

Happy birthday to our Bro. Knights celebrating their birthdays in March:

Tim Somerville
Ed Campbell
Yves Landry

Randy Cormier
Giuseppe Lindia
Christopher Wilson
Gus Bergman

Darryl Ballegeer
Eric Coyne
John Critchley

1st Degree Exemplification

On Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2014, at 7:30 pm, before our regular monthly meeting, we conducted another **First Degree exemplification** for our district. We had two candidates taking their 1st Degree for our council, namely, Bros. **Bradford Brown**, and **Attilio Lindia**. As a first for our Council, the fathers of both new brothers, Bros. **Joe Wyse** and **Giuseppe Lindia** were present and



proud to sponsor their sons. We wish to thank the members of the First Degree Team for putting on the Degree with such great dignity and inspiration, and our Worthy Field Agent, **Marcel Casavant**, for his presence and support. A very special 'thank you' goes out Bro. **Bob Powell** of St.Edward Council, Duncan, for coming all the way up to serve as our Grand Knight. Thank you Brothers for your great support! We are now happy to welcome our new Brothers to our ranks and wish them many years of happy and fruitful service to and for their council. Welcome Bros. Bradford and Attilio!

Pancake Breakfast at North Oyster School

On Feb. 28, 2014 we were at **North Oyster School** to serve breakfast for the whole school. Seven Bro. Knights worked at the event: **Dan DePape**, **Jim Cassino**, **Brian King**, **Claude Francoeur**, **Angelo Petraroia**, **Rick Jones** and **Hans Fadum**. The hot, delicious pancakes and sausages were thoroughly enjoyed by all students, parents, and teachers as was evident by the many happy and smiling faces, as well as the numerous repeat servings. Well done Brothers and our sincere thanks.

On the Lighter Side

Some incredible newspaper headlines. Marijuana issue sent to a joint committee — Meeting on open meetings is closed — Rally against apathy draws small crowd — Homicide victims rarely talk to police — Starvation can lead to health hazards — Miracle cure kills fifth patient — City unsure why the sewer smells — Man kills self before shooting wife and daughter.

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Executive meetings:

Last Thursday of the month (Aug.-May) in St.Peter's Church, Resource Room, at 7:30 pm

Regular meetings:

1st Wednesday of the month (Sept.-June) in St.Peter's Parish hall, at 7:30 pm

Pancake breakfast:

Every 3rd Sunday (Sept.-April) and on Mothers & Fathers Day (May-June) after both Masses in St.Peter's Parish hall

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Remember, God promises a safe landing, not a calm passage!



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From the desk of our Chaplain

This year, Lent begins in March. Once again we will try to follow our Lord on the path of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Let's take a closer look at these pillars of our spiritual life. It might be confusing that prayer, fasting and almsgiving are called "pillars of our spiritual life." But when we observe Jesus' life, we see that He was practicing them and inviting his followers to do the same.

Prayer deepens my relationship with God and opens my heart to his plan for my life. Fasting is not about saying "no" to all the things that I like and that make me happy. It is about saying "no" to things that distort my relationship with God and that might take control over me. And we often connect almsgiving with money. Yes, this is one of its aspects, but we can't restrict almsgiving only to giving money to those in need. It is also about our time, gifts and talents that we can use to serve others. The biggest almsgiving that ever happened was when Jesus offered his life for us. And by his prayers and fasting in the desert, he was preparing himself for giving that gift. All the things I have mentioned, if offered without love, won't lead us to God or to others but away from them. Let's remember that as we prepare ourselves for Easter, we must imitate Christ's generosity.

God bless.

Fr. Piotr Lapinski, SDS

Baby Shower

We hosted our **6th Annual Baby Shower** during January 2014. The program aims to collect donations of various baby supplies and clothes which are then offered to local Birthright or Pregnancy Crisis centres for distribution. Bro. **Claude Francoeur's** daughter, **Lynn**, loaned us a baby crib which was set up in St. Peter's Church foyer and used to hold the donations. Parishioners responded with great generosity! A total of 275 new and gently used items were donated, at a total value of approximately **\$1,530**. In addition, monetary donations of \$145 were also received. We extend our very sincere thanks to all parishioners who contributed so generously; to **Lynn Norton** for the baby crib; and, espe-

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REMINDER

1. All 4th Degree members are invited to the 38th Annual International Weekend in Victoria, on March 22, 2014. Contact F.N. **Al Schickerowsky** for details (250-753-7813 ; schickerowsky@shaw.ca).
2. Remember in your prayers all those who are sick: Bros. **Leo Poirier**, **Ed Stumborg**, **Gerard LeChasseur**; **Vince Cooke**; **Ted Kelly**; **Parker Okano**; **Warren Randle**; **James Wolfgang**; **Mark Gauthier**; and **Art Francoeur** (Port Alberni), as well as **Bernadette**, wife of Bro. **David Kenny**; **Penny**, wife of Bro. **Brian Ferris**; and **Maria**, wife of Bro. **Alex Kotai**. Also, keep in your prayers all those who have passed away, especially Bros. **Ted Jeffs** and **Alfred Drexler**.



In Memoriam

It is with great sadness that we acknowledge the passing of our Brother Knight, **John Edward (Ted) Jeffs**. On Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2014, at the age of 88, our Brother passed away in Nanaimo, BC. Bro. Ted joined our Order in 1952 and became a Charter Member of our Council in 1954. Since that time, that is, for the last **60 years**, he has been a proud and faithful member of our Council. His infectious smile, good humour and quick wit was an unmistakable trademark of his and endeared him to everyone he met. It is with heavy hearts that we now take leave from our Brother. We pray for him and offer our deepest sympathy to his wife, **Ella**, and to the entire **Jeffs** family.

May he Rest in Peace.

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cially to Bros. **Zeno Jeon** and **Rick Jones** for organizing and managing the project so well. All items as well as the money, were presented to the **Nanaimo Crossroads Crisis Pregnancy Centre**, which was extremely grateful for our contribution and continued support.



In the picture, Bro. Zeno Jeon and wife Sophie show off some of the baby clothes.

News bytes.....

- Please take note that for the duration of Lent, the **Friday evening devotions** at St. Peter's will start with **Adoration** moving into the Church at 5:00, **Reconciliation** at 5:10, followed by **Benediction & Divine Mercy Chaplet** at 6:10, the **Way of the Cross** at 6:25, and finally **Mass** at 7:00. We invite all to attend and join us in these devotions.