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The Beacon

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Message from the Grand Knight

Dear Brother Knights

Only four months remain in this Columbian Year and although it has been a busy one, there is more to happen before it concludes.

Our Council is hosting a 1st Degree and Major (2nd and 3rd) Degree this Saturday, March 17th. It's time as we have not hosted a Major Degree for a number of years plus it will be conducted using the revised/updated ceremony format. All councils in our District 14 plus Districts 8 and 15 have been invited to bring their candidates and 1st Degree members. All our members are invited to attend and view the new Degree ceremonies. I only ask that if attending please inform myself or Br. Gerry Woodlock (459-2435) as we require a count to order lunch and for the Wine & Cheese Social following the Degree Ceremonies. The day's schedule will be sent to all our members with this Newsletter.

Brother Terry Sperling, who as I write this message, is in Banff helping Father Andrzej with the Annual Altar Server Ski Trip, is diligently planning the Pizza Pizza, Splash Splash! (Annual Family Swim) event to be held on March 25th. This is the second post 150th Jubilee Celebration event hosted by the Parish and sponsored by our Knights of Columbus Council. Please plan to attend.

Again our latest pancake breakfast was a success. Although attendance after both masses was less than expected not only did we have sufficient help to serve our guests but also managed to sell over \$7,500 of Gift Cards. Thank you to all who helped at the breakfast and selling of the Gift Cards.

At our breakfast I had the privilege of meeting Father Magnus Chilaka of Our Lady of Victory Parish in Inuvit, Northwest Territories. This was one of the parishes Father Andrzej recently visited with a small group from our parish. Father Chilaka commented on the breakfast and the fine works we were doing and I shared information on how the Knights provide support to St. Albert parish. He expressed a desire to have similar support up North. We chatted about some of his needs and his travels to several communities up North. More information will be provided at our next General Meeting and what has transpired since the breakfast. Brother Gerry Woodlock will also share some additional information on Father Andrzej visit at our General Meeting.

The Annual State Convention is in Sherwood Park this year so our travels will be short. Our Worthy Advocate Brother Norm Chartrand and I will represent our Council at the Convention.

For more information on upcoming events in our Council please visit our website at http://www.stalbertcouncil4742.ca/

See you at our General Meeting on March 21st, 2012 in our Council Chambers. Vivat Jesus John Onyskiw



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MAJOR DEGREE

March 17, 2012

Day's Schedule

- Location: St. Albert Parish 7 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert T8N 1K1
- Date: Saturday, March 17th, 2012
 - 9:00 am Registration of 1st Degree candidates
 - 9:30 am 1st Degree ceremony
 - 9:45 am Registrations for Major Degrees (2nd and 3rd)
 - 10:30 am Mass (upstairs in church)
 - 11:15 am Lunch
 - 12:00 pm 2nd Degree ceremony
 - 1:15 pm 3rd Degree ceremony
 - 3:30 pm Wine and Cheese Social (wives and significant others are invited to attend at 3:30pm please use Church Hall entrance)

REMINDER!

The Pancake Breakfast is on



1st. Sunday of every Month following the **9:00 a.m.** and

11:00 a.m. Mass. Single Family: \$15.00 Adults: \$5.00 Children under 16: \$3.00



Join us in friendship Blood Donor Clinic at the Church Parish Hall.



Next Blood Donor Clinic Monday, Mar 27 From 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. Appointments 1 888 2 DONATE 1 888 236-6283



Remember the Bingos are now at Grandin Mall (Non Smoking)

Contact Jim Van Horn at 406-9889 to Volunteer.

Good

Please keep in your prayers...

of the Order!

All of our members and their families who have passed away.





Pizza!Splash!! Splash!!

Sunday, March 25th, 2012 Fountain Park Pool

4 Cunningham Road

swim: 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. pizza supper: 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.



with a voluntary donation to Development and Peace – Water Initiatives

ST. ALBERT

Proudly sponsored by Development Knights of Columbus Council 4742nd Peace March 2012 Meeting The Second Sacrament of Healing: Anointing of the needs of our sick sisters and brothers. We should Sick **Opening Prayer** Lord teach us to pray: Our Father...

The Reading

(to be read by the Leader)

Is anyone among you sick? He should summon the presbyters of the church, and they should pray over him and anoint (him) with oil in the name of the Lord, and the prayer of faith will save the sick person, and the Lord will raise him up. If he has committed any sins, he will be forgiven.

(James 5, 14-15)

The Reflection

(to be read by the leader)

The reading which we always hear at the celebration of this sacrament makes its meaning very clear. It is for sick persons and healing of body and soul. (Forgiveness of sins). The signs are laying on of hands and the anointing with the Oil for the sick, either blessed by the Bishop during the Chrism- mass or by the Priest who administers the sacrament. The oil a symbol of healing is being applied to the forehead and the hands or any other part of the body which is diseased or gives pain.

When should we receive this sacrament? The ritual tells us at three occasions:

1) Serious illness (repeated at any new crisis)

2) Before not after, an operation and

3) In debilitating old age.

This sacrament is very often given in hospitals or during mass in a communal celebration on the Day for the sick (February 11-Memorial of our Lady of Lourdes).

The sacrament is not really for the dying, although it is being administered then too. The sacrament to prepare us for death is the Viaticum - Holy Communion as food for the journey, to heaven.

There are also prayers for the dying during death and a blessing and prayers after death. As

Catholics we should be aware of the spiritual visit them, pray for them. I am still grateful for all the prayers and visits which I received when I was seriously ill a few years ago. Be also vigilant to alert the Parish Priest or the hospital Chaplain when you are aware of anybody who is sick. May this sacrament be a consolation and healing for all our sick.

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;

God of compassion, you take every family under your care and know our physical and spiritual needs. Transform our weakness by the strength of your grace and confirm us in your covenant so that we may grow in faith and love. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.