

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Thanks for the reminder.

Brothers, our council has a brand new look and has made significant strides in updating our online presence. A big thank you to Glenn Herrell who stepped up to take on the role of council webmaster. Glenn has demonstrated great passion in this new venture and he has provided excellent results. Thank you Glenn.

A special mention to the Worthy District Deputy, David Fisher, for sharing his guidance, knowledge and patience in assisting our council with the website changes and as we seek to be recognized as a charity foundation in Ontario.

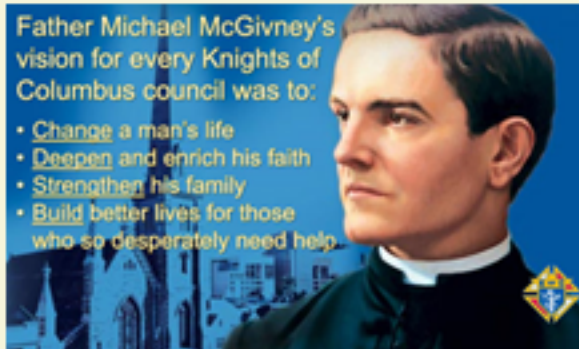
Our council also has many brothers who remain very active in the community in various efforts including the Out of the Cold program. Others are involved in continual outreach to their fellow knights and members of the parish especially during this time of caution.

Please note the upcoming Hour of Prayer for Blessed Michael McGivney set for 8 pm on Monday, March 29th. See details on the following page.

CELEBRATING FOUNDER'S DAY

Please join us
Monday March 29, 2021

7:30 pm: Holy Mass (Live Streamed)
8:00 pm: Hour of Prayer
for Blessed Michael McGivney



ALL ARE WELCOME!!!

Hosted virtually by Zoom - link opens at 7:15pm

ZOOM LINK

Call in: 1 847 558 0588

Meeting ID: 989 3704 5392 Passcode: 382524

If you have any questions please contact Joe Remedios 647- 467-1738 or Joe.Remedios@me.com or James Zammit 416-526-1714 or izammit@circlink.ca

I also invite all Brother Knights to attend our upcoming online General Meeting Wednesday April 14th at 7:30 p.m. Please join us.

We wish all of our knights and their families a most joyful and blessed Easter.
Fraternally Yours

Henry Van Vroenhoven, GK

The full text of Pope Francis' Easter Urbi et Homini at Easter 2020.

<https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/full-text-pope-francis-easter-sunday-urbi-et-orbi-blessing-43012>

Webmaster's Corner: Glenn Herrell



I am pleased to announce the release of the new Website for Council 10009. With the help of our Worthy District Deputy we are up and running on the new site that is driven by the template used in many councils across North America.

To access the new Website just type in the address www.kofcancaster.ca that we have always used and you will be redirected to the new site. If you have difficulties please refer to the March 19th email that has detailed instructions or contact me at glenn.herrell@gmail.com

If you take a tour around the new site you will quickly notice the many benefits that it has to offer. Please take the time to login to the members area and update your personal information.

If you are having difficulties adding your picture please forward it to me and I will be happy to upload it myself.

Any suggestions or ideas are also welcome .

Yours Fraternally,

Glenn Herrell, Webmaster

Events and Issues:

Silver Rose Campaign: Grand Knight Henry Van Vroenhoven would like to take the opportunity to thank a number of knights and members of St. Ann's parish for their support of the Knights Silver Rose Campaign. In total, about 100 individuals attended either in person or virtually. Many thanks to our District Deputy, David Fisher, who coordinated the Silver Rose campaign for the area, Brother Michael Moss who handled the logistics for our council and to Father Paul and Brother David Dayler for the wonderful service.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Father Paul will offer a Eucharistic Holy Hour each Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. live-streamed on our YouTube Channel. It is a wonderful opportunity to spend some time with our Eucharistic

Lord, to receive His blessings and to pray for healing for our world. Tune in for this wonderful hour of prayer until the end of the Lockdown when we can once again gather in the Church to Adore the Lord.

Council Charity Status - Henry Van Vroenhoven thanked Michael Creaghan and Paul Gibel for proceeding with this initiative. Paul Gibel did communicate that he has had some difficulty reaching out to other councils for information. They have not responded to his requests. Our District Deputy, David Fisher, did offer assistance in this regard. He will communicate and work with Paul and advise the group of any developments.

4th Degree Exemplification - Will be arranged sometime after Easter - at the discretion of the District Master SK Martin Marko)

118th Ontario State - Virtual Convention - May 1, 2021 : Advertising deadline - March 31, 2021 - for Brother Knights who would like to advertise their personal business in the Convention Book)

FROM THE DESK OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY



Condolences go out to Br. Paul Downey and his family from our council on the passing of his mother Mary Downey on March 20th. Condolences go out also to the Downey family.

The biggest news for our newsletter is the coronavirus. This has affected the Knights like it has everything else in the world. I hope all is well with our Brother Knights and their families through these trying times. Get vaccinated when you have an opportunity.

If you know of somebody who would like to join the Knights of Columbus contact Gregg Husband at gregghusband@hotmail.com or 905-648-5376. We are always looking for new members. New members need to be eighteen years of age and a practicing catholic. Our current membership is at 132 members.

For any insurance questions or you are interested in purchasing insurance the Field Agent for the Knights of Columbus Insurance is SK Grant Okpere at 289-426-2277.

A reminder if you change your e-mail, mailing address or phone number please let me know as this information needs to be changed on the council website the Supreme website and I also need this information to contact you. This is very important that this information is kept current as the newsletter and many important broadcasts are sent out by e-mail and the phone to let you know about upcoming events or meetings. You can contact me at nlast@cogeco.ca or 289-238-8017.

Brother Knights make sure you are social distancing, wearing your mask and refrain from having or attending large gatherings.

I wish all our Brother Knights and their families a Blessed and Holy Easter.

Stay Safe

SK Nick Last PFN

For the Good of the Order

Pray for all those working on the front lines, the doctors, nurses, paramedics who are in contact with patients having the Covid 19 virus.

Pray that the coronavirus it is put under control soon.

Pray for all those have their business affected by this coronavirus.

Remember in your prayers the mother of Br. Paul Downey, Mary Downey who passed away on March 20th.

Remember Kevin Kelly in your prayers.

Keep our troops and their families in your prayers

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ST. ANN PARISH YouTube CHANNEL

St. Ann Parish has a YouTube Channel. Here you will find a video of a Sunday Mass from St. Ann Church. The Mass is live- streamed, so you can watch as it is happening or afterwards.

St. Ann's Parish is also on Facebook with the masses available there as well.

<https://www.facebook.com/stannparishancaster/>

St. Ann's also has a website where you can find the mass, homilies and bulletins. <https://stannparish.ca>

Make sure you are on the Parish email list so you receive the weekly bulletins.

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We have a number of director positions open. This is your opportunity to take a more active role in the council. Please contact Henry if you would like to take on one of the positions. Henry Van Vroenhoven 905-648-0754, vanvr@sympatico.ca or Michael Moss 905 928 2750, m63moss@gmail.com

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Lecturer's Talk: Michael Creaghan

ABRAHAM



We are recently witnessing the historical visit of Pope Francis to Iraq. He was in Iraq on a peace mission to seek common ground among Christians, Jews and Muslims. We are all monotheists believing in the one and same God. Muslims believe that there is but one God who spoke through his prophet Mohammad. The Koran (Qur'an) is God's word coming through the writing of Mohammad. (The name is spelled in many different ways: Mohamed, Muhammad and others). He came much later than the Jews and Christians from 583 to 632 AD. He started as a merchant and probably travelled all through the Middle East. He was well educated and very knowledgeable of the Jewish and Christian teachings of the time. He lived in the Arab world where he was a social, political and religious leader. He started his religious teaching in 609 confirming the monotheistic teachings of Adam, Abraham, Moses, Jesus and other prophets. Mohammad knew the Torah and Christian Bible. The Koran is the word of God revealed through his prophet Mohammad.

The history of Mohammad and his followers from the beginning was warlike, whereas the beginning of Christianity for over 300 years was mostly peaceful as it was not yet a political entity. The conflicts in the Middle East began with the Mohammad's battles in both Medina and Mecca where he defeated and later unified the Arab tribes. Most of the peoples of this region are Semitic going back to the beginning of civilization including the Jews and early Christians. Mohammad persecution of the Jews and to a lesser extent the Christians driving them out of the region or pressuring them to convert to Islam. The spread of Islam was very rapid through trade and conquest. In a short time the Muslims controlled the whole of the Mediterranean area. Along with conquering much of the civilized world there is continuous conflict within Islamic sects that continues to this day. The largest being Sunni, 85%, and Shia, 15%. There are many schools within the Sunni sect. The Persians (Iran) are the largest group of Shia Muslims. Turkey, Egypt and the rest of the Middle East are almost all Muslims. Muslims have gained control over much of northern Africa, Pakistan, and the far east in Indonesia and Malaysia with about 1.7 billion followers. This was done by force in many regions.

Pope Benedict was strongly criticized for referring to the warlike history of Muslims. Looking at the history of the Muslims he was probably right. Islam is

a way of life. It is far different than the traditional Christian religions we have in the West. Islam is a whole system of laws that control the every day life. Most Muslim countries are Theocracies controlled by religious leaders. Most Western countries are Democracies whose laws are based on Judeo-Christian principles carried out by civil authority.

Pope Francis has just visited the cradle of civilization in Iraq. His mission is to seek peace in a devastated area torn by war. He is making both an historical and religious statement. We are all children under the same God.

Why did the Pope go to Iraq? It is believed that Iraq was the birthplace of Abraham. What then is so significant about Abraham? Abraham is considered the father of the Jewish, Christian and Muslim religions.

In the book of Genesis is the story of Abraham and his sons Ishmael and Issac. Abraham was very old as was Sarah, his wife, who was thought to be barren. In order to have an heir Abraham had a son with Hagar the Egyptian slave girl of Sarah. This son was called Ishmael. About 11 years passed and Sarah bore a son to Abraham who was called Isaac. The dispute came about when God commanded Abraham to take his first born son to the mountain in the land of Moriah where his son was to be sacrificed. Abraham did all that God asked. Because of his faith God saved Abraham's son. God's blessings followed with the promise of numerous offsprings and the receiving of many blessings. The father of Judaism is Abraham and carried on through his son Isaac. Isaac was the son Abraham brought to the mountain to be sacrificed. The father of Islam is also Abraham through his son Ishmael who was to be sacrificed. Muslims believe Ishmael was the son of Abraham that was to be sacrificed. The Jews claim that Ishmael was not the legitimate son as he was the child of a slave. Abraham's son is Isaac. Isaac's son is Jacob. God had Jacob change his name to Israel.

Jesus was a Jew of the house of David, the Messiah, the son of God, the founder of the Christian Faith. The Jews did not accept Jesus as the Messiah and Mohammad saw Jesus as another prophet. Mohammad saw himself as the last prophet through whom God spoke directly. Jesus according to the scribes and phrases committed heresy by saying, "Before Abraham I am" making himself equal to God.

Michael Creaghan , March 2021

The references I used were the Bible NRSV new standard revised version. A book I read last year called Abraham, and Islam Away of Life by Philip Hitti