared, blazed, banished my blindness;
you lavished your fragrance, I gasped; and now I pant for you;
I tasted you, and now I hunger and thirst;
you touched me, and I burned for your peace.

God’s blessings upon us all in this new Fraternal Year!

Father Martin Vallely
Chaplain



**MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND
*INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL OFFICERS***

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 – AFTER 5:00 PM MASS

**CONFERING OFFICER
S.K. BRO. MARCEL LEMMEN, STATE TREASURER**

REFRESHMENT FOLLOWS

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

We are now approaching the end of the summer and the beginning of our great fall season.... this is a sign that the activity level of our council will pick up again. There are lots of events planned for the coming months including the installation of our council officers on September 9th, Rosary Sunday at Martyr's Shrine on September 10th and the Curriculum Night BBQ at Holy Rosary School on September 14th....to mention a few September events. The month of October will be membership drive month for our council so please start thinking about potential new members that would enjoy becoming Knights. We are planning for the weekend of October 21st and 22nd to be membership drive weekend.

I want to congratulate brothers SK David Lord and Trustee Willie Joki for the awards they received in August. Brother David was awarded the "Knight of the Year" award for his hard work and Brother Willie Joki and his family were awarded "Family of the year". I am so proud of our success over the past year and these two special members deserve a lot of the credit.

We will also be holding preliminary planning meetings for the up-coming Turkey Roll, the Valentines celebrations and the "Big Band Concert" over the coming months. These are very important activities for our council so I encourage everyone that wants to help to let me know as soon as possible.

If you received the recent edition of "Knightline" you would have seen confirmation that for the 3rd year in a row our council has received the Star Council award. I know that you are probably tired of hearing me say how much I appreciate the great effort and enthusiasm you all put into our council and so I will only say I'm humbled and proud to be the Grand Knight of this great council.

Vivat Jesus

Ken Fleming,
Grand Knight

PRAYER NETWORK

In charity, we pray for:

Brother Michael
Nelligan
Joanna Baumgartner,
wife of Brother Joe
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 by e-mail at kofcholyrosary@outlook.com



***Family Fraternal Benefits
from a Brother Knight***

Call your Fraternal Adviser

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

***1-800-263-KOFC (5632)
E-Mail: trevor.d'mello@kofc.org***

**CALENDAR
OF
COUNCIL EVENTS**

- Sept. 5 – Business Meeting – 7 pm
- Sept. 5 – Special Olympics Bottle Drive
4 to 6 pm
- Sept. 9 – Installation of Officers
After 5:00 pm Mass
Reception to follow
- Sept. 10 – Special Olympics Planning Meeting
Details at General Meeting
- Sept 10 – Thirty-Third Annual Rosary Sunday
Martyrs’ Shrine, Midland
- Sept. 14 – Holy Rosary School BBQ
Details at General Meeting
- Sept 15 – Ontario State Council
Golf Tournament
Lowville, Burlington
- Sept 16 – St. Gabriel Council Pig Roast
Details at General Meeting
- Sept. 17 – Sixteen Annual Vocation Mass
1:00 pm Mass
Blessed Sacrament Parish
Burford, Ontario
- Sept 23 – South Zone Meeting
Details at General Meeting

- Oct. 3 – Council Business Meeting
- Oct. 7 – The Feast of Our Lady of
the Most Holy Rosary
- Oct. 10 – Special Olympics Bottle Drive
4 to 6 pm
- Oct. 20 - Halton Alive Gala Dinner
St. Joseph Banquet Hall
Oakville

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATIONS**

Congratulations to:

Bro. Louis and Antoinette Pennachetti
September 12 – 53 years

Dr. Patrick and Sharon Petrowski
September 12 – 25 years

Bro. Joe and Theresa Milton
September 16 – 50 years

Bro. David and Marie Lord
September 19 – 47 years

Bro. Michael and Chris McNamara
September 21 – 26 years

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Willie Joki – September 17

Donald Prescott – September 27



33rd Annual
***Rosary
Sunday***

September 10, 2017

**MARTYRS' SHRINE,
19195 HIGHWAY 12 WEST
MIDLAND, ON**

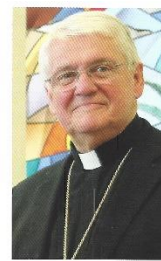
*12:00 p.m.: Outdoor Mass at
the Polish Altar*

*Outdoor Confessions
prior to Mass*

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



**CELEBRANT AND HOMILIST:
MOST REVEREND
DOUGLAS CROSBY O.M.I., D.D.
DIOCESE OF HAMILTON**



* BRING YOUR ROSARY, YOUR LAWN CHAIR OR BLANKET, AND YOUR FAMILY.

FOR MORE INFORMATION E-MAIL LIVING-ROSARY@EDSERS.COM - FOR INFORMATION ON THE SHRINE & ENTRANCE FEES SEE WWW.MARTYRS-SHRINE.COM

Knight and Family of the year's awards were presented on Sunday August 6th

The week of August 7 to 13 was designated by the Knights of Columbus to be "Family Week" and so to bring attention to this and to recognize a couple of our outstanding council members, awards were presented after the 10 am Mass on Sunday, August 6th.

2016-2017 KNIGHT OF THE YEAR award went to **SK David Lord** and equally to his wife Marie who makes sure David gets driven to every event and is very supportive of the Knights. David has been a member of the Knights for 12 years and he is one of the most active members of our council. David is always the first to volunteer for events and he is usually the first to get to work setting up tables and or cleaning up at events and of course our council meetings. He has worked on many projects around the church and the school. David is also a fourth degree Knight and is Inner Sentinel of the Pope John Paul II Assembly. Thank you Brother David for all you do for the Knights and our council especially.



2016-2017 FAMILY OF THE YEAR award went to the family of **Brother Willie and Anne Joki**. They have been members of Holy Rosary Parish for many years and they recently celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary. They are both very active members of our parish. Anne's beautiful voice can be heard in the choir and she is an active member of the CWL. Willie was treasurer of the men's club prior to joining the Knights of Columbus in 2014 and has been a Knight for 3 years. They are great role models for their wonderful children (Willie Jr, Leanne and Robert) and their grandchildren. Willie is a Trustee of our council and he has been one of our most active members. He can be found on many Sunday evenings collecting the fresh baked goods at Cobs Bread that would otherwise go to waste that he helps deliver it to the needy at the Good Shepherd food bank. You will also see Willie with his pick-up truck helping as we collect and return empty bottles and cans to the beer store to raise money to support the Special Olympics movement. He also shows off his barbequing skills at many of our events and many times he volunteers to take the unused food from those events to the food bank so it does not go to waste. Our parish and our council are very fortunate to have people like Willie and Anne in our midst.



3rd Special Olympics Bottle Drive for 2017 held on August 8th

We had another good turnout of members for our 3rd bottle drive of the year on Tuesday August 8th. It was a success thanks mainly to some of our members working either with family members or the apartment buildings they live in....Joe Milton alone has personally returned hundreds of dollars' worth from his building. Brothers Don, Jim, Daniel and Hugh also make regular bulk contributions to the cause. This is not to diminish the very much appreciated efforts of everyone but I thought I would center these guys out.

We collected another \$364 to add to the previous total of \$1029 we are now up to \$1392. After deducting previous amounts already given to Special Olympics we are approaching the half way mark to our goal of \$2000. The general collections were down slightly again from last year's levels so we need a big push for our next collection days of September 5th and October 10th. Regardless of how well we do in achieving our goal these collection days are a great opportunity for the guys to get together and enjoy some fraternal time.....so I encourage everyone to come out and have some fun.



Our Knights help out at Assumption High School Uniform Sale

A Special thank you to brothers Vince Iantomasi, Don Prescott, Earl Kent Roy and Ken Fleming for spending the morning on August 30th to help Assumption raise thousands of dollars from this year's very successful used uniform sale.



Special Olympics Track and Field Team meeting Monday August 28th

Council Chancellor SK Sam Cervoni recently went through the training required to become a coach for the Burlington Special Olympics Track and Field team which meets every Monday during the summer months. Sam is of course aware that every Sunday evening Brother Aeneas Mac Isaac and other members collect baked goods from Cobs Bread. Sam offered to arrange to get some of the sweets collected on Sunday August 27th to the activities on Monday evening held at MM Robinson High school. This was received with great enthusiasm by the happy athletes and coaches.

Thanks to Sam and PGK Don Prescott for delivering the pastries to the MM Robinson field. Also Thanks goes to Brothers Willie Joki, GK Ken Fleming and Aeneas Mac Isaac and his wife Barb for collecting the pastries from Cobs Bread for the Special Olympics and also for the bread that went to the Good Shepherd Food Bank.



More Pictures of Special Olympics Track and Field Event



Brother Mike Perron transfers from Hamilton and brings great photography skills

If you have noticed an improvement in the quality of the pictures showing up in our newsletters and web pages recently it's not that our normal contributors have done anything to enhance their skill..... It's because Brother Mike Perron has transferred to our council from Hamilton. SK Mike Perron is a professional photographer with years of experience using his fabulous camera equipment.....his subjects have included wedding parties and even the Bishop. Mike is the official photographer for the Diocese of Hamilton and we are very happy to have him in our council.

Here are some recent examples of Mike's photography skills..... **Thanks Brother Mike**



Reminders of other K of C Councils activities

All Burlington Knights and their families are welcome to join the Knights of St Gabriel's council for their annual Pig Roast, Saturday, September 16th. We need to know the numbers of you that would like to attend this fun event so please let GK Ken Fleming know if you would like to go. There will be sign-up sheet at the Council meeting on September 5th.

A flyer for the Knights of Columbus Pig Roast event. At the top, it says 'KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS' with a logo. Below that, 'PIG ROAST' is written in large, bold letters with a pig icon to the left. Underneath, it says 'St. Gabriel's Parish Hall'. A green horizontal line separates this from the date: 'Saturday, September 16, 2017 - 6:00pm'. Below that, the word 'TICKETS:' is followed by 'Available after each weekend Mass or contact: (Jacek) 905.319.0447 or (email) stgabrielskofc@gmail.com'. At the bottom, it lists '★ ADULT \$20' and '★ CHILD \$10 (10 and under)'. The flyer has a white background with a grey border.

7th Annual Ontario State Council



True Fraternity Golf Tournament

Friday, September 15, 2017

Lowville Golf Club

2662 Britannia Road, Burlington, Ontario

Starting Time: 1:00pm Shotgun Start – Best Ball Format

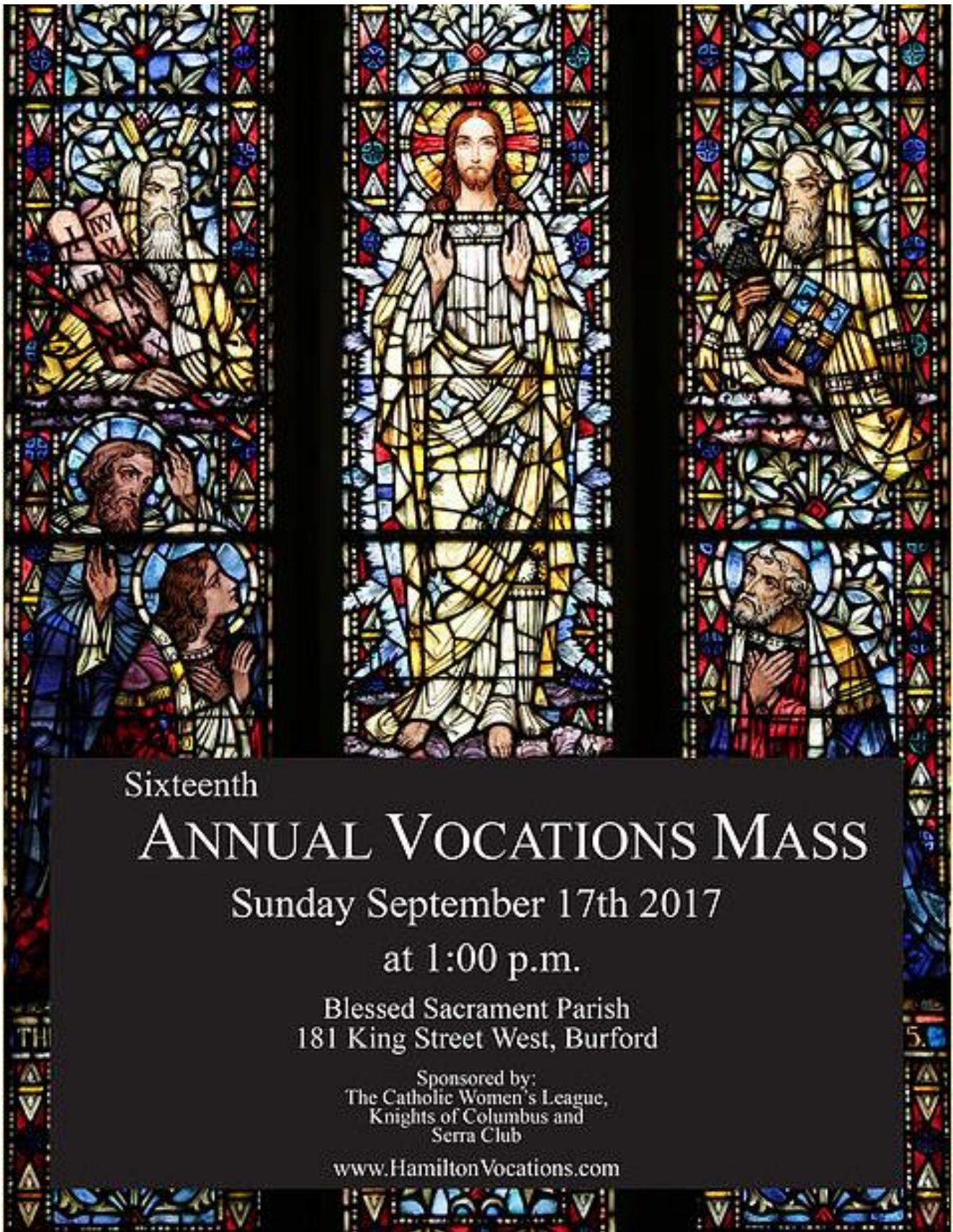
\$150.00 per person: Lunch – Pulled Pork Sandwiches

18 Holes of Great Golf

Power Cart – Contests – Prizes

Dinner – Prime Rib

Contact: Marcel Lemmen - mlemmen@emprecise.com



Sixteenth

ANNUAL VOCATIONS MASS

Sunday September 17th 2017

at 1:00 p.m.

Blessed Sacrament Parish
181 King Street West, Burford

Sponsored by:
The Catholic Women's League,
Knights of Columbus and
Serra Club

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FRIDAY OCT. 20

Fundraising
Gala
& Auction





SPEAKERS
Mark & Barb Jurgens
The Unplanned Life

LOCATION
St. Joseph Banquet Hall
300 River Oaks Blvd E, Oakville

RSVP
www.haltonalive.com/Gala
or call 905-632-3232

Doors Open
@ 6pm

Music • Silent Auction • Dinner • Photo Booth

Council Audit

Just to ensure all of our members appreciate some of the things that go on in the background I thought I would give our Council Audit team a little recognition. Twice a year we are required by Knights of Columbus rules to do a complete audit of the council’s finances. This involves reviewing all receipts and disbursements to ensure that they have all properly cleared the bank and are consistent with the bank records.

The bulk of the work falls to our Financial Secretary Vic Lefebvre and Treasurer Ron Lehocki. They are responsible for summarizing and compiling all of the documents and bank records so the audit team made up of the 3 Council Trustees (Brothers Aeneas Mac Isaac, Joe Baumgartner and Willie Joki) and the Grand Knight can review them and verify that they are in order. Once the audit team has approved and verified the transactions a report is prepared, signed by the audit committee and was forwarded to the Supreme Council by Brother Vic on August 9, 2017 with copies to the State Deputy and District Deputy.

