



# Knightly Chatter



Bishop John T Kidd Council 4924 - Windsor Ont.

January-February 2018

## **2017-18 Executive**

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### **District Warden**

Lou Lafontaine

### **Insurance Agent**



## **Upcoming Events**

**General Meeting** Wed, 3 January 2018, 7:30pm

**Corporate Communion** Sat, January 27, 2018 5:00pm

**Pig Roast & Chicken Dinner** Sat, February 10, 2018 6:30pm

**Shrove Tuesday Dinner** Tues, Feb 13, 2018 4:00pm

## Message from Our Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

Tuesday Dec 5, The Knights of Columbus Celebrated the Christmas Season with the annual " Light Up For Christ" celebration. I would like to thank Fr. Charles Akinloye for blessing the lighting of the tree and the Nativity Scene. I would also like to thank Brothers Dave Mailloux, John McFadden and John Pawlowski for helping me decorate the tree and the Nativity Scene and the C.W.L. for the reception that followed the lighting of the tree.

The annual Children's Party was enjoyed by the children as well as their families. Thank you to Br. Mike LaButte and his wife Kathy for hosting this event and to the Brother Knights and their wives for helping them.

It was wonderful to see so many Brothers and their wives on Wednesday for the Council Christmas Dinner. There was a lot of compliments that they enjoyed the evening and the turkey dinner was delicious. I would like to thank Brothers P.G.K. Jesmond Tabone and Jim Faubert putting on the dinner and thank you to all that helped out that night.

On behalf of the knights I Like to welcome Fr Gregory J. Bonin and Fr Charles Akinloye to our parish

On behalf of Bonnie and myself we would like wish you all a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Fraternally yours

Trevor Thomas

Grand Knight

### \*\*\*\*\* Notice of Motion \*\*\*\*\*

There are several **Notice of Motion** to be voted on at the next meeting:

1. A Notice of Motion was made to donate \$500 to the local Special Olympics group.
2. A Notice of Motion was made to donate \$750 to the Nutrition program at St Rose Elementary School.
3. A Notice of Motion was made to donate \$750 to the Nutrition program at Corpus Christi Middle School.

## Message from Our District Deputy

Worthy Brothers

By the time this edition of the newsletter is published I would have returned from the mid year District Deputy meeting in Toronto. I look forward to sharing the information with our Grand Knights upon my return.

Hard to believe we are half way through our fraternal year. Soon we will be holding our annual election for council executives. I would encourage our members to run for a position on the executive It is easy to sit back and criticize what the executive is doing or not doing. This is your chance to step up and help your council. To each Grand Knight I strongly urge you to have a succession plan in place if you don't have one as of yet. I know it is difficult to do so. Work with past grand knights to help with your succession plan.

As we enter the Season of Christmas may we all remember how fortunate we are to be brothers and friends. Enjoy the Christmas season and be safe.

On behalf of Dawn, Joseph and myself we wish you a Very Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year.

Vivat Jesus,

Jesmond Tabone PGK DD 39

### Upcoming Bingo Dates: at



Dec 21-Thurs- 6:45 pm to 8:45 - David & Meredith

Jan 8 - Mon - 8:45 pm to 10:45 -

Jan 25 - Thurs - 10:45 pm to 12:45 - Mike & Bill

Jan25 - Thurs - 12:45 am to 2:45 am - Mike & Bill

Feb 8 - Thurs- 6:45 pm to 8:45 pm -

Feb 18 - Sun - 10:45 pm to 12:45 am -

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

## **A Message from our Financial Secretary**

The 2018 dues are being collected now. Those who pay their dues **before December 31**, will be entered in a draw to win your dues back.

**REGULAR MEMBERS \$55.00**

**RETIREEES \$45.00**

**HONORARY \$20.00**

25 years of uninterrupted membership at age 65

**Honorary Life Member.....No Fee**

25 years uninterrupted membership at age 70.

Please make checks payable to:

**Bishop John T. Kidd Council #4924**

Dues may be paid at any executive or general membership meeting. (Executive meetings are the fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM at the OLOG hall. General meetings are the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM.)  
or mailed to the financial secretary

**Peter Conway**  
**203-5151 Riverside Dr. E.**  
**Windsor ON N8S 4R5**

Also to make things easier for our members who attend **Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish** you can place your dues in a sealed enveloped marked Knights of Columbus 4924 Dues and place it into the collection and our Worthy Financial Secretary will receive the envelope.

Note: If a brother is retired but gets a bill for \$55, you should let the financial secretary know so I can update your status in our records.

## **Basketball Free Throw**

Corpus Christi Middle School (& Brennan HS) Wed, January 10, 2018 11:00am

St Rose Elementary School

Tuesday, January 16, 2018 11:40am

## **Did You Know, as a Knights of Columbus You**

Renovated St. Mary's Church in New Haven, the birthplace of the Order, and entombed the remains of the founder, Rev. Michael J. McGivney, therein on March 29, 1982. Completed the 110-year-old construction plan of the church by erecting a 179-foot steeple, including a carillon of three bronze bells, atop St. Mary's.

## From our Director of Vocations & Seminarians

### The Splendor of Mercy

In 2005, Fr. Michael Prieur, retired professor at St. Peter's Seminary (better known to us in the Diocese as "Fr. Mickey"), published *Panes of Glory*, a book which illuminated our understanding and deepened our love for the majestic stained glass windows in the chapel of St. Peter's Seminary. This past year, Fr. Mickey has done it again. In his most recent book, *The Art of the Confessor: a Vademecum for Seminarians and Priests*, Fr. Mickey has shed the light of faith upon virtually every aspect of the sacrament of Reconciliation, in order to illuminate our minds and inflame our hearts for this great gift of God's forgiveness. The book is not only a compilation of Fr. Prieur's class notes and lectures, from over four decades of teaching the art of the confessor course at St. Peter's Seminary, (which would have been a gem in itself!); these pages are also filled with Fr. Mickey's own personal experiences of receiving, teaching and celebrating the sacrament of penance, along with the wisdom and advice from other theologians, pastors and spiritual writers. Bishop Fabbro, in his foreword to the book, calls *The Art of the Confessor* an exclamation mark to the Year of Mercy, which we have just finished celebrating in the universal Church. Fr. Mickey has indeed left all of us an open door to God's mercy as we now open the pages of his labour of love!

First, *The Art of the Confessor* is not just for priests and seminarians, although this audience is addressed particularly in the subtitle. This book is for all who are receiving, interested in, or intrigued by, the sacrament of Reconciliation. Fr. Prieur has written something for everybody. Beautiful art works depicting forgiveness and illustrating the sacrament of confession are displayed and described at the beginning of each chapter. My personal favourite is the Prodigal Son painting by Bartolomé Murillo, which includes an overjoyed Jack Russell terrier who joins in on the celebration, reminding all of us of the joy in heaven and in all of creation when one sinner repents. Along with the artistic masterpieces, the book also delves into wonderfully practical explanations of what the different dimensions of the sacrament are all about: contrition, confession, penance, reconciliation, satisfaction, etc. Many people wonder why the sacrament of confession is referred to by so many names – well, here you will find your answers! Profound insights are also offered into the understanding of the different aspects of the priest's role in celebrating this sacrament, as physician, teacher, judge and spiritual father. In reflecting on the fact that most people begin their confession with the words, *Bless me Father for I have sinned*, Fr. Prieur writes, "'Father', encourages both of us [priest and penitent] to remember that God, our heavenly Father, is merciful, kind and compassionate. His Son, Jesus Christ, incarnates these beautiful qualities *par excellence*." The reader will also be regaled by the counsel Fr. Mickey gives in using a formal examination of conscience and how to prepare best for confession with the proper dispositions.

Second, the book *The Art of the Confessor* is called a *vademecum*, Latin for 'go with me' or 'companion'. It is, however, not only the book, but the author who is a companion on the journey. For all of his priesthood, Fr. Prieur has walked with hundreds of priests, deacons, lay-ecclesial ministers and God's people from all over Canada in their journey of faith, and has now shared his love for reconciliation and forgiveness with us in book form. I am proud and privileged to have taken Fr. Mickey's classes during my formation at St. Peter's Seminary and blessed to have him as a brother priest. In reading *The Art of the Confessor* it is my prayer that you too will become part of this great journey toward our Merciful Father and be helped as Fr. Prieur walks with you as you go. One is truly on Holy Ground when reading this book as it is not simply good information on a page, but a life poured out in love for God and for his people.

The book can be ordered and purchased at [prieurpublications@gmail.com](mailto:prieurpublications@gmail.com)

With my prayers,

Fr. Patrick Bénéteau