

Kilroy Council 1431

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Knights News

September 2024

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Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights and Ladies:

Although the calendar tells us we are in the middle of August and summer still has more than a month left in it, we know the truth, that with the cooler mornings summer's heat has passed and the wonderful days of early autumn approach, and with that a busy fraternal year.

This fraternal year will be one without Bingo fundraising and instead one where we will try different activities to raise charitable funds. In just over a month we will have participated in two major events, one being a Family of Parishes event (Faith Fest) and the other being St. Anthony's Mass, and the Past Grand Knight and our 115th Council Anniversary celebration and dinner. Thank you to everyone who will be helping with these events.

Planning continues for our September 22nd event and I look forward to "showcasing" our council and all who have contributed to it over the last 115 years. For this event we are fortunate to have Bruce Poulin, our Ontario State Deputy, as our guest. I met the State Deputy at the 2024 State Convention and at our District 72 Meeting in Goderich on July 28th. He is personable, well spoken and a good ambassador for the Knights. He is keen to grow the Knights, to continue our good works and expand them. Of special interest to our State Deputy is the support of veterans, and particularly our homeless veterans.

I encourage members to come out to St Anthony's Mass, the Past Grand Knights Dinner and our 115th Anniversary Event on September 22nd. Come to one or both events, attend mass and socialize after with fellow parishioners and the Knights, and honour our worthy Past Grand Knights, and celebrate 115 years of the Knights in our family of parishes.

Peace to All.
Vivat Jesus

Your Grand Knight,
Gregg Bentley

In Memoriam

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Janet Sylvain, wife of Brother Tom Sylvain, Catherine Culligan, wife of Brother Howard Culligan, Fran Shantz, mother of Brother Pat Shantz and mother-in-law of Brother Morgan Patterson and Mike Gornyiczki, brother of deceased Brother Les Gornyiczki and for the 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.

Chaplain's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

My thanks go out to council members who continue to give their time, energy and talents to support our community and our parish. You are not taken for granted. As pastor, I have many things to deal with on a daily basis. Knowing that I have the Knights behind me when I need help is a great source of comfort. Thank you.

Your support for the Faith Fest this weekend is so important. My thanks go to you and also thanks from our Bishop.

In this Sunday's reading, we are encouraged to "Watch carefully how you live, ...making the most of the opportunity,... and try to understand what is the will of the Lord" As you live out your daily lives, at whatever stage of life you find yourself, be assured of my support for you. Keep up the good work as you live up to the four key principles as pillars of the order, Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

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, Marco Eusebi, Dennis Jimenea, Father Keith Morrison, Harry Visser, Ken Plotnik, John Bettridge, Paul Smith, Dave Crowley, the Gulikers family, Joe Lorentz and Dave Franks.

Also, for Joan Mezenberg, Debbie Mahood, Louise Gould, Theresa Theijsmeijer, Marilyn Dewan, Nancy Muir (daughter of Harry Visser), Joe Rybka (brother of Tony Rybka), Lucas Stock and Dorothy Dario.

**For all who are sick or suffering, may Christ's
healing presence bring them relief and consolation,
Let us pray to the Lord. Amen.**

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- On June 20, we prepared and served the Community Meal at St, Joseph's Church. Thank you to Jim Gaylor and fellow Knights Tony Rybka, Paul Smith, Fern Pereira, Larry McCabe, Lorne Twamley and Ron Marcy. Over 60 meals were served.
- There will be no Fun Nights in June, July or August
- It's not everyday we have a member getting married. Congratulations to DGK Brother Gary Crowley and Melissa March who were married by Fr. Don at Holy Name of Mary Church on July 27.



- Our annual BBQ again was a success. Thanks to Gary Crowley for chairing the event and to fellow Knights who helped. Profit was about \$2,500.
- The next euchre night will be on Friday October 4. Tony Vigar's team will prepare the roast beef meal and John Price will be in charge of the euchre.
- Once again, the Faith Alive camp was held at St. Joseph's. The 4th degree donated \$500 to help with costs and the Knights below BBQ'd hamburgers and hot dogs.



A Sacho ?????



Chances are you have not heard of a sacho. But PGK Fern Pereira likely is the only person in Stratford who has one. It was brought in, under cover, from Portugal. Fern displays the common use of this instrument as he helps prepare the flower beds at St. Joseph's.

115 Year Celebration

Sunday September 22 will be a special occasion for Kilroy council. After celebrating mass at historic St. Anthony's church at 2:00 p.m. in the afternoon, we will have a dinner celebrating the 115 year anniversary of this council and honour past Grand Knight Fern Pereira.

Catered Meal

Ticket price is \$30

WELCOME KILROY COUNCIL 1431!

50/50 RAFFLE

Early Bird Draw - October 14 \$500, \$250, \$250

Grand Draw - December 31

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

Purchase tickets at: <https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/k-of-c-ont/215>

Free

Yes, FREE on a first come first for FREE basis. You must arrange to carry away.



7 cu.ft. Danby freezer



Mason-Risch piano

District Deputy Meeting

The semi-annual District Deputy meeting was held on July 28 in Goderich. Items that may interest members:

- Our council has a new member quota of 9 for this year.
- 11,000 coats were given out in Coats For Kids this year (highest number in Canada).
- Our council is required to have two Fraternal Benefit Events each year, one in the fall and the other in the spring.
- The Knights is one of only two insurance companies that offer long term care insurance. A member must take the insurance before age 75.
- 2025 is a big year to celebrate. It is the 125th anniversary of Ontario Knights of Columbus, 125th anniversary of the 4th Degree, and the 100th anniversary of Squires.
- 50.4% of members in Ontario are under the age of 65.
- Ontario State has created a home for homeless veterans in Ottawa. Ontario State is raising funds for a Veterans Cenotaph at its Home for Homeless Veterans. Plans are in the works for two additional homes for homeless veterans, the next one in Edmonton, followed by one in Toronto.

KCNPGA Tournament

On Saturday July 20, Kilroy Council's non-professional golfers, along with guests, played off at the Stratford Municipal Golf course for bragging rights and have their names engraved on the coveted Kilroy Cup. Five foursomes played off with Tony, Kevin and Derek Vigar and Justin Tomasulo coming out on top. Players gathered afterwards at the Knight's hall for a steak BBQ and refreshments.



SCOTT WOODS *YEE HAW* PERFORMANCE

Sunday November 17 2:00 p.m. St. Michael C.S.S.

Tickets \$45 per person

Tickets available on-line at scottwoods.ca or call 1-855 726 8896
or at Swanson Jewellers or from Mike Lobsinger

Coming Events

Saturday August 17, Catholic Faith Fest, Bishop's Picnic, Holy Name of Mary 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday September 3, Council meeting, meal 6:00 p.m., meeting 7:00 p.m.

Monday September 9, Knights Inc 7:00 p.m., Council Exec. 7:45 p.m.

Thursday September 19, Fun Night 7:00 p.m.

Sunday September 22, mass St. Anthony's, 115 year celebration and PGK dinner