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Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights and Ladies:

It's about a year since the COVID-19 virus started to affect the way we carried on with our lives. Even with the hope that vaccines will stop the spread, the future is still very uncertain for us. With the season of Lent coming up very quickly, we have plenty of things happening to make us focus our prayer life.

You will find messages from Fraternal Advisor Brother Dev and information from State in this bulletin.

There has not been any response to Brother Jim's invitation to share a story that affected your life in these pandemic times but it is an opportunity to stay connected in these stressful times.

Peace. Stay Safe.

Your Grand Knight,
Fred Dubrick

In Memoriam

Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul Stanley Paplinski, father-in-law of Brother Don Farwell and for their family.

**Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace
Amen.**

Chaplain's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

On February 17th we begin another Lenten season.

It seems like this whole past year has been one long season of Lent, filled with sacrifice, self-denial and stillness.

The Trappist monk Thomas Merton offers this perspective on Ash Wednesday that particularly resonates as we begin this second Lent of the COVID-19 pandemic. Merton writes in **Seasons of Celebration** that Lent is a time for casting out fear from our lives:

“Fear narrows the little entrance of our heart. It shrinks our capacity to love. It freezes up our power to give ourselves. If we were terrified of God as an inexorable judge, we would not confidently await His mercy, or approach Him trustfully in prayer. Our peace, our joy in Lent are a guarantee of grace.”

In the sign of ashes on this first day of Lent, Merton reflects, “the Church desires to take off our shoulders all other heavy burdens — the crushing load of worry and obsessive guilt, the dead weight of our own self-love. We should not take upon ourselves a ‘burden’ of penance and stagger into Lent as if we were Atlas, carrying the whole world on his shoulders.

“Perhaps there is small likelihood of our doing so. But in any case, penance is conceived by the Church less as a burden than as a liberation. It is only a burden to those who take it up unwillingly. Love makes it light and happy. And that is another reason why Ash Wednesday is filled with the lightness of love.”

So let's make this “second Lent” of the pandemic a time for making some sacrifice that leads us to that Christ-like joy realized only in doing good for others; for “denying” ourselves the comfort that fear provides that “protects” us from risking loving and caring for another; for making time for prayer and stillness that helps get beyond cynicism and anger to realize the love of God in our midst.

It may seem hard at first, but may these next few weeks be a time for embracing new hope for us who are feeling “Lent-ed” out at this point.

Peace

Your Chaplain,
Fr. David Butler

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, Louise Gould, Theresa Theijsmeijer, Jane Mullin, and Kathy Henderson.

**For all who are sick or suffering, may Christ's
healing presence bring them relief and consolation,

Let us pray to the Lord.**

Financial Secretary Report

Thank you to the Brothers who have already paid their 2021 dues. You can ignore the rest of this e-mail. To the brothers who have not paid their dues I would like to encourage you to pay them as soon as possible. Dues must be paid by February 15th of the current year.

Dues for regular members are \$45.00, Honorary \$15.00 and Honorary Life \$0.00. Also to those Brothers who have yet to submit their 2020 dues please forward payment for both years. Brothers please forward your dues soon to avoid annoying and incessant phone calls and e-mails from me. You can mail or drop your dues off at the hall or mail them direct to me at 109 Redford Cres. Stratford Ont N5A 1P3.

If that is not an option or you have any questions or are having difficulty paying please call me 519-273-5356 and we can work something out. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Yours in Christ\
Brother Mike Lobsinger

IF BINGO REOPENS ***Tentative Bingo Schedule***

February 17	Team 2	March 17	Team 2
February 24	Team 3	March 24	Team 3
March 3	Team 4	March 31	Team 4
March 10	Team 1	April 7	Team 1

Supreme Knight

Dear Brother Knights,

It is my great honor and joy to announce that Deputy Supreme Knight Patrick E. Kelly has been elected to succeed me and become the 14th Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus.

As you may know, the by-laws of the Supreme Council require that Supreme Officers retire at the end of the month of their 70th birthday. In anticipation of my reaching that milestone later this month, the Supreme Directors are meeting virtually today and have just elected Brother Kelly as my successor, effective March 1st.

We will be truly blessed to have Patrick Kelly assume leadership of the Order. His knowledge, experience and devotion to the faith make him exceedingly well-suited to continue our mission in these challenging times. I could not be more enthusiastic about transferring my duties to Brother Kelly.

In the coming weeks, the Supreme Knight-elect and I will be working closely to ensure a smooth transition and I look forward to continuing to serve the Order and to fully support my successor as Past Supreme Knight.

When I became Supreme Knight in the year 2000, I told my brother Knights that “the best is yet to come!” Reflecting on the past twenty years, and the achievements made possible by contributions of so many Knights of Columbus leaders like you, I know I was not mistaken. Today, with equal confidence, I believe we can all still say that for the Knights of Columbus — the best is yet to come!

Fraternally,

Carl A. Anderson
Supreme Knight

Fraternal Matters

Worthy Sirs:

To better serve our members, Councils and Districts, it gives me great pleasure to introduce my wife and life partner, Tammy Rahamut- Bhagwat, who will be joining my practice as an Administrative Assistant.

Tammy possesses a diploma in Communication Arts, and certificates in Adult Education and Human Resources Management. Throughout her career, she had the opportunity to interact with diverse populations within the non-profit sector and held positions in public relations, marketing, and human resources.

In her most recent position, she was the Assistant to the Chair in the School of Business at Conestoga College, Kitchener, Ontario.

Tammy is currently working with Josie Hebert, Office Manager of the Sangemino Agency and me, to familiarize herself with the practice and procedures of the Knights of Columbus and will officially start in her new position on Monday March 01, 2021.

I hope that you would welcome Tammy into the Knights of Columbus family. With her addition, to the team, we are hoping to enhance the service you have come to know and expect. Tammy can be reached at bhagwatofficemail@kofc.org and (519) 888-0869.

Vivat Jesus,

Fraternally,

Dev S. Bhagwat, FIC, CPCA
Field Agent

Ontario State Martyrs' Shrine Project.

As you are aware, the Knights of Columbus are great supporters of the Martyr's Shrine and most if not all of my Councils give an annual contribution of \$300.00 to the Shrine project.

Brothers,

To help raise awareness regarding the Ontario State Martyrs' Shrine Project, we are pleased to introduce our latest membership incentive, which runs from January 15th through to April 15th.

For those councils that recruit one or more new members during this campaign, the Grand Knight will be presented with a K of C Martyrs' Shrine commemorative pin.

ONTARIO STATE MARTYRS' SHRINE PIN



If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

God Bless and Stay Safe.

Fraternally,

Joe Mathews PGK, FDD, PFN, FM
State Membership Director
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Agency Office Relocation

Dear Officers and Members,

I would like to inform you that effective **February 1, 2021** we will no longer be operating out of 1316 Ouellette Ave Windsor ON N8X 1J8. This building has been sold and we have acquired a new location in Tecumseh. As of February 1st, all mail sent to the Ouellette location will be redirected to me for the next year. I would like to ask Members to refrain from dropping off any correspondence or payments to the Ouellette location at this time, to ensure that we

receive these items and can process them without delay. I would encourage members to send in payments as instructed on their invoice, to use the self-addressed envelope included and to mail these items to our PO Box in Orangeville.

I have asked the new owners to alert us if any items are accidentally left at the Ouellette location, but after February 1, 2021 I can not guarantee that these items will be properly received.

We take possession of our new location **March 1, 2021**. Our new address will be:

The Sangemino Agency

1041 Lesperance Rd.

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(519) 966-9977

Fraternally,

Sonny Sangemino CHS, CPCA, FIC
Canadian Agency Executive Consultant
General Agent

Coming Events

Wednesday February 17, Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday Mass will be live-streamed on February 17th at 9:15 a.m. You can join in via our YouTube Channel. The Mass will remain online throughout the day if you wish to watch later on.





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