

# Kilroy Council 1431

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## Knights News

February 2024

### Kilroy Council Officers

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Trustee 2 yr	Dave Crowley	519-878-2731
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Field Agent	Herm Vanderheyden	1-519-868-4376
District Deputy	Robert Morris	1-519-524-1832

## ***Grand Knight's Message***

Dear Brother Knights and Ladies:

Happy 2024!

I hope all of you had a joyful and enjoyable Christmas season.

As the days are again getting “longer”, so we look forward, with renewed energy, to a busy year filled with fraternal and charitable activities.

As most already know, Bingo has found a new home in Stratford. This means stable funding for many of our charitable activities. I would like to once again thank all the brother knights who have worked the Bingos over the years for their commitment to raising charitable funds for our council to disperse to our list of charities. Well Done!

Early next month is Shrove Tuesday. Spread the word about our meal, remember to come out, and if you are available, help. Brother Fern Pereira is coordinating the meal and is looking for volunteers. A couple of hours' help would make a difference.

Peace to All!

Vivat Jesus

Your Grand Knight

Gregg Bentley

## ***Chaplain's Message***

Dear Brother Knights,

At the end of the Christmas Season, we celebrate the Feast of the Lord's Baptism, where Jesus comes to John to be baptized. But it is not just an ordinary baptism. No, the heavens are torn open, and the Spirit descends with a divine voice affirming Jesus as his Son.

This feast is an invitation for us to refresh in our hearts what we have been called to through our baptism. Whether we were baptized as a child or an adult, baptism has made us new and sends us out to follow the example Jesus has shown us through his ministry. Although our baptism happens only once, the grace of the sacrament continues to unfold before us each day. Being part of the Church, our one baptism shapes each day of our lives. It is the foundation of our faith life and impacts everything we do. We may have come to take it for granted, but I invite you to reflect this month about your baptism and how it helps you in your service as a brother Knight.

Peace

Your Chaplain,

Fr. David Butler

## ***In Memoriam***

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Brother Michael Gomes and Mary Kelly, wife of deceased Brother Tom Kelly and mother of Brothers Dennis and Jack Kelly and for their families.

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

## ***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, Marco Eusebi, Dennis Jimenea, Father Keith Morrison, Harry Visser, Ken Plotnik, John Bettridge, Paul Smith, and Dave Crowley.

Also, for Catherine Culligan, Joan Mezenberg, Debbie Mahood, Louise Gould, Theresa Theijsmeijer, Marilyn Dewan, Nancy Muir (daughter of Harry Visser), Kim Hopkins (sister-in-law of Matt Willemsen), Joe Rybka (brother of Tony Rybka), and Lucas Stock.

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

## ***Bingo***

January 17	Team 4	February 14	Team 4
January 24	Team 1	February 21	Team 1
January 31	Team 2	February 28	Team 2
February 7	Team 3	March 6	Team 3

## ***Knights News***

- The next mass for members who have died is on Wednesday January 17, Immaculate Conception, 8:00 a.m.
- Thanks to John Price for organizing the Christmas ham sales and to the brothers who helped receiving the order - Phil Psutka, Fern Pereira, Dave Wilby and members that placed/took orders. He also looked after the distribution of hams, pepperettes and summer sausage to 60 'customers'. Council realized a profit of \$1045.
- Council will send 2 delegates to the State Convention, April 26-28.
- At the last council meeting, Brother Tony Vigar presented a proposed charitable donation list totalling \$21,500. This list is a guideline for council to use when dispersing monies from our charitable account.
- Thank you to GK Gregg Bentley for providing a Sloppy Joe meal prior to the January 2 council meeting.
- Bingos will continue in 2024 after an agreement was reached by Bingo Country to move to the Jenny Trout Centre in April. Bingos will continue at the Rotary Complex, Agriplex Bldg. 353 McCarthy Road until then. Our bingo schedule continues uninterrupted.
- NEW PRICES FOR DRINKS in our hall.

Beer & Spirits	\$4.00	Soft drink	\$1.50
Wine	\$5:00	Water	\$0.50
- Kilroy Council 1431 is celebrating its 115th year. Formation was June 27, 1909. Council is planning an event in the fall. More information to follow.

## ***Good of the Order***

50/50 draw	Tony Vigar	\$22.50
Umbrella	Phil Psutka	
K of C pin	Gregg Bentley	

## *Scott Woods Show*



Over 380 people enjoyed the Christmas Scott Woods show in the gym at St. Michael Catholic S.S on December 17. After expenses, council realized a profit of \$3360 thanks in a large measure to St. Michael C.S.S. providing the gym for no charge, including the set up and take down of seating and the stage by the custodial staff. Thank you for helping us raise more money for our community work. Thank you also to Jeff Iacobellis at Swanson's for helping with ticket sales at the store.

The Scott Woods organization looked after advertising and online ticket sales. Thank you to Brothers Fern Pereira and Gregg Bentley for helping with our set up on the Sunday and to Mike Lobsinger for his work as contact person for our council. We are considering a fall show later this year which would be a different program than the Christmas presentation.

### *Ontario State 50/50 Online Raffle*

To purchase 50/50 tickets:

- 1) Use the URL code: <https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/k-of-c-ont/215>

OR

- 2) Use the QR code



Ticket Sales began January 1, first grand draw is on Sunday, April 28  
Early Bird Draw February 14, \$500, \$250, \$250 cash prizes

Ticket prices: 10 for \$10      40 for \$20      125 for \$50      300 for \$100

## ***Coming Events***

Thursday January 18 Fun Night

Thursday January 18, community meal, St. Joseph's hall

Monday February 5, council meeting: prior meal 6:00 p.m., meeting 7:00 p.m.

Monday February 12, Knights Inc. 7:00 p.m., council exec. 7:45 p.m.

Tuesday February 13, Shrove Tuesday, pancake meal our hall

Wednesday February 14, Ash Wednesday, Lent begins

Thursday June 13, Knights BBQ

**Valentine's Day is coming!!**

