

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

Aurele LaRochele      Daniel Ober      Helmut Koch  
Rev. Jim Sheppard      Rev. Krystian Golisz      Ed Stumborg  
                                         Angelo Petrarola

**Pancake Breakfast at Georgia Avenue School**

As planned, a pancake breakfast was held at another one of our needy schools. On January 11, 2017 we were at **Georgia Avenue School** to serve a breakfast for the whole school. Georgia Ave. School is one of three schools at which we provide a nutritious breakfast up to twice a year. Seven Bro. Knights worked at the event: **Dan DePape, Jim**



**Cassino, Brian King, Claude Francoeur, Angelo Petrarola, Greg Large and Hans Fadum.**

They arrived at 6:00 a.m. on a cold, wintery morning to set up and get everything ready. By 8:00 a.m. the first students, par-

ents, teachers, and whole families arrived. The hot, delicious pancakes and sausages were thoroughly enjoyed by all as was evident by the many happy and smiling faces, the numerous repeat servings, as well as the huge, long line-up as seen in the picture. We were very pleased to have been able to provide well over 400 servings. Well done!

**On the Lighter Side ....**

A young man named Donald bought a horse from a farmer for \$250. The farmer agreed to deliver the horse the next day. The next day, the farmer drove up to Donald's house and said, "Sorry son, but I have some bad news, the horse died." Donald replied, "Well, then just give me my money back." The farmer said, "Can't do that. I went and spent it already." Donald said, "Ok, then, just bring me the dead horse." The farmer asked, "What ya gonna do with him?" Donald said, "I'm going to raffle him off." The farmer said, "You can't raffle off a dead horse!" Donald said, "Sure I can, Watch me. I just won't tell anybody he's dead." A month Later, the farmer met up with Donald and asked, "What happened with that dead horse?" Donald said, "I raffled him off. I sold 500 tickets at five dollars a piece and made a profit of \$2495." The farmer said, "Didn't anyone complain?" Donald said, "Just the guy who won. So I gave him his five dollars back." Donald now lives in a white house!!!



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**Executive meetings:**

Last Thursday of the month (Aug.-June) 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:**

4th Sunday in Jan., Mother's & Father's Day (May-June) and every 3rd Sunday (Sept.-Dec.; Feb-Apr.) after both Masses in St.Peter's Parish hall

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***Don't let your worries get the best of you;  
Remember, Moses started out as a basket case!***

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## Our Lady of Lourdes and the World Day of the Sick

The first of the eighteen apparitions of the **Blessed Virgin Mary** to the humble **Bernadette Soubirous** took place at Lourdes on February 11, 1858. On March 25<sup>th</sup>, when Bernadette asked the *beautiful Lady* her name, she replied: **"I am the Immaculate Conception."** The Church, for long centuries, had believed in her Immaculate Conception, her exemption from every trace of the original sin which, through Adam, our first and common father, separated man from his God. It was never proclaimed a dogma, however, until 1854. Our Lady, by her apparitions at Lourdes in 1858, seems to convey her appreciation for the formal proclamation of her great privilege, by **Pius IX**, in 1854. Through the Lourdes apparitions, the devotion of persons in all parts of the world to the Immaculate Mother of God has been wonderfully spread, and countless, magnificent miracles of healing have been wrought everywhere through her intercession.

Hence, it is fitting that in 1992 **Saint Pope John Paul II**, instituted the **World Day of the Sick** to be celebrated each year on **February 11**. Its objectives are: to help sensitize Catholics about the quality of care being provided for the sick; to encourage Christian communities to be involved in pastoral health care; to recall the need to provide spiritual and moral formation for those working with the sick; to encourage the involvement of volunteers; to promote reflection on the meaning of suffering; and to invite all those involved in medical care to appreciate the importance of their healing mission.

For us, on a practical level, therefore, it is fitting that we take a moment, to pray to our Lady of Lourdes and ask her to intercede for us, for all our sick family members, friends, and relatives. It is in this spirit that we will celebrate a special **Mass for the Sick**, including the **Sacrament of the Sick**, on Saturday, **Feb. 11, 2017** at 11:00 am in St. Peter's Church, followed by soup and coffee in the Church hall courtesy of the **CWL**. Everyone is cordially invited to join in prayer and fellowship.

*Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.*

## REMINDER

1. Please pray for all who are sick: Bros. **Rene Marchand, Peter Gibb, Dwain Ingram, Ben Denommé, Curly Greene, Pat O'Keefe, George Ives, Ted Kelly, James Wolfgang, Bob Poulin** and wife **Audry**; **Lois**, wife of Bro. **Art Powell**; and **Avil**, brother-in-law of Bro. **Carlos Soares**. Also, keep in your prayers all who have passed away, especially Bro. **Eduardo Espedido**; **Peggy**, wife of Bro. **Curly Greene**; **Mila**, wife of Bro. **Helmut Koch**; and **Mary Lai Mui Lau**, the mother of our Worthy State Secretary, Bro. **Ming Lau**.

3. Membership fees for 2017 are now overdue and **payable no later than Feb. 20, 2017**. If you are a "Regular" or "Honorary" member and have not yet renewed your membership, a **2nd and final Notice** will be sent out to you shortly. Please make your payment at the February meeting or by mail to F.S. Bro. **Hans Fadum** at **P.O. Box 426, Nanaimo, B.C. V9R 5L3** with cheques payable to **KofC Council 3842**.

## Charity Appeal Drive

On Friday, Dec. 23, 2016 we completed our Charity Appeal Drive for 2016/17! Because we were very fortunate to have had the use of **Country Club Mall** and three weeks in **Port Place**, we were able to sell our total allotment of **600 books—minus one ticket!** What an incredible effort by, and terrific success for our council! For almost three months, twenty seven members of our Council spent hours selling tickets from early in the morning until late at night, seven days a week! In fact, a total of over **1000 man-hours** were spent selling tickets and organizing the whole project. Our most hearty 'thank you' to the following Brothers who stepped forward and gave so generously of their time: **Eduardo Dagsaan, Dan DePape, Claude Francoeur, Hans Fadum, Joe Walker, Chris Barber, Louis Curti, Brian Heffernan, Joe Wyse, George Martin, Tony Bucar, Louis De Pagie, Angelo Petraroia, Philip Fratpietro, Rick Jones, James Wolfgang, Bob Nielsen, Greg Large, Chris Jeffs, Barry Webb, Ed Campbell, Rich Pistone, Guy LePage, Mel Azcarraga, Art Powell, Andrew DeGroot, and David Kenny**. Our top sellers this year were Bros. **Bob Nielsen** with 48.2 books; **Dan DePape** with 43.0 books, and **George Martin** with 42.9 books. Our very special 'thank you' goes out to Bro. **Tony Bucar** who, assisted by Bro. **Dan DePape**, so very efficiently organized and managed the whole project; got us out to sell when discouragement set in; and, put in more hours than any one else! Thank you, Bro. Tony! In addition, we gratefully acknowledge and thank the management of **Country Club** and **Port Place** for providing us with space in their malls. Furthermore, we extend our very sincere appreciation to **Laird Wheaton** for making their vehicle available to us and to Bro. **Ross Barnard** for acting as our liaison at Laird Wheaton. Without their generous support we could never have accomplished what we did! Thank you one and all!

**Great news!** We have just learned that the **7th Early Bird prize** of \$1000 (drawn on Saturday, Jan. 21) went to a lucky person here in Nanaimo, **Alex McConnell**, and that the ticket was sold by Bro. **Rick Jones** of our Council!!

## News bytes.....

- On Sunday, March 19, 2017, a **Formation (2nd) Degree** is planned in Trinity Centre at 2:00 p.m. and hosted by Holy Trinity Council #9990. In addition, a **Knighthood (3rd) Degree** is scheduled in Nanaimo for May 7; its precise location is still to be determined. If you are a 1st or 2nd degree member, please consider taking the next higher degree. Contact our G.K. **Greg Large** ( intrepid.1@shaw.ca ; 250-753-6091 ) for full details.
- On Saturday, February 11th, the Feast Day of **Our Lady of Lourdes** we will be celebrating **Mass for the Sick** in St.Peter's Church at 11 am. followed by the **Anointing of the Sick** with holy oils. The ladies of the **CWL** will be serving a light lunch of soup and buns in the parish hall following the celebration. We encourage all to attend.