

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



In Service to One; In Service to All



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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Brother Knights:

We hope that you and your loved ones are in good health and taking care to be safe at this very precarious time. The last 8 months have been a long and difficult road to follow after a complete lock down due to Covid 19 issues and concerns. This challenge has not, however changed our way of life as it pertains to our Catholic faith and mission.

Thanks to District Deputy David Fisher for spearheading a first Zoom meeting for the Executive on September 23, 2020.

We recently had our second general meeting on Zoom last week. We understand that this initiative is a challenge with most of the membership and that your preference is to conduct face to face meetings in the future. We will continue with the virtual meetings with the intention to return to face-to-face meetings as soon as we can legally and safely. Our next virtual general meeting will be on Wednesday December 9, at 7:30 p.m.

We have not been able to raise additional funds through fundraising activities and are relying solely on what we have available in the bank for donations to charity, church and community. We will need to consider potential fund raising efforts in order to replenish our funds? We will need to be very careful to prioritize how and to whom we distribute donations in the meantime. Over the past two months we donated to Coats For Kids, Liberty For Youth, Cathedral High School Gift Baskets, Good Shepherd, Christina Dunn and Campaign for Life.

Thank you, God Bless, Be Safe, Fraternally yours, Henry Vroenhoven GK

CHAPLAIN: FATHER LOBSINGER

My Dear Brother Knights,



I pray that this letter finds you and your families well. These past months have been very difficult for everyone. Distancing and precautions in every aspect of our lives is becoming burdensome. We must make sure though, that we don't distance ourselves from the Lord and all His graces and blessings. It's a strange reality, the more time we have, often the less we accomplish. Have we used

any of our "extra time" to pray more, to read a spiritual book, to learn about our Faith? For some reason, God has asked all of us to go through this time of trial, so what are we doing with it?

We cannot gather for our monthly meeting, we cannot gather for all the social events and we cannot gather to participate in all the good works done by the Knights, but we can get together with God, and bring to our loving Father the needs of our world, community, parish, family and our own needs as well. Don't forget to give God the first place in your life, even in your life that is marked so radically by COVID 19.

Know that Fr. Naveed, Seminarian Mauricio and I are continuing to pray for all of you and for an end to this pandemic.

Stay safe and stay healthy.
God bless,
Fr. Lobsinger

Blessed Father Michael McGivney

On Saturday, Father Michael McGivney, founder of the Knights of Columbus, was declared “blessed.” He was the first American parish priest to be beatified by the Catholic Church.

https://www.kofc.org/en/events/father-mcgivney-beatification/index.html?utm_source=Aristotle-

[Knightline&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Aristotle-Novena-2020-10-26](https://www.kofc.org/en/events/father-mcgivney-beatification/index.html?utm_source=Aristotle-Knightline&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Aristotle-Novena-2020-10-26)

Events:

Taste of Ancaster: Scott Rastin was not present, however there are no plans at this time for the continuation of this event for 2021

Golf Tourney: Paul Henderson was not present and no planning activity scheduled as yet. It too may not occur in 2021. The event originally scheduled for August 15, 2020 was postponed due to Covid19. Again this event will be reviewed on a regular basis to determine the feasibility as we progress through the Coronavirus issue.

Toy and Food Drive Proposal

Thanks to Michael Creaghan who suggested a Knights’ run Toy/Food Drive in December. This was put on hold as the parish is holding a toy drive collecting your donations in the church entrance at the next two weekend masses. Also you can donate food to ACS and Good Shepherd...see the notice here and at the end of the bulletin.

HARVEST FOR HUNGER

Good Shepherd Fall Food Drive

For more information or to arrange a pick-up, call: 905.972.9485 x2566

Good Shepherd
Faith in people.
goodshepherdcentres.ca

Share Nature's Bounty! • Our Good Food List

<input type="checkbox"/> Canned Soup/Stew	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry Beans	<input type="checkbox"/> Powdered Milk
<input type="checkbox"/> Canned Beans	<input type="checkbox"/> Macaroni & Cheese	<input type="checkbox"/> Healthy Snacks
<input type="checkbox"/> Canned Meat/Fish	<input type="checkbox"/> Peanut Butter/Jam	<input type="checkbox"/> Baby Food
<input type="checkbox"/> Canned Vegetables	<input type="checkbox"/> Fresh Produce	<input type="checkbox"/> Baby Formula
<input type="checkbox"/> Canned Fruit	<input type="checkbox"/> Coffee/Tea/Juice	Plus
<input type="checkbox"/> Canned Pasta/Pasta & Sauce	<input type="checkbox"/> Cereal/Instant Oatmeal	<input type="checkbox"/> Diapers/Pull-ups
<input type="checkbox"/> Pork & Beans	<input type="checkbox"/> Pancake Mix/Syrup	<input type="checkbox"/> Hygiene Products

Donations drop-off: Venture Centre, 155 Cannon Street East, Hamilton Monday-Friday, 9:00 am-4:00 pm

DIRECTORS' REPORTS:

MICHAEL MOSS - DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT



We have a number of Director Positions open. Contact Henry at 905-648-075, vanvr@sympatico.ca or Michael Moss at 905-928-2750 m63moss@gmail.com if you would like to consider a directorship. We desperately need your support and help.

Council Director: Todd Hornby: I did follow up with those who had not handed their lottery ticket sale proceeds and collected all funds outstanding.

Church Director: Dan Marranca. I would like to repeat my request that we should ask Fr. Lobsinger for permission to resume our face to face meetings in our council chambers or parish hall (and we will follow all the covid-19 protocols). My second piece of information is that I have a new candidate that would like to join our council and become a knight. He is currently filling out the appropriate forms provided by Nick Last. His name is Jim Galvin.

FROM THE DESK OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY



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. Normally in November we would have a Grey Cup party with a dinner, social beverages and a pool organized by SK Joe Laposa. This would have been followed by a Super bowl party in February. Let us hope and pray things change for the best for all so we all can get back to something normal.

Congratulations to SK Cory Giacinti who attended a virtual Fourth Degree exemplification on October 17th and is now a Forth Degree member of Assembly 2580.

Most everything is done virtually today as our meetings both executive and general are now virtual meetings. I think this is the way we need to keep going as this coronavirus keeps getting worse here in Ontario as people are not doing what they should be doing to stop the spread of this virus. Brother Knights make sure you are social distancing, wearing your mask and not having or attending large gatherings.

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**.

Our membership is at 131 members with a couple members who still have to pay. This needs to be looked after ASAP.

Any insurance questions you may have our Field Agent for Knights of Columbus Insurance is SK Grant Okpere at 289-426-2277

I wish a Merry and Blessed Christmas to all our Brother Knights, their wives and families and all the very best in the New Year.

Stay Safe

SK Nick Last PFN

For the Good of the Order

November 11th was Remembrance Day please keep in your prayers all the members of our armed forces who lost their lives in the past World wars and in any action serving our country and all our veterans. Please remember our troops currently serving our country in the armed forces in your prayers.

We had two knights who passed away this year remember in your prayers SK Gene Carreiro who passed away on April 6th and Joe Bianco who passed away on July 9th remember them in your prayers.

Remember all our brother knights who have passed away in your prayers.

Pray for any of our members should they have or had the coronavirus. Pray for all who are sick with the coronavirus and also that a cure for this virus happens soon so it will go away.

If you know of any of our Brother Knights or members of their family who are sick or have passed away. Please let somebody know from the Good of The Order.

SK Joe Laposa PGN PFN FDD 905-648-6610

SK Nick Last PFN 289-238-8017

St. Ann's Parish Online

Visit the parish website www.stannsparish.ca to keep up to date on parish offerings and protocols. Masses continue with mask and distancing requirements with room for 90 at each of the three weekend masses. Christmas will have 6 masses with signups for seating at the next two weekend masses. Masses continue to be streamed online for those who cannot attend.

Make sure the parish office has your email as you will receive weekly correspondence from Father Lobsinger as well as bulletins sent to you. Weekly bulletins outlining the events and activities in the parish community and weekly homilies are also available on the parish website.

Also St. Ann's Parish is on Facebook.

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

Fridays with Father Lobsinger is available electronically on the Facebook Page and Website every second Friday of the month.

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DIRECTORS

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,

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Lecturer's Talk: Michael Creaghan - Remembrance Day 2020

In 1915, my father was in France as a Saper with the Royal Canadian Corp of Engineers. In 1916 he attended the Royal Aero school in London. Later in the same year he was a pilot in the Royal Navy flying spotter patrols over the English Channel and Irish Sea. In 1918 he returned to Canada. The same year and through 1919 thousands of people in Canada died of the "Spanish Flu". In the Miramichi Community in New Brunswick, my mother, still a teenager, assisted Dr. MacKenzie in assisting the sick, dying and dead from the Flu which killed as many as the war. Throughout my whole life neither of my parents ever mentioned anything about the war or the Flu after the war.

They married in 1920, lived all over Canada in often rough conditions as my father was a construction engineer building paper plants, hospitals, Banff Springs hotel, Dominion Square building, mining sites, railway terminals and airports and even Maple Leaf Gardens. He was often out of work during the Depression.

When the 2nd world war began he was back again constructing the British securities vault in the Sun Life Building in Montreal (operation Fish). He was in charge of building airport runways and terminals for the Air Force which meant he was away from home most of the time in bases at Goose Bay, St. Lambert, Trenton, Gander, Shearwater, Bermuda, Bahamas, Rouses Point, NY. and North Africa. This was to provide bomber bases for the Ferry Command that flew 10,000 planes overseas. He never talked about this.

My parents had 7 children and never owned a house until 1940. Their whole lives were for their children, their community and Canada. How easy

my life and all our lives are due to their sacrifices. Most of us have never experienced war, depression or unemployment.

After the 2nd world war Canada played a somewhat different role on the world stage. Canadians fought in Korea and Canada became part of NATO. Most significantly Canada served with the UN in many humanitarian and peacekeeping rolls all over the world. Places like Suez, Cyprus, Middle East, Bosnia, Somalia and Africa.

We live in the greatest place in the world because of the sacrifices of our parents and grandparents. Though many did not serve directly in the military they did serve in the war effort.

100 years later we have Covid-19 which is creating great instability, sickness and death. Have resolve, take courage and pray for the sick. Those who went before did their part, we must now do our part.

Michael Creaghan, November 11, 2020

Ps. All Canadians who served in the 1st war went overseas with the Canadian Expeditionary Force some 700,000. The personnel records are called attestation papers. Look up bac.lac.gc.ca .



"LET US REMEMBER THAT THE CHRISTMAS HEART IS A GIVING HEART. A WIDE OPEN HEART THAT THINKS OF OTHERS FIRST."
- GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS

Dear Ancaster Neighbour,

We are grateful and fortunate to live in a country that celebrates freedom and equality. Yet, there are those who struggle daily, and with the unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic this year, we anticipate an increased need for extra support. Despite the appearance of affluence in our community, here at Ancaster Community Services (ACS) we support many of our neighbours who are in need.

Because of our community's generosity in 2019, our Christmas Assistance Program provided gifts and food to 102 local families and 375 people who were in need of a helping hand during the holiday season.

Now, more than ever, we are reaching out to ask for your support. Due to the COVID-19 restrictions, we were unable to hold fundraising events. Normally, these events help us generate **more than 50%** of our fundraising goal to help support our essential programs that we provide throughout the year.

We are in need of *new* unwrapped toys, family games, retail and grocery store gift cards, and non-perishable food. We are also in need of monetary donations towards our Santa to a Senior gift bags, which we will be assembling at our office. You can also donate online to support our many programs year-round.

Opening up our hearts to the community during the holidays ensures that everyone can spend quality time with their family and experience the joy that this season should bring to us all.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity to ACS and to our community!

Wishing you a safe and healthy holiday,

**THE STAFF AT
ANCASTER COMMUNITY SERVICES**



ANCASTER COMMUNITY SERVICES

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www.ancastercommunityservices.ca

PLEASE TURN OVER FOR MORE INFORMATION! →



WHAT TO DONATE?

SUGGESTED DONATIONS



-  Grocery/Retail Gift Cards
-  New, unwrapped toys, family games etc.
-  New bedding, blankets & clothing (with tags)

★ Visit our website for a detailed list of needed items! ★

Now, more than ever, monetary donations are greatly appreciated to help support all of ACS' programs year-round.

WHY DONATE?

ACS' IMPACT IN ANCASTER

- ★ 20,000+ km's driven by our volunteers for our programs
- ★ 8,152 hot and frozen meals provided to seniors in our community
- ★ 1,513 individuals received support from our Food Assistance Programs
- ★ 267 friendly calls made to seniors during COVID-19 
- ★ 64 grocery deliveries provided to seniors during COVID-19 

HOW TO DONATE?

DONATE TODAY

Donations of gifts, toys & non-perishable food can be dropped off at the ACS office by December 11th.

Please bring in any original purchase receipts for tax receipting purposes (gift cards included).

DONATE FROM A DISTANCE: Call ahead and schedule a drive-by drop-off. An ACS team member will meet you outside. Please call if you are not able to drop-off your donation.

MONETARY DONATIONS can be made by cash, cheque, e-transfer, or credit card.

Visit our office, call (905) 648-6675, or go to www.ancastercommunityservices.ca to donate today!

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