

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

Aurele LaRochelle Daniel Ober Helmut Koch  
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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 Thursday, **Feb. 11, 2016** 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.***

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

*Some of Murphy's other laws!!!!*

- Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
- A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well.
- The 50-50-90 rule: Anytime you have a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.
- If the shoe fits, get another one just like it.
- A day without sunshine is like, well, night.
- Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
- The things that come to those that wait, may be the things left by those who got there first.
- The flashlight is a case for holding dead batteries.
- The shin bone is a device for finding furniture in the dark.
- When you go into court, you are putting yourself in the hands of twelve people who weren't smart enough to get out of jury duty.
- Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach a man to fish and he will sit in a boat all day drinking beer.



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**Mid Knight News**

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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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*A smile is a curve that sets everything straight.*

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## From the desk of our Chaplain

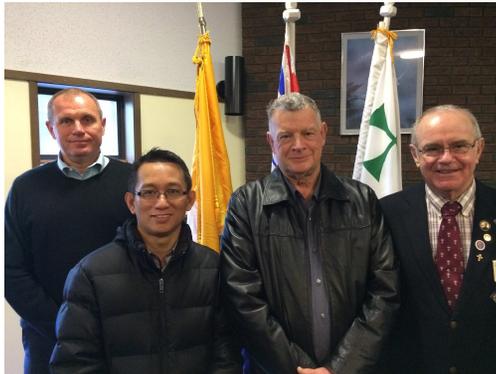
My Brother Knights, greetings in the Lord!

By now everyone knows that since Dec. 8, 2015 until the feast of Jesus Christ the King of the Universe we are celebrating in the Church an extraordinary jubilee year. In the Church we celebrate a jubilee year every 25 years. This time however, Pope Francis gave us something more; he gave us the Jubilee Year of Mercy. In doing so, we have the opportunity to contemplate more earnestly the greatest attribute of God - his divine mercy. In his opening letter Pope Francis focuses on the face of Jesus 'Misericordiae Vultus'. As Jesus said to Thomas: "To see Me is to see the Father." We, the people of God, are in constant need to contemplate the face of God which is the face of mercy. In doing so, we will discover more and more the limitless goodness of the Lord. We will discover more and more his mercy, his love, his forgiveness. We ourselves will become more merciful, loving and forgiving. Come, see and taste the goodness of the Lord, so we may say with our whole faith, confidence, trust and love: JESUS I TRUST IN YOU! I TRUST IN YOUR MERCY. Pray and contemplate the merciful face of Jesus so we may fulfill the challenge Jesus gave us: "Be merciful as your Heavenly Father is merciful." May God bless us all in this special Jubilee Year of Mercy.

Your brother Knight,  
Fr. Krystian, SDS

## Congratulations!

On Saturday, Jan. 30, Bros. **Maciej Krok, Melquiades Arcarraga** and **Barry Webb** (l. to r. with G.K. Brian King) received the honours of the **2nd Degree** in an Exemplification held at Trinity Centre, and hosted by Holy Trinity Council #9990. Our congratulations go out to them, and we extend our very best wishes for a long and fruitful service to our Order and Council.



## REMINDER

1. Remember in your prayers all those who are sick: Bros. **Rene Marchand, Peter Gibb, Mark Gauthier, Don Kingsley, Dwain Ingram,** and **Bob Poulin** and wife **Audry**. Also, pray for all those who have passed away, especially our Brother Knight, **Christopher Wilson**.

2. Membership fees for 2016 are now overdue and **payable no later than Feb. 29, 2016**. If you are a "Regular" or "Honorary" member and have not yet renewed your membership, a **2nd Notice** has been sent out to you. 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**.

## Greetings from our Worthy District Deputy

Greetings Brothers:

I want to acknowledge and congratulate our newest Second Degree brothers who were exemplified in the Formation Degree last Saturday: Brother **Maciej Krok**, Brother **Mel Azzrraga**, and Brother **Barry Webb**. There will be an opportunity for these brothers and others to advance to full knighthood, by attending the Knighthood Degree on May 29. Pope Francis recently called for a new alliance between the Church and the family. Our honoured Order is now redoubling its efforts in this regard with its new Order-wide initiative, entitled, "Building the Domestic Church While Strengthening Our Parish." This initiative is meant to strengthen our parishes and foster greater unity and collaboration among Catholic families within the parish. In summary, we are called to increase our focus and efforts in parish support including youth and family activities and youth ministries. There are several articles in the December and January issues of the Columbian that will aid you and your council understand and meet this urgent call from Pope Francis.

Vivat Jesus

**Jim Loftus, DD**

## 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

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## Charity Appeal winners 2015/16!

Congratulations to all this year's winners, esp. our **NANAIMO** winner!

1st	\$50,000 cash	Mary Saxton	
2nd	2016 Chevy Silverado 1500	Lorenzo Tan	North Vancouver
3rd	2016 Ford C-Max SE Hybrid	Jason Normand	Nanaimo
4th	2016 Chrysler Jeep Cherokee	Michael Dean	Summerland

## News bytes.....

- Holy Trinity Council #9990, Nanaimo, will be hosting a **3rd Degree Exemplification** on Sunday May 29, 2016. We urge all 2nd Degree members to consider taking their final step to knighthood. For more details, please contact our G.K. **Brian King** ( [brianking@shaw.ca](mailto:brianking@shaw.ca) : 250-591-4223).