

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 9352

*St. Paul the Apostle, Alliston*

## ***F E B R U A R Y***



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

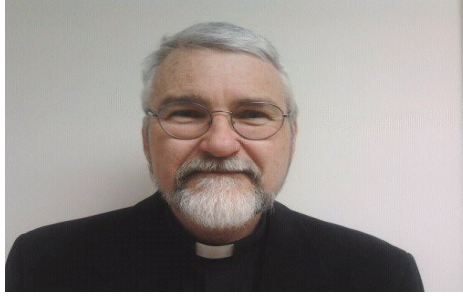
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**It is John whom I beheaded. He has been raised up”:** The verdict of conscience always makes itself known. Herod’s guilt regarding John the Baptist’s murder is projected into the present as a haunting memory. Those who have radically rejected God, though they might possess great power or wealth, great intelligence or ability, are ultimately the most insecure people on earth. When true goodness appears in their life, it presents itself as a threat. It condemns them and alienates them from themselves. All this is but a reflection of their state of soul before God. Such is the power of man’s conscience: it imposes its painful sentence long before the person ever reaches the ultimate tribunal of justice. Like Christ, we can only remain silent before the Herods of the world, praying that they break their resistance to grace.

**“He was very much perplexed, yet he liked to listen to him...”:** “Fear the grace of God that passes never to return.” In the lives of all persons, even the wicked, enough goodness is given them to be saved, enough such that God can offer them the truth of salvation within the scope of their freedom. Such graces last for only a time, not forever. These moments cannot be treated as moments that temporarily pacify our conscience, only to permit us to continue in our sin and resistance to living a holy life. Herod feared John, knew he was a holy man and felt the attraction of his words, but he did nothing to respond to it. You cannot play around with God and win. Herod loses and attacked what he knew he should love. This tragedy must teach us to be sincere and never imprison the voice of God in our soul, but to let it reign in our life. We must use our freedom to respond to God’s voice, breaking the chains of human respect or fear of sacrifice that bind us to darkness.

**He Was Beheaded in Prison:** The last honor Christ could offer a faithful apostle, who has stood firm in the truth against the twisted provocations of evil around him, is—in some sense—a “full” participation in his Paschal Mystery. What began as testimony by proclaiming conversion, John now concludes with testimony to the victorious hope the blessed possess in Christ. This is never clearer than in a martyr’s death as intimated in this passage from the Book of Wisdom: For though in the sight of men they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them (Wisdom 3:4-6).

May we accept today the hard road of fidelity so as to be “disciplined a little” and be found worthy of the hope that is “full of immortality.”

**Conversation with Christ:** Let me experience, dear Jesus, the glory of your martyrs through many small acts of fidelity—to my conscience, to my mission and to the service to souls. Heroic and filled with hope, may I accept a sentence of love and not fear any path you set before me today. May I be like one who has died and yet lives the blossom of a holy life that will never end.

# EXECUTIVE 2019-2020

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***T O M C O F F I N***

***GRAND KNIGHT***

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*Brothers*

It has been a reflective Year within Our Council. We have witnessed the need for growth in Our Council of ***participation*** from ***all members in all facets*** of our Order. When talking about a Membership Recruitment We found the many men within Our Council that are *non Participants*, ***WHY***. We are not sure and would ask You just what happened ? We need to fix within before going outside, and with Your help we will.

Our Car Draw sales are ongoing, and if You did not get a book to sell, let Me know and I will get one to You.

The Muffin Sundays have started monthly, and if You have not tried them lately, be sure to come and visit next Month in the Parish hall after Mass.

Our Brothers who have Birthdays this Month are: Bruce McCallum , Tyler Holgate , Glen Campeau , Frank MacPherson , Moses Tavares , Geoff Tan , Jerome Lennon , and Patrick St Amant.

If You have been away from Our meetings come and get involved with Your Brother Knights, always the second Thursday of the Month at 7:30 pm start.

*Your Brother in Christ*

*Tom Coffin*

*Grand Knight*

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CAR DRAW.....	George BOGAART
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HOLY CHILDHOOD.....	Thomas COFFIN



*Dear Brothers,*

We are always interested in growing our membership. However, we also want to keep our current membership informed and active. To this end we are trying to update all our contacts, and also have some informal surveys taking place.

We are looking for some honest feedback. This is being gathered by **Randy WALSH, Randy Van VUGHT and Richard de FARIA**, who will then prepare a list of feedback without names attached. This will then be coordinated at the Executive meeting and then presented at the General Meeting. We then aim to institute an action plan to deal with some of the ideas presented...*an idea towards constant improvement.*

*How would you like to be kept informed?*

*What level of intensity would you like to be engaged or involved with your local Knights this year?*

*What would you like to contribute to our group?*

*How can we your Brother Knights be of assistance to you?*

*How would you suggest improving the General Meeting?*

Feel free to drop an email or a call in the evening to either Randy, or Richard over the next week or so. We would love to hear from you.

*Brothers in Christ*

*Richard de FARIA*



# ***REFLECTION***

In approximately three weeks from now it will be the start of **Lent**. Yes I know we just got over *Christmas*.

To me Lent means a number of things! The first thing I think of is *Warton Willy* (that would be the ground hog) seeing his shadow. The next, is the fact we are closer to spring which is a season I love dearly. *The other and more important is the sacrifice we make and should make during the season of Lent things like attending and participating in the Stations of the Cross, eat less, drink less and be courteous to all you inter act with and so the list goes on.*

Last year I asked my grandchildren what they were giving up for Lent and to be expected they gave me the pat answer except for my oldest granddaughter who just returned from a retreat. Her take was to visit the elderly, volunteer at the local food bank, help her mother more often than not and so on. That stuck with me and got me thinking.

**Fasts** have a tendency to be oriented towards things like giving up foods, Television, or phone. There are many other creative ways we can welcome Jesus' healing touch

**Fast from anger and hatred! Give your family an extra dose of love each day.**

**Fast from judging others! Before making any judgements recall how Jesus overlooks our faults.**

**Fast from discouragement! Hold on to Jesus' promise that he has a perfect plan for your life.**

**Fast from complaining! When you find yourself about to complain, close your eyes and recall the little moments of joy Jesus has given you.**

**Fast from resentment or bitterness! Work on forgiving those who may have hurt you.**

**Fast from spending too much money! Try to reduce your spending by a set amount and give those saving to the poor.**

**Spend extra time for personal prayer.**

Wishing all my brother Knights, Peace, love and Happiness during Lent.

The Popes of the Catholic Church

*Pope from 30-67 A.D.*

*Died: 67 A.D.*

## *Give me the scoop on Peter.*

St. Peter, first pope and the pearly-gate-keeper in all those jokes about heaven, hardly needs an introduction. It was to Peter whom Jesus said, "On this rock I will build my church" (Matt. 16:18), and it was Peter who consistently appeared in the Gospels as the head of the Twelve Apostles. Plus, he's the only pope who contributed directly to the Bible.

## *What was he known for?*

Peter was, well, just a regular guy (besides the whole first-pope thing). He was a fisherman, so odds are good he was built like a linebacker, and sometimes it took him a try or two to get what Jesus was saying. And yet, we mimic Peter's intense love of the Lord when we pray, "*To whom shall we go?*"

Peter is seen in Scripture often speaking for the Twelve Apostles, but also walking (and sinking) on water, caring for his mother-in-law, affirming Jesus as the Messiah, and wanting to build tents on mountains (see Matt. 17:4). In statues and art, Peter is most often depicted holding a key, representing Jesus' handing to Peter the "keys to the kingdom" in the Gospel of Matthew.

**Fun Fact:** St. Peter's *actual remains* can be seen in the tombs below St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. In the mid-20th Century, an excavation below the altar of St. Peter's revealed a marble repository containing bones of a man who lived around the time of Christ and, upon further tests, prompted Paul VI to say they had been "identified in a way which we can hold to be convincing" of being those of St. Peter.

## *What else was going on in the world at the time?*

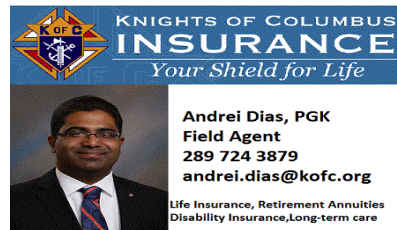
When Peter was pope, the Romans were pretty upset about this new Christian religion. See, worshipping the true God really cramped the Roman style of worshipping the emperor. So, Peter, the rest of the apostles, and the whole Christian Church were constantly on the run from a government that wanted to snuff them out.

*Next Month: Pope St. Linus*

*Vivat Jesus*

*Michael Crowley*





Love is in the air! We spend a lot of time thinking about our loved ones during the month of February and especially around Valentine's Day. Technically, it's St. Valentine's Day, originally the feast day of a Roman saint from the third century. There is much speculation about the origins of the feast and even some discussion about the identity of the saint. We do know that this St. Valentine was martyred on February 14, 269 and the feast day was instituted by Pope Gelasius I in 496. But how did St. Valentine, a martyr, come to be associated with love and romance? Again, there is much speculation and one popular story is that he cured the blind daughter of his jailer. Before he was led off to his death, he wrote her a note and signed it "Your Valentine."

Unlike St. Valentine, most of us are not called to martyrdom, but we do think about our loved ones...and we write love notes and greeting cards. Gifts are commonly given to the ones we love. But have you ever considered some special gifts for the ones you love?

That's really what insurance is all about. People buy insurance because they love someone. I bought life insurance because I love my wife and children. If I'm not here to provide for them I want to make sure they can stay in the same home we love; I want to make sure that my children will have the college education they will need; I want my family to continue to live the lifestyle I've been so fortunate to be able to provide. My policy even has living benefits that I can enjoy!

I want to make sure that if I am sick or hurt and can't work, my family still has money coming in to pay the bills. Disability Income Insurance helps provide for that.

I've been able to provide a lifestyle for my family, but sometime down the road, I'll take the assets I've accumulated and retire. Long Term Care Insurance helps me protect those assets in case I have an extended care event. I won't have to spend down all that I've saved to pay for care...I've shifted that risk to the Knights. My retirement annuities will help my wife and me enjoy our golden years. With a lifetime minimum interest rate guarantee I know I'll always be in the black with my account.

All the products we have available are centered around protection; protection for me, for my family and for what I've been able to save. Is your protection where you want it to be for your loved ones?

At this Valentine's Day, let's sit down; you, me and your wife and see where you stand. Make sure you have insured your love. Go ahead and buy that greeting card, write her a love note... maybe even get a beautiful arrangement of flowers or a dozen roses. But remember, the gift of protection will be there when it's needed most.



## COMING EVENTS

**Executive Meeting in Fr. Bennett Hall Thursday, March 5th @ 7:30 pm**

**General Meeting in Fr. Bennett Hall Thursday, March 12th @ 7:30 pm**

**Rosary Sunday once a month 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.**



### **KNIGHT OF THE MONTH FOR:**

**SEPTEMBER** Brother Dominic GERONIMO

**OCTOBER:** Brother John BLACKLAWS

**NOVEMBER:** Brother James ARDITO

**DECEMBER:** Brother James PURVIS  
Brother Randy WALSH

**Northern Zone Meeting, February 29th at 10:00 am location St. Catherine of Alexandria Catholic Church, Bond Head, Northwest corner of Highway 27 and 88**

**Free Throw:** We had 87 kids attend from nine local schools and all 12 Division were filled. They will now compete in District on February 15th in Bolton. Hopefully the results will be in Simcoe.ca.

**Thank you to all who helped. We could not have done it without you**

***Dick Maguire* Chairman**

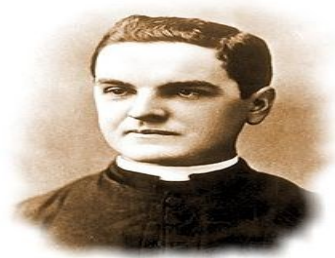


### ***HOW CAN I BE A BETTER KNIGHT***

We have brought our Brothers through the ***THREE DEGREES*** and have impressed on him the importance of the Executive.

Now would be a good time to have him be a **CO-CHAIR** in one of our Events. If you are involved in an event, then have him help you.

It is most important to get these members involved as soon as possible in our activities and have them accept some of the responsibilities.



# *BIRTHDAYS + ANNIVERSARIES*



## *MEMBERS BIRTHDAYS*

*FEBRUARY 2020—* Bruce McCALLUM; Tyler HOLGATE; Glen CAMPEAU; Frank MacPHERSON; Paul BAROLET; Patrick ST. AMOND; Jerome LENNON; Marco BONADIE; Geof TAN

## *OUR MEMBERS' WIVES BIRTHDAYS*

*FEBRUARY 2020—* Eleanor McDEVITT; Marie McCALLUM; Michelle TRAVERES; Giovanna MERIDIANI

## *WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES*

*FEBRUARY 2020—* John and Anu ANATO



Ask the big questions: are they sited appropriately for location; are they healthy and vigorous; do they need reshaping; are they spaced correctly, do they provide for good design; are they a plus for wildlife?

## OUR MEMBERS WHO ARE SICK



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



## 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; **Ann PHILIP** cousin of Bill and Donna Lynch



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

**Josette LANGEVIN** wife of Skip LANGEVIN



***Knights of Columbus Rosary Schedule for Sunday, February 16, 2020***

**GLORIOUS MYSTERY**

*First Mystery    Bill LYNCH*

*Second Mystery    Bruce McCALLUM*

*Third Mystery    Bill SKELTON*

*Fourth Mystery    Neil ARSENAULT*

*Fifth Mystery    Tom COFFIN*





## 2019 Substance Abuse winners—all from Holy Family





## **2019 Free Throw Basketball—Hosted by Council 9352**

