



# Monsignor John Miles Assembly 2064

Columbus Court - 301-3003 Gateby Place –  
Vernon, British Columbia V1T 9H5

## NEWSLETTER September 2015

### Next Meeting

**Sunday,  
September 27th, 2015**

**Time: 4:00 PM**

**Place:  
St Joseph's Parish, Salmon Arm  
Dress Code: Jacket & Tie**

**All Team Captains:** Please call  
Faithful Navigator  
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by , Sep 22nd, 2015

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Jean-Clement Jeanbart, Melkite Archbishop of Aleppo, speaks at the KOFC Conference in Philadelphia, while Bashar Warda, Chaldean Archbishop of Erbil, looks on, Aug. 4, 2015. Credit: Knights of Columbus-  
**If you won't help our people stay, help them leave -**

By Mary Rezac

“Philadelphia, Pa., Aug 5, 2015 / 03:01 pm (CNA/EWTN News).- Catholic archbishops from Iraq and Syria said Tuesday that while they hope to help their people stay in the Middle East, they also believe those trying to leave are being unjustly discriminated against when applying for United States visas.

According to federal data, since October 2014, 906 Muslim refugees from Syria were granted U.S. visas, while only 28 of Syria's estimated 700,000 displaced Christians were given the same. Even when accounting for population percentages (Christians account for 10 percent of the religious makeup of Syria), the numbers of visas granted seems widely disproportional.

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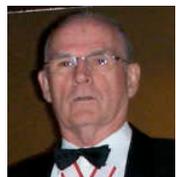
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Message from the  
Newsletter Editor  
Sir Knight  
Dave Lawrence,  
PFN

Welcome back to another fraternal year. I hope our Lord has blessed each of you with good health and good memories of yet another summer with family and friends.

Enclosed with this newsletter, please find a list of your executive for the current fraternal year

and at the bottom of that list are the tentative meeting dates, as well. If you are receiving this the paperless way, please make a copy so you and your dear spouse will be able to include us in your social planning. My apologies to you ladies whose sir knight is no longer at your side to be part of our functions, but I didn't know how to phrase the previous sentence any other way. Yes, you are still more than welcome at any 4<sup>th</sup> Degree function. It certainly makes me feel good to see you at our suppers, even if I don't get a chance to collect my hug from you.



Message from the  
Faithful Navigator  
Sir Knight  
Guenter A. Rieger, PGK

My dear Sir Knights.

Welcome to our new fraternal year 2015-2015. As summer is almost over, and I hope you had a good time with your fiends and family, we're starting on September 27<sup>th</sup> 2015 with our first meeting.

Like in the past our ladies and widows will enjoy a ladies program which is held during the time when we meet for our meeting of the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree.

We're looking forward to have three



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meetings in the Vernon area, which will give our senior Knights from Vernon an opportunity to attend without long distance travel.

Since we're still providing a meal a for our meetings, I would like to ask all Sir Knights, who are still able to help, to offer a hand to their respective kitchen team. Thanks in advance.

Please remember that our assembly ask now \$10 per meal / per person. This gives us more flexibility providing food for those evenings.

Like in the past there is no cost for priests, widows and special guests.

During the past few months many things have changed in the world, which is also of great concern to the Knights of Columbus.

"The Knights of Columbus Christian Refugee Relief fund has donated \$2.2 million to help displaced Iraqi and Syrian Christians and other religious minorities who continue to face violent persecution and the very real prospect of extinction.

Intended to help families living in very difficult situations as refugees, the funds will help provide permanent housing for the increasing number of displaced families in Iraq. Specifically, the Knights' donation of \$2 million will pay for the construction of new homes on property owned by the Chaldean Catholic Archdiocese of Erbil, in the Kurdish-controlled region of Northern Iraq. Work on the homes may begin as early as next month."

Read more:

<http://www.kofc.org/en/news/releases/detail/kofc-sends-donations-refugee-relief.html>



#### **"Common Misconceptions: "All Middle-Easterners are Muslim."**

by Brad Hoff

There are over 14 million Christians living in the Middle East (most are Orthodox, followed by Catholics).

These Christian communities, in their ancient origins, predate the existence of Islam. Arabic as a spoken language was used by Christians six centuries prior to the writing of the Koran, and Church history testifies to the presence of at least one Arab bishop at the Council of Nicaea. Historic Jewish communities are also present in the old districts of cities like Damascus, Tehran, Alexandria, Cairo, Baghdad, Tunis, and Casablanca. Offshoot Islamic groups, distinct enough to be considered unique religious traditions, are found throughout the Levant states – they include Druze, Alawites, and Ismailis.....

Within Islam itself, the Sunni-Shia divide is of huge significance. This divide is a major factor that accounts for the Saudi-Iranian

power-struggle and the Iran-Iraq rivalry during Saddam's rule. Failure to understand such differences and nuances in Middle East religion has led, and continues to lead, to major policy failures on the part of the western powers. The toppling of Saddam Hussein, who kept a firm grip on his majority Shia citizenry, was the biggest gift the west could have ever given the Ayatollahs. ....

Disturbingly, Syria is now being slowly liquidated of its Christians. America and NATO countries continue to give political and material support to a Syrian rebel movement that is bent on exterminating Christians, Alawites, Shiites, and Druze. One popular chant among America's "freedom fighters" in Syria goes "Christians to Lebanon and Alawites to the sea..."

Read more at:

<http://levantreport.com/2013/02/21/10-common-middle-east-misconceptions-misconception-1-all-middle-eastern-people-are-muslim/>



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#### Five Reasons Why Migration Into Europe Is A Problem With No Solution

by Branko Milanovic on 24 June 2015

Sometimes seeing things, even when one is prepared for them, is helpful in focusing the mind. A few days ago, as I got out of a bus that takes passengers from the Malpensa airport in Milan to the Central Station, I was struck by the number of people, obviously

African migrants, camping in the piazza in front of the railroad station. It is not the first time that I have seen migrants en masse in Italy, but never have I seen entire families cooking and eating meals, while sitting on the lawn (or what remains of the lawn), in a large city park.

One just needs to look at the newspaper headings to see that the problem of migrants is growing daily in Europe and that its gravity is greater than before.

Perhaps it might seem odd to an impartial observer that rich Europe of more than 1/2 billion people is unable to cope with one hundred thousand migrants and refugees while much poorer Turkey has accepted 1.7 million refugees from Syria and Pakistan and Iran have accepted several hundred thousand from respectively Afghanistan and Iraq. The difference is that the African and Middle Eastern migrants who come to Europe have often no relatives, friends or even the vague possibility of a job. They are left to fend for themselves, living on public or private charity, and small, often illegal, trade. They are culturally, religiously and linguistically more different from the average Italian

or Spaniard than are Syrian refugees from the Turks (or more to the point, Syrian Kurds from the Turkish Kurds). Thus the refugees and

migrants remain totally unintegrated.

Read more...

<http://www.socialeurope.eu/2015/06/five-reasons-why-migration-into-europe-is-a-problem-with-no-solution/>

My dear Sir Knights. It's not my intention to share my own view on this critical subject. But for as Knights it's very important to understand the real problem in the Middle East, dating back than 2000 years.

I would like to leave it with that, since the Internet is filled with many more reports etc.

*Let's go back to our assembly.*

On behalf of our new and re-elected officers of our Assembly I would like to thank all Sir Knights of our assembly for your trust.

I'm looking forward for a very successful fraternal year 2015-2016.

Remember our Brother Knights from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree will only join the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree if they get to know more about the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree.

Don't hesitate to invite them to our dinner and social at the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree.

Lady Regina and myself looking forward to welcome many Sir Knights, Ladies, Widows and Guests for dinners, social and special events of the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree of the Msgr. John Miles Assembly 2064.

Vivat Jesus  
Guenter A. Rieger, PGK, PFN  
Faithful Navigator.



#### Please take time to pray for our members in poor health –



Catharina Kroft, Pierre Tremblay, Ingo Scholermann, Ruth Paetz, Isabelle de Pfyffer, Theresa Bouwmeester, Denise Tremblay, Richard & Marie Davidson, Eugenie Loeb, Rose Shawchuk, Lloyd & Mary Hostland, Helen Loyie, Eugene Casavant, Angela Schmaltz, Joe Dorval, Barbara Egan, Gordon Brown, Ed Strome, Verna Hoffman, Adele Wright, Joe & Marilyn Schnitzler, Romeo & Sally Sibilleau, Janet Saab, Gilles & Marie April, John Sr. & Deanna Toporchak, Ian Scargill, Dave Jordan, Glen & Jackie Lellman, Clay Vernerey, John & Mary Weisbeck Bert & Jackie Niehaus, Suzanne Dansereau, Carole Hounslow, Clair & Helen Methot, Bob & Betty-Anne Campbell, Karl Schoenberger, Paul Suraci, Les Hoyseth, Ernie Arsenault.

#### Celebrating September Anniversaries:

Vic & Evelyn Procure  
Paul & Josie Makse  
Joe & Connie Scebb  
Arnie & Fran Bernauer

Kathy & Lewis Zambon  
Doug & Ann Morrison  
John & Edna Zawyrucha  
Ron & Anna Pettitt  
Joe & Colette Cannell  
Dale & Dianne Hofer



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Ian & Barb Scargill  
Bert & Jackie Niehaus  
Vic & Tammy Cusano  
Joe & Rea Wanner  
Ed & Agnes Strome  
Norman & Chantal Langlois  
David & Isabella Durand  
Bill & Dianne Nutter  
Wilf & Doreen Fahlman  
Ernie & Laura Arsenaault  
Arnie & Fran Bernauer  
Fr. Volodymyr & Vira Dmyterko

### Celebrating October Birthdays:



Guenter A. Rieger, Joe Schnitzler, Eugenie Loeb, Paul Cancade, Annette Tetreault, Jack Morrison, Evelyn Procure, Georgette Elrick, Ed Sylvestre, Mary Weisbeck, Catharina Kroft, John Misuraca, Robert Venema, Chantal Langlois, Fran Bernauer, Theresa Nelson, Adele Wright, Pat Dorigo, Michel Saab

### Celebrating Special Birthdays:

Germaine Loran –  
85 yrs. young – Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>  
Eleanore Bolton –  
85 yrs. young – Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>  
Lorne Zarazun –  
70 yrs. old –  
Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>

Brenda Scholermann –  
70 yrs. young – Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
Fr. Volodymyr Dmyterko –  
60 yrs. old – Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>

### Celebrating Special Anniversaries:

Jack & Irene McLaughlin –  
55 years – Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Bodo & Gertrud Niedballa –  
55 years - Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>  
Mark & Ewa Lopianowski –  
55 years – Sept 17<sup>th</sup>  
Bob & Betty-Ann Campbell-  
55 years – Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> Gerard &  
Monique Kampman –  
25 years – Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>

*Our prayers and best wishes to each of you on your special day.*

I think most members are aware that I have agreed to continue editing your newsletter, so I am sorry to say you haven't heard the last of me, yet.

Our **October** meeting will be Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at St. Joseph's, Armstrong

Hope to see you **Sunday, September 27** at St. Joseph's in Salmon Arm.



Yours in Christ  
Newsletter Editor

*Dave Lawrence, PFN*



who forgive and forget past

## Latest NEWS

### **Congratulations to our new Master of District BC & Yukon**



**Sir Knight Bro. Andy Sambrielaz.**

On behalf of the officers and members of the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree of the Msgr. John Miles Assembly 2064, I would like to wish you Worthy Master and Lady Lia all the best for the fraternal year 2015-2016.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish our out going Worthy Master Knight Sir, Bro. Will Wilmot all the best for his future

### **Installation of officers for the fraternal year 2015-2015.**

A new date will be scheduled.

Installation of officers scheduled by former Master Sir Knight Bro. Will Wilmot for September 17<sup>th</sup>-2015 will be re-scheduled for a later date.

Our new Worthy Master agreed with our request, and I will be able to meet with him during the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree meeting of District #11 on September 17<sup>th</sup>-2015, to set a new date for our Installation of Officers Ceremony.

I will keep you posted.

Vivat Jesus  
Guenter A. Rieger, PGK, PFN  
Faithful Navigator