

THE NAVIGATOR

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St Peter in Chains Council 2438
125 Queen St.
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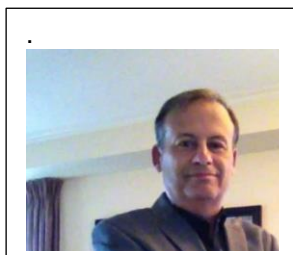
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A Message from our Grand Knight



Brothers,

By the time you read this we will be into Advent and headed into the hectic Christmas season.

I invite you to flip to the last page of this newsletter and read Fr Tim's Last Word comments. It is true that every year at this time we speak of Advent as a time of preparation for the coming of Jesus but as Fr Tim states, He is already here.

As Catholics and Knights, we have a truly privileged obligation to be shining examples of defenders of our faith. Parishioners look to the Knights as leaders in our parish and in return we continue to enjoy their ever-present support whenever we look for donations or support.

One way we can set the tone this Christmas season when amongst our brother Knights is address each other with a hearty "Vivat Jesus". It is amazing how the promises we made when we joined the Knights erode and fall by the wayside.

In the same way, we have the opportunity to lift spirits

OUR VISION

We are firmly engaged in works to serve the church, to support brother knights and their families, to act for the good of our community and to give aid to those in need.

OUR MISSION

We are committed to the support of St Peter in Chains Parish and the core principles of charity, unity, fraternity, patriotism, the development of youth and the protection of human life.

throughout the parish by making sure we greet everyone with a sincere "Merry Christmas" or "Christmas Blessings to You". Perhaps by doing so we can start to see the face of Christ in others, as Fr Tim said, and start changing our way of life.

So let me wish all brother Knights a very Merry Christmas and may He shower you with blessings in 2022.

Vivat Jesus

Bruce Bellefeuille
Grand Knight



TRENTON'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SET SHINING EXAMPLE WITH \$7.5K DONATION TO HOSPICE QUINTE

Media Release-Nov 8, 2021

The Knights of Columbus Council 2438 in Trenton set a shining example today by making a \$7,500 donation to Hospice Quinte's [Heart & Home Building Campaign](#). This latest gift has helped Hospice Quinte reach over 95% of its \$9.5M capital campaign goal in support of the new *Stan Klemencic Care Centre*.

"The funds for this donation were raised through the Knights of Columbus' virtual walk-a-thon which was held between October 12th and 31st," says Hospice Quinte Executive Director, Jennifer May-Anderson. "With less than 2 months remaining before wrapping up the 'Heart & Home Building Campaign', this wonderful contribution made possible by the Knights of Columbus in Trenton comes as a greatly appreciated gift."

"The Knights of Columbus vigorously defends the dignity of each human being at every stage of life," says Bruce Bellefeuille, Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus Council 2438 in Trenton. "The work Hospice Quinte does aligns with our core values and we are pleased to support Hospice Quinte with our donation today."



From left to right, Tom Painter, DGK, Dave Courneya, Bruce Bellefeuille, GK, Sandi Ramsay, Donor Relations & Communications Mgr, Hospice Quinte, Pete Vanderlaak, Treasurer, Mike MacNeil, Ed Lombardi.

Installation of Officers Held Prior to November General Meeting

District Deputy Derek Carter, assisted by District Membership Information Officer and Acting District Warden Sean Dunlop presided over the 2021 Installation of Officers prior to the November General Meeting. The new slate of Council officers pledged to guide and support Council activities for the fraternal year and accepted their position medals.



December 14th General Meeting to include Mass and Columbus Club Update

In keeping with Council plans to include a mass prior to monthly general meetings, once again in December mass will be celebrated at 6:30 to be followed by the monthly general meeting.

Brother Knights can also pay their 2022 dues at the meeting and receive their 2022 membership card.

The Columbus Club will also share their latest financials and take nominations for the election of directors.

KCIC Billboard Changeover

A team of brother Knights lead by Germain Loignon attended to the changeover of the billboard in the St Peter's Church parking lot on Nov 16th. The Keep Christ in Christmas image was put up for the season.

Monthly Executive Meetings Now on Monday Nights

Due to a conflict with the CWL over meeting times in the parish centre, council executive will now meet on the first Monday evening of the month.

Spring Projects in the Works

Look forward to more news on two projects for this Spring. A clean up in the church basement will be scheduled in May.

A K of C Yard Sale is also being planned for May. Start tagging some of those items you would love to part with.

Fr Oliver Returns From Visit Home

Fr Oliver has returned following a brief visit to his homeland. No doubt he is re-adjusting to the cold Fall temperatures....

Council Planning an Exemplification

A recruitment blitz was held before and after weekend masses on Nov 20-21, followed by an information evening at the parish centre on Nov 22nd.

An exemplification was held on Sunday Nov 28th following the 11am Mass. Two new candidates received their Knighthood degree.

Congratulations to brothers Owen Graham who joined our council and Michael McCann who joined council 10280 (CFB Trenton).

November Donations-A Busy Month

The month of November is traditionally a busy one for Council with a number of recurring donations to attend to. In addition to the large Hospice Quinte donation and the presentation to the Algonquin Lakeshore Catholic Education Foundation, Council also authorized support for our seminarians under the K of C RSVP program, Christmas gifts for our clergy and a donation to the Kinsmen Toy Drive.

K of C 50/50 Lottery Sales Lagging

With the changeover to an online lottery, you don't have to leave home to purchase your Knights of Columbus lottery tickets. Just add this link to your smartphone, tablet or PC and follow the prompts.

You can buy your tickets by inserting this link in your browser:

<https://ontariokofcraffle.5050central.com/?olc=2438>



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2021 Ontario Charities 50/50 Online Raffle

In support of the Ontario Charities Foundation and the Charitable works of the KofC Councils

Jackpot Draw date: December 31, 2021

Don't miss your chance to win!

100 TICKETS \$40 40 TICKETS \$20 15 TICKETS \$10

BUY TICKETS NOW

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EARLY BIRD DRAWS

November 1 at 9:00 a.m.
1st draw for \$500
2nd draw for \$250
3rd draw for \$250

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Why I Am a Knight

I put my faith into action.



Faith



Family



Community



Life

I promise to support and encourage my brother Knights as we work to make life better for our parish and community.



Knights donated \$1,000 to the Algonquin Lakeshore Catholic Education Foundation, a charitable cause that provides support to students in need of food, eye glasses, epi pens and other need. From left to right, Bruce Bellefeuille Grand Knight, Pete Vanderlaak, Treasurer, Gloria Hackett-Desgagne, Principal, St Peter Catholic School and Tom Painter, Deputy Grand Knight.

2022 Annual Dues Payable in December

The schedule and activities supporting dues collection for the coming year will be formalized at the December executive meeting.

Council is awaiting advices from the State Board on what the per capita charge will be for 2022.

It is expected that the dues amount will remain at \$50 for the next year and members can arrange to pay their dues at the December General Meeting, by mail or drop off to the parish centre at 125 Queen St, Trenton K8V 4Y2, by dropping payment in the collection basket at masses or by etransfer to Pete Vanderlaak, Council Treasurer (vdlaak@sympatico.ca). New member cards will be available at time of payment or will be mailed promptly.

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest Winners

The winners of the poster contest sponsored by our Council were selected on Dec 6th:

Elliot Baird, Grade 2, St Mary's Catholic School
Elianna Couture, Grade 4, St Mary's Catholic School
Evelyn Tripple, Grade 3, St Peter's Catholic School
Terra Park, Grade 4, St Peter's Catholic School
Elizabeth Bellavance, Grade 8, St Paul CSS

Presentations of the winner certificates are scheduled this month and each school was presented with a token award for managing and having students participate in the project. The winning posters (shown on the next age) will be on display at St Peter's Church during Advent.

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest Winners



Elliot Baird, Grade 2, St Mary's School



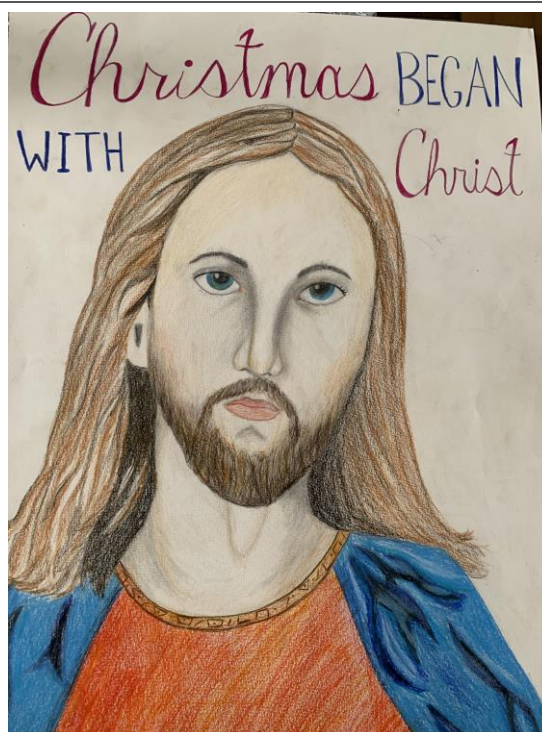
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A Christmas Message from Our Field Agent

What special celebrations we have in the month of December! Our Lady's feast, the feast of the Immaculate Conception when we honor Mary as having been conceived without original sin. What an honor, too, for her mother, St. Anne, and father, St. Joachim, to have that blessing, literally the grandparents of our Lord! Then we celebrate Christmas and the Word made flesh who dwelled among us. "For a child is born to us, a son is given to us; upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace." (Isa 9:5)

I'm sure your family, like mine, has its traditions at Christmas. There is decorating a tree and the house both inside and out, shopping for that perfect gift, and the preparation of the special meal. Maybe you start the real celebration by attending Midnight Mass. And perhaps this year it will mean a return to a houseful of relatives around your Christmas dinner table. I hope and pray that you and your family find peace and joy during this season!

As we approach the end of the year, I want to thank each of you for the trust you've placed in me. I have been able to help so many brother Knights and their families with the services and products that the Order has available to protect Catholic families. I consider it an honor to be able to serve you as your agent. One way I may be able to serve you better is to make sure you respond to the survey that was sent from the Supreme Office recently. While some snail mail is still delayed, you should have received it. Answering the survey will help me serve you better. If you like convenience you may want to complete the survey online. Please be sure to check your contact information and make sure it is correct. If you have not yet received your survey, please let me know.

Have a very Merry Christmas! Let's be thankful for all the graces and gifts that God has blessed us with, especially the gift of his Son!
Vivat Jesus!



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Remembrance at Trenton Cenotaph Nov 11th



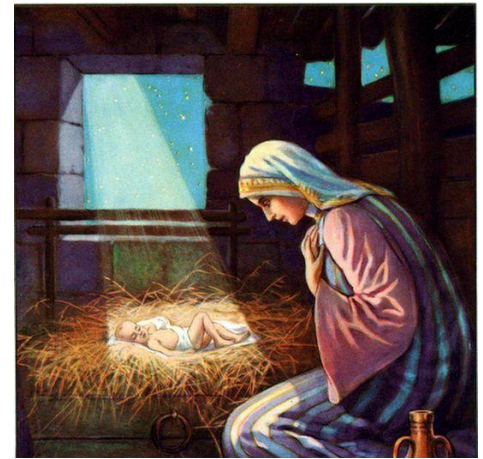
Month at A Glance

Executive Officer Meeting: December 6th at parish hall-7pm

**General Monthly Meeting: December 14th @ 6:30
mass and meeting in St Peter's Church**

4th Degree Meeting: December 21st @ 7pm

Columbus Club Meeting: tbd



Where There is a Need
There is a Knight



The Squires organized their annual Fall bottle drive in early November.

If you know of a young man between the ages of 10 and 17 looking to grow their faith and engage in building their leadership and organizational skills, contact Counsellors Mike Silva at silvmigu@alcdsb.on.ca or Ken Town at ken.town4@gmail.com.

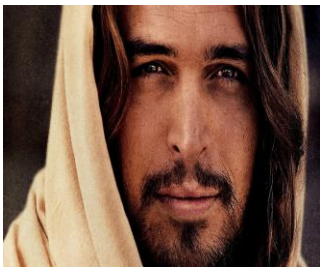


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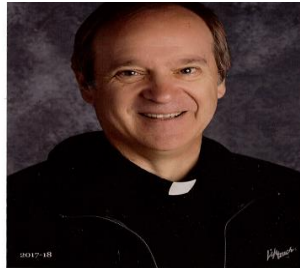
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Thank you for reading this edition of The Navigator. We want to reach as many Knights in our council as possible. If you know of a brother knight who is not on our distribution list, please send them a copy and ask that they send me their email address. We also want and need your feedback and input to make the newsletter relevant to you, the reader. Hope to hear from you soon.



The Last Word from Our Chaplain Father Tim

In our lives we encounter different types of preparation because we are waiting for someone to come or something to happen into our lives. We spend a lot of money and energy for these preparations. For example, preparing a party, a preparation for our own career or for the birth of a baby. Another one is preparation for moving into another house or for building a home for retirement and many more. We are so very excited about these to come or to happen.

We are now in Advent. Advent as you know, means "coming." So what are we waiting for? What are we preparing for? What are we looking for? Are we looking for a miracle? If we are waiting for Christ to be born, Christ was already born two thousand years ago. He is our Saviour and our brother too. If we are waiting for the Holy Spirit to dwell among us, He is already in us but we do not recognize His presence and role in our lives. If we are waiting for the Church to be born, the Church is already in our midst. If we are waiting for the faith, God gives everything to us. What are we waiting for? Every Sunday, we attend Mass, we pray. We receive the body of Christ and Christ becomes a part of us. But after the Mass, we return to our old habits. What God is looking from us is a changed way of life, a new direction and a renewed life. A life by which we can see the face of Christ in other people especially the lowly.

To end this sharing of mine, I would like to share with you a story. It is about a Master asking a question to his disciples. He said: "How can we determine that another day will come?" His disciples answered: "Because tonight is evening, so tomorrow is the sign that another day will come." "No, when the sun begin to rise, that is the sign that another day will come," answered the other disciples. The Master answered: You did not get the right answer my dear disciples. As long as you remain in darkness, there will be no another day in your life."

This is true friends, as long as we do not see the face of Christ in other people, even in fellow Knights of Columbus members, we will remain in darkness. As long as you do not show to other people the face of Christ through you, there will be no tomorrow and there will be no other day to come in our lives.

Brothers, as we end out 2021, I ask you reflect on this. Let us also pray to God that He may give us His grace of waiting so that we may become more vigilant and still awake when He will come again.

Fr. Tim Harrison
Chaplain