



## *The Knightly Chatter*

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**Our Lady of Guadalupe Icon will be at our Parish during the installation of officers and the week leading up to the installation.**

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## Chaplains Message: Fr. Dennis Wilhelm

DEAR BROTHER KNIGHTS:

WELL IT HAS BEEN A VERY WARM SUMMER SO FAR. IS THIS WHAT WE CALL GLOBAL WARMING? I HOPE THAT WE SURVIVE AND NOT GET HEAT STROKE. I JUST RETURNED FROM A WEEK OF VACATION AND IT WAS NOT LONG ENOUGH. WE ARE FACED AS A PARISH WITH SOME CHALLENGES IN REGARD TO THE WAY WE ARE GOING TO MOVE FORWARD. I ASK THAT YOU PRAY FOR GUIDANCE AND THAT IT BE GIVEN TO ALL MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH AND THAT ALL BE OPEN TO NEW IDEAS AND DIRECTIONS. NON OF US LIKE CHANGE BUT AS MANY HAVE EXPERIENCED, CHANGE IS INEVITABLE AT TIMES. WE CANNOT JUST LIE DOWN AND DIE. WE MUST STAY ALIVE AND YOU AS CATHOLIC MEN CAN HELP IN THAT PROCESS. GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES,

PEACE

FR. DENNIS

## Grand Knight Message: Gerald Thibeault

SUMMER TIME AND THE LIVING IS EASY!

Brothers,

I hope that you are all enjoying some well-earned rest and relaxation. Your council executive is planning for another active year of functions and activities for you and your family to enjoy. Please take part as much as possible as your involvement will determine the success of these functions.

Br. Vir Versoza is our new District Deputy effective July 1/12; he has announced the appointment of a new District Warden who is Br. Jules Santarossa PGK of Council 9865. Br. Jules has also previously served as Grand Knight of Council 9528. Please welcome them at our meetings and join me in letting them both know that we look forward to working with them.

We will continue to look for available degrees so please continue to keep qualified and eligible candidates in mind. Application forms are always available at the council office. Please contact myself or Br. Mike La Butte to obtain one. Degree dates for our district will be finalized starting in the fall. Having said this, we continue to attempt to make contact with members who are falling behind in their dues. If you are having financial difficulties and cannot keep your obligations PLEASE contact us at the council office or contact me directly to discuss your situation. If you know of someone in this situation, please let someone on the executive know so that we can follow up.

Please continue to pray for vocations and especially keep our decessed Brothers and their families in your prayers.

Fraternally

Gerald Thibeault PGK FDD

**JESUS NEEDS YOU,  
DON'T SAY NO!!**  
Vocations Are Everybody's Business

**PRIESTS, BROTHERS, NUNS.  
THEY NEED US. WE NEED THEM.**  
Vocations Are Everybody's Business

## Deputy Grand Knight: Jesmond Tabone

Dear Brother Knights

I pray that you all have had a restful and enjoyable summer. I know I have.

I will keep this short and sweet. We have a number of activities and function planned from now and into the new year and I would hope to see many of you out at our functions. Folks we are here to stay with your support we will be successful as we have been in the past.

Back by popular demand we will have access to 2 Spitfires games this year. Each Game is \$55 per person. Those who purchase tickets prior to September 11 will have access to the September 14 pre-season game. All games are in a suite with appetizers. Let all enjoy a Knight Out.

I would like to put a call out to everyone who says I want to help, but not sure what I can do? Well there is a lot that everyone can help out with. You don't need to commit yourself to month and months of work, but maybe 2-3 hours or your time will be very helpful with the events we have our helping out with the bingos. If you can donate 2-3 of your team please contact me at 519-970-9532 or email me at [kofc4924@gmail.com](mailto:kofc4924@gmail.com). We will take you up on your request to help.

You will notice a few things that will jump out at you in this edition of the chatter. One being the short article on how yours and my tax dollars are funding abortion in Ontario. I implore everyone to take the sample letter and send it to your MPP and the Premier of Ontario to defund this medically unnecessary procedure. I can go on about this but I'm sure you all feel the same way.

Also you will notice that there is a proposal to increase our membership dues. This is necessary to ensure that we meet all of our financial obligations. Without the increase we will be operating at a loss for many years.

Vivat Jesus  
Jesmond Tabone  
Deputy Grand Knight

## District Deputy: Ver Verzosa

At this time of the fraternal year, most of our councils are in a turtle pace but a fraction of our membership is still working diligently to attain the goal envisioned by our founder, Michael McGivney. So give a little of your time and a little of your effort as we are heading to more busy months.

The icon of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be in our District starting August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Participate on this prayer program and invite your friends and fellow parishioners to join you in celebrating the event.

To celebrate the anniversary of the death Fr. Michael McGivney on August 14, 1890, the whole membership of our Order is asked to pray a Novena from August 6-14 and to offer the prayer below to advance the cause of our founder towards sainthood.

*God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen. (Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be.)*

Fraternally Yours,  
Ver Verzosa, DD, PGK  
District #39

## District Warden: Jules Santarossa

I trust and hope that all Brother Knights and their families are having a safe and wonderful summer.

As our numbers are decreasing, we must concentrate on increasing our numbers. Without Knights we will not be able to survive as a Catholic organization. I am sure that there is a Catholic gentleman that you know who is not a Knight of Columbus, just ask him if he would like to join.

As soon as I am able, I will notify you of future degree dates.

Jules Santarossa,  
District Warden

## Pro-Life Directors report – Jerome Tshirhart

The battle for respect for life is being played out on the pages of The Windsor Star, with CAS's decision to support the pro-abortion movement. So far of the 11 letter to the editor which have been published regarding this issue 10 support pro-life position! A letter by Rob Chesshire, a part of which I quote sums up the pro-life stand. "The movement once pioneered by Walter Ruther that championed the causes of the defenceless and voiceless now champions against the most defenceless and innocent. SHAM". Watch h The Windsor Star for future letter. Even write one yourself. The time to take a stand is NOW!!

To continue our series of articles regarding the tide turning in the battle for life.

### Abortion Research

Another reason for confidence is the growing mountain of medical, psychological and sociological evidence that abortion harms women, men and families. Most tell of all is the fact that even those researcher who identify themselves as pro-choice are coming to this conclusion. This growing body of evidence is one of the ways that abortion will eventually destroy itself.

### No More Arguments

Another sign of victory is that the other side has run out of arguments. Abortion advocates assured everyone that legalized abortion (or in Canada no law at all) would reduce child abuse, strengthen family life and improve society. But all evidence show's after decades of legal abortion all these problems have gotten worse.

Pro-Life Director

## Safety Patrol Appreciation Day

We like to thank all the brother Knights and their wives and all other volunteers for their help at Safety Patrol Appreciation Day. It was a nice day for all the kids who came to the event. Volunteers and teachers said they liked the event at Lacasse Park in Tecumseh. Without volunteers this event would not be possible once again thank you very much from Mike Lemire and myself

Trevor Thomas

## Here is your 2012 -2013 Fraternal Year Executive



District Deputy  
District Warden  
Past Grand Knight  
Grand Knight  
Deputy Grand Knight  
Chancellor  
Recorder  
Lecturer  
Financial Secretary  
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Michael  
Shannahan  
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Jerome  
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Frank Maheux  
Joe Bianchi  
Eric Sylvester

Guards

Insurance Agent

Please thank these worthy gentlemen for stepping up to help guide our council to success.

Upcoming Bingo Dates: at



Thursday September 13 @ 12:45pm.

Thursday September 20 @ 10:45pm

Sunday September 30 @ 8:45am

Thursday October 9@ 8:45am

Wednesday October 24 @ 2:45pm

We are in need of volunteers to help work 2 hours at a bingo session. Working these sessions are not like they used to be. The work is very minimal. If you are able to help please contact Bro. Bill Demers at 519.974.0081

## Fraternal Advisor Report: Eric

### Facts about life insurance

September is Life Insurance Awareness Month. To help educate consumers about the need for and value of adequate life insurance protection, the Life Insurance Market Research Association (LIMRA) has published the following five facts. These statistics are certainly worth considering.

Fact 1: Nearly 75 percent of North Americans agree that life insurance is the best way to protect against premature death of the primary wage earner.

Fact 2: Twenty-four million households have no life insurance protection at all. Almost one third of adults have no life insurance protection.

Fact 3: Forty-four percent of all households both don't own life insurance and believe they should, or own life insurance and believe they need more. Among those that already own some life insurance, 40 percent believe they don't have enough.

Fact 4: One-fourth of primary wage earners feel they do not have a plan in place to provide a decent standard of living for their family if they died tomorrow. Twelve percent of families would immediately have trouble meeting everyday living expenses and another 15 percent would have difficulty keeping up after several months.

Fact 5: People would like to discuss life insurance with a qualified professional agent. They believe that buying life insurance is an important and complex financial decision. Half find it difficult to decide how much to buy, and 43 percent worry about making the wrong decision.

I'd like to meet with you in your home, at your convenience. I'll work with you to make sure your family is protected. As a brother Knight you can trust, I'll take the stress and worry out of the buying decision.

I'm at (519) 257-5513 or [eric.sylvester@kofc.org](mailto:eric.sylvester@kofc.org). Call me – let's talk.



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Knights of Columbus 4924 Mixed Bowling League starts September 10. Practice at 6:15pm Bowling at 6:30pm at the Super Bowl. Both regulars & spares are needed. Call Cathy Mc Guinness at 519-945-7663 for more information.



GOD CALLS US TO SERVE HIM

# Vocations



# MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

## 2012 Dates:

Sunday September 9: Installation of Officer's Our Lady of Guadalupe 11:00am Mass. Coffee and pastries after installation will be at Our Lady of Guadalupe hall.

Saturday September 15: Annual MDA Pasta Dinner St. Rose Hall 4:00-7:00pm. Cost is \$10.00

Sunday October 14: Annual Family Picnic Noon – 3pm St. Rose Hall. Free Will donation.

Sunday November 11: Memorial Mass Officer's Our Lady of Guadalupe 11:00am Mass. Coffee and pastries after installation will be at Our Lady of Guadalupe hall.

Thursday November 29: Windsor Spitfire Game. \$55 per person get you tickets to the game suite and appetizers. Game time 7:00pm

Sunday December 2: Children's Christmas Party 1 pm. St. Rose Hall. Deadline to register children is November 18

## Saturday December 15:

Christmas Turkey and trimmings Dinner. St. Rose Hall. Cocktails 6:00pm. Dinner: 7:00pm. Cost \$20.00. Limited number of tickets will be sold. Deadline to purchase tickets is December 2.

## 2013 Dates

Wednesday January 2: General Member Ship meeting dinner. Dinner at 6:00pm \$5.00 per person

Thursday February 21: Windsor Spitfire Game. \$55 per person get you tickets to the game suite and appetizers. Game time 7:00pm

Saturday February 23: Fundraiser (Charity TBA) St. Rose Hall. Cocktails 6:00pm. Dinner: 7:00pm. Cost \$20.00. Limited number of tickets will be sold. Deadline to purchase tickets is February 16

Saturday April 13: Members Appreciation Dinner St. Rose Hall Time TBA.

**To purchase tickets for any event please call the office at 519-948-8282 or any member of the executive.**

All general membership meeting are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month. Please attend.

Building Corporation, Charities and Executive meetings held on the 1st Wednesday of the month.

## Our Lady of Guadalupe

Feastday: December 12

Patron of the Americas

Our Lady of Guadalupe December 12 (USA) When we reflect on the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe we learn two important lessons, one of faith and one of understanding.

Missionaries who first came to Mexico with the conquistadors had little success in the beginning. After nearly a generation, only a few hundred Native Mexicans had converted to the Christian faith. Whether they simply did not understand what the missionaries had to offer or whether they resented these people who made them slaves, Christianity was not popular among the native people.

Then in 1531 miracles began to happen. Jesus' own mother appeared to humble Juan Diego. The signs -- of the roses, of the uncle miraculously cured of a deadly illness, and especially of her beautiful image on Juan's mantle - convinced the people there was something to be considered in Christianity. Within a short time, six million Native Mexicans had themselves baptized as Christians.

The first lesson is that God has chosen Mary to lead us to Jesus. No matter what critics may say of the devotion of Mexicans (and Mexican descendants) to Our Lady of Guadalupe, they owe their Christianity to her influence. If it were not for her, they would not know her son, and so they are eternally grateful. The second lesson we take from Mary herself. Mary appeared to Juan Diego not as a European Madonna but as a beautiful Aztec princess speaking to him in his own Aztec language. If we want to help someone appreciate the gospel we bring, we must appreciate the culture and the mentality in which they live their lives. By understanding them, we can help them to understand and know Christ. Our Lady of Guadalupe is patron of the Americas.

There is much debate over the original name given to the apparition. According to the earliest account of the apparition, the Nican Mopohua, which was written in the Nahuatl language around 1556,<sup>[8]</sup> the Virgin Mary told Juan Bernadino, the uncle of Juan Diego, that the image left on the tilma was to be known by the name "the Perfect Virgin, Holy Mary of Guadalupe."<sup>[9]</sup> In 1675, more than a hundred years later, Luis Becerra Tanco suggested in his work Felicidad de Mexico that the Spanish must have misunderstood Juan Bernardino and Juan Diego, and proposed two alternatives in Nahuatl that sound similar to "Guadalupe", Tequatlanopeuh, "she whose origins were in the rocky summit", and Tequantlaxopeuh, "she who banishes those who devoured us."<sup>[10]</sup> Becerra Tanco based his argument on the fact that the "g" and "d" sounds do not exist in Nahuatl.<sup>[10]</sup> Three reasons in favor of the original name "Guadalupe" include the fact that Juan Diego and Juan Bernardino would have had to be familiar with the "g" and "d" sounds to pronounce their baptismal names, there is no evidence to show that the Virgin was called anything else before Becerra Tanco's proposal, and the number of documents written by contemporary Spaniards and Franciscan Friars arguing for the name of the Virgin to be changed to "Tepeaca" or "Tepeaquilla," which indicate that indeed the original name was "Guadalupe" and not a native name otherwise there would have been no controversy.<sup>[11]</sup> There is no consensus among specialists in Nahuatl and historical anthropologists as to the possible native origin of the name of the Virgin.<sup>[12]</sup> It has also been suggested that the name is a Hispanized Nahuatl term that the Virgin used for herself, Coatlaxopeuh (pronounced quatlashupe), meaning "the one who crushes the serpent" and that it may be referring to the feathered serpent Quetzacoatl. Article borrowed from: <http://www.catholic.org>





Abortion on Demand is covered by **YOUR Tax Dollars!!!**

**FACT**

Over 96% of abortions are performed for convenience as a back-up birth control method.\*

**FACT**

Abortion is an elective procedure that is not medically necessary\*

**FACT**

Ontario taxpayers fund at least \$30-50 Million every year for the killing of children in the womb\*

**The Ontario Government's twisted health care investment priorities:**

**Option A \$30-50M Could**



- Hire 200+ doctors to help fix shortage
- Hire 400 nurses to reduce hospital wait times
- Treat 500 additional autistic kids each year
- Buy 20 new MRI machines every year
- Make palliative care more accessible\*

**Option B: \$30-50 M Could**



**Subsidize elective abortions which kill babies in the womb.\***

\*-Information provided by Campaign Life Coalition

Have your voice heard for all of the un born who cannot speak for themselves. Below is a sample letter to send to your MPP and the Primer of Ontario. Please make our voices heard to defund abortion. List of addresses listed on next page.

Dear \_\_\_\_\_

I am writing on behalf of the countless children who have never been allowed to take a breath or live a life outside the womb. I strongly believe that abortion denies the unborn their rights, to which they are entitled to just as much as any other human being in this world. If we are to uphold Canada as a nation of freedom and justice, we must uphold the rights of even the youngest and smallest of human persons.

Why is it that in our society, it is the degree of significance that society attaches to a human life that determines whether that person is a human being or not?

Nothing changes when the baby passes through the womb of its mother and into our world. It is equivalent to passing from one room to another. It does not magically turn us into a human being; we are essentially the same, the only difference is in our surroundings. This means one of two things: either we are all clumps of tissue walking around that may be terminated at will and without consequences, or we are all equal human beings entitled to our basic rights, regardless of age or size.

So I stand, as a voice for the voiceless, demanding justice for the unborn. For the sake of the unborn, for the sake of justice, for the sake of Canada, I will continue to fight for and uphold the basic human right of the most vulnerable and most innocent ones of our society.

We urge you to support the defunding of abortion in Ontario NOW.

Thank you for your service and time.

Sincerely,

**Here is a list of address for our Local MPP's and the Premier. If I have I have missed your MPP please go to this link**

[http://www.ontla.on.ca/web/members/members\\_current.do?locale=en](http://www.ontla.on.ca/web/members/members_current.do?locale=en)

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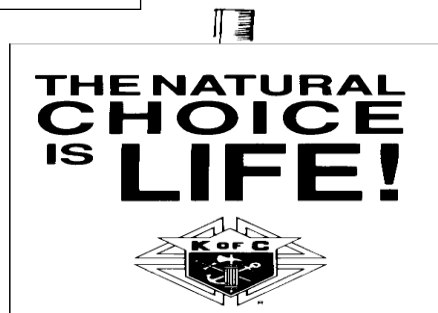
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## **URGENT. Proposed Change to membership dues**

### **First Notice**

To ensure the council meets its financial obligations the Executive is in support of the following changes in membership dues.

Regular Associates/Insured members \$55 from \$50

Retirees \$45 from \$40

Honorary Life \$20 from \$20

Changes will be effective January 1, 2013 once passed by the membership.

### **Prayer for Vocations**

Heavenly Father, bless your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. Give those you have called to the married state and those you have chosen to live as single persons in the world, the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of your Son so that in him, with him and through him we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully, always and everywhere. With Mary we ask tis through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Vocations Committee-Supreme Council, Knights of Columbus



### **Congratulations to our Bursary Winners**



#### **Bishop John T. Kidd Bursary**

Erin Meloche

#### **Larry Quenville Bursaires**

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### Why become a Knight?

In today's world, many Catholic men are looking to fulfill their desire to spend meaningful time with their family, to serve their community and their Church, and to grow in their faith. Joining the Knights of Columbus provides these men and their families with volunteer opportunities and activities that accomplish these goals. If you are such a man who is dedicated to making a difference, then membership in the Knights of Columbus is for you.

Additionally, the Knights of Columbus also offers a portfolio of top-quality life insurance, long-term care, and annuity products exclusively for members and their families.

### Who are the Knights?

Knights are Catholic men, 18 years of age and older, who are committed to making their community a better place, while supporting their Church.

Knights share camaraderie with men who hold values similar to yours. Knights are involved with your community; they support your local Catholic Church and its causes, while deepening their faith; and they believe in protecting and enhancing their family life.

The Knights of Columbus is an international Catholic lay organization with more than 1.7 million members in 13,000 councils located throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, the Philippines, Puerto Rico, Poland, and several other countries.

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