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Knights News

December 2020

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Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights & Ladies:

Greetings to everyone during a mild spell before winter decides to set in.

We continue to pray for those of you and any family members who are struggling because of the impact of the COVID-19 virus. With no end in sight we must all try to keep a positive outlook and practice patience when dealing with others.

The pandemic has not only interrupted our social life but also our economic planning. For our council, we have had little opportunity to raise funds for both council activities and for the charities we normally support. Currently our Bingos are the only active source for raising charitable funds.

We will proceed with two fund raisers: the Beacon Phone Book Delivery and Our Christmas Hams Sales. I urge you to support both of these. Bagging the phone books is one way to help or you could get a friend and do your neighbourhood. Last year council raised \$3,050 by delivering these phone books. We need member participation for this to be successful. We are expecting phone books by November 20. Last year we raised \$1070 through the Ham Sale drive. Please consider purchasing one or more items in the Ham Sale. More information follows in this bulletin.

The membership dues for 2021 has been kept at \$45. It will greatly assist our Council Account to have your membership paid before the end of January 2021. Please consider an early membership renewal.

We plan to have a Council meeting on Monday December 7th pending further restrictions by Huron Perth Public Health (masks & social distance to be maintained).

Stay safe.

Your Grand Knight,
Fred Dubrick

Sick and Shut-ins

Our prayers are requested for the following Knights who are either sick or shut in: Brothers Father Richard Tremblay, Harry Thomas, Eugene Hagen, Marco Eusebi, Frank Krauskopf, Steve Voros, Dennis Jimenea, John Dario, Father Keith Morrison, Dave Wilby, and Jim Shular.

Also for Debbie Mahood, Abigail Gregory-Mooney, Betty Dubrick, Louise Gould, Theresa Theijsmeijer, Jane Mullin, Nelda Dwyer, Kathy Henderson, and Leslie Psutka.

Chaplain's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

“You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” — Mt 22:37-39

The connection between these two commandments is unmistakable: We must love both God and our neighbor. They are in keeping with the “new commandment” that Jesus gave us at the Last Supper: “Love one another as I love you” (Jn 15:12). What does it mean to “love one another” as Christ has loved us? Jesus further told his disciples at the Last Supper, “No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends” (Jn 15:13).

May we lay down our lives daily in love of God and neighbour.

In 2017, Pope Francis instituted the World Day of the Poor so “that throughout the world Christian communities can become an ever greater sign of Christ’s charity for the least and those most in need.” – *Message of his Holiness, Pope Francis, First Word Day of the Poor, 19 November 2017*

Questions for reflection: What are some specific ways you can love God with your heart, your soul and your mind? How does laying down your life for another show you love them? What are some small, everyday ways you can lay down your life for God and others?

While Jesus actually died for us, we are not expected to physically die, though as we remember the men and women who died in the great wars, this has happened.

This month, I challenge you to make a small financial sacrifice (such as forgoing a daily cup of coffee, a subscription to a streaming service or eating out one night) and donate the money you save to the poor. Just a small step, but by denying ourselves of something and giving it away, we have shown our love of God and neighbour.

Your Chaplain,
Fr. David Butler

In Remembrance of Members

In this month of November, Christians remember relatives who have died. It has been a custom in our parishes on All Souls Day, to recall those who have died in the past year. Gathering together was not possible this year. Please remember in your prayers this month the souls of the following Knights who have passed since November 2, 2019.

Al Grant Dec 10, 2019

Frank Nyenhuis Feb 02, 2020

Tom Ryan Feb 23, 2020

Bob Hughes Apr 10, 2020

Nick Forte Aug 06, 2020

Giuseppi Eusebi Sept 27, 2020

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Bingo Schedule

November 18 Team 1

November 25 Team 2

December 2 Team 3

December 9 Team 4

December 16 Team 1

December 23 Team 2

December 30 Team 3

January 6 Team 4

State Charities Lottery

16 WINNERS

NAME	TICKET NUMBER	PRIZE(\$)	TICKET SELLER
Mark Bannon	0081789	10,000	Matt Willemsen
Tony Vigar	0079742	1,000	Tony Vigar
Debbie Elder	0082160	500	Mall
Abdullah Zaouba	0081707	200	Mall
Casey Boyer	0079647	150	Edgar Chaput
Daniel Lemos	0081695	150	Mall
Jerry Kelly	0079982	150	Ray Kelly
Bill Mullin	0081480	150	Bill Mullin
Ali Mohamed & Al Jouma Doghaim	0080599	100	Mall
Sandra Whitehead	0079720	100	Ken Gaffney
Kathy Ehrhart	0080892	100	Mall
Val Power-Tieu	0112262	100	Mall
Amy Linesman	0080919	100	Mall
Kara Alnoor	0081702	100	Mall
Mary Ellen Nelson	0081481	100	Andy Munro
Paul Lussier	0082084	100	Mall

Congratulations to the winners and thank you to our members who sold tickets and to everyone supported the lottery through the purchase of tickets.

What's next? The announcement below explains the changes that will be made for 2021.

Announcement on 2021 50/50 Raffle

Brother Knights

The purpose of this letter is to announce, on behalf of the State Board Officers, in conjunction with the State Charities Lottery Director, a change to the 2021 Charities Lottery. Specifically, effective 2021, the Ontario Knights of Columbus Charities Lottery will be a quarterly ONLINE 50/50 raffle.

Background

As you will appreciate, the COVID-19 restrictions have made our traditional paper-based lottery impractical. The profit margin between a prize board combined with an inability to sell tickets at commercial outlets is both too low and critically unpredictable. As a result, the State Board requested our State Charities Lottery Director to complete an in-depth review of our current practices with options for the future.

After a three-month review, our Charities Lottery Director and State Board Officers agreed that the best way forward to increase profit margins while providing some financial stability to the Charities Lottery program was through a quarterly online 50/50 raffle.

To that end, working with our State Deputy, Board members and the Executive Secretary, we have selected a Technology firm to administer the lottery and a Marketing company to promote the lottery online. Both have experience in on-line fundraising.

A Pilot project will be launched soon, followed by a province-wide on-line 50/50 raffle which will be explained at our next State Council convention in 2021. Tickets will be sold either online through a link on a website or using hand-held devices. Both forms of transactions are secure and protect your private information in compliance with all legal requirements for a license in Ontario.

SUMMARY

Online raffles are the way of the future and it is critical that the Knights of Columbus in Ontario establish raffle presence before the online raffle market is saturated with similar raffles from other not-for-profit and charitable organizations.

As we embark on this new format let us never forget that the Knights of Columbus in Ontario have contributed to the welfare of this province for almost 125 years. This ability has come from a sound leadership and a shared vision of fraternity among its membership combined with its ability to adapt to the changing environment. Adopting the quarterly online 50/50 raffle in 2021 is but one more stepping stone the Knights of Columbus in Ontario are adopting so that they may continue to help our communities in a COVID-19 environment and many years after.

Over the next few weeks more details will be communicated to both Pilot project participants and to all Councils during the State Council convention in 2021. In the meantime, if you have questions, please contact either Jaime Libaque by email Jaime.libaque@rogers.com or by phone (416) 456-7084 or the State Office.

Let's welcome the next phase of Charities Fund-raising!

Bruce Poulin
State Treasurer
50/50 Project Sponsor

Jaime Libaque
State Charities Lottery Director
50/50 Project Manager

Anniversaries

Donations

The executive discussed the charities we can support for the balance of this year. We will be able to complete most charities from our re-approved list thanks to help from the 4th Degree Bingo Funds.

CJCS Basket Fund	\$ 1,000
House of Blessing	\$ 800
L'Arche	\$ 800
Salvation Army	\$ 500
St Vincent de Paul	\$ 400
Arthritis Society	\$ 1,000
Stratford & District Right to Life	\$ 1,000
Simple Dreams	\$ 500

Coming Events

Friday November 20 (approximate) Bagging Phone Books begins

Sunday November 29, deadline for Ham orders

Monday December 7 **Tentative**, Council meeting 7:00 p.m.(masks and distance in effect)





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