

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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## CHAPLAIN REV. FR. FRANK WAGNER, CSC, MESSAGE

My Brother Knights,

In light of the recent tumultuous election campaign and results in the USA, we do well to heed the words of Pope Francis writes in Laudato si' #231:

"Love, over flowing with small gestures of mutual care, is also civic and political, and it makes itself felt in every action that seeks to build a better world. Love for society and commitment to the common good are outstanding expressions of a charity which affects not only relationships between individuals but also "macrorelationships, social, economic and political ones". 156 That is why the Church set before the world the ideal of a "civilization of love".157 Social love is the key to authentic development: "In order to make society more human, more worthy of the human person, love in social life - political, economic and cultural - must be given renewed value, becoming the constant and highest norm for all activity". 158 In this framework, along with the importance of little everyday gestures, social love moves us to devise larger strategies to halt environmental degradation and to encourage a "culture of care" which permeates all of society. When we feel that God is calling us to intervene with others in these social dynamics, we should realize that this too is part of our spirituality, which is an exercise of charity and, as such, matures and sanctifies us.

Christmas is a time when we gather with family and loved ones. It is also a time to remember those who are denied this opportunity because they have lost friends and family or have been forcibly separated from them by the ravages of war. The world forgets these vulnerable communities, and it becomes more difficult to mobilize resources for them. Afghanistan, Burundi, Darfur, South Sudan, Syria — these are among the many countries which, for years, have been experiencing latent or ongoing conflicts. At Christmas, let us not forget the suffering of civilians who have been displaced and impoverished by the conflicts affecting them. Visit the Development and Peace website <u>devp.org/Christmas</u> to discover their Christmas campaign that asks us to pray and act for peace in our world. We can also be ambassadors for peace in our local communities by supporting the projects of our Parishes' St. Vincent de Paul Society and the Good Shepherd Center Angel Tree drive, or other organizations helping the needy in our communities.

Sincerely in Christ and the spirit of Fr. McGiveney,

Fr. Frank Wagner, CSC



## GRAND KNIGHT JOHN D'ADDARIO'S MESSAGE

The fall colours have disappeared and the leaves are in their final stages. These are signs, that we are closing another calendar year. The closing of a calendar year does not mean that we stop everything we are doing and hibernate like a bear for the winter months. It means we need to pray to Jesus to help everyone make the winter months bearable. An Advent wreath is a directional tool that guides us to plan our prayer time.

The first candle in the wreath symbolizes "Hope." This is a reminder that Jesus is coming. We as Knights need to be mindful of that as we plan.

The second candle symbolizes "Faith." This is a reminder of the journey of Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem. "Faith" keeps us on our spiritual path.

The third candle symbolizes "Joy." This is a reminder of the coming birth of Jesus.

This is a time to thank God for the many joys we have in our lives and appreciate the joy of knowing Jesus.

The fourth candle symbolizes "Peace." This is a reminder to us of the message of the Angels: "Peace on Earth" Peace is what we as Knights pray for — Peace in our hearts, Peace in our families, Peace in our community and Peace in our world.

Brother Knights, I pray that your Advent and Christmas season will be full of hope, love, faith, joy and peace.

Vivat Jesus,

John D'Addario, Grand Knight

# **Prayer Requests**

In charity, unity and fellowship let us pray for the needs of our brother Knights and their families.

Alan Benoit Ricardo Colaianni
Ann Connolly Beth Csordas
John Cumming Johanna D'Addario
Paul Downey Catena/Hamilton Family
Bret Faucher Karl Flannery
Paul LaFontaine Paul Hinton

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Maureen Kelly Rosemary Madden
Donato Napoleone Nicole Torun

#### PRAYER IN TIME OF NEED

Lord Jesus you came into the world to heal our infirmities and to endure our sufferings. You went about healing all and bringing comfort to those in pain and need.

We come before you now in this time of need asking that you may be the source of our strength in body, courage in spirit and patience in pain.

May we join ourselves more closely to you on the Cross and in your suffering that through them we may draw our patience and hope.

Assist us and restore us to health so that united more closely to our family, the Church, we may give praise and honour to your name. Amen.

#### **ENGAGING IN SERVICE**



This is the seventh of several monthly articles that outlines what our duty, as Knights of Columbus, truly is. Our work as Knights focuses on six service categories of Church, Community, Council, Culture of Life, Family and Youth. The K of C "Service Program" is organized around these topics. In this article we'll finish our look at "Community" with the following topics: Health Services, Decency, and Honouring Columbus, and ways that we can dedicate our support of this category.

**Health Services:** Health-related issues are a major problem in any community. Our council could do some of the following:

- Focus on heart disease, using bulletin boards, newsletter articles, public forums.
- Conduct a CPR or Defibrillator class and learn resuscitation procedures. Local heart association or Red Cross may be able to assist with this.
- Promote, "Weedless Wednesday" held in January. Contact Canadian Council for Tobacco Control at (800) 267-5234 or cctc.ca
- Fight AIDS in our community by raising money for AIDS research or helping a local family with meals and companionship.
- Help prevent drug and alcohol abuse by getting facts and spreading them throughout the area to parents and children. Canadian Centre for Substance Abuse, (613) 235-4048 or ccsa.ca

**Decency:** Get involved in stemming the flood of pornography engulfing our communities. Our Council should consider:

- Report violation of community standards to those responsible for enforcing the law.
- Make direct personal complaints or petition-type complaints to store owners or theatre operators who display or sell obscene materials.
- Send letters to newspaper editors, radio and television managers, objecting to offensive advertising for R-Rated motion pictures.

**Honour Columbus**: Modern historians demean Christopher Columbus' role in history. Our Council could consider developing programs honouring the patron of our Order:

- Explore the history of the Order. Use Knights of Columbus books, audio-visuals, and brochures to learn how and why the Order was founded.
- Learn about the event and people that have charted its course.
- Present findings at an open house program, a meeting or other council event.
- Hold an information session on this topic to educate new Knights.

In January's newsletter we'll look at "Council Activities."

For more information, please visit http://www.kofc.org/un/en/service/index.html, and review the "Surge.....with Service" document.

John Schunk



# to our Brother Knights who are celebrating during the month of December

John Anozie John Bennett Alan Benoit John Boyd Paul Brown **Timothy Caerels** John Colterman Fr. Reto Davatz Rocco DeVito Steve Doherty **Dennis Fisher** Tom Flannery Robert Flewelling Jere Hartnett Paul Hinton Paul LaFontaine John McCarthy Frank Miele Paul Muller Jason Romanetti Bernard Ward Theodore Toppazzini Christopher Hettiarachchi

#### NOTICE OF MOTION

William Mather

At the General Meeting on November 14, the following motion was made:

That we give \$750 to the Big Band organizers to be considered our share of the cost of the event happening on January 29, 2017.

This motion will be **voted on at the December 12** General Meeting.



Annual Christmas Turkey Roll Friday, December 9, 2016 7:30 Start

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL 2400 Industrial Street Burlington, Ontario

Come, have some fun and support our Council!



TO OUR BROTHER KNIGHTS

AND THEIR WIVES

WHO CELEBRATE

THEIR ANNIVERSARIES

IN DECEMBER!

Stewart and Shirley Schulhauser Peter and Isata Kaindaneh James and Elizabeth Csordas

### KNIGHTS' MONTHLY MOMENTS

#### PARISH BREAKFAST

Nineteen Knights served breakfast for over 200 parishioners on November 6.



Michael Marks grills up pancakes at St. Patrick's parish breakfast.

#### PRESENTATION OF DEGREES

Degree Diplomas and Badges were presented at the meetiing on November 14.



#### FUNERAL SERVICE FOR BROTHER SEAN BUCKLEY

Twenty-seven Brother Knights attended the funeral service for Brother Sean on November 19 at St. Patrick's Church.



Brother Knights assembled prior to the service. Br. Ignatius MacDonald and Joe Madden served as acolytes for the Mass which was con-celebrated by Msgr. Ray Modeski and Fr. Ron Hodara (both are Knights). Missing from photo is photographer GK John D'Addario who was also part of the Honour Guard.

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 2016 CASH CALENDAR

# **OCTOBER DRAW WINNERS**

DATE	TICKET NO.	WINNER	PRIZE
3	1566	Patricia O'Brien	20.00
4	2418	Anne Hutton	20.00
5	2671	Jacque Hamilton	20.00
6	2297	Paul Pawliw	20.00
7	1814	Patricia Savelli	50.00
10 spec.	1517	Gillian Murdoch	150.00
10	1531	Ann Fletcher	20.00
11	2271	Kevin Feagan	20.00
12	1611	Mariella Bbineau	20.00
13	1730	Jessica Buchman	20.00
14	2086	Donna Beaton	50.00
17	1540	Mary Grant	20.00
18	2659	Tina Renella	20.00
19	1750	Edwuing Zuniga	20.00
20	1733	Michael Mark	20.00
21	1616	Frank Gallant	50.00
24	2252	Shirley Robinson	20.00
25	2587	Rosemary Abderson	20.00
26	2431	Marie O'Connell	20.00
27	1564	Tom O'Brien	20.00
28	1915	Manny Almeida	50.00
31	2222	Dennis Palma-Cedemo	20.00

Drawn by: Gerry Kelly on November 7, 2016

Witnessed by: Tom O'Brien

Witnessed by: Harry Murphy

Recorded by: Ron Milne

The Halton Columbus Charities Committee met on October 26, 2016, and approved the budget for 2017.

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 5073 Halton Columbus Charities 2017 Budget

CHURCH ACTIVITIES	Clergy & Vocations	\$0	
	Pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine	250	
	Seminarian	0	
	Healing Mass	250	+500
	Contingency	0	\$500
<b>COMMUNITY SERVICES</b>	Carpenter Hospice	500	
	Compassion Society	750	
	Partnership West Food Bank	500	
	St. Vincent de Paul Society:		
	St. John	1,250	
	St. Patrick	1,250	
	St. Paul	1,250	
	St. Raphael	1,250	C 750
	Contingency	0	6,750
<b>COUNCIL ACTIVITIES</b>	Bank Service Charges	75	
	Rent for HCC office space	4,800	
	Contingency	375	5,250
FAMILY ACTIVITIES	Emergency Fund	500	
	Marriage Encounter	0	
	Retrouvaille	250	
	P.R.A.I.S.E.	250	
	in cite	0	1,000
PRO-LIFE ACTIVITIES	Halton Pro Life	2,000	
	Shifra Home	750	
	School support Pro Life activities	1,000	3,750
	(\$250/school)		
YOUTH ACTIVITIES	Nelson Youth Center	750	
	School Projects	750	
	Basketball Free-Throw	750	
	Halton Catholic Children's	250	
	Foundation		
	St. Raphael Bible Camp	250	2,750
		GRAND TOTAL	\$20,000



# **MEETINGS AT A GLANCE**

December	Council Group	Time		
5	Executive Meeting	7:00 p.m.		
12	General Meeting	7:30 p.m.		
19	Kolumbus Club	7:30 p.m.		
28	Prayer Cenacle	7:00 p.m.		
Cancelled for December	Fraternal Night			
Other Groups				
7 & 21	Matinee Bingo	11 a.m. to 1 p.m.		
13 & 27	Midnight Bingo	9 p.m. to 12 a.m.		
Every Wednesday	Seniors' Club	9:30 a.m.		

Please refer to our website <a href="www.kofc5073.ca">www.kofc5073.ca</a> for more information about these and other events.



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