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UPCOMING EVENTS

April

- 17 Wednesday, General Meeting - 7PM
- 19 Good Friday
- 21 Easter Sunday

Easter Sunday

May

- 5 9 & 11 AM - Pancake Breakfast & 11 AM - Blue Sunday Mass
- 6 Monday - Executive Meeting - 7 PM
- 12 Sunday - Mother's Day
- 15 Wednesday - General Meeting - 7 PM

Good of the Order

Keep in your prayers those at the Youville and elsewhere: William Oshanyk, Ernest Sokolan, Rev. Louis Gendre, Leon Richard and Marc Lambertus.

We will visit our fellow Brothers who are ill and in continuing care. Some members of our council will visit them, preferably in the mornings. If you are able to participate please contact Br. Brian Wolbert at 780-460-8294 or Br. Tony Csilies 780-458-0065e-mail kofo@stalbertcouncil4742.ca.

If you are aware of a Knight who is ill or who passed away please call Br. Tony Csilies.

Message from your Grand Knight April 2019

We are finishing the Lenten season and Easter will soon be upon us. We will see lots of activity for our upcoming events. The best way to stay informed on upcoming events is to visit the Chapter's website, which you can obtain from the front page of the Beacon. It's a very busy time of year and there is plenty of opportunity to be involved.

The month of May brings us the Blue Sunday celebration. The election of officers will be at the May meeting. We always welcome candidates for some of the positions. If you would like further information, please contact

Br. Kevin Paish at kevin.paish@kfc.org.

Preparations are being made for the year end anniversary celebration. This year marks our 60th year. Tickets are being sold to the banquet. Tickets will not be available at the door and must be purchased in advance. Make sure you get yours by contacting Br. Terry Sperling at st.sperling@telus.net. This event is being catered and the setup and cleanup afterwards is prearranged, so if you attend you can just have fun. We look forward to seeing you at the upcoming meetings and events.

Vivat Jesus

Br. Brian Wolbert

Oblate Constitutions and Rules

Oblate Moment - Br. Bernie Hryciw



Saint Eugene's spiritual synthesis is found most clearly in the Rules and Constitutions of his Institute. These reflect both his own personal experience and the perception of the needs of the day, when writing the Oblate Constitutions, Saint Eugene borrowed copiously from Sulpician and Jesuit mentors as well as missionaries he admired such as Charles Borromeo, Vincent de Paul, and Alphonsus de Liguori.

The Constitutions reflect his unique personality and Gospel rootedness. "The spirit of total devotion for the glory of God, the service of the Church and the salvation of souls is the spirit proper to our Congregation", he wrote in 1817. He further stated, in 1830, that we must look upon ourselves "as the servants of the Father of a family commanded to succor, to aid, to bring back his children by working to the utmost, in the midst of tribulations, of persecutions of every kind, without claiming any reward other than that which the Lord has promised to faithful servants who have worthily fulfilled their mission".

Save the date !

Edmonton Chapter **Padre Night** ,- Thursday, October 24th. OLPH Sherwood Park.

Hosted by Archbishop MacDonald Council 6083.

Lent is almost over and we will be entering Holy week, which begins with Palm Sunday celebrating Jesus' Joyful entry into Jerusalem followed a few days later by the Easter Triduum. I encourage all the knights and their families to take part in all these celebrations which lead to the celebration of the meaning of Easter.

What is the Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday

Starting with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on the evening of [Holy Thursday](#), continuing through the Good Friday service and Holy Saturday, and concluding with vespers (evening prayer) on Easter Sunday, the Easter Triduum marks the most significant events of [Holy Week](#) (also known as [Passiontide](#)).

On Holy Thursday, the Triduum begins for Catholics with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, during which bells are rung and the organ played. The bells and organ will then remain silent until the Easter Vigil Mass. The Mass of the Lord's Supper includes a ritual washing of feet in most Catholic congregations. The altars are stripped of ornamentation, leaving only the cross and candlesticks.

Good Friday

For Catholics the [Good Friday](#) church ceremony, is marked by a ritual unveiling of the main cross, near the altar. This is the day that marks the Crucifixion of Jesus Christ. The Catholic worship service does include Communion on this day. Catholics may ritually kiss the feet of the Jesus figure upon the cross.

Holy Saturday

After nightfall on [Holy Saturday](#), Catholics hold an Easter vigil service, which represents the faithful awaiting the resurrection of Jesus Christ after his burial. This service includes a ceremony of light and darkness, in which a paschal candle is lit to represent the resurrection of Christ; members of the congregation form a solemn procession to the altar. At this time new members are baptized, those already baptized are received into the church through the profession of faith and confirmation.

The Easter Vigil is considered the pinnacle of the Easter Triduum, especially for Catholics, and is usually celebrated with a devotion equal to that bestowed on Easter itself.

Easter Sunday

[Easter Sunday](#) marks the end of the Triduum and the beginning of the seven-week Easter season that will end with Pentecost Sunday. Easter Sunday, church services for Catholics, is a joyous celebration of resurrection and rebirth of Jesus and mankind. Popular Easter symbolism includes many images of rebirth as found in the world of nature and from religious traditions through history, including fragrant lilies, new-born animals, and spring plant growth.

May the risen Lord bless you and your loved ones, Happy Easter to all Alleluia.

Fr. Ed. Kosa ,omi
Chaplain

All Council members are reminded that 2019 membership fees are now due. If you have an outstanding invoice please send payment to:

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Very Important Date - Mark your calendars
Saturday June 15 2019 - Mass and Banquet.

We are celebrating the 60th anniversary of the
founding of the Knights of Columbus St Albert
Council 4742. Founded February 16, 1959.
Tickets go on sale Sunday, May 5th at the 9:00AM
and 11:00AM Pancake Breakfasts.
Don't be disappointed, get your tickets early!

Formal invitation and
information to follow.



Blue Sunday Mass May 5th Hon-
oring those who have served
their community.
Invite your friends and family who
have served as first responders
and treat them and their families
to a free pancake breakfast.

TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE: "A HARD DAY'S KNIGHT." MAY 11TH.
SPONSORED BY BRO. ANTHONY COUNCIL WITH PROCEEDS TO HOLY FAMILY PARISH
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COUNCIL 10014**

A HARD DAY'S KNIGHT

DINNER, DANCE AND SILENT AUCTION
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

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MAY 11, 2019

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75 POIRIER AVE., ST ALBERT

COCKTAILS	6PM
DINNER	7PM
DANCE	8:15PM

\$40

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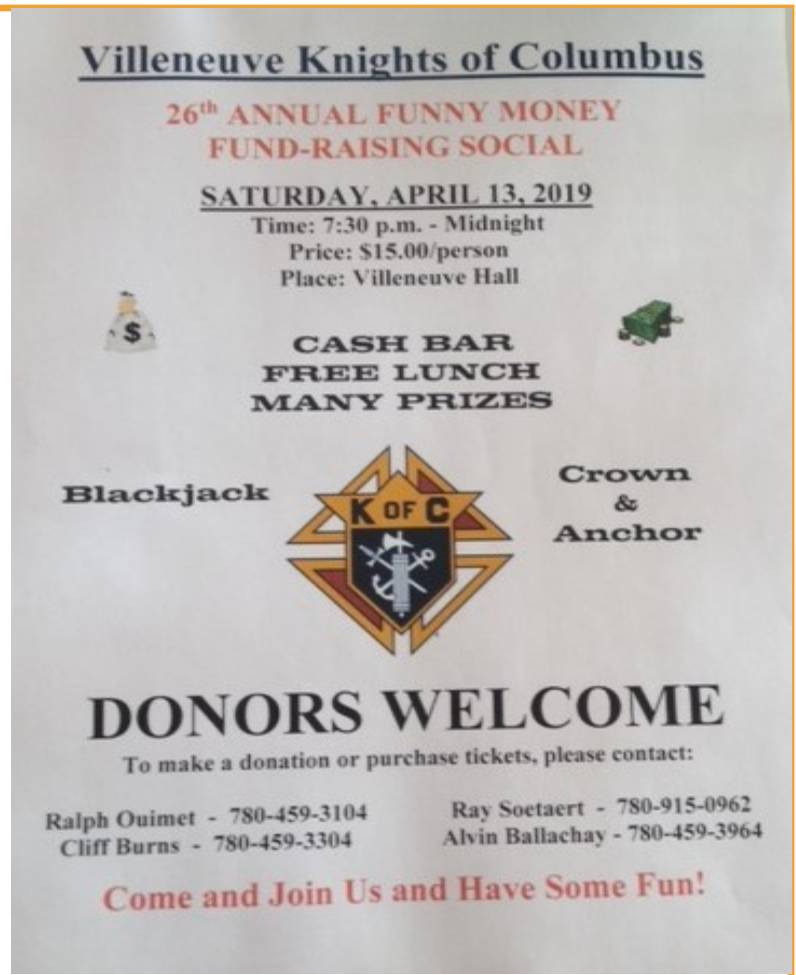


Brothers

Attached is a poster of a fund raiser by Villeneuve Council, please send this to all your council members as it is a very worthwhile function to support.

Vivat Jesus

Steve C. Horvath CET
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Congratulations
to our newest
Knight.

Welcome
Brother Jasper.
Photo of Jasper
and his proud
dad, Brent Heit.

Knights of Columbus Alberta-Northwest Territories

Formation Program-April-2019

Catholic in the Public Square

Opening Prayer Lord, teach us to pray: "Our Father..."

The Reading

(To be read by the Leader)

Brothers, by the time you read this, you may well have cast your vote for our next Provincial government. However, as we are aware in the next year or so we will be electing our next Federal government. I thought it would be a good use of our efforts to focus on what it is, we should be considering when we go forth to cast our ballots. **My source referenced for this discussion is titled, "Catholics in the Public Square" originally published in 2006 by Most Reverend Thomas Olmsted, Bishop of Phoenix, Arizona.** What is intriguing to me is that though the United States has quite a different system and political climate, the teaching of the Catholic Church does not vary one iota from continent to continent within the world. I will present this topic in a question and answer format as most of us do have questions regarding where we fit in within the political arena, at all levels of our society.

The Reflection

(To be read by the Leader) **What is the**

role of the laity within the Church? "Seek the Kingdom of God by engaging in temporal affairs and ordering them according to the plan of God, (LG 31)" Because we as Catholic men are in the world, it allows us a particular ability to bring faith into all areas of our society.

What are the responsibilities of the Catholic Laity in the public square? As lay people in society we have a responsibility to be aware of how the impact of our particular vocation may impact society. For example, a lawyer, an elected official or someone involved with the many forms of mass media, may well have the ability to impact legislation that shapes the society that we are part of. In all areas of public life, we all have a mandate and moral responsibility to live our faith by promoting the common good in society. Each of us in virtue of our baptism has a call to evangelize and to share the Good News of Christ with the rest of the world.

"There are a multitude of different ways in which Catholics may serve the Church through their contributions in public life. In each circumstance, however, **Catholics are especially called to contribute to the common good, to defend the dignity of every human person, and to live as faithful citizens, (p. 9).**"

Pope emeritus Benedict XVI addresses this in the following way. "There are times when the burden of

need and our own limitations might tempt us to become discouraged. But precisely then we are helped by the knowledge that, in the end, we are only instruments in the Lord's hands; and this knowledge frees us from the presumption of thinking that we alone are personally responsible for building a better world. In all humility, we will do what we can, and in all humility, we will entrust the rest to the Lord, (Dues Caritas Est, 35).

How should Catholics understand the separation between Church and state? Separation of Church and state has very often been an excuse to prevent people of faith from legitimately voicing their concerns and perspectives in the public square. There is nothing in our Canadian constitution excluding people of faith from bringing their belief system into the public square. The Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church # 510 states the following; "The Church intervenes by making a moral judgement about economic and social matters when the fundamental rights of the person, the common good, or the salvation of souls requires it." In 2008, when Pope Benedict visited the United States, he made this statement to the American Bishops. "Any tendency to treat religion as a private matter must be resisted. Only when their faith permeates every aspect of their lives do Christians become truly open to the transforming power of the Gospel." While we are called to bring our faith and religious views into the public square, we are also obligated to respect the religious freedom and civil liberties of all people.

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:

"Almighty ever-living God, grant that we may always conform our will to yours and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen