



The Knightly Chatter

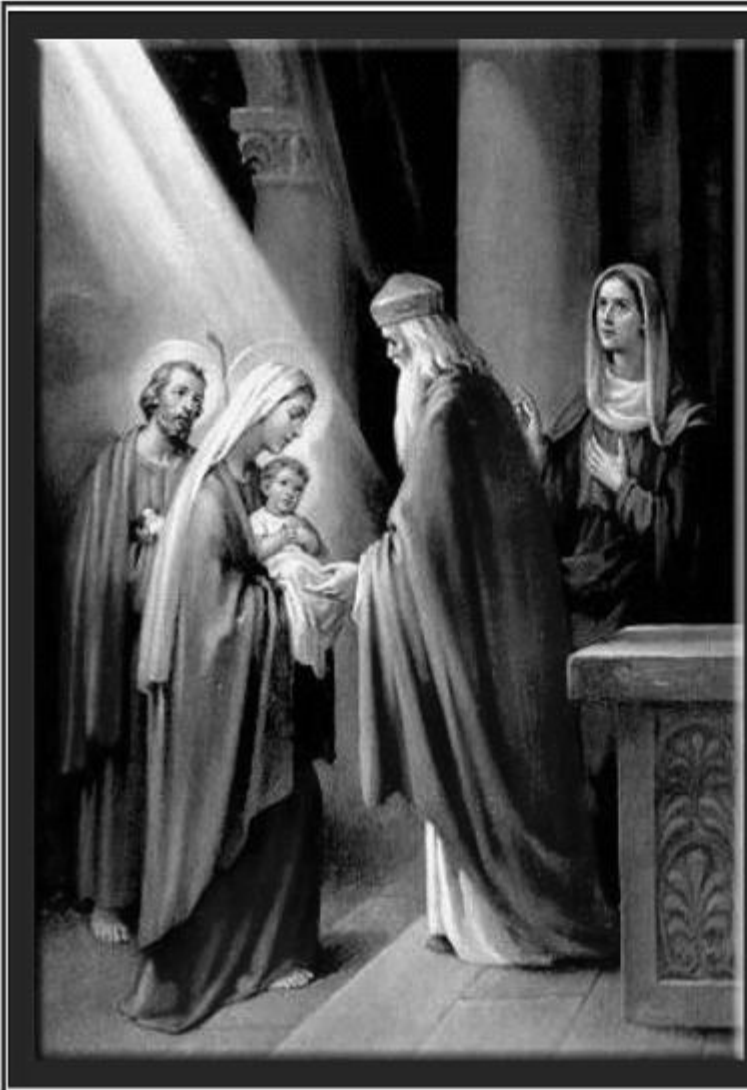
Riverside Knights of Columbus

Bishop John T. Kidd Council # 4924

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January/February 2014



All-powerful
Father,
Christ your Son
became man for
us
and was
presented
in the temple.
May he free our
hearts
from sin
and bring us
into your
presence.
Amen.

Co-Chaplain's Message: Fr. Matthew George



Dear Brother Knights: greetings in the name of the Lord! I've only been able to attend 5 KofC events since being assigned to the parish, so I look forward to meeting more of our members & families in the new year. (Remember Elvis' double-live album that came out after his death? One fan is recorded as saying "I know he can't go to church like normal folk, but I know he's a spiritual man by the way he sings those hymns." Looks like our church, parish & council have a lot of "Elvises" in them, so I invite you to join me in my Elvis Outreach Ministry. If only our friends & family were less like Elvis and more like "normal folk"! When did we all become Elvis? That would make a great study and thesis.) All kidding aside, one small blessing of being administrator during Fr. Dennis' convalescence is that I am his office delivery person, so I forward his mail to him. He's very free with his magazines, & I've enjoyed reading "The Priest" as it arrives every month: one outstanding article - available on our parish website - by a senior pastor on "The New Evangelization" (so lovingly longed for by our current & last two popes, as well as Bishops Fabbro and Sherlock) reaffirmed the central role of Faith Sharing in the whole endeavour. According to the author, it is in sharing our faith that we are both inspired by the stories of others are able to make sense of our journey of faith - both in the simple telling & the often graced response of the people who listen so intently to us.

My experience of colo-rectal cancer (aka "cancer of the ass") has opened my eyes to a certain reality in our Order: most Knights want to know how I'm doing, what's going on in the Church, and then they share their latest or most harrowing story of having a catheter inserted into their privates(!). If we could only tweak the latter dynamic a bit, by moving toward a more life-giving, faith-encouraging dialogue, think what could happen. We've just come through the festive Christmas season, with all its demands, both cheerful & difficult: you yourself can easily recall when - even for just a moment - when your conversation broke through the conventions of mere small talk, and some greater reality all of a sudden became present in the room. Perhaps it was a remembrance of love or tenderness, some sacrifice gladly taken on, or the simple, breathtaking truth of the Word-made-flesh; regardless, there was power in that moment, when truths were recalled, and you knew yourself to be part of a greater story of our redeemed humanity. I want our Council, our parish & our Order to be marked by those kinds of moments! To that end, I will be generating faith sharing materials for our KofC meetings, & every adult meeting in our parish. I trust my Brother Knights will show leadership in this little initiative, and in every endeavour on behalf of The New Evangelization.

Another bright light coming our way is the Order's traveling Marian Icon Program: according to our District Deputy, we will be hosting the icon of the Immaculate Conception - personally blessed by Pope Francis - in early May. (If all goes well with Fr. Dennis, I will be long gone by then, but our council can still lay the groundwork for a major Marian prayer campaign.) I am looking to blanket our schools, nursing homes & entire parish with resources, information & prayer opportunities with this patron of our diocese, & the oldest parish in North America (outside the Spanish conquest). Do you like working with youth? We will have a marvelous window in which we can explain why Mary matters to ordinary "normal folk" at Our Lady of Guadalupe. Do you like spending time with seniors? (Are you planning on becoming one yourself?) We have many residences in the Parish already faithfully celebrating Holy Communion every week: we need men willing to take this icon to our brothers & sisters to lead them in prayer; to remind them of their living connection with our parish; to bring back their stories of faith that has triumphed over stunning challenges, & now leads them in the daily grind of age or infirmity. There are many great things our Lord is calling our Council & Parish to in the coming year: may God be praised! May our Blessed Mother - the Immaculate Conception & the Lady of Guadalupe - inform & animate all our actions in 2014. *Vivat Jesu!*

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Matt,
Co-chaplain

Grand Knight's Message: Jesmond Tabone



Brothers,

I want to share a little experiment with you all. So I ask that you all bare with me on this. This is called Harlow's experiment. Harry Frederick Harlow (October 31, 1905 – December 6, 1981) was an American psychologist best known for his maternal-separation, dependency needs, and social isolation experiments on rhesus monkeys.

In Harlow's experiment (which would not pass any ethics committee nowadays), five monkeys were put into a regular monkeys' cage, with a banana hanging high on a rope from the roof of the cage (outside the reach of the monkeys). The researcher then put a step ladder enabling the monkeys to reach the banana. However, whenever one of the monkeys attempted to climb and reach for the banana, ALL monkeys were sprayed with freezing ice cold water. After few attempts, they all learned the association between reaching for the banana and the group collective punishment of being sprayed with freezing ice cold water. If they want to stay warm and dry, they better not reach for the step ladder. From now on, none of the five monkeys tried to reach for the banana anymore. There was no need for the water treatment from that point on.

At this stage the researcher replaced one of the five monkeys with a new monkey. The new monkey, not aware of the icy water treatment, tried to reach for the banana. Within fraction of a second the other four monkeys pounced on him and beat the hell out of him – again and again, till he stopped and did not try anymore. Note, that icy water treatment was not used anymore. The same process was repeated, one of the four monkeys who experienced the original icy water treatment was replaced by a new one, and again all the monkeys beat the new monkey to submission. Finally, the cage was populated by five monkeys of whom none have experienced the icy water treatment. The experimenter then introduced a new monkey to the cage. When this monkey tried to reach for the banana, all five monkeys jumped on him and beat the hell out of him. None of these monkeys knew about the collective punishment of icy water, none knew why they are not allowed to get the banana, but somewhat along the way they learnt that reaching for the banana is not allowed. They become the guardians of this rule without knowing its purpose.

I ask that everyone remember this article when you notice changes within our council and changes on how we do things. Just simple stating "that's how we always did it" with out any rationale just does not cut it anymore. We need to look forward and move forward with our council and order to continue to do the work we do and to increase our membership.

Please take a look at our upcoming events as we have a lot on the go in the next couple of months.

Yours in Christ,
Jesmond Tabone
Grand Knight

Members who are not well

Brothers if you are not well or know of a member who is not well please contact GK Jesmond Tabone at 519-992-0331 or Chancellor Jerome Tschirhart at 519-945-3177 and we will arrange a visit or prayer service.

Deputy Grand Knight: Trevor Thomas



Brothers,

I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas with your family's. Thanks to Brother Mike LaButte and his wife Kathy for putting on the Children's Christmas Party and to the Brothers and their wives for helping. All the children enjoyed the Zoo To You. They liked petting the kangaroo and I couldn't believe how many kids put the snake around their neck. They also had other small animals and reptiles.

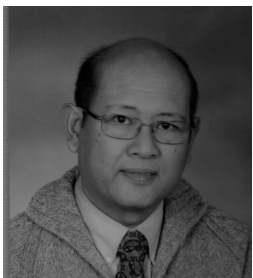
Council Christmas/Awards Dinner in spite of the bad weather we had good turn out and everybody enjoyed the night. Congratulation to our Knight of the Year Real Garon and Family of the year Grand Knight Jesmond Tabone his wife Dawn and their niece Ariela. The dinner was wonderful thanks to Kathy and Mike LaButte and their daughter Trish and granddaughter Madison for helping and thanks also goes to Bill Demers, Tom & Marie Ray, our MC Grand Knight Jesmond Tabone, Anthony grandson of Joe Doumani and my wife Bonnie helping me at the bar.

November 6 I got a text message from our Grand Knight on my cell phone at midnight "are you awake" I said yes Worthy Grand Knight how can I help you (I'm just being polite) I said what's up. What do you think of our council putting on a pasta dinner fundraiser for the Philippines when they got hit by Typhoon Haiyan I said sounds good in less than two weeks he organized the event. You did a great job I take my hat off to you.

On behalf of myself, my wife Bonnie and entire Thomas family we wish you all a Happy New Year.

Fraternally yours,

District Deputy: Ver Verzosa



The first six months of our Fraternal Year is already over. We are now heading to the next half of our community and charity works. Looking back, we can be proud of our accomplishment but we have to go on and be a better council. With this matter, I congratulate the officers and all the members of the directorship of Council 4924 for their vibrant contribution. Your work doesn't only reflect the image of the council but the district as a whole.

Please keep in mind, Basketball Free Throw and Substance Abuse Poster Contest must be ongoing this month. Help will, of course, be needed for both the council and the district level.

Fr. Paul Watson Council 8919 will be hosting a First and Second Degree on the 19th of January, 2014 at Parish of Atonement church hall. Line up your candidates as a Third Degree will be scheduled in the area sometime this month. I will be receiving the icon of the Immaculate Conception in May. Scheduled dates for each council will be announced by the Grand Knights in your respective area as soon as possible. Your cooperation and the whole parish participation are needed for the success of this Marian Program.

From my family, We wish you all a Happy New Year.

Fraternally,
Ver Verzosa, DD #39

District Warden: Jules Santarossa



Jules Santarossa
District Warden

Remember that our recruitment program is ongoing for the whole fraternal year. Without members there will be no Knights of Columbus. We are losing many members due to death, suspension and just losing interest. In Ontario our membership is 55,438. We have 515 councils, but 232 of them are not recruiting. We gained 510 members, but lost 506 last year. This means that we are not doing our best with recruitment and retention. We must do a better job with communicating with our Knights and ask them why are they not going to meetings or volunteering. There is a First and Second Degree scheduled for January 19, 2014 at the Parish of Atonement, Council 8919.

Pro-Life Directors Report – Jerome Tschirhart

As I sit hear and prepare this report, I'a, reading from an Advent book for December 18, 2013 and I quote as it asks two questions;

"Am I willing to be part of something that I'll never live to see fully accomplished and am I willing to invest in a great work that I'll never live to see finished"

Aborthion will be abolished and there will come a time when there is peace, truth and love in all of God's creation. Many years ago the following was written and should give us all hope.

When the time comes, as it surely will, when we face that awesome moment the final judgement.

I often though that as Fulton Sheen wrote, that is is a terrible moment of loneliness. You have no advocates, you are standing alone before God– and a terror will rid your soul like nothing you can imagine. But I really think that those in the pro-life movement will not be alone. I think that there'll be a chorus of voices that have never been heard in this world but are heard beautifully and clearly in the next world– And they will plead for everyone who has been in this movement. They will say to God" Spare hime because he loved us" And God will look at us and say not did he succeed ? But did he try?

Have a happy new year everyonr

Thank you

Jerome Tschirhart

Pro-Life Director



Fraternal Advisor Report: Eric Sylvester



Retirement balancing act

Think of retirement as a three-legged stool. In order to maintain balance, you need all three legs... or there is a real possibility of a crash!

One leg consists of the benefits the government offers you. Debate rages about the viability of future benefits, and my best advice is to stay tuned to the discussion and make sure you are aware of what is planned for those benefits. Any change in future promises should be accounted for when we get to the third leg.

The second leg is your company's pension plan, either defined benefit (such as a traditional pension: you work so many years and the company provides you with so much monthly benefit) or defined contribution (such as the popular 401K plans). Some of these plans, particularly traditional ones, are under stress, have been frozen or pared back. Learn how yours works; read the plan description; stay on top of the news coming from the company. On the 401K side, become a good investor. Teach yourself the fundamentals of good diversification and know how much you have and when you will need it.

Finally, the third leg is the saving you do yourself, and this is the only aspect you can control completely.

Everyone needs this third leg. It consists of the money you personally set aside on a disciplined basis to help in retirement. You don't directly control government benefits and you don't directly manage your company's pension plan, but you must manage your money and your life.

Establish a retirement plan of your own. Here at the Knights of Columbus, you can open a retirement annuity for as little as \$300. Consistent and disciplined savings placed into that annuity over time can guarantee you an income that you cannot outlive at retirement. That's right – guarantee you an income you cannot outlive. That really will provide you with peace of mind.

As you ponder all the things that may not work out as you proceed toward retirement, think about the one thing you can do to help yourself. It's reasonably priced, guaranteed and controlled by someone you trust: you!

I'm at 519-257-5513 or Eric.Sylvester@kofc.org. Call me – let's talk.

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Ladies' night out.

Join us for theatre night on Thursday February 13, 2014. Tickets are only \$15.00 and will be sold on a first come, first served basis. Seats are limited, so don't wait! All ladies are welcome and need not be wives of Knights. We'll meet at Our Lady of Guadalupe hall at 6:00 pm for a social hour where light refreshments will be served. Then we'll carpool together and go to Essex Hall Theatre for the 8pm performance of Oscar Wilde's comedy "A Woman of No Importance" starring the University of Windsor Players. Directions to the theatre and the free parking will be provided.

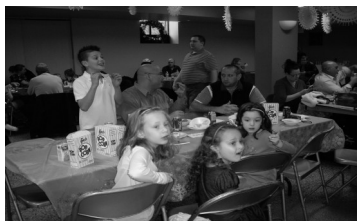
For tickets or more information, call Dawn Tabone at [\(519\) 970-9532](tel:5199709532) or Brigitte McFadden at [\(519\) 948-5466](tel:5199485466). Information about the play can be found at www.uwindsor.ca/up



On November 20 we hosted a pasta fundraiser to raise funds for the Red Cross to help those affected by Typhoon Hayian in the Philippines. Thanks to the OLOG CWL and all the Brother Knights that helped out we raised at total of \$2200. Thank you to everyone who came out.



Childrens Christmas
Party on December
1, 2013. Thank you
Brother Mike and
Lady Kathy LaButte
for all your hard
work. Looks like all
the kids had a great
time.



IMPORTANT NOTICE

Membership Dues

The 2014 dues are being collected now

The dues schedule is as follows:

Regular.....\$55.00

Retiree.....\$45.00

(not employed on a part time basis)

Honorary Member.....\$20.00

25 years of uninterrupted membership at age 65

Honorary Life Member.....No Fee

25 years uninterrupted membership at age 70.

Any questions please call the Financial Secretary

Mike La Butte at 519-944-2658 or email mlabutte@cogeco.ca

Prayer for Seminarians

Lord, bless those preparing for the priesthood in the Catholic Diocese of London.

May their hearts overflow with love and generosity, as they grow in wisdom and faith.

May their example inspire others to hear and answer your call.

Guide them as they discern and prepare for a life of service to your people.

Fill our seminarians with your peace and joy as they prepare for the Sacrament of Holy Orders.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

AMEN

Mary, Mother of priests, pray for us
St. John Vianney, Patron of Priests pray for us

www.dolvocations.dol.ca

IMPORTANT:

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

Make cheque payable to :

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Mailing address, phone # and email address:



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Message from the editor.

I hope that everyone is enjoying this and past editions of The Knightly Chatter. If you know of someone who is not receiving The Chatter please feel free to call me at 519-970-9532 or email me at kofc4924@gmail.com. When contacting me please let me know who you are and who is not getting the Chatter and please include a mailing address or e-mail. To help keep costs down we ask that if you are able to receive the Chatter electronically (e-mail) please contact me at kofc4924@gmail.com As always if you wish to something in particular please let us know.

Yours in Christ

Jesmond Tabone

The Knightly Chatter Editor

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Wednesday February 5 Pizza dinner (members only) \$5.00 St. Rose 6:00pm

Thursday February 13 Ladies Night out See article in this newsletter

Thursday February 20 Knights Night out Spitfires Game \$55. Contact Jesmond at 519-992-0331 Puck drop 7:05 at the WFCU Centre

Saturday March 1 Cancer Centre Fundraiser \$20.00 Serbian Centre. Contact Trevor Thomas at 519-944-1880

Tuesday March 4 Pancake and Sausage Dinner \$5 for adults \$3 Children 10 and under. 4pm-7pm St. Rose Hall. Tickets in advance or at the door. Net proceeds to go to the OLOG building fund.

Sunday March 23 Corporate Communion OLOG 11:00am mass

May 11—15 Icon of the Immaculate Conception will be here. More info to follow on services

Bingo Dates

January 16th Thursday -

10:45 pm to 12:45 am

January 30th Thursday -

6:45 pm to 8:45 pm

February 5th Wednesday -

10:45 pm to 12:45 am

February 5th Wednesday -

12:45 am to 2:45 am

February 11th Tuesday -

4:45 pm to 6:45 pm

Come out and support our council at Paradise Gaming Centre. If you are able to assist in working Bingos please contact Bill Demers at 519-974-0081.

TEACHER: CAN YOU SEE GOD?

CLASS: NO

TEACHER: CAN YOU TOUCH GOD?

CLASS: NO.

TEACHER: THEN THERE ISN'T A GOD!

....."STUDENT RAISES THEIR HAND"

STUDENT: CAN YOU SEE YOUR BRAIN?

TEACHER: NO

STUDENT: CAN YOU TOUCH YOUR BRAIN?

TEACHER: NO.

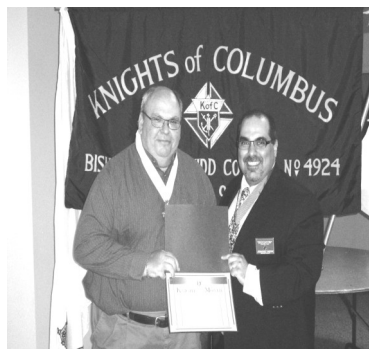
STUDENT: OH OKAY, SO YOU DON'T HAVE A BRAIN?

Not going to Church because of hypocrites is like not going to the Gym because of the out of shape people.



www.CatholicMemes.com

Congratulations to John Pawlowski and Danny Deshaies for being awarded Knight of the month for November and December. Congratulations to John and Brigitte McFadden for being awarded Family of the Month for December



January Birthdays

Joseph Cipparone
Robert A Lamoureux
Ronald H Lavoie
Nasir Y Shoka
Joseph Ofner
Artur R Jankowski
Gordon J
Giovanni Castellano
Daniel H Mac Millan
Robert D Kiborn
Stephen A Janisse
John J Zillich
William D Storrey
Gregory J Macfarlane
Arthur Lanoue
Edgar R Lebert
Ryan R Larsh
Denis R Plante
George W Mc Mullen
William J Proulx
Rejean R Deshaies
Alfred A Kralovensky
Luc J Masse
Lawrence A Reaume
Jerome E Tschirhart
William N Kenny
Godfrey C Regier
Augustine Ingoldsby
Donald J Mc Adam
Frederick S Paterson
Louis K Lachin
Gerard R Lampron
Sam J Dufour
Edgar R Mailloux
James N Shymanski
Michael B La Butte
Alexander A F Charron
Michael L Kelly

Wishing all our brother's a happy and wonderful Birthday. May God continue to bless each and everyone of you.



February Birthdays

Tom W Farrer
James J Knezev
John O Post
Clifford J Parent
Roger E Cayea
William R Regier
Michael J Janisse
John F Ward
Gary Crumb
Donald P Mackenzie
Roger R Fortier
Thomas A Johnson
Leonard Samson
Edward V Vermette
Gary M Williams
Albert J Yaeck
Gene J Brenders
John P Bedard
Roger J A Pelletier
Matthew E Spolarich
Thomas C Langlois
Thomas C Mc Cann
Terry D Strong
Nathan Burrell
Justin J O Brien
Stephen W Poremba
Larry J Blain
David F Mason
Patrick E Morkin
Richard A Baron
John F Tomko
Edward J Furlong
Gary F Morrison
Gary R Bienstman
Ronald J Hupka
Arthur F Taylor
James L Janisse
John Mays 1K6
Joseph M Gatfield

<u>General Meetings 7:30pm</u>	<u>Executive Meeting 7:30pm</u>
Wednesday Mar 5	Wednesday Mar 26
Wednesday Apr 2	Wednesday Apr 23
Wednesday May 7	Wednesday May 28
Wednesday Jun 4	

Family Program

Just a reminder to bring canned goods to our general membership meetings. All can goods will be donated to the St. Vincent De Paul Society at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish. Your support is truly needed.

Important Notice:

All general and executive meetings will be held at St. Rose hall

DEPARTED BROTHER KNIGHTS

**WE HAVE LOVED THEM IN LIFE: LET US NOT
FORGET THEM IN DEATH!**

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



Lawrence Lanoue

February 1, 1932- December 29,



Leo Edward Laforet

July 9, 1929 -January 01, 2014

Prayer For Vocations

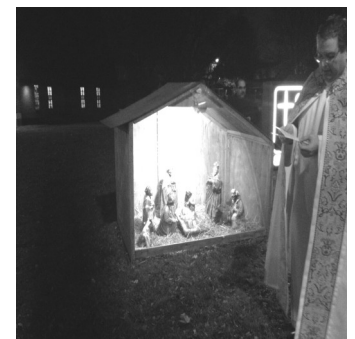
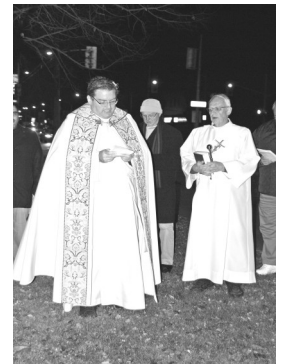
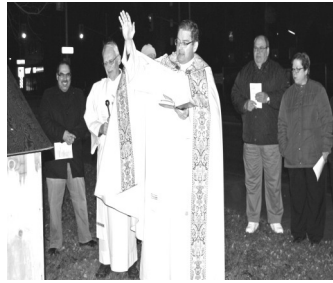
O Father, raise up among Christians abundant and holy vocations to the priesthood, who keep the faith alive and guard the blessed memory of your Son Jesus through the preaching of his word and the administration of the Sacraments, with which you continually renew your faithful. Grant us holy ministers of your altar, who are careful and fervent guardians of the Eucharist, the sacrament of the supreme gift of Christ for the redemption of the world.

Call ministers of your mercy, who, through the sacrament of Reconciliation, spread the joy of your forgiveness. Grant, O Father, that the Church may welcome with joy the numerous inspirations of the Spirit of your Son and, docile to His teachings, may she care for vocations to the ministerial priesthood and to the consecrated life.

Sustain the Bishops, priests and deacons, consecrated men and women, and all the baptized in Christ, so that they may faithfully fulfill their mission at the service of the Gospel.

This we pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Mary, Queen of Apostles, pray for us.
(Pope Benedict XVI, March 5, 2007)

On December 4 we held our first Annual Light up with Christ in conjunction with the CWL and the OLOG Ushers Club. Together we setup blue lights and the crib. The CWL assisted in hosting a hot apple cider after the lighting of the tree. Thank you to Fr. Matt for blessing the tree and crib and braving the rain and encouraging all to sing. We look forward to doing this again next year.



On December 14 we held our annual Christmas and Awards Dinner. Even though mother nature was not co-operative with the snow we still had an amazing turn out. Everyone had a great time. Congratulations to all the award winners who served under PGK Gerald Thibeault. Special congratulations go to Br. Real Garon for Knight of the Year and Jesmond & Dawn Tabone for Family of the year. Also at the awards night our council was presented with the Columbian award. The Worth District Warden presented us with the award. Many thanks to the LaButte family for preparing the dinner, setup and clean up. Thanks you so much LaButte family.



Introduction to the Presentation of the Lord:

Known originally as the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord is a relatively ancient celebration. The Church at Jerusalem observed the feast as early as the first half of the fourth century, and likely earlier. The feast celebrates the presentation of Christ in the temple at Jerusalem on the 40th day after His birth.

Quick Facts:

Date: February 2

Type of Feast: Feast

Readings: Malachi 3:1-4; Psalm 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Hebrews 2:14-18; Luke 2:22-40

Prayers: Nunc Dimittis (Canticle of Simeon; Luke 2:29-32): "Now thou dost dismiss thy servant, O Lord, according to thy word in peace; because my eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all peoples: a light to the revelation of the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel."

Other Names for the Feast: Candlemas, the Feast of the Purification of the Virgin, the Meeting of the Lord, the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple

History:

According to Jewish law, the firstborn male child belonged to God, and the parents had to "buy him back" on the 40th day after his birth, by offering a sacrifice of "a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons" (Luke 2:24) in the temple (thus the "presentation" of the child). On that same day, the mother would be ritually purified (thus the "purification").

Saint Mary and Saint Joseph kept this law, even though, since Saint Mary remained a virgin after the birth of Christ, she would not have had to go through ritual purification. In his gospel, Luke recounts the story (Luke 2:22-39).

Originally, the feast was celebrated on February 14, the 40th day after Epiphany (January 6), because Christmas wasn't yet celebrated as its own feast, and so the Nativity, Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord (Theophany), and the feast celebrating Christ's first miracle at the wedding in Cana were all celebrated on the same day. By the last quarter of the fourth century, however, the Church at Rome had begun to celebrate the Nativity on December 25, so the Feast of the Presentation was moved to February 2, 40 days later.

When Christ was presented in the temple, "there was a man in Jerusalem named Simeon, and this man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel" (Luke 2:25) When Saint Mary and Saint Joseph brought Christ to the temple, Simeon embraced the Child and prayed the Canticle of Simeon: "Now thou dost dismiss thy servant, O Lord, according to thy word in peace; because my eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all peoples: a light to the revelation of the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel" (Luke 2:29-32).

Inspired the words of the canticle ("a light to the revelation of the Gentiles"), by the 11th century, the custom had developed in the West of blessing candles on the Feast of the Presentation. The candles were then lit, and a procession took place through the darkened church while the Canticle of Simeon was sung. Because of this, the feast also became known as Candlemas. While the procession and blessing of the candles is not often performed in the United States today, Candlemas is still an important feast in many European countries.

Stay tuned as you will hear more about this in the coming weeks from Fr. Matthew George and I.

Borrowed from: <http://catholicism.about.com/od/holydaysandholidays/p/Presentation.htm>

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Multi Council District 39
Councils 4924, 9528, 9865

When: March 1, 2014

Cocktails at 6:00pm Dinner 7:00pm

Where: The Serbian Centre 6770 Tecumseh Rd E

Cost: \$20.00

Tickets contact on of the following Brother Knights

Council 4924: Trevor Thomas - 519-944-1880

Council 9528: Lou Lafontaine 519-948-2599

Council 9865: Greg Roy-519-982-2182

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What you will be supporting

Patient Assistance Fund - Ongoing

This fund is available to patients and families of the Centre during difficult times. Money has been provided to patients for everything from purchasing groceries, to paying utility bills or medication that is not covered.

The Foundation does not deal with the patients directly but relies on the excellent social workers at the Cancer Centre who counsel and screen the patients. The patients are anonymous except when they send "thank-you"



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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