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VERNON ST. JAMES COUNCIL No. 4949

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Grand Knight

General Meeting
 2nd Tuesday of the month
Executive Meeting –
 4th Tuesday of the month

Council 4949 Executive
 Chaplain Fr. Dale Normandeau
 Grand Knight Guenter A. Rieger
 Deputy GK Pat Hagel
 Chancellor Kevin Schmaltz
 Warden Joseph Scebba
 Treasure John Toporchak
 Advocat Paul Rosetti
 Recorder David Elrick
 Outside Guard George Matymiish
 Inside Guard Sal D'Agosto
 1. Year Trustee Ralph Hounslow
 2. Year Trustee David Durand
 3. Year Trustee Steve Campbell
 Fin. Secretary Mark Lopianowski
 Field Agent Blaine Anhel

Birthdays in April

- Bro. Jack Bradley Shore
- Bro. Roen H Berkom
- Bro. Adrien J Robert
- Bro. Bodo M Niedballa
- Bro. Gerald R Stinn
- Bro. James L Grazier
- Bro. Jeffrey R O Keefe
- Bro. Dr William A Cawkell
- Bro. David A Bunn
- Bro. Bruce L Altstadt

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DISTRESSED

Most Reverend Bishop David Monroe, Bro. Bill and Mary Turner, Bro. Gary Balcon, Bro. Colin Mooney, Bro. Adrien Robert and Bro. Norm Sasges



Dear Brother Knights:

Every Year Jews gather around the world to celebrate Passover, as they have been



doing for thousands of years. During the ritual meal of Passover, the youngest person in the household asks the question, "Why is this night different from all other nights?" In response to this question, an adult will relate how Moses led the Israelite people out of their bondage in Egypt, to the land God would give them as his covenanted people. This event

was commemorated in the Passover meal, celebrated with a roasted lamb, bitter herbs, unleavened bread and wine.

Almost two thousand years ago, an itinerant preacher and teacher gathered in Jerusalem with twelve of his followers to celebrate the Passover. During this ancient ritual, however, this preacher, Jesus, gave this meal a whole new and expanded meaning. This meal would now commemorate nothing less than the Passover from death to life which he was now about to inaugurate through his own passion, suffering and death, culminating in his resurrection. This new Passover would make his resurrection our own through him.

We will soon celebrate this Passover--Easter--later on this month. Easter is the reason why we Christians gather on Sunday to celebrate the Mass--our Passover. Easter is the great Sunday of Sundays, our foretaste of future glory which Christ Jesus has made possible

for us. We, like the Israelites being led through the desert, are being brought to our promised land--heaven. We are being led by the new Moses--Jesus. The Israelites' forty years of wandering are recalled in our forty days of lent, which lead us to Easter and hope in resurrected glory made possible by Christ Jesus.

May this Lenten Season reinvigorate your hope and desire for this resurrection as we prepare for Easter .

Vivat Jesus
 Fr. Dale Normandeau





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Council Director Report Sal D'Agosto



Dear Brothers

First of all I would like to inform you that we are organizing a games night (adults only) in Columbus court, all brothers and their spouses are welcome. Munchies and light drinks will be available.

I am also asking for your help and co-operation on a fund raiser for our council. As some of you have heard at our last business meeting, we are looking at organizing a garage sale and an auction on the long weekend in May (20th-23rd).

As you can appreciate we need your help as we need every member from the first to

the fourth degrees to participate. I need some of you to volunteer for a committee and we need the rest of our 140 members to help on that weekend, so please consider giving us a little of your time.

Our last pancake breakfast on March 6, 2011 was well attended and we had 13 volunteers (again thank you for your time). We deposited \$365.57. The next pancake breakfast will be on Sunday April 3, 2011. Do not forget to

bring a friend and/or a neighbor as everyone is welcomed.

A reminder that I still have a number of "Holy Rosary Transfers", license plate holders and shopping cart tokens and

Keep Christ in Christmas magnets . If you are interested in purchasing some please feel free to contact me.

Our bingo on Sundays at the Schubert are not as well attended as they should be, so we could use a larger number of players, pass the word around that we have bingo on Sunday nights at the Schubert.

If you can help on any of these activities feel free to contact me at 250-542-4740 or at sdagosto@telus.net .

May God bless you and your families.

Your fellow brother Knight
Sal D'Agosto

THE SALT FREE Water Treatment System / Water Softener and descaler, *WaterAtBest*,



a revolutionary technology breakthrough for the treatment of hard water, that converts hardness minerals out of solution into sub-micron particles unlike traditional water softeners.

This eliminates scale buildup in plumbing systems and appliances without the use of any water softening salt! Customers in Europe using SALT FREE Water Treatment Systems for more than 25 years.

District Deputy Report Michael Gernat



My Brothers All,

129 years ago Michael J. McGivney began what is the Greatest Catholic men's organization in the world, when he founded the Knights of Columbus. We celebrate Founders Day and we celebrate the fraternity that we all enjoy. Because of Father McGivney and his vision, you and I are able to enjoy working side by side for the good of our Church , our Council, our Community and our Families. Being a member of the Knights of Columbus is one of the most positive decisions I have ever made and I urge each and every one of you, right now, to take a moment and invite someone that you know to also experience what can be had as a Brother Knight. April 5th, there a First Degree is scheduled at Columbus Court. Let' make sure that we have done our job as Knights and have invited more men to join us.

Spring is definitely here and with spring we look toward new beginnings. Let your new beginning be in the form of reconciliation. As we prepare for one of the most special celebrations of our Church, that being the resurrection of our Saviour Jesus Christ, Father Dale is giving of his time so that

there is extra time for confessions. Check your bulletins and make a concentrated effort to attend during this Lenten season. Confession is one of the greatest gifts our church gives us. Celebrate your new beginning!

Mark your calendar for June 11th. Council 4949 will be hosting a Major Degree and along with the Major, we will have a Ladies Day Program, Mass and a Four Course Dinner. The dinner is an opportunity for all members of District 8-11 to come together and celebrate the Centennial of the Knights of Columbus in the BC/Yukon jurisdiction. We will be fortunate to have members of our State Executive in attendance at our celebration. Tickets are \$20 per person and are on sale at the Rectory and at Advance Fur Dressers.4311- 31 St.

As we progress through our Lenten season, don't think of giving up, think of "giving". Exercise the Charity, Unity and Fraternity that we as Brothers stand for.

Your Council Director, Brother Sal is organizing a Games I know he has a variety of games that we can play as we enjoy an evening of fraternity..... I look forward to seeing many of you there! Come out, bring your spouse and let's just have fun in one another's company.

On behalf of Deb and myself, I would like to wish all of you all the Joys of the Easter Season. May the Risen Lord be your constant companion as we journey through this special time.

Fraternally,
Michael Gernat
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“Being a Knight can be a wonderful and lasting experience in your life.

Helping us, to help others.”

Message: Grand Knight Guenter A. Rieger



Brother Knights.

During the Lenten season Catholics and we as Knights reconnect to the faith that has been handed down to us over thousands of years, by celebrating the resurrection Jesus our savior.

“Easter (Old English: *Ēostre*; Greek: Πάσχα, *Paskha*; Hebrew: פסח, *Pesakh*, "Passover") is the central feast in the Christian liturgical year. According to the Canonical gospels, Jesus rose from the dead on the third day after his crucifixion. We as Catholics celebrate this resurrection on Easter Day or Easter Sunday (also Resurrection Day or Resurrection Sunday.

The first week of the Easter Season is known as Easter Week or the Octave of Easter. The week from Palm Sunday to Easter is known as Holy Week. Easter also marks the end of Lent, a season of fasting, prayer, and penance.

Easter is linked to the Jewish Passover by much of its symbolism, as well as by its position in the calendar. In most European languages the feast called Easter in English is termed by the words for Passover in those languages and in the older English versions of the Bible the term Easter was the term used to translate Passover.”

On March 25th, the Knights of Columbus of St. James Council 4949 were leading the Station of the Cross. Many Knights participated. After the Station of the Cross St. James Council 4949 together with Mother Theresa Council 12202 were celebrating together the Mass for the Unborn.

During the last week Sal D'Agosto, Joe Simao, Ed Sylvestre, Jim Grazier, Art L'Heureux, Joe Scebba, John Toporchak, Ralph Hounslow, Dave Elrick, Noel Desrosiers, Michael Toporchak, Jake and Joe Schmaltz and Michael were busy bruning trees and cleaning the parking lot around St. James Church.

Elections are coming up for all position.



Nomination Committee chairman David Durand, Ralph Hounslow and Steve Campbell

Congratulations to Brother Martin Belec



At he last Business Meeting Brother Martin Belec received his Honery Life Membership. Thank you Brother Martin Belec for you commitment being a Knight of Columbus of St. James Council 4949.

The Knights of Columbus

BC/Yukon is celebrating it's 100th Anniversary, and it will be held in Vernon.

Our council is hosting the banquet at the Schubert Centre. A wonderful opportunity for us, since we don't have to travel. Reserve your tickets early, since only 200 seats are available.

I'm looking forward to see you all at our next Business Meeting on Tuesday, April 12th at 7:00PM at Columbus Court. If you have a burgundy blazer please wear it, since it will make our meetings more special.

On behalf of Regina and myself, I would like to wish all Brother Knights and families to experience the Joys of the Easter Season.

Fraternally
Guenter A. Rieger
Grand Knight

June 11th - Banquet to Celebrate 100th Anniversary of Knights of Columbus in BC/Yukon Jurisdiction. Four Course Dinner at Schubert Centre . \$20.00 per person. Tickets available at St. James Rectory and Advance Fur Dressers. 4311- 31St. Phone Michael at 250-542-7200 for info



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Welcome to Personal Alternative Funeral Services



Dealing with a terminal illness; the death of someone close or even pre-planning your own final arrangements is not always easy. Such questions as "where do I go?" or "what do I do now?" must be answered. Today, with the high cost of death care services in this area, inadequate information can result in a severe financial burden for a family. More info Tel: 250-558 0866

IN MEMORY



Sir Knights

Thomas Patrick Moore passed away peacefully in his sleep at Heron Grove on March 5, 2011.

Tom was a chartered Member of the 4.Degree and served as scribe and Faithfull Navigator of the John Miles Assembly.

He was involved building the Schubert Centre and St. James School.

In September 1946, he married the love of his life, Pearl Ward from Lumby and together they shared 59 years of loving, laughing and living life to the fullest.

In lieu of flowers, friends wishing to do so may make donations in memory of Tom to the Knights of Columbus #4949 St. James' Scholarship Fund.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family

Carmel of St Joseph Monastery in Amrstrong, BC



The nuns are always at home. Under the tender guidance and protection of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, a Carmelite monastery radiates the joy and peace of Nazareth in the simple monastic life based upon the liturgical seasons as each day quietly unfolds itself. Clad in the holy habit of Carmel, the Carmelites of Armstrong, B.C., spend their day in prayer - which is the center and purpose of Carmelite life. Enclosure, solitude and silence all help to create an atmosphere for this prayer life where they may listen to the voice of Christ and grow in union with Him. More at...<http://www.carmelspall.org/WayOfLife.htm>

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Spring Election May 2nd, 2011

Will real issues be up for election debate?

"Catholic organizations hope that party leaders like Michael Ignatieff (Left) and Stephen Harper (Right) will focus on issues important to Canada rather than using cheap tactics to win votes.



"Voters should get engaged in saying what they want their leaders to be doing, and not just be consumers of what the parties want us to hear," he said.

At Citizens for Public Justice, another ecumenical group trying to foster debate on social justice, this election will be about four issues — a federal poverty-reduction plan, climate change, immigration and taxes. The BC. Catholic Michael Swan <http://bcc.rcav.org/>

THE CATHOLIC KNIGHT:

As Roman Catholics we need to spread the word. Please tell as many of your Catholic friends and neighbors about the pope's three-point agenda for the upcoming elections. Feel free to direct them to this story on this web page. Here is the URL to cut and paste if you need it: <http://catholicknight.blogspot.com/2006/04/popes-three-point-agenda-for-voting.html>

June 11th, 2011

Major Degree, If you would like to receive your 2nd and 3rd Degree, please contact Membership Director David Elrick to register
250-503-0936

Pro-Life Director Bodo Niedballa



Here's Your Chance . . .

to show your concern and also support for the pro-life cause to stop the murder of the unborn child.

The Vernon & Area Pro-Life Society is inviting you to attend their Annual General Meeting on Saturday, April 16th, 2011, at the Pantry Restaurant (3908-32nd St.). Doors will be open at 6.00 pm and dinner will be served at 6.30 pm.

Guest speakers will be Mrs. Jenny Rogers and Mrs. Shannon Green. There will be a Pregnancy Centre establishing for this area. They will tell us all about it and the need for it.

Tickets for \$20 are still available at the Pro-Life Thrift Store and the St. James rectory. See You at the Pantry.

Pro-Life Director
Bodo Niedballa



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The Funny Section

I'm not a Knight yet, but I'm trying very hard to become one.....



Micky: He you Brother Knight Have you paid up your membership yet? Any problems??, just contact Grand Booboo Guenter to make some arrangements. Thanks ☺

Sam: Would you punish me for some thing I didn't do?
Teacher: no, of course not. Sam: good, because I didn't do my homework.

How many politicians does it take to change a light bulb ? Two. One to change it, and another one to change it back again.

Girl: Do you know why were females created before males?
Boy: Because god needed a rough draft before the final copy!

The Monkey Market

Once upon a time in a place overrun with monkeys, a man appeared and announced to the villagers that he would buy monkeys for \$10 each. The

villagers, seeing that there were many monkeys around, went out to the forest, and started catching them.

The man bought thousands at \$10 and as supply started to diminish, they became harder to catch, so the villagers stopped their effort. The man then announced that he would now pay \$20 for each one.

This renewed the efforts of the villagers and they started catching monkeys again. But soon the supply diminished even further and they were ever harder to catch, so people started going back to their farms and forgot about monkey catching.

The man increased his price to \$25 each and the supply of monkeys became so sparse that it was an effort to even see a monkey, much less catch one.

The man now announced that he would buy monkeys for



\$50! However, since he had to go to the city on some business, his assistant would now buy on his behalf.

While the man was away the assistant told the villagers. 'Look at all these monkeys in the big cage that the man has bought. I will sell them to you at \$35 each and when the man returns from the city, you can sell them to him for \$50 each.'

The villagers rounded up all their savings and bought all the monkeys. They never saw the

man nor his assistant again and once again there were monkeys everywhere.

Now you know how the stock market works. ☺

Why do blondes....



Why do blondes always smile during lightning storms? They think their picture is being taken.

Did you hear about the blonde who returned a scarf to the store because it was too tight?

Why shouldn't blondes have coffee breaks? It takes too long to re-train them.

What do smart blondes and UFOs have in common? You always hear about them but you never see them.

Why couldn't the blonde call 911? Because there's no 11 on the phone.

Adam's Alternative Commandments

God worried that Adam would always be lost in the garden because men hate to ask for directions.

God knew that Adam would one day need someone to hand him the TV remote. (Men don't want to see what's ON television, they want to see WHAT ELSE is on!)

God knew that Adam would never make a doctor's appointment for himself.

God knew that if the world was to be populated, men would never be able to handle childbearing.

As 'Keeper of the Garden', Adam would never remember where he put his tools.

The scripture account of creation indicates Adam needed someone to blame his troubles on when God caught him hiding in the garden.

As the Bible says, 'It is not good for man to be alone!'

When God finished the creation of Adam, He stepped back, scratched His head and said, 'I can do better than that.' ☺

Adam Revealed

Four-year-old Robert opened the big bible which had been in his family for years. Absolutely fascinated, he flicked through the old pages. Suddenly, something fell out of the bible. Robert picked up the object and looked at it. What he saw was



an old dry leaf that had been pressed in between the pages. 'Mum, look what I've found', the boy called out. 'What have you got there, dear?' With astonishment in the young boy's voice, he answered, 'I think I've found Adam's underwear!'