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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN, MONSIGNOR MARTIN VALLEY

Dear Brothers,

As we rejoice in the Easter glory that shines from the face of the Risen Christ, as we celebrate the magnificence of a long-awaited Springtime, so we also praise God for the good things he has been able to do in and through his people.

By long tradition, this month of May is a time for paying particular honour to Mary, Mother of God, Mother of the Church, and Patroness of the Knights of Columbus. We renew our allegiance to her as our Queen, begging for her help in becoming pure, obedient, prayerful servants of her Son. Mary's strong patronage of the Knights of Columbus is an anchor we can depend on, as we go about our lives of prayer, service, and witness in the world. And we, who belong to a Council dedicated to Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary, can consider ourselves especially blessed by her protection.

In the first days of this month, we have:

- a) the opportunity to join in the CWL-sponsored 12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care on Thursday, May 5th, when the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration from the end of the 8:00 A.M. Mass through to 8:00 P.M. (donations for Carpenter Hospice especially appreciated);
- b) Mothers' Day weekend on May 7th–8th, making the Roses for Life available as a special ongoing Knights project to support Right-to-Life activities;
- c) joining the CWL ladies as they host a 75th Anniversary Coffee Sunday in the Parish Centre after each Mass that same weekend, and especially noting the Crowning of our Lady's statue at the 11:00 A.M. Mass on Mothers' Day;
- d) lending our moral support to Catholic Education Week (May 1st–6th), promoting the important work of witnessing Christ in every way to our children and youth;
- e) thanking God for another new priest for our Diocese, Kevin Upendran, who is being ordained at the Cathedral Basilica on Saturday, May 7th.

This rich blooming of activities illustrates the strength of our Catholic community, our Easter witness to Christ's powerful and enduring presence---with Mary guiding us every step of our way. Take note that, each in its own way, the above activities (and many others) are a stand in support of the inviolable dignity of every human life. The Knights will always stand strong for life, especially the defence of the most

vulnerable. I find myself picturing the embrace of Mary's arms around all of us Knights, whether we are still vigorous and active in our works of the apostolate, or perhaps now enfeebled by age and weakness. Even if all we could do is silent prayer in our sufferings, this too is pleasing to the heart of Mary, who herself suffered in silence at the foot of her Son's cross. She gathers all our efforts, great and small, and places them before Jesus as a tender offering of love.

So, as we enter May, I want to pray that you will continue to experience her wonderful protection and help. Knights are always quite rightly devoted to Mary, because her modelling of obedience, courage, and faithfulness necessarily inspires all of us to do better in being servants of truth, defenders of life, and promoters of faith.

In our walk-through of the Mass, we have now come to the rites which surround the receiving of Holy Communion. The Mass, like the Last Supper which preceded it and gives it birth, is oriented towards the sharing in the Body and Blood of the Lord. The Sacred Meal is our nourishment for life itself, binding us together as one in Jesus. It is only fitting that the prayers and rituals which lead immediately to that moment are themselves oriented to uniting us and reconciling us, healing us and strengthening us. So, first, we recite together the Our Father, the very prayer which Jesus taught us. In this perfect prayer, we commit ourselves to always seeking the Lord's own will for our lives. To ask for "our daily bread" is a hint of the Eucharistic feast, as well as a plea for the graces necessary to undertake each day's challenges.

We then proceed to pray for God's protection, and for that peace which only Jesus can bring, into our lives, our Church, our world. This is followed by the exchange of the Sign of Peace. This gesture should not be understood merely as a "howdy-do" to old friends in the next pew over. It is rather a symbol of our effort to fulfill the Lord's command to be reconciled with one another, to put aside whatever divides us and threatens our unity, so necessary if we are going to properly bear witness to Christ. It is difficult to authentically share the Bread of Unity if we are in fact not united.

And then we sing or recite the Lamb of God, the last of the four great Eucharistic Acclamations (the others being the Holy Holy Holy, the Memorial Acclamation right after the consecration, and the Great Amen). To call Jesus the Lamb of God is to allude both to John the Baptist's description of Jesus, and to numerous references to the slain and now victorious Lamb in the Book of Revelation. By his sacrifice, the Lamb has truly taken away our sins. Acknowledging our need for his great mercy, we are very close to being ready now to receive from his banquet table. More on this next month!

May Spring lengthen into a joyful summer, dear Brothers!

Monsignor Martin Vallely
Chaplain

ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations

Monsignor Martin Vallely
May 3 – 42 years



ROSES FOR LIFE SUNDAY MAY 7 – 8 – AFTER ALL MASSES



We will be handing out a decorative "red rose" to all parishioners on their exit from church. In return, we will accept their donations which will be donated to the Pro-Life movement.

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE:

A very happy May to you Brothers,

I hope this message finds you with renewed energy and vigor now that Mother Nature has blessed us with a few great days of weather. She does like to tease us this time of year – one day it's summer and the next we are blasted with arctic air. I would like to think it makes us more resilient!

Today my thoughts drifted to gratitude. Usually, it is poignant times in our lives where we are reminded to thank God for blessings like our health, family, love, careers, etc. However, after these moments fade in the proverbial rear view mirror, I drift back to my everyday life. I find that my focus shifts away from gratitude all too often. I become selfish and believe that somehow, I can steer this ship alone. I know that I need to set time aside at least once a day to be thankful, so why don't I do it? I eat each day. I go to work each day. I sit in front of a screen each day. I even try to exercise each day. What I have realized is that I prioritize those things. They come first among some other day to day items. What I have not prioritized is gratitude. I know I have wasted time each day, time filled with meaningless items TV, social media, etc. I have left God out of my priorities too often. I have to remember that all that I have comes through Him and without Him I will wander aimlessly focused on irrelevant goals and priorities.

My focus this month will be to take meaningful, prioritized time, each and every day this month to be grateful for all that is in my life. My hope is that you, my brothers, will renew this vow to God and make Him a priority every day. Be it gratitude, praise, or whatever you may want to focus on with Him. No matter the conversation, make sure He is a priority in your life.

God bless,
Mark

CALENDAR OF COUNCIL EVENTS

May 1st to 6th – Catholic Education Week

May 3 – Business Meeting – 7:00 pm
EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

May 5 – 12 hours of Prayer for Palliative Care
**Blessed Sacrament Adoration
after 8 am Mass until 8 pm**

May 7 & 8 – ROSE FOR LIFE SUNDAY
after all Masses

May 23 – **Victoria Day Weekend**

May 24 – Special Olympic Bottle Drive

May 28 – **Walk for Life**
Bro. Vic Lefebvre will be setting up
our Council's team and invite
members to join.

June 7 – Business Meeting – 7:00 pm
Election of Council Officers

June 18 – Craft Ladies Garage Sale
Parish Parking Lot

June 25 – Parish Picnic
Parish Parking Lot

July 12 – Halton Catholic Children's Foundation
11th Annual Charity Golf Classic
Piper's Heath Golf Club
5501 Trafalgar Road, Milton

Registration

Holy Rosary 75th Anniversary Celebration Milestones

July 6, 1947 – First Mass celebrated
at Chapel of Holy Sepulchre Cemetery
1951 – Holy Rosary School built
May 1, 1955 – Church dedicated
1987 – Church redesigned
with a 180 rotation

PRAYER NETWORK

In charity, we pray for:

Brothers

- Richard Cupido
- Michael Nelligan
- Henry Rudachyk
- Ted Zwolinski



Steve Fleming, brother of Brother Ken Fleming, Evangeline Nelligan, and Shannon Wilken, wife and 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 905-330-3545 or by e-mail at kofcholyrosary@outlook.com

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES Congratulations

- Bro. Mark and Bev Taylor
May 10 – 36 years
- Bro. Dan and Peggy Giroux
May 16 – 41 years
- Bro. Marc and Susan Clare
May 18 – 26 years
- Bro. Sam and Timeena Cervoni
May 26 – 60 years

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- Rev. Mr. Stephane Zara – May 6
- Camille Johnson – May 9
- Ken Browne – May 22
- Melvin Ilagan – May 23
- Vic Lefebvre – May 28
- Aldrin D Cunha – May 31
- Howard McNamara – May 31



FIRST BOTTLE DRIVE
3 – 6 PM
TUESDAY – MAY 24
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BUSINESS MEETING IN-PERSON
TUESDAY - MAY 3 – 7 PM
EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

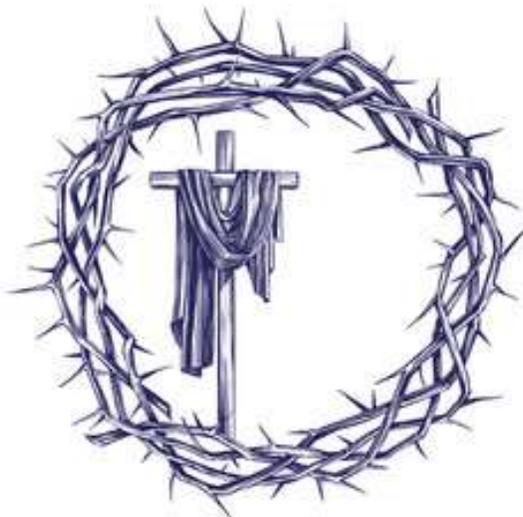


Council News

Easter Week 2022

April is a very special and fulfilling month for all Christians and this one was no different for our Brother Knights. The beautiful services of Easter week produce a whole spectrum of emotions mainly for those that participate in the Easter Vigil including Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday. The highs of the Last Supper and washing of the feet to the lows of the Good Friday Passion and ending with the joyous Easter Sunday services.

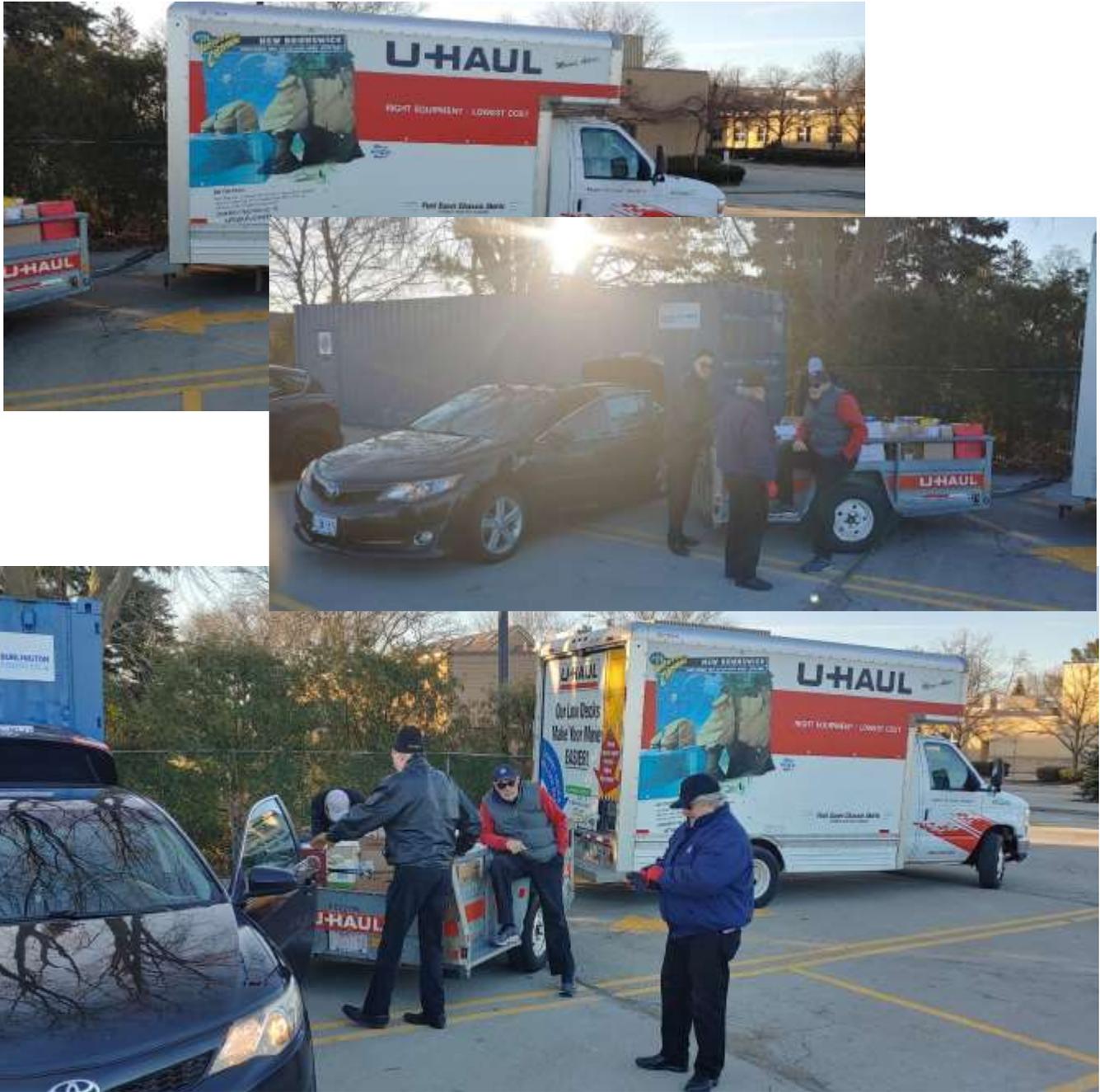
Our brothers were front and centre for all of the services for Easter week including greeting parishioners, ushering, carrying the cross to the altar on Good Friday and carrying the candles and cross for the Good Friday Stations of the Cross. A special thank you to all of the brothers that helped out in any way to make this a very special Easter.



Bottles Returned To The Distribution Centre April 2

A very special thank you goes out to all of the brothers that gave up a part of their Saturday morning to come out and help with the massive bottle return completed on April 2nd. This was the largest single return we have ever had; it was worth \$1,593.

Our first official bottle drive will take place on May 24 and we are hoping to match this number, so please keep saving your bottles and cans also please collect as many boxes as you can, preferably the wine and liquor boxes from the LCBO. Please let Ken know if you can come out to help on the 24th.



2022 Special Olympics Bottle Drive Gets An Early Start.

Here is a summary of the proceeds of the bottle drive year to date. You will notice that we are now renting a truck from U-Haul to collect the bottles and return them to the Distribution Centre in Stoney Creek.

The truck rental is an expensive alternative so if anyone knows of a large truck or trailer that could be made available for doing this it would be most appreciated and it makes more available for Special Olympics.



Special Olympics Fund-Raising Status 2022

Collections To Date

Collected over the winter	\$ 1,648.50
May collection	TBD
July collection	TBD
August collection	TBD
September collection	TBD
October collection	TBD
Total collected to date	<u>\$ 1,648.50</u>

Donated To Special Olympics YTD

June 2022	TBD
September 2022	TBD
Truck rentals to date	\$ 286.43
Other expenses to date	<u>\$ 72.16</u>
Total disbursements	\$ 358.59

Balance To Date- To Be Donated Later \$ 1,289.91

Upcoming Reminders

May 3 – Council Nominations

Council elections for our new executive will take place at our June 7 meeting and that means that nominations for all of the officer roles must be confirmed by that date. All nominees must be told that they are being nominated prior to the vote. Confirmed nominees must either be at the June meeting or they must confirm in writing that they will stand. All members are asked to participate in this important activity. The Nomination committee consisting of the Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, and the two remaining Trustees will be contacting everyone over the next month and they will summarize the names nominated for each position.

The Officer positions are as follows: Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Chancellor, Recorder, Treasurer, Warden, Advocate, Trustee 3rd year, Inside Guard, Outside guard.

May 5 – 12 Hours Of Prayer For Palliative Care

Thursday, May 5th, beginning after 8:00 AM Mass and continuing through to 8:00 PM, in the presence of the exposed Blessed Sacrament. It is well documented that more effective, available palliative care significantly reduces the felt need to seek Medical Aid in Dying (MAiD). Check the Diocesan website <https://hamiltondiocese.com/palliative.care> for more information

May 7-8 – Roses For Life

Our Knights will be handing out Roses for Life after all Masses on the weekend of May 6 -7. Please volunteer at the Mass you are attending

May 24 Bottle Drive

Our kick-off bottle drive for Special Olympics will take place from 3 PM until 6 PM on Tuesday May 24. Please come out to help and bring your bottles, cans and boxes. We will probably be returning the bottles to the Distribution Centre on Saturday, May 28 or June 4. At that time, we will need some guys to load the truck and a few to take the truck to the Distribution Centre.

May 28 – Walk For Life

The annual 5KM Walk for life will take place on May 28. Get your walking shoes ready and come out to support this worthy cause.

Parish 75th Anniversary BBQ June 12

The organizing committee for this important event will be meeting during May to plan the details for the June 12 BBQ. Volunteers will be needed to man the various activities...stay tuned. Suggestions for food and forms of entertainment would be much appreciated.

Supreme Now Requires Police Checks For More Members

Supreme now requires police checks for all members attending events where youth or the vulnerable are present. This would include most of our events as we work mainly with Special Olympics, the schools and events involving seniors in our parish. We will discuss this again at our May meeting including the possibility of all active members getting police checks and appointing a volunteer to keep track of the status of members' compliance.

Projects In The Parish Centre This Year.

Plans are underway for **the upgrade of the kitchen in the Parish Centre**. CWL President Barb Mac Isaac has documented the specific things that need to be done and has asked for our help in finding a qualified general contractor to take overall control of the project. The project will involve electrical, plumbing carpentry, drywall and expertise in installing a proper exit door. Mike Nogas, one of our parishioners, has been asked to help with the search for a qualified general contractor and he will advise us shortly if he is successful in finding someone. In the event he is not successful, we would still be looking for someone to take this role. The work will be done in the July/August timeframe

On a somewhat smaller scale **new baseboards are required in the Heritage Room**. The plan is to match the style of baseboards installed in the library but stained to match the floor and trim in the Heritage Room. If anyone knows of someone with the appropriate skills, please let Ken Fleming know.

2022 State Convention

The 2022 State Convention took place on the weekend of April 22-24 at the Sheraton in Niagara Falls. This was the first in-person convention since 2019 and it was well attended given the fact that the Covid pandemic is still hanging around.

DGK Sheldon McCormack and FS Ken Fleming were our official delegates at the convention but as usual our hard working and dedicated DD Vic Lefebvre was there as well.

The Friday evening activities were centered on housekeeping activities including elections for the State Executive and the awarding of some of the state awards. Our council collected 4 awards on Friday night including, The Trillium Award – Bronze, Award for Best Council Bulletin Div. 4, The Community Award for our Catch the Ace project and The Family Award for assisting Holy Rosary school with a \$1000 donation.

Marcel Lemmon was re-elected State Deputy for another term along with all of the other members of the State Board.

Saturday was mainly taken up with the many state resolutions and the report of financials for the State Council. There were 23 resolutions and amazingly they were all discussed and voted on by the noon hour on Saturday. The outcome of the various resolutions will be reviewed at our May 3rd meeting, but all but one were voted on consistent with our council's recommendations. Resolution #16 Central Repository for storing documentation was referred to the State board for further review.

On Saturday evening State Chaplain Bishop Crosby led us in a beautiful Mass service which was then followed by the annual State banquet. The banquet was a buffet style event with lots of great food and many presentations from members of the State Board. Of course, the most interesting part of those presentations for some was the awarding of the major annual awards. There were 9 special awards handed out during the banquet and our council took home two of them including the Jack Clancy Special Olympics Award and the John Paul II Culture of Life Award. Brother Sheldon picked up the awards and thanked the state board for the special recognition.





Awards Won At State Convention April 22-24, 2022

- Trillium Award – Bronze
- Best Council Bulletin Division 4
- Community Service Award - Catch the Ace Lottery
- Family Service Award – Assisting Holy Rosary School Families
- Jack Clancy - Special Olympics Award
- John Paul II Culture of Life Award





District Deputy Vic Lefebvre received a request from Halton Alive for assistance to BBQ burgers for their Annual Life Talks Conference being held on Saturday, April 30 at St. George’s Anglican Church on Palladium Way. All four Councils of District 62 responded with a positive “Yes”. Below is a pictorial of the Brothers at work.



John D’Addario & Stephen Pringle
St. Gabriel Council 10061



Antoine Awada
St. Antoine-Daniel Council 10340



Loy De Mello
St. Paul the Apostle Council 17397



Blaise Mac Isaac & Jim Hession
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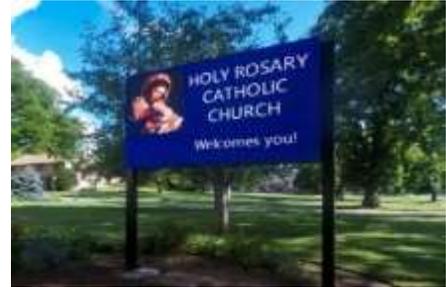
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Knights In Action – April 2022

Brothers Help Out at Holy Rosary

Brothers Andrew Kemnitz, Vic Lefebvre and Howard McNamara help out the parish by regularly serving at Masses and funerals. Brothers Ken Fleming, Jim Hession and Vince Iantomasi volunteered to usher at the two First Communion services in the Church. Thank you, guys, for what you do.



Special Olympics

Our storage container was completely emptied in April and so it is all ready to be filled up with a new round of donations during May. The official collection day is May 24th so make sure you ask your neighbours and friends to donate their bottles and cans and bring them to the church between 3 and 6 PM. Bottles will be returned to the Distribution Centre on June 4. Future collection days will be July 5, August 2, September 6 and October 11.



Cobs Bakery

The Cobs bread team continues despite some setbacks including locating organizations able to make use of the hundreds of pounds of fresh bread made available by our members each week. Great work brothers, Jim Hession, Willie Joki, Vic Lefebvre and Stephen Verschuren.

