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Message from your Grand Knight.

Brother Knights, there will be a Parish and Knights sponsored ball hockey game against our brother Knights and parish from Holy Family. It will take place at Holy Family Parish on the Family Day weekend. This is an excellent opportunity to build comradery within our churches and an opportunity to get to know our faith friends.

The next General Meeting is February 20th at 7 PM. Please bring your 2019 membership cards or \$50 for your dues.

Vivat Jesus

Br. Brian Wolbert

UPCOMING EVENTS

February

- 16 Saturday, 1st Degree Initiation at St Joseph's
- 20 Wednesday, General Meeting - 7 PM

March

- 4 Monday, Executive Meeting - 7 PM
- 16 Saturday, 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplification at St. Francis
- 17 St. Patrick's Day
- 20 Wednesday, General Meeting - 7 PM



Good of the Order

Keep in your prayers those at the Youville and elsewhere:
William Oshanyk, Ernest Sokolan, Rev. Louis Gendre, Leon Richard and Tony Csilics's brother in Calgary.

We will visit our fellow Brothers who are ill and in continuing care. Some members of our council will visit them, preferably in the mornings. If you are able to participate please contact Br. Brian Wolbert at 780-460-8294 or Br. Tony Csilics 780-458-0065e-mail kofo@stalbertcouncil4742.ca.

If you are aware of a Knight who is ill or who passed away please call Br. Tony Csilics.

SUPREME COUNCIL



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

To whom it may concern - Greeting:

Whereas, it having been made known to the Officers of the Supreme Council of the
Knights of Columbus that a sufficient number of eligible men residing in the city
of St. Albert in Alberta
have duly petitioned that they be granted a charter and authorized to organize and main-
tain a Council of the Knights of Columbus within said St. Albert and it
appearing to be for the benefit of said Knights of Columbus that their petition be granted,
We therefore be it known that the duly authorized Officers of the Knights of Columbus,
by and with the consent of said Supreme Council hereby authorize and direct the
following named gentlemen to assemble and work as a regularly constituted Council
of the Knights of Columbus to be designated by the name

St. Albert Council - Number 4742

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And we do hereby grant to said Brothers aforesaid to receive members and perform all
work of the Knights of Columbus agreeable to the usages of the Knights of Columbus,
to exact from their members such fees as they shall judge necessary for the support
of their Council and the regular payments of all legal dues and assessments and to
obey with due respect all ordinances emanating from the Supreme Council of the
Knights of Columbus.

In Testimony Whereof We have hereunto affixed our names under the seal of the Supreme Council.



Witness my hand

Supreme Knight

Given this sixteenth day of February 1959.

Supreme Secretary



Very Important Date - Mark your calendars - **Saturday June 15 2019**, Mass and Banquet.

We are celebrating the 60th anniversary of the founding of the Knights of Columbus St Albert Council 4742 .

Formal invitation and information to follow.

Founded February 16, 1959.

We thank our founding members for having the foresight and determination to make this happen.

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Superior General and Missionary

Oblate Moment - Br. Bernie Hryciw

All the while, Eugene continued to serve as Superior General of the Oblates. After accepting a mission in neighbouring Corsica in 1834, starting in 1841, the small Society began a period of great expansion. Eugene received many requests from abroad. In spite of limited personnel, he responded in faith. In 1841 the first Oblates arrived in Canada. Soon they ventured into the vast plains of the West and within a few years had reached the Arctic Circle. Other countries followed: England in 1842; the United States and Ceylon (today Sri Lanka) in 1847, South Africa in 1851 and Ireland in 1855.



Always a prolific writer, Eugene corresponded unceasingly with his missionaries. In his voluminous correspondence he reveals himself as a caring pastor, involved in all aspects of their life and mission. Always an apostolic man, he was able to encourage, advise, correct and support. He harbored a profound sense of spiritual paternity and lived in intense union with his sons as they shouldered the many heavy burdens in distant missions. Although he never traveled beyond the borders of Europe, with the exception of a short trip to Algeria, Saint Eugene nurtured in his heart a concern for all the churches. A visiting bishop remarked after meeting Saint Eugene: "I have met the apostle Paul".

Save the date !

Edmonton Chapter **Padre Night** ,- Thursday, October 24th. OLPH Sherwood Park. Hosted by Archbishop MacDonald Council 6083.

This is advance notice to all councils and District Deputies, State Board Members to save this very important date.

Election of Executive positions will take place in May. This could be an excellent opportunity to take on a more guiding role in 4742. Please consider letting your name stand for the positions of Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Chancellor, Treasurer, Recorder, Advocate, Warden, Inside and Outside Guard, and Trustee 3. Candidates are required to have received their 3rd degree.

Hello All;

Looks like the fish fry during lent is not going to be a fund raiser as father feels it will be too many suppers for our parish. The youth will be putting on 2 fish fries during lent and doing their own cooking.

In the meantime we depend on our monthly breakfasts and grocery cards as staples that allow us to provide for the good things that we do.

Let me know if you can help; 7 am to 11 am for cooking and serving or 11 am for serving and cleanup.

If you can't help this month at least bring your family for our famous and delicious breakfast. We like your money almost as much as we like your help.

Show parish support by example to your kids by helping put away chairs and tables at the end of the 11 am breakfast.

Blessings to everyone.

Ken Gallagher

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Message from your Financial Secretary;

Thank you Brothers for submitting your 2018 Annual Fraternal Activity information.

Our Council's 2018 Fraternal Commitment was:

Total visits to sick & bereaved -----	511
Blood donors-----	17
Total Community volunteer service hours--	4781
Total hours of Fraternal service-----	559

Please track your 2019 Fraternal Activity and submit at the end of the year.
THANK YOU!

Dear Brothers:

Chaplain 's Corner

In the Gospel of (Mark 6: 7-13) I encourage you to read this gospel and then read this reflection.

Jesus Christ shows his intention of founding his Church by choosing the twelve apostles. He instructs them on how to do their mission. He also gives them authority over unclean spirits, and ability to cure people with ailments.

Today Jesus is sounding off this same call to us – to be his messengers of the Good News. We can do this mission first by making our personal lives a living testimony to the love and goodness of God. Then some of us may be called to be catechists or missionaries like the apostles.

In the Gospel reading, Jesus instructs the apostles not to bring anything; clothes, food or money for the journey. Why? Because Jesus wants them to experience God's providence and trust in Him.

So whatever role in the Church God is calling you to do, remember that Jesus will be with you till the end of time as he promised. Do not be afraid and trust in the providence of God. And do not think that you are unworthy of the call. Remember that among the apostles, one denied

Jesus three times, another doubted in his resurrection and a third betrayed him. The Lord knows each one of us. He knows our weaknesses. So just trust in him and the Holy Spirit to give you the grace and strength to fulfil your mission.

And when you have fulfilled your mission and depart from this world, you can be sure that you will be in good company – saints, angels, martyrs, etc. – all worshipping God, the supreme Judge and Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Saviour. We will be constantly feasting in heaven and our happiness will have no end because the Holy Spirit will be everywhere.

Fr. Ed. Kosa ,omi
Chaplain

Grant Knight
Knights of Columbus
Council 4742

February 6, 2019

Dear Brother Knights of 4742

Re: Thank for the chocolate bars

We are fortunate the Catholic Church has clear instructions about the dignity of all people with these Instructions clearly explained in the Second Vatican Council documents on Ecumenical/Interfaith practice and social justice.

When instructing children to decorate the bags for the Remand Center people in jail one teacher offers this reflection from a social justice perspective.

I absolutely seized the opportunity to discuss (Social Justice) when decorating our Christmas bags for the imprisoned. I saw many shocked faces when I told the students we would be decorating bags for men in jail. I explained that those in jail have made a bad choice and have broken the law but that we have all made bad choices and sinned but God loves us anyways. I told them that it is not up to us to judge them (to tell them they are good or bad) but that it is between themselves and God. God is always by our side during good and bad times and he is with those in jail too. God wants them to feel His love but He cannot do it Himself and He needs our help. I explained that those in jail will not have a Christmas like they will have and that this bag, decorated by us, and filled by other students with treats, will be the only Christmas gift they may get. How lonely they will initially feel but imagine after receiving our beautiful bags, they will feel a little Christmas spirit and love. The children were so eager to decorate! I hope that spirit of love and giving will be reinforced again in the near future.

The decorated bags and modest handful of treats is an ecumenical/interfaith gift, for everyone at the Remand Center, including all Christians and person of world religions and those without a belief in God.

Every human person, regardless of their condition, has something that no court of law can take from or bestow on them. And that is their dignity by reason of the fact that they are created in the image and likeness of God.

Thank you for delivering such a powerful, hopeful message of love to people in jail.

Gratefully,

Jerry Moran

Catholic Chaplain

Edmonton Remand Centre

CC: Urban Stang

Ian Lalonde, Director of Programs

All Council members are reminded that 2019 membership fees are now due. If you have an outstanding invoice please send payment to:
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**February 2019 Meeting
Knights of Columbus Alberta-Northwest Territories
Formation Program-February-2019**

Opening Prayer

Lord, teach us to pray:
“Our Father...”

The Reading

(To be read by the Leader)

**“Everything is lawful, but not everything is
beneficial.**

**Everything is lawful but not everything
builds up. (1 Cor 10, 23)”**

**“The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord
make His face to shine upon you, and be
gracious to you; the Lord lift up His
countenance upon you, and give you peace,
(Numbers 6, 24-26**

Brothers, last month we looked at addictive potential in marijuana use. We paralleled marijuana use to alcohol use, as both substances were once illegal, both are drugs, both are now legal, both are, by societal standards relatively acceptable. My source for this section on the morality of recreational use legalized marijuana is Fr. Raymond DeSouza, (editor of Convivum, chaplain of Newman House at Queen’s University, well respected Theologian). So, the question. “What advice should pastors and parents give now that recreational use cannabis is legal? Does legalization of Marijuana change the morality of it?” His response: yes and no. Fr. De Souza states that the use of recreational marijuana, though legal is still a sin.

He notes that some things are morally neutral in and of themselves but because the law of the land decrees a law, involving even a morally neutral object, they can become in fact sinful. Example Traffic lights are morally neutral. Yet the law prescribes that we come to a complete stop when the light is red. So, it is wrong, (a sin) to disobey the law regarding the red light even if you do not get caught while disobeying the law. Fr. DeSouza states that there are also things that are immoral even if there is no law against them. Example, prior to distracted driving laws coming into effect, was it immoral (a sin) to text while driving? No, not in the sense that there was a law against texting while driving. However, if you were driving recklessly or endangering the lives of other

motorists because of your lack of attentiveness, then yes, it was morally wrong (a sin) even if no law was broken. “More relevant to marijuana, there is no law against drinking to great excess, just as there are not laws against adultery or being rude at work or being ungrateful to your mother.” But all remain sinful behaviors, even though there was not a law being broken.

What he is saying is that just because there is not a law against recreational use of marijuana, this does not mean it is not immoral, (a sin). However, this does mean that we cannot argue against marijuana use with our children based on illegality. That argument and that ship have sailed. So, why is recreational marijuana usage still considered to be immoral? In June 2017 when the Cannabis act was passed, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, (CCCCB) issued the following statement: “It is lamentable that the federal government has decided to facilitate the provision and use of an addictive substance that will have disastrous effects for so many people.” The Canadian Medical Association, the Canadian Psychiatric Association, and the Canadian Pediatric society have all linked cannabis use to addictions, depression, anxiety, psychosis, damage to brain development and lung problems such as asthma and emphysema. “But cannabis use is not immoral because it has foreseeable negative health and social consequences. So, does alcohol, not to mention eating fried chicken while playing video games, (DeSouza).”

Please bring a copy of this reading to the next General Meeting so that you can more fully participate in the reading , meditation and prayers.

The Reflection

(To be read by the Leader)

Fr. DeSouza states: "Rather, there is something about using cannabis in itself that is contrary to the moral law." "With the exception of cannabis use for medicinal purposes, consuming marijuana violates the virtue of temperance and should be avoided, (Msgr. Frank Leo, General Secretary, CCCB)." When thinking of the virtue of **temperance** the key word is **excess**. Note the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) statements on the virtue of temperance. "The **virtue of temperance** disposes us to avoid every kind of excess: the abuse of food, alcohol, tobacco, or medicine. Those incur grave guilt who, by drunkenness or love of speed, endanger their own and others' safety on the road, at sea or in the air, (CCC #2290)." "The use of drugs inflicts very grave damage on human health and life. Their use, except on strictly therapeutic grounds, is a grave offence...(CCC # 2291)."

"Here the Christian tradition links drug use to the excessive-intemperate- use of food and drink. **But there is something different about drugs, namely that it is not the "excess" that is sinful-gluttony, drunkenness-but the use**

itself, (DeSouza)." Next month, the link between excessive alcohol use and the use of cannabis in and of itself.

"Everything is lawful, but not everything is beneficial.

Everything is lawful but not everything builds up. (1 Cor 10, 23)"

Meditation Period

(The Leader now invites the members to spend a few moments in silent reflection, as the above text is not meant to be a ready-made answer but a starter for personal reflection on the theme.)

Fraternal Sharing

(The leader now invites the members to share with their Brother Knights any relevant thoughts that came to them during the meditation period.)

Closing Prayer

(Recited by all)

Let us pray:

"Almighty ever-living God, grant that we may always conform our will to yours and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen