

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

William O'Keefe	Timothy Somerville	Art Powell
Randy Cormier	John Cummins	Ed Campbell
Giuseppe Lindia	Eric Coyne	Yves Landry
John Critchley	Gordon Thomas	Gus Bergman
	Joseph Kong	

### Reflections on Lent

In some ways Lent is the most famous of all the Church's seasons. Perhaps that is because of its many traditions, or because it is so long. The six weeks of Lent take us from the end of winter to the beginning of spring. During Lent we put away the joyful "Alleluia." We will not sing it again until Easter, when we rejoice in the Resurrection of Jesus. We also clear away unneeded decorations and give our homes a good spring cleaning.

Lent is not an unhappy time, but it is a serious time. It is an opportunity to think about how much the Gospel means to us and how well we are living up to God's law of love. We watch and pray with Christ. We choose actions that help us become more prayerful, help us live more simply, and teach us to share what we have with those who are in need. We fast, reminding us of the goodness of God, the strength it takes to control our desires, and our unity with the hungry people of the world. Lent is a time to turn back to those we have hurt or offended, and to apologize, ask pardon, and restore peace between us. We turn our thoughts inward and try to recognize the ways we have refused to obey God's laws or failed to live up to God's call that we lead a holy life. It is a time for us to prepare for the greatest feast of all, the Resurrection of Jesus.

### On the Lighter Side ....

One winter morning Murphy and his wife Fiona were listening to the radio when they heard the announcer say, "We are going to have 8 to 10 inches of snow today.. You must park your car on the even-numbered side of the street, so the snowplows can get through." So Murphy went out and moved the car. The next week they heard the message again, but were instructed to park the car on the odd-numbered side of the street. Again, Murphy moved the car. The next week they heard the announcer say again, "We are expecting 12 to 14 inches of snow today. You must park....." Then the electric power went out! Murphy was very upset, and with a worried look on his face he said, "Honey, I don't know what to do. Which side of the street do I need to park on so the snowplows can get through?" With love and understanding in her voice, Fiona replied: "Why don't you just leave the car in the garage this time?"



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#### Executive meetings:

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

#### Regular meetings: (temporarily)

1st Thursday of the month in St.Peter's Church (choir area) 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

#### Officers for 2018/2019

Grand Knight	Gregory Large	250-753-6091
Past Grand Knight	Brian King	250-591-4223
Chaplain		
Deputy Grand Knight	Dan Bossert	250-754-5219
Chancellor	Barry Webb	250-585-4812
Recorder	Bob Nielsen	250-754-6298
Financial Secretary	Hans Fadum	250-754-1694
Treasurer	Guy Doiron	250-753-0307
Lecturer	Claude Francoeur	250-754-2425
Advocate	Dan DePape	250-740-2521
Warden	Louis Curti	250-758-5255
Inside Guard	Mike Loos	250-716-5893
Outside Guard	Chris Jeffs	250-619-0848
Trustee 1 Year	Jim Cassino	250-754-8472
Trustee 2 Years	Al Schickerowsky	250-753-7813
Trustee 3 Years	Bill Ducey	250-755-1181

*All of us could take a lesson from the weather. It pays no attention to criticism.*

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## Baby Shower

We hosted our **11th Annual Baby Shower** during January 2019. 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. A baby crib was set up in St. Peter's Church foyer and used



to collect the donations. Parishioners responded with great generosity! In the picture Bros. **Brian King** and **Rick Jones** display some of the donations received. All items were presented to the **Nanaimo Crossroads Crisis Pregnancy Centre**, who sorted and stored them. The

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## REMINDER

1. Membership fees for 2019 are now overdue and **payable no later than Mar. 14, 2019**. 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 March 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**.
2. Please pray for all who are sick especially: Bros. **Bob Nielsen, Joe Wyse, Peter Gibb, Ben Denommé, George Ives, Ted Kelly** and wife **Olga, Oscar Clemotte, Louis De Pagie, James Wolfgang, Diana**, wife of Bro. **Joe Walker**, and **Karen**, wife of Bro. **Jose De Borba**. Also, keep in your prayers all who have passed away, especially Bro. **Mike James**, former member of our Council, and his brother **Ted James.**, both brothers of our member, Bro. **Richard James**; Bros. **Patrick Hanney, and Dwain Ingram**.

## Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities

In January of this year, the **Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities** was submitted to the Supreme, State and District deputies. This report consists of all the activities our Council was involved in, the number of hours volunteered throughout the past year, total council activity expenses, and total charitable (church, community/need, youth) disbursements. Here is a brief summary of those disbursements: Church, **\$1,866** community/need, **\$6,300**; youth, **\$6,488**; Life issues, **\$700** for a total of **\$15,354**. In addition, we also spent a total of **\$3,694** on council activities. The hours dedicated to volunteer charitable and fraternal service were as follows: Church, **2,572** hours; community, **874** hours; youth, **71** hours, life issues, **76** hours, and an estimated **861** hours of other volunteer services, for a total of **4,464** hours.

Congratulations and a sincere thank you to all the Brothers who participated and volunteered throughout the past year in any and all of our activities. You are an example of what the Knights are all about; living proof that by volunteering, we can make a difference, both in the parish and the larger community. Our thanks also goes out to Bros. **Hans Fadum**, and **Claude Francoeur** for supplying all the financial information, and to our D.G.K. Bro. **Dan Bossert** for collecting the volunteer statistics—thank you!

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Centre provided an estimate of \$1,000.00 for the value of the items donated and in addition there were cash donations over and above this amount. We extend our very sincere thanks to all parishioners who contributed so generously and to Bro. **Brian King** for organizing and managing the project so well. The Pregnancy Centre, on its part, was extremely grateful for our contribution and continued support.



## Nanaimo Early Bird Charity Appeal winner 2018/19

In picture on left, our Worthy G.K. **Greg Large** presents to **Sarah Hunter** of Nanaimo a cheque of \$1000 that she won in the Early Bird Draw through a ticket sold to her by Bro. **Barry Webb** of our Council!

## News bytes.....

- Due to the unavailability of the church hall, until further notice, our monthly meetings are rescheduled to the first **Thursdays of the month**, at 7:30 pm., upstairs in the choir section of the Church. Please enter by the Fitzwilliam St. side door.