

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 9352

*St. Paul the Apostle, Alliston*

## ***SEPTEMBER***



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**St. Paul the Apostle Alliston; Council #9352; District 99**

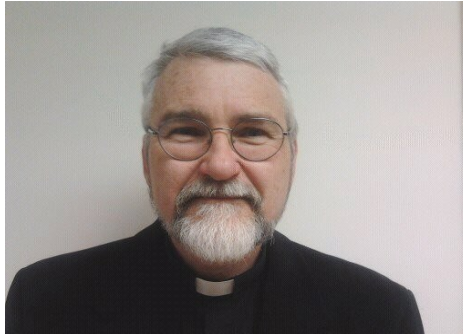
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**Executive Meetings 1st Thursday of every month**

**General Meetings 2nd Thursday of every month**

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## **The Response of Total Gratitude**

What should our response be to God? Often times we become self-consumed in our relationship with God. We focus in on our troubles and needs. These must be given over to God and let go of. When we do this we will discover that we begin to see the glory and goodness of God at work in our lives and we will begin to be filled with the utmost gratitude toward God. Gratitude must consume us and fill our minds and prayers. We must allow gratitude to take over our passions and feelings and every part of our being. This is what we will do for eternity. Heaven will be one eternal act of thanksgiving to God for His goodness and Mercy. When we can turn our eyes away from ourselves and focus in on God, this gift of gratitude will begin to direct our lives (See *Diary* #1285-1286).

Are you grateful? You will be grateful only if you allow yourself to see the countless gifts that God lavishes upon you every day. It's easy to allow self-absorption to cloud our vision of these countless blessings from God. But if you can turn your eyes toward Heaven and see the truth, you will be amazed at God's infinite goodness. Do not let yourself miss out on this glorious discovery of all that God does for you day and night. Do not close your eyes to the abundance of His Mercy. Reflect, today, upon whether or not you allow yourself to see His merciful love lavished upon you and upon others. Fix your gaze upon this Mercy and allow this realization to foster within you a profoundly grateful heart.

*My Lord, I thank You for all that You have done in my life and I thank You for all that You will continue to do in me. Help me to become increasingly aware of Your merciful love and the countless blessings You bestow upon me and upon all Your children. As I see Your handiwork all around, fill my heart with sincere gratitude. Jesus, I trust in You.*

# EXECUTIVE 2020-2021

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### *Brothers*

Every day we face new challenges and need to make difficult decisions. The past 6 months have certainly shown us how life can change. The Covid-19 pandemic has brought us anxiety, fear and uncertainty. All of us have seen changes in the way we shop, go to school and attend mass. We can take heart in knowing that the Holy Spirit is with us, now as in the past, providing us inspiration and bestowing His gifts of wisdom, counsel, and peace. Our faith will help give us strength and resilience. We are not alone.

***With many events being cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic, our Council fundraising activities will be curtailed for the time being. Nevertheless we need to focus on areas here we can be of service in our church and the community at large. There are activities such as a food and toy drive that we can do. We can also lead the rosary before mass. Other suggestions are most welcome.***

An outdoor Advent event, “Lux vitae” being planned for the end of November in conjunction with some of our neighbouring parishes. More details to follow.

The District Deputy Ron Frank will be attending the installation of council officers following the 7:00 pm Mass at St. Paul’s this coming Thursday September 17. Our Youth Minister, Dave McKendrick will be helping set up the zoom meeting for those unable to be present. ***Please let me know if you can attend in person or if you wish to attend the zoom meeting.***

We will have a short informal meeting either in the narthex of the church or in the hall depending on the numbers. Changes are coming in the way meetings will be conducted in the months ahead.

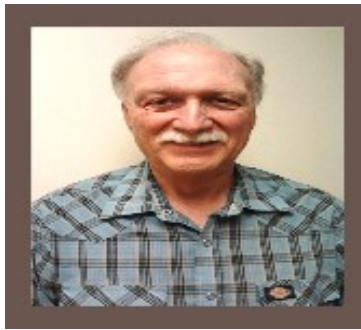
Thanks to Brother Bruce McCallum and the Brother Knights for completing the sale of the remaining draw tickets. ***Well done!*** Special thanks to Fr. Glass and the rest of the parish staff and volunteers who have worked hard to re-opening of the church for Mass.

**Remember to be kind and patient to the people around you. We don’t always know what is going on in each other’s lives. Let’s continue to support one another.**

*Andrew*

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No report for this month



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## **WHAT CAN YOU SAY TO YOUR UNBELIEVING LOVED ONES?**

***We pray for our loved ones daily but we wonder if there is something we can say that would inspire conversion. We trust that the Holy Spirit will generate in your ideas for your own family.***

### **A LETTER FROM A MOTHER TO HER FAMILY**

I want you all to know, first of all, how much I love you.

I have always wanted to share more of who I "really" am with you, especially my children, grand/great grandchildren, brothers, sisters and close friends who I consider as family.

As you know I am pretty religious. It was not always so. I was raised in a very religious family and received an excellent education in a Catholic school.

In my early 20s I fell away from my upbringing in the faith, as so many do. It was a time of questioning and doubting everything. And the fact that it was in the tumultuous '60s and '70s did not help. The world was in chaos (much like it is today). Many traditions were being questioned if not destroyed completely.

I was "full of myself" and thought I knew it all. I thought that the ancient Catholic Church was old fashioned and outdated. I didn't need it anymore. I thought I could find my own truth on my own. As a result, I made some serious mistakes and some very wrong choices. Many others suffered because of my mistakes and wrong choices: my parents and my children most of all.

Thanks be to God, I slowly found my way back. I attribute my adult conversion to my mother's prayers and above all to the grace and mercy of God.

It has been a long road, and I am so grateful for all of it because, as the Bible says, "We know that all things work together for good for those who love God..." (Romans 8:28).

And He certainly has blessed me over and over again in so many ways that I don't deserve. He has given me a long life in which to reconcile with many that I have hurt. Most importantly, I have been reunited with all of my adult children. This is something I dreamed about but never thought would happen.

That brings me to something I really want to share with all of you. Namely why I love my faith, I know many of you think that it is a little overboard and weird and perhaps even simple-minded or superstitious. Many of you wonder why I spend so much time in church, at prayer groups, praying the Rosary, and in the Adoration Chapel.

Let me begin by saying that it is because I am aware of the great spiritual battle that is going on between good and evil in the world and these are I my weapons to protect myself and my loved ones and to hopefully bring you all with me to Heaven one day. Now I really understand why my own mother prayed so much for all of her loved ones during her lifetime.

The battle is real and if you understood the infinite value of one Mass, one Rosary, one Holy Hour and all prayer should be right there with me.

One of my dearest Catholic friends married a Protestant, but never invited him to become Catholic. At the end of their long marriage, he asked her, "Why didn't you ever ask me to become Catholic?" She said that she did not want him to do it to please her because that would be the wrong reason. One has to come to such a decision of their own desire. However, the tragedy is that he was never invited and that might have made all the difference. I have heard many, many similar stories.

So, my point for all this is that I want you all to consider yourselves invited by me. I don't ever want anyone to say to me when I'm on my deathbed, "Why didn't you invite me?"


God loves you far beyond anything you could ever imagine. He wants eternal happiness for each and every one of us. There is something very important I want you to know about God. He is an all Just God, but He is an all-merciful God as well. And His Mercy outweighs his Judgement. It has been revealed that everyone will be given one last opportunity to accept God when they die, so please, please -- when your time comes to meet Jesus face to face, please embrace him as your Lord and Savior. Your eternal salvation and happiness in Heaven depends on it. And, frankly, selfishly, I don't want to be in Heaven without you. So, do that one last favor for me. OK?

***Remember: Life is short, ETERNITY IS FOREVER.***


***THE MEANING OF "FAMILY": FORGET ABOUT ME, I LOVE YOU!***

*Vivat Jesu*

*Michael Crawley*



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*Dear Brother Knights and families,*

As council meeting and events start back again, I look forward to meeting and seeing you again.

Hope you and your families have been well during the past few months.

*Sincerely and fraternally,*

*Vivat Jesus*

*Andrei Dias*

## COMING EVENTS

**Executive and General Meeting have been cancelled until further notice**

**Rosary Sunday will be starting in October at St. Paul's before the 10:30 am Mass, members are in urgent need to, as a group of Knights, to say the Rosary at this Mass.**



**This is the our Mother, the Blessed and wonderful Queen of Heaven**

**KNIGHT OF THE MONTH COMING SOON:**



# *BIRTHDAYS + ANNIVERSARIES*



## *MEMBERS BIRTHDAYS*

*July 2020*— Tony MARCIANO; Mikelos BOROS; Aurele LEMIRE;  
Richard de FARIA; George BOGAART; William LYNCH; Howard GAL-  
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*August 2020*—Hubert COLARIS; Stephen CHARBONNEAU; Todd FAR-  
RELL; Joseph PLUT

*September 2020*—David BINNS; Mathew CROWLEY; Neil MORRISON

## *OUR MEMBERS' WIVES BIRTHDAYS*

*July 2020*—Mary KENNEDY; Patricia BURUCA

*August 2020*—Emma McMORRAN;

*September 2020*—Yvonne LAICINI; Rita VANDERVOORT;  
Ann CROWLEY; Barbara TROMBLAY





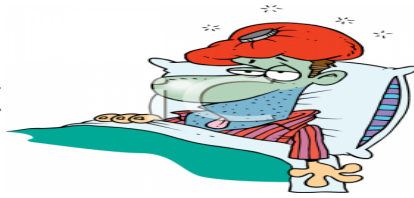
## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

*July 2020—Mathew & Alicia CROWLEY; Dan & Elizabeth McDEVITT; Aurele & Linda LEMIRE; Jerome & Nancy LENNON; Ronald & Sylvia SAUVE*

*August 2020—Bruce & Marie McCALLUM; George & Ann BOGAART; Allan & Barbara TROMBLAY; Andrew & Emma KOKELJ; Paul & Fatima HEALY*

*September 2020—Gregory & Christine CARNOVALE; Donald & Evelyn BERTRAND; Manny & Mitchele TRAVARES*

## OUR MEMBERS WHO ARE SICK



*Father C. BENNETT; Patrick St. ALMONT; Don SULKER; William SKELTON; Geoffrey Allan ROCHARD; Donald BERTRAND; Peter HART*



## OUR DECEASED MEMBERS

*Charles HANCOCK; Ron RANGLES; Walter McCLOSKEY; James McAULEY; Albert MORAN; Fergus SHEEHAN; Bert JESKY; Terry McCAULEY; Mel OXBY; Michael PARSONS; James McPARLAN; Jean CHARBONNEAU; Peter BROWN; John KENNEDY; Raul TARANCO; Lawrence SKELTON; Msgr Philip KENNEDY; Jean (John) GALLANT; Louis FONTAINE; Rev. Deacon Desmond CARROLL; Wayne MASON; Charles DONNELLY; Michael ROWETT; Kent TAYLOR;*



## FOR THE FAMILIES OF OUR COUNCIL MEMBERS WHO ARE SICK

**Bridget HEAP** Wife of Austin Heap; **Bob HARTE** Brother of Peter Harte; **Maureen HARTE** Sister-in-Law of Peter Harte; **IRENE** Sister of Aurele Lemire; **Arran DEEGAN** Son of Jason and Andrea Deegan; **Tyler HOLGATE's Mother;** **Maria TAVARES** wife of Moses Tavares; **Linda LEMIRE**, wife of Aurele Lemire; **Irma BOGAART** mother of George and Ann Bogaart; **Greg COFFIN** son of Tom and Diane Coffin; **Vicky COFFIN**, daughter of Tom and Diane Coffin;



## FOR THE FAMILISE OF OUR COUNCIL MEMBERS WHO ARE DECEASED

**Paul SKELTON** Brother and Brother-in-law of William and Madeline SKELTON



*Knights of Columbus Rosary Schedule for Sunday, October 18, 2020*

**GLORIOUS MYSTERY**

*First Mystery William LYNCH*

*Second Mystery Bruce McCALLUM*

*Third Mystery William SKELTON*

*Fourth Mystery Neil ARSENAULT*

*Fifth Mystery Thomas COFFIN*

