

# The ANVIL



NEWSLETTER OF BROTHER ANTHONY COUNCIL 10014

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*“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people.*

*“The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.”*

**John 1: 1-5**

***In this advent season prepare the way of the Lord. Keep him in your hearts and minds and be filled with the spirit of Jesus!***

## **Come walk with Him**

It is said spiritual life is a journey. But where are we going? What do we seek? How shall we prepare?

There are many questions but for us there is only one true answer. To those of faith the destination is Jesus.

Jesus tells us how we must prepare for this journey. The Holy Scriptures give us his instruction.

Each of us must answer whether we are ready for the coming of Jesus, as we prepare to celebrate his birth.

Think about what you must do. Pray for the strength and blessings to do his will, and to meet him when he comes again.

Make your preparations to walk with Jesus.

In the spirit of this Advent season, I pray that you, your family and friends will find peace and joy. à

***May God Bless!***

***Fr. Mitch Fidyka***



## GK's Message

# Christ is Christmas

How often has it been said and how often we need to hear it!

Keep Christ in Christmas! More recently the Knights have adopted the theme that “Christ is Christmas!”

It is easy to forget this message with all the rushing around, buying presents, and going to parties and so on.

Yet this time of year is not really about these things.

Jesus came into the world in a humble way. Anyone born in a manger as Jesus would be considered poor, maybe among the poorest.

What does this say to us about the one we worship and praise?

There is a message for Knights. The first principle of our Order is charity. This message, which Jesus also taught, should be our first thought this time of year. Can we do it? Can we resist the other temptations?

We are our brothers' and sisters' keepers. There are many children born in desperate or difficult situations. What can we do for these and their families? How you answer tells about your understanding of the meaning and spirit of Christmas. How we all answer will help these children and their families know who we are as Christians and Catholic gentlemen.

Let's open our hearts and minds to the message of Christmas. Let us be examples of what this time of year is all about.

Participate in delivering Christmas hampers.

Help prepare a meal at one of the inner city kitchens.

Involve your family. Do small acts of kindness to those you know and love.

Volunteer for Council activities through the year.

Make this a time one of peace and joy in your own family.

Christ is Christmas! à **Vivat Jesus!**  
**Bro. Steve Horvath, GK**



## New member joins council

Congratulations to Associate Pastor **Fr. Narisetty** for obtaining the First Degree in our Order on Nov. 16.

We also congratulate three brother knights who obtained their **Major Degree** (Second and Third Degrees) on Nov. 26.

They are **Bros. Brent Block, Brian Boddez and Don Peloquin.** à

**Get your tickets to this special function today!**

## Past state deputy ball around the corner!

**January 14, 2006**

All brother knights and their families are invited to attend a special banquet in honor of our immediate past state deputy *and* Brother Anthony council member **Bro. Mickey Casavant** and his wife **Astrid.**

The Immediate Past State Deputy's Ball will be held at the **Delta Inn**

**South** in Edmonton on Sat., Jan. 14, 2006.

When a state deputy completes his term, is it the job of his home council to organize a ball to honor him and his wife. We are delighted to do so.

I have negotiated a special price of only \$30 per meal. This is much less than the going rate at hotels like the Delta Inn South.

Our Council is the official host for the Banquet and, although we do not have to take on a financial obligation, the State Board would like us put together a program that will truly recognize the efforts of Mickey & Astrid.

Our Brother Anthony Choir would do us proud if there were able to perform that evening. It would be great to have as many Brother Anthony council members and family attend.

I welcome any other suggestions you may have. Please call me. à

*Bro. Gary Johnson  
Tel. 460-0436*

*(Contact Bro. Gary for tickets to this special event)*

## Council held memorial Mass

Brother Anthony council held its annual **Memorial**

**Mass** on Nov. 23 to remember the following brother knights of our council who have died:

Jim McCaffery  
Leo Morrison  
Peter Dizy  
Marvin Lemiski  
Marcel Dauphinais  
Art Peddicord  
Frank Pearce  
Philip Lorenz  
Rolland Tailleur  
Allan Houle  
Fr. Karl Raab

Please remember these brother knights in your prayers.

Thanks to all the Knights who assisted with the memorial mass including **Fr. Narisetty** and the **Fourth Degree Honour Guard.**

Special thanks to **Bro. Peter Willette** who led the music on short notice! à

## About Bro. Anthony Our patron dedicated to Mary

"Of the many religious orders **Brother Anthony** could have chosen, he was attracted by a congregation dedicated to **Mary – The Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate.** This was to be his passport to heaven

and the realization of a life long ambition. He had wanted to exile himself to the farthest corner of the earth in the service of God's poorest, most abandoned souls.

"What is an Oblate," he asked himself, "but an offering and a voluntary victim." Brother Anthony smiled warmly when he heard the words, "Sons of Mary." In the Oblates he had found a religious family whose very name, spirit and exploits were pledged to the Blessed Virgin. He had found his vocation."

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*Excerpt from "Blacksmith of God," by P.E. Breton, O.M.I.*

## Help notify members of special events

**Bro. Vittorio Cerminara** is coordinating a telephone committee to make telephone calls to our members regarding special events and meetings.

This is an important committee to help enlist the support and help of brother knights in our activities.

The success of what we do depends on having an active and dynamic council.

Please sign up for this committee.

Call Bro. Vittorio at tel. 459-8694. à

## Ways and Means Assistance requested

**Bro. Neil Wenger** is the coordinator for the newly established **Ways And Means Committee**.

This committee's job is to come up with innovative projects to generate revenue for our council and its projects.

To join this important team, or to share your thoughts about worthwhile projects, contact Bro. Neil.

Contact him at [wenger@maxim.ca](mailto:wenger@maxim.ca) or tel. 460-7758. à



**Brother Anthony Kowalczyk Circle 4759**

## Squire News

Our **Columbian Squires Circle** has had a busy November.

The squires helped brother Knights with our monthly **pancake breakfast**, setting up and cleaning the hall.

Afterwards they held their monthly general meeting.

On Nov. 17 our squires joined in fellowship during monthly gym night at

ESSMY; friends were invited.

Many of our squires, parish families, relatives, friends and schoolmates enjoyed an evening at the **World Water Park** on Nov. 18. Our squires assisted the **Provincial Squire Circle's** with this fundraiser in which our circle alone sold over 500 tickets.

For the third year in a row our circle assisted the **CWL** with their annual **Christmas Bazaar** on Nov. 19 and 20. Our squires served coffee, juice and the **CWL's** popular home-made apple pies.

One of the requirements of being a Columbian Squire Circle is to participate in at least four spiritual activities during the Columbian Year.

Our circle squires, their families and **Father Prior Mitch Fidyka** began celebrating Advent on Nov. 27. Each day during this season the **Advent Wreath** will visit each squire home and Advent prayers will be said.

Our circle helped during the **Blood Donor Clinic** at Holy Family parish hall on Nov. 28. Teams of six squires each worked two hour shifts, serving refreshments to donors and cleaning up the kitchen.

For the fourth year, our circle will be promoting the **Help Save a Life Pro-Life Calendars** that are published through our own Council 10014.

To quote our council's **Pro-Life Calendar Chairman, Bro. Brady Cody**: "The idea behind the calendars is not to sell calendars. It is to promote Pro-Life .... Wouldn't it be wonderful for every family to prominently display a calendar in their homes?"

The calendars will be available to parish families in December.

Announcements will be made in our parish bulletin and following masses. All proceeds will be donated to the **Knights of Columbus State Pro-Life Chair** couple in their quest to promote Pro-Life.

The next **Squire Investiture** will be held Dec. 10, 2005. Any young Catholic man between 12 and 18 are encouraged to join this positive and vibrant group.

**Is your son or grandson a member of the Columbian Squires?** Information on the Squires and our circle is available on our circle's website [www.estodignus.org](http://www.estodignus.org) or by contacting **Bros. Joe Becigneul, Bob Clarke, Eric Schickle or Maurice Pasternak**.

On behalf of the Squires and Counselors of Brother Anthony Kowalczyk Circle 4759, I wish all Brother Knights and your families a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year! à  
*Esto Dignus!*  
*Bro. Maurice Pasternak*

# Council Calendar

Here is the Brother Anthony council calendar of some key dates for upcoming months.

## December 2005

4 - Pancake Breakfast  
14 - General Meeting

## January 2006

8 – Pancake Breakfast  
14 – Past State Deputy Ball  
21 – Ladies Night  
25 – General Meeting

## February 2006

5 – Pancake Breakfast  
25 – Mardi gras  
22 – General Meeting

## March 2006

5 – Pancake Breakfast  
22 – General Meeting

## April 2006

2 – Pancake Breakfast  
26 – General Meeting

## May 2006

7 – Pancake Breakfast  
24 – General Meeting

## June 2006

4 – Pancake Breakfast  
24 – Appreciation Night  
28 – General Meeting  
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# In that region there were shepherds

*living in the fields, keeping watch over their flocks by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for see – I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.”*

*And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those he favors!”*

*Luke 2:8-14*



*To Brother Knights  
Best wishes to you and your family for a Christmas season and New Year filled with peace, joy and happiness!”*

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