

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

Jimmy Sirois	Don Kingsley	Bill Ducey
Rene Marchand	John Little	Brian Heffernan
Daniel Bossert	Brian Ferris	Pat Hanney
Will Brown	Emile Hoffort	Bob Nielsen
Tony Ogbechie		Christopher Jeffs

Membership Drive

In keeping with Supreme and State membership objectives, we are planning a **membership blitz later in the fall or in the new year**. At this time, we have not yet finalized any specific plans, but hope to have an Open House for potential new members and their wives. Our last blitz a year ago was very successful, and we hope to be able to repeat that success this year. In the meantime, we wish to encourage all our members to make an effort to approach potential new members to join our Order. Form 100's, the application forms for new members, will be available from your **G.K., F.S.,** and Bro. **Brian King** at the meeting on Nov. 2. Please, use these and try to sign-up at least one new member. Thank you.

Spiritual Direction

Members of your council might appreciate information regarding spiritual direction so I have researched a few good sites. This site <http://www.catholicspiritualdirection.org/direction.html> is a very good introduction to explain what spiritual direction is all about and why it is important. An excellent site, <http://www.ignatianspirituality.com/ignatian-prayer/the-spiritual-exercises> is based on the spirituality of St. Ignatius of Loyola and will greatly help people deepen their relationship with God. This last site, <http://www.discerninghearts.com/catholic-podcasts/catholic-spiritual-formation-catholic-spiritual-direction/>, called Discerning Hearts, comes recommended by three bishops. Please pass this information on to your members.

Vivat Jesus, **Richard Whalen**, State Church Director

On the Lighter Side

The local bar was so sure that its bartender was the strongest man around that it offered a standing \$1000 bet. The bartender would squeeze a lemon until all the juice ran into a glass, and hand the lemon to a patron. Anyone who could squeeze one more drop of juice out would win the money. Many people had tried over time, but nobody could do it. One day, this scrawny little fellow came in wearing thick glasses and a polyester suit, and said, "I'd like to try the bet." After the laughter had died down, the bartender said, "OK"; grabbed the lemon and squeezed away. Then he handed the wrinkled remains to the little fellow. But the crowd's laughter turned to total silence ... as the man clenched his little fist around the lemon ... and six drops fell into the glass. As the crowd cheered, the bartender paid the \$1000 and asked: "What do you do for a living? Are you a weight-lifter, or what?" The little fellow quietly replied: "I work for Revenue Canada".



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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

Officers for 2016/2017

Grand Knight	Gregory Large	250-753-6091
Past Grand Knight	Brian King	250-591-4223
Chaplain	Fr. Krystian Golisz, SDS	250-753-3570
Deputy Grand Knight	Joe Walker	250-585-4007
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	Jerry Brown	250-323-3321
Inside Guard	Mike Loos	250-716-5893
Outside Guard	Chris Jeffs	250-619-0848
Trustee 1 Year	Louis Curti	250-758-5255
Trustee 2 Years	Tony Bucar	250-754-3146
Trustee 3 Years	David Rochefort	250-619-1479

Lest we forget! Remember in your prayers all those who have fought and died in wars.



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Charity Appeal Drive

On Tuesday, **Oct. 9, 2016**, we launched our Annual Charity Appeal Drive. We are very happy and thankful that Bro. **Tony Bucar** has once again graciously accepted to be the chairman for this year.

Last year's Appeal Drive was a tremendous success—we were able to sell all tickets that we ordered, a total of 600 books! That effort raised for us, a total of **\$4,500.00** for distribution to the following charities:

- \$300.00 — to **CERC (Catholic Education Resource Centre)**
- \$500.00 — to **Covenant House Vancouver**
- \$300.00 — to **Nanaimo Blind Bowlers**
- \$500.00 — to **Nanaimo Seniors Visiting Society**
- \$500.00 — to **NRGH Foundation, Equipment for Life**
- \$500.00 — to **Nanaimo Community Hospice Society**
- \$1,000.00 — to **St. Vincent de Paul Society, Nanaimo.**
- \$900.00 — to **Pennies for Heaven**

Our aim this year, is to repeat last year's success and again sell 600 books. To accomplish that, we must always keep in mind that charity does not consist of donations of money alone, but also a kindly heart and willing hands! To that end, if you have not already done so, we urge you to step forward and help your council sell tickets. Please, be prepared to give your name to Bro. Tony at the November meeting, or contact him at **250-754-3146** or tibucar@gmail.com Remember, your council is only as good as you and I make it, and its success depends on each one of us! Thank you Brothers!

REMINDER

1. State has released the 2016/2017 schedule of the travelling icon for the **Family Hour of Prayer**.

This year the icon will be that of the **Holy Family** and will be at St. Peter's Church on **Dec. 22-28, 2016**. The specific time of the 'Hour of Prayer' has yet to be set. Further details will be announced as soon as they become available.

2. On Nov. 11, members of the 4th Degree Honour Guard will participate in the annual **Remembrance Day** parade and celebrations at the Lantzville cenotaph. We invite all members and their families to join them in honouring our fallen war heroes.
3. **The Father Michael McGivney Guild**. All members and their families are urged to join the Guild to advance the beatification process of our founder. It's free and it's easy! See our website at <http://members.shaw.ca/kc3842> (**Information page**) for full details and application form.
4. Please pray for all who are sick: Bros. **Rene Marchand, Peter Gibb, Dwain Ingram, Curly Greene, Pat O'Keefe, George Ives, Bob Poulin** and wife **Audry**; **Mila**, wife of Bro. **Helmut Koch**; **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. **Mark Gauthier**, and **Yollie**, wife of D.D.#16, **Ely Abecia**. (Prince Rupert).



In Memoriam

It is with great sadness that we once again have to acknowledge the passing of one of our Brothers. On Saturday, Oct. 15, 2016, at the age of only 54, our Brother **Mark Gauthier** passed away in Nanaimo, BC. Bro. Mark joined our Order in Feb. 2000, transferred into our Council and received the honours of the 2nd & 3rd Degrees in 2007. Due to his serious illness over the last several years he was unable to be actively involved in council affairs, but nevertheless, always felt honoured and very proud to be a Knight. 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 **Jacqueline**, his mother, **Pauline**, and the entire Gauthier family.

May he Rest in Peace.

1st Degree Exemplification

On Wednesday, October 5, 2016, at 7:30 pm, before our last regular monthly meeting, we conducted another **First Degree exemplification** for our district. We had one candidate, Bro. **Jhocel Sese**, taking his 1st Degree for Santa Maria Council #4582, Ladysmith. 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 D.D. **Glenn Wynans** for his presence and support. We were also very happy with the good number of Knights who attended in support of our new member. Thank you Brothers for your great support! We are now happy to welcome our new Brother to our ranks and wish him many years of happy and fruitful service to and for his council. Welcome Bro. Jhocel!

News bytes.....

- On Sunday, **Nov. 27, 2016**, we will again help **Country Club Mall** with its annual fundraiser for the **Nanaimo Child Development Centre**. If you are able to help, call Bro. **Claude Francoeur** at 250-754-2425.
- The annual Christmas dinner for **4th Degree Members** & spouses will be held on **Friday, Dec. 9, 2016**, at Trinity Centre beginning with Happy Hour at around 6:30, followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. Please, contact F.N. **Chris Straub** (250-816-5884 - opabaer@shaw.ca), for more information. Tentatively, tickets will be \$30 per person, all taxes and gratuities included, to be paid in cash or by cheque at the banquet or, preferably, in advance. Your attendance **must be confirmed to Bro. Chris no later than Sunday Dec. 3, 2016.**
- As in past years, our council and the **C.W.L.** will hold our joint **Annual Christmas Party** tentatively set for **Saturday Dec. 17, 2016** in St. Peter's Church hall. The event will begin with a happy-hour at about 6:00 p.m., and followed by a pot-luck supper, a sing-song, and some games. All members and their spouses are cordially invited and urged to attend. We will announce the precise date when available.