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NEWSLETTER OF BROTHER ANTHONY COUNCIL 10014

MARCH 2005



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“After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a large earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid; for he has been raised as he said.”

Matthew 28: 1-6

“Leading to Easter Triduum...”

This Lenten period will soon lead to the **Easter Triduum**, the last days of Lent which are the highest point in our church year.

The Triduum marks key events in the life of Jesus, leading to his death and resurrection; they also are the foundation of blessed sacraments and our liturgy.

The first day in the Triduum, **Holy Thursday**, recalls the Last Supper, the Institution of the Eucharist, and the priesthood of Jesus Christ. These are central to our liturgy.

Good Friday recalls the suffering and death of Jesus, reflecting the pain in humanity from the sin and error of humankind. It is Jesus' path to salvation for all people, breaking the cycle of violence and evil.

Holy Saturday and **Easter Sunday** recall the resurrection of Jesus, and proclaim His victory over death and sin. His life is now part of our lives, and He lives in us.

Indeed, Lent is our retreat. It begins as a time to reflect and act, and will end in a most sacred time to reflect on the mysteries of the Lord's life.

May these mysteries infuse you and fill you with the grace and blessings of the Lord.

May you and your families have a joyful Easter!

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God Bless!

Fr. John Hesse

Continuing Jesus' mission on earth

We are now about half way through Lent, this most holy season in our Church calendar.

In a few weeks, on Easter Sunday, we will be celebrating the resurrection of Jesus.

Lent is our shared journey. Our Lord led the way for us and we are called to continue His mission on earth.

Our own preparations during this season will help us to focus on the reality that Jesus is the truth, the way and the life.

Various Lenten events have been held for this purpose. Our parish Lenten mission was held last month.

This past Friday, March 4, our council hosted the **Stations of the Cross**.

Looking ahead, the **Rich Man/Poor Man Dinner** will be hosted by the **Squires** right after the 5 p.m. Mass on Sat., March 19. Please attend this event if you can.

On other matters, I want to take this opportunity to congratulate the new brother knights initiated at **St. Joseph's Seminary** this past Thursday.

We were honoured to have **Archbishop Thomas Collins** attend this event. It was also attended by members from the council affiliated with the **Basilica** in Edmonton which also initiated new members.

I also wish all brother knights involved with the **State Curling Bonspiel** the very best as our council hosts this annual event later this month in St. Albert. Special thanks to **Bro. Denzle Laporte** for coordinating this major activity.

I hope everyone has a joyous and peaceful Easter.
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Vivat Jesus!
Gerry Belec, Grand Knight

March 11 -13, 2005

State curling bonspiel to be hosted by our council

The Knights of Columbus's **45th Annual State Curling Bonspiel** will be held at the **St. Albert Curling Club** from March 11 to 13, 2005.

The event will involve 32 teams of curlers from across Alberta and the Northwest Territories.

The opening ceremonies will be at the curling club (7 Sir Winston Churchill Ave.) starting at noon on Sat., March 12, 2005.

To offer your help in organizing this large event, please contact event coordinator, **Bro. Denzle Laporte**, at 460-7060. ◇

Welcome to new member

Congratulations to our newest member, **Bro. Roger Hazelwood**, who was initiated in the First Degree on Jan. 26, 2005.

Please welcome Bro. Roger to Brother Anthony Council!

The next **Major Degrees** will take place as follows: Spruce Grove on March 5 and Edmonton on March 19.

Any First Degree knights interested in receiving their Major Degree (second and third degrees), please contact me or **Bro. Gerry Belec**, Grand Knight (tel. 459- 4135) to make arrangements to attend. ◇
Bro. Denis Halyk
Membership Director
Tel. 459-9336

Become a Fourth Degree Knight

The Fourth Degree in our Order is open to any Third Degree brother knight in good standing who has been a knight for at least one year.

The next Fourth Degree exemplification will be held at **St. Joe's High School** in Edmonton on Sat., May 7, 2005.

For more information about the Fourth Degree, please contact **Bro. Clyde Flynn** (tel. 459-5075) or any other Fourth Degree member.

NOTE: Fourth Degree meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month.
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Columbian Squire Circle 4759 News

Our circle assisted the **State Squire Circle** with the **Pre-Lent Gala Dinner, Dance and Silent Auction** on January 29.

The proceeds from this event will go towards the **Provincial Squire Convention** to be hosted this year by the State Squire Circle.

Prior to the affair, our squires canvassed businesses in St. Albert; many of them generously donated items for the auction. Sponsoring knights and members of our parish community also donated items.

Our circle also set up the hall and washed dishes.

Our squires had a busy Sat., Feb. 26. It started with serving a pancake breakfast to the engaged couples taking their **marriage preparation course** through our parish. Guests also included the sponsor couples of the engaged couples.

Huge thanks to **Bros. Bernie Arnold, Del Feser, Don Glas, Charles Roach, and Frank Vagy** for preparing the sausages, eggs, pancakes and hash browns. The breakfast was delicious and enjoyed by all!

Following the breakfast, it was off to **Bellerose High School** for the **2005 Alberta Squires Columbian Cup Floor Hockey Tournament**

hosting by **Annunciation Circle #4687**.

Our circle entered two teams which ended up winning second and third place. Playing for the **Columbian Cup**, although elusive once again for our boys, is a great fraternal event for the squires.

Our squires will be assisting with the **State Curling Bonspiel** on the weekend of March 12. The squires will be the sign-bearers for the opening ceremony parade and will also do the set-up and takedown for the banquet.

Our circle will be hosting a **Richman/Poorman Dinner** following the 5:00 p.m. mass on Sat., March 19. This dinner was recognized by Supreme last year as one of the top 25 activities conducted order-wide by Columbian Squires; for their participation, our squires were honoured with a **Brother Barnabas Award**.

The dinner allows all who participate, including children and grandchildren, to reflect on the poor of the world and realize how fortunate we are.

The Columbian Squires wish you a very blessed and happy Easter. ◇
Esto Dignus!
Bro. Maurice Pasternak

General Meeting Highlights

January 26, 2005

Thanks to **Bros. Adam Petryshyn, Bernie Arnold Paul Bartek** for preparing the pre-dinner meeting.

Treasurer's Report – Bro. Gerald Martin

Beginning cash - \$13,019; receipts - \$30,804; expenditures - \$34,158; end cash - \$9,666.

Financial Secretary's Report – Bro. Del Feser

Council paid Supreme \$328 for the first half of the year.

The semi annual audit will occur Feb. 2.

A second dues notice has been sent out (51 members remain outstanding).

The Kinettes passed along big thanks for Christmas hamper deliveries.

Bills & Communications

The following sent us thank you notes: seminarians **Roger Rouleau, Allan Dangel, Clinton Frod and Marc Lalonde** for supporting them; and **Carvel Edmonton Sisters** for our support

Committee Reports

Church – Bro. Peter Willette

The parish has asked us to consider putting a link on our council website to the revamped **Holy Family website**.

The cooler in the kitchen has been replaced; the ice machine will be replaced next.

Pricing on new carpet for the welcome area is being obtained. If affordable the carpet will be replaced.

State curling (March 11 – 13) – Bro. Denzle Laporte

The budget for state curling tournament has been submitted to Executive.

Registration for two teams is in the budget and two team captains came forward.

Prizes and cash sponsors from our council would be greatly appreciated.

Family of the Month

Congratulations were extended to the following families for being chosen Family of the Month:

September - **Bro. Bernie & Darlene Arnold**

October - **Bro. Roger & Juliette Pollok**

November - **Bro. Clyde & Joan Flynn**

December - **Bro. Denis & Jeanette Halyk**

January - **Bro. Frank & Paula Vagi**

Knight of the Month

Congratulations to **Bro. Joe Becigneul** for being chosen **Knight of the Month**.

Old Business

Bro. Brad Cody spoke about putting forward a resolution to state that the **Help Save a Life pro life calendar project** become a state project. The paperwork was passed on to **Deputy Grand Knight Bro. Steve Horvath**.

New Business

Someone is needed to look after council's digital camera. **Bro. George Anyotte** will take care of it until another volunteer is found.

It was carried that council support a resolution to state that **Bro. Gary Johnson** be nominated state warden for 2005-06.

Bro. Brad Cody asked the council's members to keep **St. Joseph Seminary** in mind; it is in need of repairs and money to operate. Any help is appreciated.

At the Chapter meeting, all councils were reminded to ask their membership to speak out against the proposed federal same-sex marriage legislation, which is contrary to our faith.

Postage is free to send any letters to elected officials with the federal government.

Bro. Del Feser and Bro. Gerald Martin have no record of our Pennies from Heaven collection being passed on to Chapter last year. It was moved and carried that **last year's \$300 donation to Pennies from Heaven be added to this year's donation**.

Bro. Brad Cody reminded council we have \$500 in the budget for the lunches after Friday's mass during Lent to be passed on to Holy Family Parish. This matches the contribution put forth by the CWL. No motion was necessary as this is a budgeted item.

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With thanks to Recording Secretary, Bro. Gerald Lemke

Reminder... Please pay membership dues

All brother knights are required to pay their dues annually at the start of each calendar year.

This helps keep each membership in good standing and enables members to receive the benefits of being a Knight.

Thanks to everyone who has paid his dues for 2005.

If you have not yet done so, please do so as soon as possible. Second notices have been sent out. Your

prompt attention is appreciated. ◇

Choir dates

The Brother Anthony Choir is scheduled to lead music at the following times.

- **EASTER SUNDAY**
Mar. 27 – 9 a.m.
- **5 p.m., Apr. 2** ◇

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