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Knights News

January 2018

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Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights & Ladies:

Isn't it so easy to be caught up in the hustle and bustle of the commercial side of the Christmas season. The message that material gifts will bring happiness is everywhere. The Christian message is to prepare for the celebration of Christ's birth by being people of hope who care for others.

May people see the Knights as a group of men who are open to the presence of God in their lives and willing to share their time and talent with others, especially with those in need.

One fine example of helping out in the community was to spend some time at the Salvation Army Kettle at food Basics. Thanks to Jim Kelly, Ken Gaffney, Greg Kelly, Jack Palleschi and Phil Psutka. The parish Christmas skate was well attended this year with more than 70 on the ice. Once again we provided hot chocolate and goodies afterwards. Thank you to brothers Mike Lobsinger and Daniel Gras for organizing this activity. Our sale of hams is in full swing . Thanks to brothers John Price and Jeff Smith for once again organizing this fund raiser. They are currently distributing these hams.

Finally, welcome to our newest Knights who were received into the council on December 7. Welcome Lawrence Oaikhena and Kennedy Hall ☺.

Your Grand Knight
Ken Gaffney

In Memoriam

Please remember in your prayers the repose of the souls of Anna Saman, mother of Brother John Saman, June Adams, mother-in-law of Brother Bill Mullin, Silvio Potestio, brother of Brother Joe Potestio, Maurice Tellier, grandfather of Fr. David Butler, Anne Murphy, spouse of Brother Patrick Murphy and for their families.

Sick and Shut-ins

Our prayers are requested for the following Knights who are either sick or shut in: Brothers Gary Birmingham, Father Richard Tremblay, Harry Thomas, Eugene Hagen, Al Grant, Marco Eusebi, Ron Bourque, Dave Franks, Frank Krauskopf, and Steve Voros,

Also for Theresa Kelly, Debbie Mahood, Shirley Reeve, Anne Ryan-Murphy, Abigail Gregory-Mooney, Betty Dubrick, Mary Lou Palleschi, Myrna Hagen, Rose Iacobellis and Joyce Eusebi

Message from your Chaplain

Dear Brother Knights,

By the time that you receive this bulletin, it will be nearly Christmas. The lights and decorations that we see on the streets and in the buildings tells us that there is something special in the air at Christmas time. Beyond the lights and celebrations, the same mystery is here that was experienced in Bethlehem all those years ago. Even if we don't fully understand it, the Incarnation, our God becoming man has gripped us. This feast day will draw the biggest crowds in the Church year.

In a sense, we are the Magi coming to the manger to see this new born child, our Saviour. We need to take some time to be silent and let this mystery, this new born child come into our hearts. Like the Christmas story, we need to make room in the inns of our hearts for this child, and we need to make room for how this Christ is born in others. By our words and actions, we need to give birth to Christ. The Incarnation has changed the course of history.

During this season and always, we need to perform the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. To prepare spiritually for this Solemnity, we have a number of confession times planned. This sacrament makes our spiritual paths straight. We have Advent reading material to help us prepare as well. Through the charities that you support and the time that you give to the Church and community, and the financial support that you give, you are helping Christ to take on flesh and be born again in our midst. For all this I thank you.

I wish all of you and your families a very Merry Christmas. Heavenly Father, I sit in silence and open my heart to you. May the Word Made Flesh be born in me today.

Your Chaplain,
Fr. Dick Bester

Donations

St. Joseph's Church	\$ 500
House of Blessing	\$ 800
L'Arche	\$ 800
St. Peter's Seminary	\$ 500
Society of St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 500
Salvation Army	\$ 500

Bingo Schedule

December 13	Team 1	January 17	Team 2
December 20	Team 2	January 24	Team 3
December 27	Team 3	January 31	Team 4
January 3	Team 4	February 7	Team 1
January 10	Team 1	February 14	Team 2

Kilroy Council No 1431 Charitable Welfare Trust

As we approach the end of the calendar year we would like to remind everyone that should anyone wish to make a charitable donation & receive a charitable tax receipt, your donation would be greatly appreciated. Make cheque payable to “**Kilroy Council No 1431 Charitable Welfare Trust**” and mail or deliver to John Saman 29 Sutter St. Stratford, Ontario N4Z 1G7 **before December 27th**, so that the donation will show in our records for 2017.

You can also contribute to the Welfare Trust account by stipulating that any memorial donations made at the funeral home, in memory of friends & relatives, be made in favour of “Kilroy Council No 1431 Charitable Welfare Trust” and the funeral home will accommodate your request, after which we will issue you your charitable tax receipt.

Thanks to all who have contributed to the Charitable Welfare Trust account over the past years.

Brother John Saman

<p><i>Council Social Media</i></p> <p><i>Facebook.com/kofc1431</i></p> <p><i>Council web page:kofc1431ca</i></p>	<p><i>Breakfast at Immac's</i></p> <p><i>Every Thursday</i></p> <p><i>8:30 -9:00 a.m.</i></p>
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Phone Book Deliveries



Congratulations to council members, their families, friends, and neighbours who pitched in to deliver almost 13,000 Beacon Herald phone books this month. Thank you to everyone who helped.

New Members



Please welcome to our council new members Kennedy Hall and Lawrence Oaikhena. They received their 1st degree at the induction ceremony in our hall on Dec. 7. Kennedy teaches at St. Michael CSS and Lawrence works at Aisin Canada Inc.

Christmas Skating Party

Thank you to Brothers Daniel Gras and Mike Lobsinger and Mike's family, spouse Mary Kay and children Isaac and Catherine, for their work to prepare for the refreshments afterwards.



Council Meeting



Thanks to Mike Lobsinger for preparing pulled pork for members prior to the December council meeting.



Good of the Order

50/50 Winner

Larry McCabe

\$34

Notice of Dues

BROTHERS, the following notice is a reminder that 2018 is quickly coming upon us. This will mark the start of a new fraternal year. Please help our council fulfill its financial obligations by submitting your 2018 dues as soon as possible.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES **\$45.00**

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP DUES **\$15.00**

An Honorary member is one who is 65 old and has 25 years continuous service.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBER – **DUES ARE FORGIVEN**

An Honorary Life member is one who is 70 years old and has 25 years of continuous service.

If you are not certain of your status, please contact me prior to sending in your dues.

Fraternally yours

Gregg Bentley (519-271-4443)

Financial Secretary

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – KILROY COUNCIL 1431

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Sunday Dec. 25. Feast of the Nativity of the Lord, Christmas Day

Saturday Dec. 31. New Year's Eve pot luck and card party, our hall

Tuesday Jan. 2, Council meeting 7:00 p.m.

Monday Jan. 8, Knights Inc 7:00 p.m., Council executive 7:45 p.m.

Thursday Jan. 18 Community meal by our council St. Joseph's church hall

Tuesday Jan. 23 council basketball free throw competition St. Michael CSS

Sunday Jan. 28 Members appreciation night

Monday Jan. 29 Boston Pizza night, proceeds to Hospital for Sick Children



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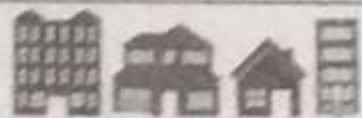
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