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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Thanks for those participating in the Founder's Day event for Father Michael McGivney which was held virtually through Zoom on Monday, March 29th with a mass and an hour of prayers.

Thanks also the Worthy District Deputy and Glenn Harrell who has taken on the responsibility of webmaster for the release of the new Website for Council 10009. We are up and running on the new site that is driven by the template used in many councils across North America

Thank you to Paul Gibel and Michael Creaghan for their efforts in the research and introduction of a Council 10009 Charitable Foundation.

I have from time to time been asked to consider material that we will be asked to post on our web site pages. This material, either political or social, may interfere with the religious views and teaching of the Catholic Church and conflict with the values and virtues of the Catholic religion. For that reason we will first need some guidance by consulting with Father Paul or other religious leaders whether this material is in conflict with Catholic beliefs and teachings.

For this reason all material presented to be posted must be reviewed first by me to determine whether it meets our Catholic standards or whether it should be consulted with Father first for direction.

Join us for our next virtual general zoom meeting Wednesday May 12 at 7:30 p.m.

God Bless Henry Van Vroenhoven, GK

Pope Francis' Easter Message 2021 - Urbi et Orbi: 'Risen Christ is hope that does not disappoint'



https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2021-04/pope-at-easter-jesus-who-was-crucified-has-risen-alleluia.html



Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge - May 2021

"As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. ... This is my commandment:

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Love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." (Gospel for May 9, Jn 15:9-10, 12-13)

Christ tells us we will remain in his love if we keep his commandments. Saying you love someone can be easy, but it is really our deeds that reveal our love — or lack of it. Christ showed us how to love by his example and by sacrificing his very life for us. To love as Christ commands us to love demands action. The Letter of James says, "Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves" (1:22). May each of us commit to keeping the commandments and offering our very selves in service and sacrifice for others.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to meditate on the meaning of the Ten Commandments in your life by picking one on 10 different days and praying about it for at least 10 minutes. Second, during this month devoted to our Blessed Mother, I challenge you to assist your council in implementing the Faith in Action Rosary program — showing your love of Christ by showing your love of Mary.

Questions for Reflection:

Are you willing to proclaim to others that you love Christ? Does your life show this love by your obedience to Christ and the teachings of the Church, or are there areas of your life where you seem not to heed the Gospel? Are there times when you find it hard to love as Christ commands, and if so, how can you seek to grow in love?

Archbishop William E. Lori

Council Events and Issues:

As a result of the Pandemic lock down our usual fundraising events are temporarily until the law permits us to continue in a safer fashion. All initiatives will remain virtual until then.

Charitable Foundation Registration – Paul Gibel provided a comprehensive report which has been posted in the members only section of the Council 10009 website.

There are several advantages and obligations that should be considered before applying for charitable registration with the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA).

Based on Paul Gibel's report. A motion was presented to start an initiative on what we as a Council need to do to move forward with the registration process. The motion was presented by Todd Hornby and seconded by Lionel Ferro. The motion was unanimously passed.



KoC Website – This website renewal is now completed and Glenn Herrell will be the Webmaster with the responsibility of introducing, updating and training the general membership on the usage and benefits of our website. Glenn states he there are still a number of knights who have not submitted their picture for the website directory. He asks us to remit as soon as possible.

We will also be including a list of the recipients to whom we donate funds.

District Deputy Report – David Fisher



1. Greetings from the State Deputy - David Peters.

Programs and dates:

2. Ontario State 50/50 Draw: All Councils are able to participate in Pilot #3 which starts July 1st, 2021 with the draw date on Sept 30, 2021 and Pilot #4 is Oct 1st, 2021 with draw date on Dec 31, 2021.

3. Right to Life Programs:

The 9 day Canadian Novena for the Cause of Life is May 5 to May 13, 2021.

May 9-13 is the date of the mainly virtual annual National March for Life (Parliament Hill and online).

May 13 is also the feast of Our Lady of Fatima.

4. Convention: 118th Ontario State - Virtual Convention:

May 1, 2021, 9am – noon.

Registration deadline for the two Council delegates, usually the GK and DGK, is April 18, 2021.

The Council will have two votes for 19 Resolutions and there will be a vote for one State position: State Warden (John Semaan, Henry Miller and Earle DePass). The positions of State Deputy (Marcel Lemmen), State Secretary (Bruce Poulin) and State Treasurer (David Gelinas), State Advocate (Joseph Bodnar) are all single validated candidates who may be acclaimed.

- 5. Award and program report submissions: Columbian Award Application is due by June 30th and the Fraternal Programs Report Form for all additional programs conducted. (Online submission one report form per program.)
- 6. Council Elections: Nominating committee to recommend officers for the next fraternal year. The committee should look beyond the usual volunteers to find a good mix of candidates representing fresh ideas and sound council practices. Virtual election guidelines are available to assist councils still dealing with pandemic restrictions.

FROM THE DESK OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY



Covid 19 has been and still is a major problem around the world and has been the headline news for many weeks. We have seen an increase in cases in Ontario that is devastating our health care system.

The most recent news of the conviction of the police officer Derek Chauvin found guilty in the death of George Floyd has made us aware of the discrimination that takes place around the world. Discrimination against people of colour, indigenous people, Asian people all needs to stop. We have to take a step back and appreciate that people of all colour

and race are born equal. Pray that all this discrimination stops.

Our Webmaster Glenn Herrell is doing a great job on our new website St. Ann's Council #10009 (uknight.org) Thank you Glenn.

The e-mail addresses and phone numbers on all our members has all been updated and the email addresses for the clergy are no longer on the new website. Should you need a clergy email address I do have this information in my personal email file. There are three members who do not have an email address.

With this Covid 19 situation at the present time it is difficult to try and get new members for our council which there is always a need. If you have a friend or relative who is interested you can contact Gregg Husband at gregghusband@hotmail.com or 905-648-5376. 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.

If you change your e-mail, mailing address or phone number please let me know as this information needs to be changed on the Supreme website, the council's new 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. With Covid 19 on the rise Brother Knights make sure you are social distancing, wearing your mask, washing your hands regularly and not having or attending large gatherings.

Get vaccinated when your opportunity is there.

Stay Safe

SK Nick Last PFN

For the Good of the Order

Remember Kevin Kelly in your prayers.

Pray that discrimination against all for whatever reason ends.

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.

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. There you will find a video of a Sunday Mass from St. Ann Church. The Mass is live- streamed.

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.

FR. PAUL EDMONDSTONE (from this week's bulletin)

As I announced at the end of Mass last weekend, we have a new pastor and I have a new boss coming at the end of June. Father John Schnurr will be our pastor effective June 30, he comes to us from Saint Paul's in Burlington where has been the Associate Pastor for the last couple years. As you may have seen on our Facebook page this week, Fr. John was a commercial pilot, so I have promised not to send the place into a nose dive before he gets here, which I think he appreciated both figuratively and literally. I look forward to working with Father and I am very happy that the Bishop has asked me to stay here for at least the next year.

This week is Catholic Education Week and so we give thanks for the gift of Catholic Education in our province, our diocese, and our parish. This year we ought to give thanks to our teachers and administrators in a big way given the challenges they have faced and met very well over the last year or so. Saint Ann's has been asked to host the virtual Catholic Education Week Mass for the Hamilton Catholic School Board, this Monday morning. We welcome Bishop Crosby, who will say the Mass and officials from the board office- and that's about it, given the capacity limits we are under these days.

Though the office remains closed, we are still available for pastoral care of any kind. Just call to set an appointment. Thanks to everyone for your continuing generosity to the parish during this time. For those wishing to drop off envelopes, you can simply slide them through the mail slot in the office door, no need to wait for us to open or need to ring the bell. Have a good week! Father Paul

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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

The Monarchy



Have you ever thought about how we are defined as a country? Here is an extremely brief history.

Our country Canada was established in 1867 by our fathers of Confederation in Charlottetown, PEI. The British North American Act (BNA) became Canada's Constitution. We adopted the British parliamentary system while still having provincial governments. We became a country, independent

but still under the umbrella of the British Empire. Our head of state was Queen Victoria.

We had four provinces, Quebec, Ontario, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. Our first Prime Minister was John A Macdonald. By 1905 we had 9 provinces, the NWT and the Yukon. Newfoundland and Labrador joined in 1947. The Hudson Bay Company owned Rupert's Land which was larger than all of Europe which was sold to Canada in 1870. England wanted to continue control over Canada. The British Empire was at its peak and colonial independence was a possible danger. Giving Canada nationhood was the solution avoiding a bigger danger of American expansionism. The wars of 1776 and 1812 were still fresh on their minds. Our history is boring and full of compromises, no winners, no losers and little bloodshed. This happened because we had men with high ideals and forethought These fathers of Confederation along with Macdonald could see a great future in this new country, Canada. The most important were George-Etienne Cartier and George Brown. Macdonald has been vilified for his treatment of our First Nation people and Metis with some justification. But far more important was Macdonald's persistence in building the railway west linking Canada coast to Coast. A Mari usque ad Mare.

We are a constitutional monarchy. Our head of state is The Queen, Our Queen, Queen Elizabeth. When Canada was born our treaties with our First Nation people were ratified under Queen Victoria.

Why have a monarchy?

The monarchy is British, it is an aristocracy, it no longer serves any purpose. It doesn't even represent most Canadians who are not of British origin. It is out of date. It is expensive. This is all true. We can go on vilifying the monarchy with much justification. It has been said that our constitutional monarchy is the best of the worst.

In a freely elected republic, such as the USA, the head of government and the head of state is the president who represents a political party. There is no bipartisan representation. The US is now a country divided, seemingly lacking any common ground.

In Canada, our Queen is represented by our Governor General who is the head of state. This position is non-political and for the most part held by highly respected individuals. The Governor General bridges the divide between political parties. She or he provides a softening of animosities. In times of great crisis the monarchy has provided an illusion of stability. Our parliament is opened by the GG reading the speech from the throne. An election is called by the prime minister going to the GG to dissolve the government. All acts of parliament are symbolically under the authority of the Queen. The Queen is the honorary head of our Canadian Forces and many of the Royal Family are honorary colonels of Canadian Regiments.

We have had some great governor generals representing all peoples from all walks of life and all over Canada. The Canadian GG were Vincent Massey, Georges Vanier, Roland Mitchener, Jules Leger, Ed Schreyer, Jeanne Sauve, Ray Hnatyshyn, Romeo LeBlanc, Adrienne Clarkson, Michaelle Jean, David Johnston and Jullie Payette. All great Canadians who loved this country.

The GG serves in many celebratory events such as opening of Sports and Entertainment venues, hospitals, public buildings and parks. The GG gives out the Order of Canada Awards and the Governor General Awards to very worthy Canadians. The receiving of these awards is not from a political person but from the Queen's representative.

Michael Creaghan April 2021

After writing this Prince Philip died. He was well loved by Canadians.

The Colonel and Chief of the Royal Hamilton Light Infantry (RHLI) is the Duke of Edinburgh, Prince Philip.

Over his life he visited Canada more than 20 times for many long stays. He saw all of Canada on many official visits. When he could, he liked to get away from the Pomp and Ceremony and enjoy the common folk.

Pray for our Queen and remember in your prayers her recently husband, deceased Prince Philip.