

The Beacon

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Welcome New Knights

Arman Estillore, Evan Holstein, Snize Kouadio Severin,
Aaron Adams, and Troy Bontus.

KC and CWL Sunday – Oct 15th.

Attention all Knights. This is one of our recruitment drives. Please join us at one of the 9 AM and/or 11 AM Mass. Sashes will be available for Knights to wear at Mass. Also please help with the pancake breakfast to cook, serve, set-up and/or clean-up afterwards. This is a great opportunity for all Knights to show off some of the things we do for our church, community, families and council.

Padre Night - Oct 20

St. Basil's St. Basil's Cultural Centre 10819 71 Ave NW.
The cost is \$50 each. Cocktails at 6:30pm, dinner 7:30pm, followed by recognition of our priests and religious, guest speakers, entertainment and a social evening.
For tickets please contact Brian Wolbert at 780-460-8294.

Memorial Mass – Nov 2nd 7 PM.

There will be a special Mass to honor our departed fellow Knights. At Mass the names of those who have passed on will be read and candles will be lit in their honor. After this special Mass rosaries will be presented to their spouses. This year we will be celebrating the Memorial Mass in conjunction with the CWL. Please mark your calendars.

UPCOMING EVENTS 2017

October

- 15 - Sunday - KofC / CWL Sunday and Pancake Breakfast after Mass
- 18 - Wednesday - General Meeting 7 PM - Grandin Room
- 20 - Friday - Padre Night.

November

- 2 - Thursday - 7 PM, CWL and K of C Memorial Mass
- 5 - Sunday - Pancake Breakfast
- 6 - Monday - Executive Meeting, 7 PM - Grandin Room
- 11 - Saturday - Remembrance Day
- 15 - Wednesday - General Meeting 7 PM - Grandin Room

Your Executive!

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Br. Joel Thomson

October 2017 Meeting

Created in the Image and Likeness of God (Gen. 1, 26-27)

Opening Prayer

Lord, teach us to pray:
"Our Father..."

The Reading

(To be read by the Leader)

"God created humanity in His image and likeness, in His divine image He created him; male and female He created them....God looked at everything He had made, and He found it very good, (Gen. 1, 27, 31)"

Last month we broke the ice on the challenges presented by the protection of freedom of sexual identity presented in Bill C-16 which became law in June 2017. In July 2017 (Most Rev.) Douglas Crosby, OMI, Bishop of Hamilton and President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, presented a statement on the passage of Bill C-16. In part the letter stated: "While the CCCB supports Bill C-16's intention to protect Canadians from harm, some of the principals behind the legislation-even if widely accepted in our society-cannot be endorsed by Catholics. **The most serious of these is the claim that gender is separable from biological sexuality and is to be determined by the individual.** This central tenant of contemporary gender theory is not in accord with natural law or Christian revelation and has therefore been **explicitly rejected** by Pope Francis and by Pope Benedict XVI." The Catholic Bishops naturally support the principal of the protection of all people but in no way are they supportive of the concept that we are the masters of who we are. There is only one Master and that is our Lord who created us out of love in His image and likeness. God created us as we are in His image and likeness and we have a moral obligation to accept our God-given sexual identity.

Catholic teaching in this area may be summarized in the following way. "We are created male and female in the image of God (Gen. 1. 26-27). Each of us-man or woman- is challenged to fulfill our human vocation in a way that is individually unique, yet true to what we have been created to be." The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches the following; "Each man and woman "should acknowledge and accept" his or her biological sexual identity, including physical, moral and spiritual differences and complementarily," which affects all aspects of the human person in the unity of his body and soul."

This identity especially concerns affectivity, the capacity to love and to procreate, and in a more general way the aptitude for forming bonds of communion with others," (CCC 2332, 2333).

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The Reflection

(To be read by the Leader)

Bishop Crosby, again speaking on behalf of the CCCB, concludes his statement on Bill C-16 with some legitimate down the road or perhaps even present day concerns. "Having in view the well-being not only of Catholics but of all Canadians, we wish to express again our serious concerns with Bill C-16. Questions about freedom of speech, freedom of association, and freedom of religion are also likely to arise in connection with this legislation. We urge those of Catholic faith and all people of good will, to be diligent in defending these freedoms and the vision of human dignity on which they are based."

Brothers as Catholic men we need always focus on the common good while at the same time protecting with diligence the dignity and the uniqueness of each human person. Next month we will look at definitions in order to begin the process of understanding this in part, relatively modern-day phenomenon.

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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

Please bring a copy of this reading to the next regular meeting so that you can more fully participate in the readings, meditation and prayers. If you are unable to attend please reflect on the readings in your own way.

Brother Knights:

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. When you became a Knight you received a rosary and you were instructed to carry it with you at all times and to pray it often. During the month of October, I invite you to say the rosary daily. You can pray alone or preferably with your family.

This year we celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady at Fatima to the three children. Mary asked the children to pray the rosary every day for world peace. The rosary is the heart of the Fatima message and we need the rosary in our lives more than ever today because we live in very troubled times.

Will you as a Knight wield the spiritual sword of the rosary for Our Lady and become a warrior against the darkness of our present times?

Chaplain

Fr. Ed Kosa, omi

Message from our Chaplain



Dear Brother Knights,

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15th is fast approaching, the day we let our fellow parishioners find out more about who we are as Knights of Columbus, and the kinds of projects we are involved with.

We have named this special Sunday as "Knights of Columbus/Catholic Women's League Sunday" and once again are sharing this event with our sisters of the CWL.

We invite you all to attend either the 9:00 or 11:00 Mass to help us celebrate our Council and the activities within our parish, and hopefully attract a new member or two.

This is also (because of other previous activities in the parish) our Pancake Breakfast for October and will allow us to meet and greet potential recruits. We hope you can join us in this monthly event as well. During the Masses we will have an introduction from our Grand Knight, a special Intention read during the Mass, reference to our services to the Church during the Homily, and the always beautiful special "blessing" at the end of Mass when we will be called to the altar by our presiding Priest.

I know some of you attend the Saturday service, and some the late Sunday service. We are asking if for this one weekend you might consider a small change to join your Brother Knights in prayer.

God bless you all, today and always. We hope to see you on the 15th!

Brother Gerry Buccini

Deputy Grand Knight

2nd annual Rosary – Oct 14th.

You are invited to join us in a Public Square Rosary Rally on Saturday, October 14, at noon at Lion's Park. This is sponsored by Canada Needs our Lady and will be one of 600 rallies taking place across Canada on that day. It will also commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima.

<http://www.canadaneedsourlady.org/public-square-rosary-rally/>

Good of the Order

Please include in your prayers the following Brothers who are ill:

William Oshanyk; Ernest Sokolan; Rev. Louis Gendre; Gerry Hartel and Leon Richard.

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 Csilies 780-458-0065 e-mail kofc@stalbertcouncil4742.ca.

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