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State Deputies Message



My Brother Knights; It is a privilege and honor to have the opportunity to serve this great jurisdiction of Newfoundland and Labrador as State Deputy for the fraternal year 2019-2020. Thank you for placing your trust and confidence in me by electing me to this office at the 2019 State Convention in Gander in April of this year.

I am pleased to inform you that we have a full slate of District Deputies as well as a full slate of Directors and Chairpersons. Thank you to each and every-one of you for agreeing to serve in the various offices. I truly look forward to working with all of you, and with all members of our great order throughout the coming year. And, I will do everything within my power to grow this Jurisdiction, but I will need the help of every Grand Knight and the members of all our councils to achieve this goal.

My goal this year is to promote the Order and to promote programs that will result in membership growth. Every new member that we recruit means the viability of the Order will continue, and each new member opens new possibilities, by bringing people together and experiencing fraternalism. I believe that by joining the Knights of Columbus, our world becomes a better place in which to live.

Our quota for membership this year is 130 new members, and as of the middle of September a total of 19 new members had been added to our rosters.

I know that councils are not active during the summer months, but now that you are becoming active for the fraternal year, I encourage you to make extra efforts to get our membership numbers up, and to help me reach our membership goal.

State Deputies over the past few years have made a commitment to try to visit every council in this Jurisdiction during their term of office. I intend to make the same commitment. I have visited one council so far as State Deputy and I have plans to travel to at least another dozen between now and Christmas.



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At the 137th Supreme Convention in Minneapolis in August, the Supreme Knight, Carl A. Anderson, revealed that again this year, the Knights of Columbus around the world, had again set a record for its charity work. Knights donated \$185.7 million dollars and 76.7 million hours to various works of charity. The Supreme Knight also announced new initiatives to honor Native American and First Nation communities. More information will be forthcoming on those initiatives throughout the remainder of this Columbian Year. Brothers, none of this would have been possible without Knights like you.

Brothers, I look forward to working with all of you this year as we work towards our common goal.

Fraternally Gordon Lannon State Deputy

Message from State Chaplain



Dear Brother Knights,

The warm Summer days are past, and the colourful Autumn season is upon us. I hope that everyone had a

pleasant Summer and enjoyed the blessings of the weather, the company of family, friends and visitors.

We forge ahead now in this Columbian year in a genuine spirit of Charity, Unity and Fraternity. I will have attended a State Executive meeting in St. John's by the time you receive this communication.

No doubt, Councils throughout the province are meeting to make plans for a fruitful year through our Faith in Action. I bring to your attention in particular the Marian Prayer Program with the **Icon - Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians**. This is a marvelous and informative prayer service, and every Council should try to make the experience available to their local Church. I mentioned the Icon and Service to the Pastoral Leaders of the Grand Falls Diocese during our recent gathering in Grand Falls-Windsor. I encouraged them to approach their local Knights of Columbus in this regard.

I will complete my term of office as State Chaplin on behalf of Bishop Anthony Daniels in the Spring of 2020. Be assured of my support, involvement and prayers as these months unfold. May God bless the work of the Knights of Columbus already begun this Columbian year and bring to completion all our new initiatives.

Sincerely, Father William Hearn State Chaplin

Message from State Secretary



Brother knights, I would like to thank everyone for your support and confidence in electing me to the position of State Secretary

for the jurisdiction of Newfoundland and Labrador for the year 2019-2020. I also want to thank everyone for their support during my past term as State Treasurer and I trust this support will continue for our new State Treasurer, Brother Gary Gallagher. I wish him all the best in that position this year.

As your present State Secretary, my first major

duty was to compile the State Directory for our jurisdiction. This has been completed and a number of councils received their copies at our training session in St. Johns on the weekend of September 21-22, 2019. Copies for other councils will either be hand-delivered or mailed to the District Deputies for distribution to their councils. There are 2 copies for each council. Just a note to remind councils that this document is not to be used for any other purposes than Knights of Columbus business.

First Half assessment invoices have been sent to all councils and some payments have already been received by our State Treasurer. Thank you to these councils that have paid, and, on behalf of your State Treasurer, I encourage all other councils to try and submit their payment as soon as possible. In January 2020 your councils will be receiving your Second Half assessment invoices.

Other correspondences will be forthcoming from me as we draw closer to dates of events taking place such as Mid-year meetings in Gander which you should receive in the next 2-3 weeks. My goal is to keep you apprised of any events that you will be involved in as well as events with which we may need your assistance. If anyone has any questions on any items, please feel free to call or e-mail me at your convenience and I will do my best to answer your questions or find the answer for you.

I am looking forward to communicating with all councils throughout the Columbian year through this position and I would welcome any input from each and every member in our jurisdiction.

Fraternally, Pat Gambin State Secretarys P.S. For those Brothers who were, and probably still are, worried about my typing speed, you can rest easy. I took a typing course this past Summer and I am now typing at the amazing speed of almost 5 short words per minute!! I also type slowly because I know that a certain State Deputy doesnt read quickly!!

Message from State Treasurer



Greetings Brother Knights. Welcome to the new Colombian year. As your newly elected State Treasurer, it is my responsibility to administer

and manage all funds of the State Council which are received from all sources and deposited to our State accounts. I also make sure all approved expenses; invoices, and State donations are paid on time.

The primary operating funds used at the State level are realized from assessments received from our subordinate Councils, our proceeds from the Annual Fall Ticket Sweep and the \$40 Ticket lottery as well as some small donations and other sources.

Please ensure your Council assessments, when invoiced, are paid promptly. Travel medical claims are processed as soon as they are received. Claims for this benefit are paid throughout the fiscal year starting on March 1st2019 up and to Feb 28th2020 with a 30-day, grace period till March 30th, 2020.

We occasionally get claims for travel reimbursements which are sometimes held for long periods of time please submit your member travel claims early. Good luck on all your fund-raising activities and Faith in Action programs for this Columbian year

Fraternally Gary Gallagher State Treasurer

Message from State Advocate



First of all, I would like to thank all Brother Knights for their confidence in choosing me as your State Advocate.

As the State Advocate I am responsible to pass on and oversee legal matters of the Order, those that are received from the Office of the Supreme Advocate and legal questions that may arise from Councils.

I attended this year's Supreme Convention and am happy to report that the resolutions submitted by this jurisdiction were well received. The Supreme Advocate's Annual Report presented at the convention was informative and highlighted several points that have a direct impact on our jurisdiction.

Safe Environment Compliance. Safe Environment Requirements are of paramount importance to the Knights of Columbus. Our jurisdiction must ensure that Councils complete the required training and that the appropriate council personnel are compliant. Keep in mind that this is a requirement for the STAR Council Award.

Home Corporations. At the 132th Supreme Convention in 2014, the Supreme Council adopted a resolution establishing a policy for

Councils to follow with regards to Home Corporations. Five years later the Supreme Advocate has again stated that Councils with Home Corporations are still not following procedures outlined in the policy. This is something I will address.

Officers' Desk Reference. To assist members who have leadership responsibilities Supreme has developed an online tool called the Officers' Desk Reference, located on the Supreme Council's website on Officers Online. Each Council Grand Knight and Council Advocate should familiarize themselves with this important tool as it provides definitive guidance on the Constitution and Laws of the Order. The guidance published on the Officers' Desk Reference is binding on Councils of the Knights of Columbus, their officers, and members, to the extent set forth by the Supreme Advocate.

This tool is not new to us, but I feel that it is not used to the extent that it should. Numerous questions can be answered if only councils and their officers use this valuable resource.

Those are just a few points that I intend to focus during my tenure as your State Advocate. All Grand Knights and indeed all Council officers are welcome to reach out to me as your State Advocate on any legal matter that may affect your council.

I look forward to meeting old friends and meeting new friends at our Mid-Year meetings at the end of November.

Fraternally yours, Paul R Baldwin State Advocate.

Confucius

A "NO" uttered from the deepest conviction Is better and greater than a "YES" merely Uttered to please, or, what is worse, To avoid trouble

Ghandhi

Message from State Warden



Brothers, it is indeed a great privilege to send my first addition to the Knightly News as State Warden.

I bring greetings to all Councils in N.L jurisdiction for this Columbia Year. I wish to say thanks to all for electing me as the State Warden at the 2019 Convention. As the State Warden I am available to any Council as needed. Please do not hesitate to ask for assistance. Along with being elected as the State Warden I also have been appointed the State Program Director. I wish to say Thanks to our State Deputy for that appointment.

As the State Program Director, I will also be available anytime to any Council and the Program Coordinators. As we are under way into our Columbia Year, I encourage all Councils to be actively involved into our Fraternal Programs. Our Faith in Action, our new program can strengthen your council within the Parish, community and our families. Your Council success is running programs and keeping members engaged within the Council.

One thing the Knights don't do is sell themselves. I encourage Councils to publicize what they do. When you run a program, have an article wrote up with details on what you have done and send it to our Newsletter Editor and our Website Chairman. We as Knights in Canada has several pages in the Columbia Magazine so let's utilize that space. I know many communities have local newspapers so why not send an article. Let's start selling what the Knights do and in turn around it will encourage growth within our order.

Fraternally Brendan Vickers State Warden/Program Director

Message from Past State Deputy



Brothers, we are now back into the swing of things following our summer break that most of our councils take. I hope you and your families has a safe and enjoyable summer break. A very

special welcome to our new Grand Knights and those returning for another year. The sign of a healthy council is one that has a new Grand Knight every second year. This indicates that your council is developing their members to assume more and more responsibility and to eventually take the helm and become a Grand Knight. Every Council should be striving to have a new Grand Knight every second year. Council officers are encouraged to take advantage of the many training opportunities offered by Supreme Council to seek further advancement in their council.

Every council has a significant list of former members and I am sure that some of those members are still interested in being a part of the Knights of Columbus Family, they just need to be invited to do so. Also remember inactive members on your former members list or your council roster count as a new member and a new insurance member if they become a reinstated member.

Good luck with all your endeavors this year.

Viva Jesus Fraternally, Brian Hurley IPSD

Message from DD #4

On behalf of my wife clementine and myself John Atkins your District Deputy for Avalon East, I bring greetings to all Brother Knights, with whom I have been in contact with over the years, and the Councils that I have worked with.

As I have said before, in previous letters to the State Board, it has been a wonderful experience and challenge. I would like to thank the past State Deputies in whom I worked under, Emile Cabot, Brian Hurley, and now our present State Deputy Gordon Lannon.

At this time, I want to thank our Worthy State Deputy Gordon, for appointing me again as DD #4 for the term of 2019. 2020. This will be the fifth year I have been appointed to this position. I look forward to working with the new State Executive and our Leader Gordon Lannon.

I am sure this year will be as challenging as in the past doing the work of founder Father McGivney, in preparing the way for the Knights Of Columbus, to continue on into the future. Times are changing, and so must we. We can't always live in the past, even though we do remember everything over the years.

By reflecting on the past, it gives us an opportunity to realize that sometimes change needs to happen in order to keep up with daily living and new technology.

Some say change is moving too fast but that is the way life is. Some changes are good, some not so good. Remember, it's the generation we now live in. What may be right for one, may not be right for others.

In closing I pray to Father McGivney that we all make the right decision when change comes upon us. We are all God's children, and we should strive to do our very best to live a good and holy and righteous life.

Fraternally, John C. Atkins District Deputy #4.

Message from DD #7

Greetings from District #7

Congratulations to our State Deputy Gordon Lannon and to the State Executive and best wishes for a successful Columbian year.

As the District Deputy for District #7 it is a pleasure to use this edition of Knightly News to extend fraternal greetings to all Brother Knights on behalf of Councils in District #7. District #7 is comprised of Monsignor Finn Council # 5904 in Bishop's Falls, Father Hayes Council #7127 in Harbour Breton and St. Ignatius Council #13763 in St. Alban's. For the record Council #3315 in Buchans and Council #8725 in Norris Arm are also included in District #7. As District Deputy it has been a pleasure to work with and assist Grand Knights Pat Kennedy, John Power and Kevin Organ as they prepare for this Colombian year.

As we know the Semi-Annual Audit Form 1295 is needed and required to retain bonding on the offices of the Financial Secretary and the Treasurer. I am pleased to report that all councils in District #7 submitted the semi-annual audit report in August.

I would like to encourage Council Officers, Faithful Navigators, Faithful Comptrollers and all Council members to avail of the information, services and training that is available online at http://kofc.org

Online technology is the way to go when it comes to officer training and learning about our Order.

Fraternal greetings and best wishes for a successful Colombian Year from District #7.

Vivat Jesus John George District Deputy #7

Message from DD #10

Greetings to all Brother Knights from District #10. I retired from the military in 1996 and retired as senior bylaw officer in Ontario in 2017. Moved back to Newfoundland in July 2017 to enjoy retirement with my wife Lynn. I joined the Knights of Columbus in February 2018. I took on roles of Lecturer, Trustee with Our Lady of Perpetual Help Council 3742 in Stephenville and I was appointed secretary of the Santa Maria Club. This past summer I was asked if I would consider the position of District Deputy. Always up for a challenge I decided to give it a shot. I have 3 councils: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Council 3742 Stephenville, Our Lady of Assumption Council 9464 Stephenville crossing and Father P.J. Cooney Council 9789 Codroy Valley. Since taking over as District Deputy in July, OLPH 3742 Stephenville has started a Community Café, where they have feed approximately 105 people from the community at no charge to them. This will be done on the third Thursday of each month. They have also held a first degree where there were 3 new members join. They have 2 more applications on hand for another First Degree scheduled for the 2nd Thursday of October. OLPH 3742 have scheduled a First Degree for the 2nd Thursday of each month. OLPH 3742 is in its 35th week of their chase the ace.

I will be visiting the other 2 councils in my District in early October and conduct the Installation of Officers while there.

I'm looking forward to this new position and to meeting all members of all 3 councils I represent.

Fraternally Tim Gaudet District Deputy #10

> ONE MEMBER PER COUNCIL PER MONTH

Message from State Faith Director

Brother Knights,

In support of the faith life of our Brother Knights, their families and parish communities, the Knights of Columbus encourages Grand Knights to promote faithbased activities in their councils. A number of activities are recommended.

Councils are encouraged to help build the Domestic Church, most notably by setting up a Kiosk of faith-based literature in the Parish Church with documentation available from the Catholic Information Service. Steps to take on this dossier are outlined in the booklet distributed to you by the State Council.

A second activity encouraged by the Supreme Council includes the organization of regular Holy Hours. While I doubt that this activity will appeal to many Knights in Newfoundland and Labrador today, I encourage those interested to contact your Parish Priest to organize a first Holy Hour in order to gauge interest.

In a third activity recommended by the Supreme Council, Councils are encouraged to form discussion groups for the study of *Into the Breach*, an apostolic exhortation by Bishop Thomas J. Olmsted. This exhortation outlines the challenges faced by men of faith in the world today. Again, details for the organization of study groups may be obtained through your Grand Knight.

Other programs recommended by the Supreme Council include the Marian Icon and Rosary Programs, as well as the RSVP programs. The first two speak for themselves and the third involves support for seminarians and other religious vocations. For every \$500 donated to an individual seminarian, the Supreme Council will refund \$100 back to the council - up to a maximum of \$400 per council per fraternal year. If you have donated money and have not already requested your refund, I urge you to do so at your earliest convenience.

If I may be of service in any of these areas, please feel free to contact me and I will do my best to answer any questions you might have.

Robert Hurley, State Faith Director

Message from State Life Director

Greeting Brother Knights:

I would like to thank the Worthy State Deputy affording me the opportunity to serve our jurisdiction as the State Life Director.

I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer and are eager to carry on the work of our great order. Knights have to work together to build a culture of life and love. All councils should be ready to defend the dignity of each human being from conception until natural death.

The Centre for Life will be holding its annual Fall Festival of Friends on November 2nd, 2019. This event is an enjoyable evening of entertainment, silent action, food, prizes and ticket draws. This event is the major fund raiser for the Centre to help carry on the good work it provides for our province. I strongly encourage all councils to support this event.

Councils can support by monetary donations, merchandise or gift cards for the silent action and ticket draws. I urge all members in the area to show their support by attending this event. More information is available at their web site, <u>www.centreforlife.ca</u>.

Another way for Councils to support the Centre for Life is by obtaining a membership for their council and members are also encouraged to become members. Membership is only \$20.00 per year but it goes a long way to help the Centre.

It is important that all council life directors be familiar with the guidebook, "Faith in Action" to aid them in their programs. Prayer and service is an integral part of the Knights of Columbus program.

I ask all Grand Knights to provide me with the names, phone numbers and/or email addresses of their Life Director.

My e-mail address is <u>ej.hurley@hotmail.com</u> and my phone number is 709 597-9045.

Wishing all brother knights a successful and enjoyable Columbian year.

Fraternally Yours, Eugene Hurley Life Director



Message from State Youth Director

Brother Knights; We are now into month three of the Columbian year. We are into the Fall season and councils are again started the many program activities planned for the next few months.

There has been more interest in the soccer challenge. This Fall St. Teresa's Council 7702 has a soccer challenge planned for Sept. 24, 2019. The councils are reminded to keep the programs in their agenda for the Fall.

Grand Knights are reminded that the kits for the Free Throw Competition, Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest and Essay Contest need to be ordered. An independent company called WEBMASON is the company in charge of delivering those kits for the Supreme Council.

As knights we need to do all we can to support the programs of the Knights of Columbus.

Keep up the great work in the support of our youth programs.

Fraternally John Thoms State Youth Director





Fourth Degree Speak-off

Worthy Faithful Navigators and Worthy Faithful Comptrollers:

DALTON ASSEMBLY 1645, Hr. Grace will be hosting the annual Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus provincial **Public Speaking Competition** tentatively set for Saturday, April 18, 2020 from 7:00 - 9:00PM. Several weeks before this Provincial Competition, individual **Assemblies** should schedule a **Regional Competition** to select a participant for the provincial event.

A Topics Committee has been formed, and it is now requesting individual Assemblies, if they wish, to submit a topic or two for consideration for the final list. The Committee will have the final Topics List considered and approved by the end of November. So please suggest any Topic submissions to me by email before the middle of November.

There will be more information on the Fourth-Degree provincial Speak-off as we get closer to the end of this calendar year.

Thank you in advance, Gerard P Butt, Navigator Dalton Assembly, Hr. Grace 709-596-6200



RESOLUTION NO. 337 REAFFIRMING POLICIES REGARDING HONORS FOR PUBLIC FIGURES

<u>WHEREAS</u>, the Knights of Columbus has made the sanctity of life at all stages a cornerstone of our mission that is directly informed by our foundational principle of Charity; and

WHEREAS, since the mid-20th century, the legal practice of abortion in the many countries where we are active, most notably in the United States and Canada, has corroded the very heart of society and led to the death of millions; and

WHEREAS, in February 2019 Pope Francis stated very clearly that all new lives conceived "are children of the entire community, and their being killed in large numbers with the backing of the state constitutes a grave problem that undermines the foundations of the building up of justice, compromising the correct solution for every other human and social problem;" and

<u>WHEREAS</u>, Pope Francis has also called on politicians of all faiths and nationalities, "to treat the defense of the lives of those who are about to be born...as the cornerstone of the common good," and that on this issue policy makers should not be, "conditioned by mindsets that focus on personal success...or one-sided interests;" and

WHEREAS, polling sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and Marist College has consistently found that a bipartisan supermajority of Americans support

enhanced restrictions on abortion with most recent polls showing strong majorities of Americans believe taxpayer dollars should not be used to support abortion domestically or abroad; and

<u>WHEREAS</u>, despite this strong majority support for prolife positions, politicians continue to promote laws that allow abortion until the moment of birth and oppose simple, commonsense protections for children born as a result of a failed abortion or policies that prohibit taxpayer dollars to fund abortions.

THERE FORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Knights of Columbus reaffirms our decadeslong policies of not inviting to any Knights of Columbus event, persons, especially public officials or candidates for public office, who do not support the legal protection of unborn children, or who advocate for the legalization of assisted suicide or euthanasia; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we prohibit our members from allowing such persons to rent or otherwise use facilities over which our members have control; speaking at Knights of Columbus events; bestowing on them honors or privileges of our Order of any kind; inviting them to serve as honorary chairpersons of events, celebrations, or committees; or, hold any office in the Knights of Columbus; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, we commit ourselves to praying that all public officials realize the evils of the culture of death and enact policies that recognize the sanctity of every human life.

Knights of Columbus State Council Scholarships:

Available to students who graduated Grade XII with Honours in **June 2019** and are attending a Post-Secondary institution in September. Application deadline: **October 31, 2019.** Information and applications can be found under **scholarships** on the State Council website at <u>www.kofcnl.org</u>.

Please note that this year there is a new Scholarship, The Channing Scholarship, open to sons/daughters and grandsons/ granddaughters of members/deceased members in good standing.

Please advise all high schools in your area. Advertise in Church Bulletins and on Community Channels.

State Membership Directors Message

Brother Knights, welcome to another year in MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT in our jurisdiction. We are presently into the third month of the Columbian Year 2019-2020 and we have had a fairly successful Summer in recruiting, which resulted in having 11 new/former members join the Knights of Columbus. At the present time we have recruited 19 new/former members to our ranks. This is a very good start in reaching our goal of 130 members for 2019-2020 and giving our jurisdiction the distinction of earning the Circle of Honour Award this year, which is a very attainable goal. All we need to do is make a commitment to try and reach the goals/quotas of our individual councils as set down by Supreme. I realize that some councils have a small pool of prospects from which to recruit new members but that shouldnt stop you from looking outside your councils area to communities that are not served by any Knights of Columbus council. We have a number of parishes in our jurisdiction that would appreciate the support of the Knights of Columbus by having Roundtables established in their parishes.

During the weekend of September 21-22, 2019, the State Executive, held a training session with District Deputies, Grand Knights and other Brother Knights from the Avalon Peninsula **MEMBERSHIP** area on Recruitment and Council Officers training. This session was led by Denis Belanger, Regional Training Director from Supreme office. It was very well-received by the 30 participants and was very informative. After the training session was completed, most State Executive members and local Knights, including District Deputies, Grand Knights and other Brother Knights from the area, held 2 Church drives at St. Peters Church in Mount Pearl on Saturday evening and Sunday morning. This was led by Denis Belanger and a total of 38 prospect cards were collected as a result. A couple of more prospects also signed prospect cards as a result of one attendee from the meeting mentioning the fact of recruiting at a social function. This resulted in interest from a former member and also a new member. If percentages hold true, we hope to have a fair number of these prospects who will join one of our councils very soon with follow-up from the District Deputies and Grand Knights who have been assigned to do so.

Thank you to all who participated in the weekend session and especially the 2 Church drives.

As your State Membership Director, I want to strongly encourage all councils to promote a Church drive in October and again in February/March to make another step toward achieving your councils goal in Membership for this Columbian year. Together, we can grow membership in our jurisdiction of Newfoundland and Labrador with each individual member taking responsibility for recruiting, at least, ONE new member this year. After all, Membership is EVERYONEs RESPONSIBILITY!

No pun intended but if you LOOK to the end of this Columbian year you will SEE that it is 2020, (twenty-twenty), which is considered perfect vision. We can all SEE that the future of the Knights of Columbus worldwide depends on bringing in New members to keep our programs and activities going to continue the great works we do. With everyones help and involvement, we may not have a PERFECT year, but we can have a successful year and reach our goal of Circle of Honour. Lets work TOGETHER to SEE this become a reality!

Happy and successful recruiting!! Fraternally, Pat Gambin

The first step in meeting our responsibilities is acknowledging that we have them (Anonymous)

State Lottery

Worthy Grand Knights and fellow Brother Knights. By now you should be well underway with the sale of the Fall Tickets. All tickets and monies must be returned in at the registration table at the winter meetings taking place on November 29th. – December 1st.

The ticket draw takes place on November 30th. Please have a cheque from your Council for the tickets sold. Make cheques payable the Knights of Columbus State Council. All prizes are the same as last year.

Fraternally Jerry Barker State Lottery Chair

Busy Summer

During the summer Msgr. Wm. Williams council 8640 in Kings Cove held two first degrees. The first one took place on July 28th, in Clarenville, with one new member joining our Council. The new Brother is Shawn Connors, son of Brother Sam Connors, one of our Council members.

The second, first degree, took place August 30th, in King's Cove. At this degree, there were had two priests join our Council as new members. They were Fr. Justin Dawson, Parish Priest of St. Patrick's & St. Joseph's Parish, Port Union and Fr. David Quaning, Parish Priest of St's. Peter & Paul Parish of King's Cove.

On September 25th, the Council sponsored the monthly birthday party at Golden Heights Manor in Bonavista. This is the third year in which our Council has done

this. The Council provides a birthday cake and cookies for the occasion. Members come along and help serve and entertain the seniors.

Fourth Degree

Worthy Knights; At the end of many Knights of Columbus letters we receive in the Salutary Line or Salutation immediately before the Signature Line the salutation Vivat Jesu(s). [In Latin Jesu is the translation] Where did this brief prayer come from and how did it come into ordinary usage. Why do we use it as a sign of our membership in the Knights of Columbus?

The immediate answer is clear biblical and theological thought. "I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

But a story goes with it.

A young man named Francis de Sales was a student of the humanities and philosophy at the Jesuit College of Clermont in Paris 1580-88 and went on to the University of Padua to earn a Doctorate in Law in 1591. Subsequently he studied for the priesthood and was ordained in 1593. He was an ordinary man with many gifts. He is a Doctor of the Church.

Among his books is a book that is required reading even today at all Catholic Seminaries viz. "Introduction to the Devout Life." It's a classic spiritual text and in it he carefully explains his spiritual instructions to Marie de Chastel, a maid of honor in the household of Catherine of Cleves how to live a devout life.

The "Introduction" is divided into 4 parts consisting of 15 to twenty meditations. And at

the end of several we find our Salutation in its more complete form. In part one he ends several meditations with the prayer:

"Oh my God! Thou art my God, the God of my heart, the God of my soul, the God of my spirit. As such I acknowledge Thee, and as such I adore Thee now and forever. Live O Jesus!"

In another place he writes:

"Oh, holy Virgin! Beloved Mother! I choose thee for my guide. I put myself under thy protection. I offer thee a particular respect and special reverence. Oh, my good angel! Present me to this sacred assembly. Forsake me not until I am joined to this blessed company, with whom I say and will say forever in testimony of my choice: Live Jesus, Live Jesus!"

Often the press of meetings, activities and business may distract us. But we must all remember who we are. Practical Catholics and Christ Bearers. We are frequently alerted to this fact when we view our lapel pins and logos and use the salutation Vivat Jesus.

You may be sure Fr. Michael McGivney knew of St. Francis de Sales.

Vivat Jesu Derm Whelan Master of the Fourth Degree



Training seminar

Brother Knights; Terra Nova Council 1452 in St. John's hosted a Membership Recruitment and Council Officer Training Seminar on Saturday September 21, 2019. There were 30 people, including 4 District Deputies and the State Executive in attendance.



The entombment of Christ by artist Todd Chafe of petty harbor NL. given in Commeration of Archbishop Martin Currie's 10th anniversary as Archbishop of St. John's and his 50th year of priesthood May 12,2018. The painting donated by Dr. Boyd lee and Terra Nova council #1452 knights of Columbus valued at \$10,000.00 and is on display at the Basilica Cathedral of John the Baptist.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE:

Welcome to **Brother Eugene Costello** the newest field agent in this jurisdiction covering the 3 councils in labrador and terra nova council #1452 in St. johns.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LAUNCHES TWO WHOLE LIFE INSURANCE PRODUCTS

CORE MARKET EXPECTED TO BE THOSE WHO SEEK AFFORDABLE, PERMANENT PROTECTION THAT BUILDS CASH VALUE AND LEAVES A FINANCIAL LEGACY.

The Knights of Columbus, a Fortune 1000 insurer with more than \$25 billion in assets, announced in a news release on September 3 that it has launched two more permanent life insurance products in Canada: Limited Pay Whole Life and Single Premium Whole Life.

Both the Limited Pay Whole Life and the Single Premium Whole Life plans offer a guaranteed death benefit as well as cash values with the opportunity for additional growth if future dividends are earned. Dividends are not guaranteed, but are distributed to policyholders, as there are no stockholders.

Ron Franzluebbers, senior vice president and chief actuary, said: "These new whole life products will be competitive additions to our life insurance product portfolio, providing access to all the benefits of whole life insurance, including guaranteed cash values and death benefits, at an affordable cost. Offering a strong portfolio of products allows our agents to best meet the needs of our clients, who can feel confident knowing that their life insurance protection is in the hands of an insurer with a long-term history of providing financial assistance."

Limited Pay Whole Life

Limited Pay Whole Life policy allows the client flexibility to choose how many years to pay premiums, guaranteed and fixed at issue, subject to a five year minimum requirement. This unique product provides a lifetime level guaranteed death benefit with cash value that builds over time. There is also potential for additional death benefit and cash value growth if any dividends earned are used to purchase paid-up additional insurance.

"The beauty of Limited Pay Whole Life, which will be our flagship whole life product," added Franzluebbers "is the flexibility the client has at the time of sale to choose the premium payment period. A client can choose to pay for as few as five years, all the way to age 100, or any age in between. The initial payment flexibility is completely in the hands of the client and is a differentiator in the industry. After the payment period is complete, the policy is guaranteed to be paid-up with no further payments required. The product allows the client to customize the paidup age of the policy to coordinate with their personal financial planning timeline."

Single Premium Whole Life

The Single Premium Whole Life policy provides permanent life insurance protection that is guaranteed to be paid-up for life with just one premium payment. This product builds cash value and provides an income tax free death benefit that is guaranteed for life. It is eligible to earn dividends at the end of the first policy year.

"Single Premium Whole Life has a unique one-payment concept; the client makes one payment, which guarantees a death benefit, allowing the client to create an estate or legacy that can provide for survivors or to be donated to charity," Franzluebbers stated. "It also has strong cash value growth potential over time."

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