



## *The Knightly Chatter*

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Saint Valentine baptizing Saint Lucilla  
by Jacopo Bassano

## **Pope Benedict XVI has named 22 new cardinals**

**1/6/2012**

**In lieu of a Chaplains message here is a message from our Supreme Website.**

Pope Benedict XVI has named 22 new cardinals, including three members of the Knights of Columbus, announcing their formal induction for Feb. 18, at St. Peter's Basilica.

Cardinals are the Holy Father's closest advisors, and those under 80 have the responsibility of electing the pope's successor.

Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson welcomed the news of the appointments and said, "The Knights of Columbus is pleased that these distinguished members of our organization have been selected for this great honor. Their dedication to the Gospel and to the service of the Church is inspiring and provides an excellent example to our members in North America. Together with the 1.8 Knights of Columbus, I congratulate the cardinals-designate and pledge our continued solidarity with them and our Holy Father."

Among those to be elevated to the Sacred College of Cardinals are two Americans and a Canadian, all of whom are members of the Order: Archbishop Timothy M. Dolan of New York; Archbishop Edwin F. O'Brien, Grand Master of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulcher of Jerusalem; and Archbishop Thomas C. Collins of Toronto.

Cardinal-designate Dolan is a native of St. Louis and was ordained a priest of that archdiocese in 1976. During the 1990s he served as a secretary at the Apostolic Nunciature in Washington and rector of the Pontifical North American College, a U.S. seminary in Rome. Pope John Paul II appointed him an auxiliary bishop of St. Louis in 2001 and a year later named him Archbishop of Milwaukee. Pope Benedict XVI appointed him to lead the Archdiocese of New York in 2009. He was elected to the presidency of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops in 2010.

Cardinal-designate Dolan joined St. Anthony Council 417 in Washington, D.C., in 1980 while a doctoral student at The Catholic University of America. He is also a member of Charles Carroll Assembly 693 in Manhattan.

Cardinal-designate O'Brien was born in New York and ordained a priest for that archdiocese in 1965. He served as a U.S. Army chaplain during the early 1970s and later as both vice-chancellor of the archdiocese and secretary to Cardinals Terence Cooke and John O'Connor. He was rector of St. Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers (Dunwoodie) from 1985-89 and 1994-97. Between those periods he was rector of the North American College in Rome. He was appointed an auxiliary bishop of New York by Pope John Paul II in 1996 and Coadjutor Archbishop for the Military Services U.S.A. in April 1997. He succeeded to that post in August 1997 and served in that role for 10 years until being appointed Archbishop of Baltimore by Pope Benedict XVI in 2007. Late last year the Holy Father named him Pro-Grand Master of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem.

In 1995, the cardinal-designate joined Sisqua Council 1852 in Mount Kisco, N.Y. In 1999, he became a member of Father Nicholas Habets Assembly 1505 in Virginia Beach, V.A.

Cardinal-designate Collins was born in the southwestern Ontario City of Guelph and ordained a priest for the Diocese of Hamilton in 1973. In addition to pastoral duties, he served as a college and seminary professor during his early priesthood, ultimately serving as vice-rector and rector of St. Peter's Seminary in London Ontario during the 1990s. Pope John Paul II appointed him Coadjutor Bishop of Saint Paul in Alberta in 1997. He succeeded to that post later that year and was made Coadjutor Archbishop of Edmonton in February 1999. He succeeded to that post in June of that year and was appointed Archbishop of Toronto by Pope Benedict XVI in December 2006.

The cardinal-designate joined the Order in 1998 and is a member of Toronto Council 1388 and Cardinal McGuigan Assembly 865 (also in Toronto).

## Grand Knight's Message

Brothers,

Happy New Year and welcome to 2012!

Now that the tree is disposed of, and the decorations are put away for another year, it is my personal hope for each of you that the love and friendship shared during this past Christmas season remains with us each day throughout the new year. We have faced challenges and struggles in our personal lives and in the life of our Council. With love, prayers and the support of one another, we have faced these challenges, overcome a few, and yet many remain. Let us always remember that the healing power of God's grace is ready willing and able to comfort and inspire each of us this day and every day.

Our new family program is off to a good start. As you know, at each general meeting, I am asking you the members to participate in a monthly canned food drive in support of the St. Vincent de Paul at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church. This is a wonderful and visible way that we as Knights can put into practice of Charity and Unity for those less fortunate and Fraternity as we are doing this TOGETHER. It has been said that one person can do one thing well, but combined with the efforts of many, great things can be accomplished. PLEASE remember to support this program in the coming months.

In a few months, we will be considering the future of our council as we look at electing a new executive for 2012-2013. In the next newsletter you will see a list of members proposed for nomination for the various positions in our council. If you are interested in any position, please let your intentions be known, talk to your fellow members, and let your name stand in nomination. As you know, one position that is vital to the functioning of the executive is that of Recording Secretary. This position was not filled during the last election and remains VACANT to this day. As a result the only record of our meetings during the past year is the personal agenda notes that I keep for the meeting. The positions on the executive can be challenging at times, but it is important to remember that the executive officers function as a body and we support each other in fulfilling the responsibilities of our positions.

With this new fraternal year, dues are coming in at a good pace. Many of you are wondering how to pay your annual dues and where to pay them. The council office does not have a regular office schedule so you can pay your dues at any general meeting on the first Wednesday of the month; you can contact the Financial Secretary, or myself as Grand Knight to arrange a time for you to come in. A statement of dues has been published in previous newsletters and is printed in this one. Please make it a priority to keep your dues current.

In closing, I ask all of you to remember to pray for vocations the Priesthood and Religious Life and pray for our deceased members and their families.

Fraternally

Gerald Thibeault PGK-FDD

Grand Knight

## **"Be Not Afraid!" Membership Campaign**

We are conducting the **"Be Not Afraid!" Membership Campaign** in honor of the Beatification of Blessed John Paul II. Participating in the campaign is easy! Every member should participate; all he has to do is **recruit new members!**

### **"Be Not Afraid"**

**Membership Campaign in Honor of the  
Beatification of Blessed John Paul II**

**Starts: December 1, 2011**

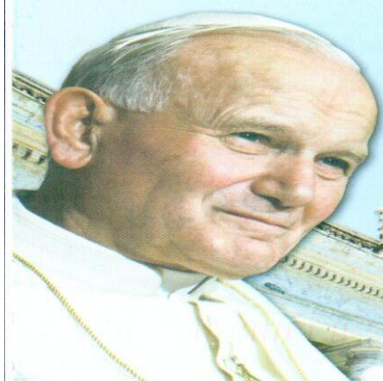
**Ends: June 29, 2012\***

Recruit 1 new member per month and receive a Blessed John Paul II Medallion for that month.

Recruiters that recruit a minimum of 4 new members will receive a large specially struck limited edition Blessed John Paul II Medallion with a display stand.



\*All Form 100s must be received at the Supreme Council Office by Noon on June 29, 2012.



## Deputy Grand Knight's Message

Brothers,

What does 2012 have in store for us? If you know the answer please let me know! Here is what I think 2012 has in store for us, A growing, stronger and faith filled council. And how are we going to achieve this, well by working together in all we do at the council, from fundraising dinners, meetings, our regular charitable work, and all other functions we do at the council. For us to reach this goal is with you and I working together and I am confident that we will be able to do that together.

I would like thank all those who came out to our Christmas Dinner on December 17. We served 105 members, family and friends at this dinner. This event was a great success and I thank everyone who helped out in this event. As there were so many I will not list the names as I do not want to miss anyone. On January 19 we had many brothers from our council and other council join in a great night of fraternity at a Spitfires game. Everyone had a great time regardless of the outcome of the game and we won't talk about that

If anyone has any suggestions on what they would like to see something occur at the council or if you are able to volunteer your time with events please feel free to contact the Grand Knight Brother Gerald Thibeault or myself.

I look forward to seeing as many brothers out at our next meeting and function's. There are still many of you that I have not had the privilege and honour to meet yet.

Vivat Jesus  
Jesmond Tabone

## Pro-Life Report

I would like to thank all of you who signed the "Defund Abortion Petition" At our last meeting.

To continue with our series of articles regarding the Tide Turning in this battle for life:

A wave of women and men across the world are speaking out about how they regret having their children killed by abortion. The "Silent No More Awareness Campaign" provides these people an opportunity to share their testimonies, to provide to those who are ready to do so, to share publicly their experience of pain and healing.

"Experience trumps theory". These men and women are living testimony that abortion doesn't work and creates more problems than it solves. Best of all, there is nothing abortion advocates can do to stop this tidal wave. In fact it puts them in quite a dilemma. For decades now they have been saying "Listen to the voices of women" Now if they practice what they preach they will hear women's voices repudiate the lie of abortion.

Jerome Tschirhart  
Prolife Director



### **A Message from Our Fraternal Advisor**

Insurance check-up for 2012

An insurance check-up can be as important as an annual physical. Unlike many other products, you don't just need money to obtain life insurance, long-term care or disability income insurance. You also need good health, and no one knows when your health could change.

Did you take time out of your schedule last year to meet with me? If you did, thank you for seeing me and helping secure your financial future. I will be in touch with you to schedule your annual review to verify that everything is heading in the right direction. We'll make sure that if your goals and budget have changed, your plan still works for you.

If you didn't have a meeting with me last year, I hope you will answer my invitation this year. It's a wise idea to have an expert look at your finances. Schedule some time to visit with me, your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, and I'll provide an insurance check-up that will quickly identify any gaps in your family's life insurance program.

Did I mention my check-up is free of charge? When was the last time you received something for free that could be providing value to you and your family for generations? And I'll come to your house when it fits your schedule. Call me today.

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### **A Message from District Deputy**

Shawn Robinson sent his best of the New Year to all our Brother's. Please keep Shawn and his family in your prayers for the loss of his dear brother Douglas Robinson.

### **January-February District Warden's Report**

The holidays are now over and most of us have still the hangover of Christmas celebration. We are now in the brand new year and we are starting another new beginning, another new plan and another new goal. As in the previous years, it brings its own set of challenges for our councils.

We want our Order to be known and we want to spread the good work that was started by our founder, Fr. McGivney. Let us give it a little thought. Invite your friends and relatives to join us and experience the happy family that we are. So, we should be looking forward to bigger set of candidates in the coming Degrees.

Don't forget some of our important dates for the District Basketball Free Throw, we have a tentative date of February 26th at Riverside Baseball at 1:00 to 4:00 P.M.

To all of our Brother Knights, we wish you a very healthy and prosperous new year.

Ver Verzosa, DW, PGK

Remember our fellow Brothers who have gone before us and keep them in our prayers. God of power and mercy, you have made death itself the gateway to eternal life. Look with love on our dying brothers, and make them one with Your Son in His suffering and death, that sealed with the blood of Christ, they may come before you free from sin. Amen.



Garry Proulx  
Oct 28, 1942- Dec 11, 2011



## Membership Dues

The 2012 dues are being collected now

The dues schedule is as follows:

Regular.....\$50.00

Retiree.....\$40.00

(Not employed on a part time basis.

Honorary Life Member.....No Fee

25 years of uninterrupted membership at age 70.

Any questions please call the Financial Secretary Mike La Butte at 519-944-2658

Honorary Member.....\$10.00

25 years of uninterrupted membership at age 65

### STATEMENT

Please remit to:



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### IMPORTANT:

Notify The Financial Secretary promptly in case of change of address.

Make cheque payable to :

K. of C Council 4924

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_



February 1 General Membership Meeting 7:30pm

February 25 Heart and Stroke Foundation Fund Raiser

February 22 Charities, Building Corporation and Executive meeting

March 7 General Membership Meeting 7:30pm

March 11 Corporate Communion Mass at Our Lady of Guadalupe 9:00am.

Coffee & Doughnuts after mass at Our Lady of Guadalupe Hall

March 28 Charities, Building Corporation and Executive meeting

April 4 General Membership Meeting 7:30pm

April 18 Charities, Building Corporation and Executive meeting

May 3 General Membership meeting and elections

May 23 Charities, Building Corporation and Executive meeting



**HEART &  
STROKE  
FOUNDATION**

### Fundraiser Saturday February 25

Cocktails 6:00pm Dinner 7:00pm

Menu

Roast Beef

Roasted Potato

Veggies

Bread & Butter

Coffee and Dessert tickets

Silent Auction

Guest Speaker

Tickets \$15.00

For Tickets contact Jesmond Tabone  
at

519-970-9532 or email at

kofc4924@gmail.com

Deadline February 15

## Knight of the Month

It was with great pleasure and honour that Bro Gerald Thibeault Grand Knight present Bro Reg Deshaies, Bro Valentine Hompath Bro Terry St. Louis & Bro Gord Meloche with the honour of Knight of the month for the hard work and dedication to our council.



Reg Deshaies October (left)  
Terry St. Louis December (right)



Valentine Hompath  
November



Gordon Meloche  
January

## Knight of the Year

It was with great pleasure and honour that Bro Jerome Tschirhat was honoured for all his hard work as our Pro Life Director. Jerome has been very active within the council and with his Pro Life work.



## Family of the Year

It was with great pleasure and honour that Bro Rejean & Barbara Deshaies were honoured as family of the year.





## **Children's Christmas Party December 4, 2011**



## **Christmas Dinner December 17, 2011**



## **Spitfire Game January 19, 2012**





## K of C 4924 Golf League

2012 Organization Meeting

Saturday April 14, 2012 1:00pm Tecumseh K of C  
917 Lesperance Road

Agenda:

Elections 2012 Executive

Green Fee, League Fees

Rules review/changes

Other Business.

Golfers intending to play please attend.

New Golfers Welcome

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## The 44th Annual International

Golf Tournament

June 10 thru June 15, 20102

Northern Kentucky & Greater Cincinnati area.

Host Hotel- Cincinnati Airport Marriott

Entry Deadline- April 15, 2012

Information Contact

Fred Martin 519-948-0843

Peter Lemon 519-948-4674



Remember to bring your canned goods to our general membership meeting on the first Wednesday of the month.



## Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is a day of special devotion; the day which marks the beginning of the holy season of Lent, a period of spiritual discipline, fasting and moderation in preparation for Holy Week and Easter; one of the most important days of the church year. In the Ash Wednesday service, ashes are lightly smeared onto the forehead of a person by the priest or bishop.

Three traditional expressions of penance are fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. We see these three mentioned by Jesus in Matthew 6:1-6 and 16-18, the gospel reading for Ash Wednesday. Fasting, prayer, and almsgiving remind us that conversion includes every aspect of our lives.

Fasting reminds us that conversion affects every part of us. Conversion is not just saying 'I believe in God'. My whole body belongs to God and is to give glory to God. Life is not just for seeking my own pleasure. "The body is not for immorality, it is for the Lord!" (1 Corinthians 6:13) reminds us that conversion affects every part of us.

Prayer reminds us that conversion involves our relationship with God. If God is first, then we must take time with Him. Prayer reminds us that our time belongs to God. At times we may be busy. However it is when we are most busy that we most need time with God in prayer.

The first great commandment is that we love God with all our heart and mind and strength. Some people say they love God but never have time for prayer. Some people find time for everything else except God. If we say we love God but do not take time with Him, then we are fooling ourselves. We are fooling ourselves but not God. It is obvious to God and everyone else where our priorities lie.

Almsgiving reminds us that our interior conversion must express itself in our relationships with others. It also reminds us that our possessions are not totally our own. Our possessions come from God and we will have to give God an accounting for how we have used them. If we waste money on unnecessary things while people around us are needy, then we must answer to God (see Luke 16:19-31). Not only must we be willing to share our money and resources with the needy. We must also be willing to give of our time and attention. Sometimes this is more meaningful than money.

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