



Holy Trinity Council 9990 News



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Grand Knight Report — Norbert Grillmair

Dear Brothers,

The traveling St. Joseph's icon will be displayed in our church from March 18th to 30th. Since I felt like I did not fully understand the role St. Joseph plays in my personal life and my life as a Knight, I decided to watch this film. Just click on this link <https://www.kofc.org/en/news-room/st-joseph/index.html> and enjoy an hour with our patron Saint.

I found the film inspirational, and it helped me to better understand the importance of St. Joseph and his life of acceptance and dedication. The icon will mean much more to me now and after watching the film, I hope you will feel the same.

Let us make this a holy and prayerful Lent.

Vivat Jesus,
Norbert



- ◆ MARCH 02 General Meeting
- ◆ MARCH 18-25 traveling St. Joseph's icon
- ◆ MARCH 26 Pancake Breakfast

- o Love is how excited your dog gets when you come home.
- o I've reached the age where my train of thought often leaves the station without me.
- o If you're happy and you know it, it's your meds

Holy Trinity Council 9990



Meetings

6234 Spartan Road, Nanaimo, BC

General

7:00 P.M. First Thursday of the month in the **church lounge**

Executive

7:00 P.M. Third Thursday of the month: Meeting room



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By: *Allan Crowe*

DID YOU KNOW?

St. Patrick's Day

St. Patrick's Day is celebrated annually on March 17, the anniversary of his death in the fifth century. The Irish have observed this day as a religious holiday for over 1,000 years. On St. Patrick's Day, which falls during the Christian season of Lent, Irish families would traditionally attend church in the morning and celebrate in the afternoon. Lenten prohibitions against the consumption of meat were waived and people would dance, drink and feast on the traditional meal of Irish bacon and cabbage.

Who Was St. Patrick?

St. Patrick was born in Britain—not Ireland—to wealthy parents near the end of the fourth century. He is believed to have died on March 17, around 460 A.D. Although his father was a Christian deacon, it has been suggested that he probably took on the role because of tax incentives and there is no evidence that Patrick came from a particularly religious family.

At the age of 16, Patrick was taken prisoner by a group of Irish raiders who were attacking his family's estate. They transported him to Ireland where he spent six years in captivity. There is some dispute over where this captivity took place. Although many believe he was taken to live in Mount Slemish in County Antrim, it is more likely that he was held in County Mayo near Killala.

After more than six years as a prisoner, Patrick escaped. According to his writing, a voice—which he believed to be God's—spoke to him in a dream, telling him it was time to leave Ireland. To do so, Patrick walked nearly 200 miles from County Mayo, where it is believed he was held, to the Irish coast. After escaping to Britain, Patrick reported that he experienced a second revelation—an angel in a dream tells him to return to Ireland as a missionary. Soon after, Patrick began religious training, a course of study that lasted more than 15 years.

After his ordination as a priest, he was sent to Ireland with a dual mission: to minister to Christians already living in Ireland and to begin to convert the Irish

Now you know



Celebrating March Birthdays

Dominic Gonzalez

George Jeffs

Patrick Young

Mike Patterson

Andre Letain

Len Campbell

Martin

Peter Cheah

Gardening Tips

Plant most bulbs at **two to three times their depth**. For example, for a bulb measuring 5cm (2in) high, dig a hole 10-15cm (4-6in) deep and sit the bulb in the bottom of it. Place the bulbs in the hole with their 'nose', or shoot, facing upwards. Space them at least twice the bulb's own width apart.



Charity Appeal — Mike Smith

Hello Brothers, our 61st Charity Appeal came to a close with the drawing of the winning tickets on Jan 28/2023. Grand Knight Norbert Grillmair and Mike Smith attended the draw held in the KC hall in Duncan. The Grand Prize of a car was sold by Council 9534, Surrey, and 4th place prize of \$5000, was sold by our Council with our "Hand Held Machine", in the North Nanaimo Town Centre. We sold 1033 tickets, which put us in 12th place out of the 128 councils participating. Our committee of Norbert Grillmair, Mike Finch and the undersigned would like to thank everyone who not only purchased tickets, but participated in selling tickets to make our initiative this year a success.

Appeal Chairman

My father taught me HUMOR.

"When that lawn mower cuts off your toes, don't come running to me."

⇒ My dream job would be driving the karma bus.



Captain Alexandro Malaspina

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2018-2019 Executive

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Faithful Navigator

Faithful Comptroller

Faithful Captain

Faithful Admiral

Faithful Purser

Faithful Pilot

Faithful Scribe

Faithful Inner Sentinel

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Faithful Trustee (1-Year)

Faithful Trustee (2-Year)

Faithful Trustee (3-Year)

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Lecturer — Brother Mike Patterson



My fellow Knights...we are now in the season of Lent and preparing for Easter. Here are some simple prayers to supplement your faith life.

Short Lent Prayers

Short Lent prayers are an easy way to go from *desiring* to pray more during Lent to actually doing so. After all, Lent includes (and prepares us for) some of the longest liturgies of the year.

Palm Sunday features the first reading of the Passion of Christ before we hear it again on **Good Friday**. **Holy Week** also features Holy Thursday and the Easter Vigil, two liturgies

that are unique and beautiful. And longer than normal.

When we're not at Mass, sometimes we just need short, simple prayers to remain close to God during our busy days. Lent is no different.

Here are some easy prayers you can say to feel connected to God during Lent this year:

- "God, may Your light guide my day, and your spirit bring me peace. Amen."
- "God, may my sacrifice of today of (state your Lenten sacrifice) remind me of my dependence on You for all the blessings I enjoy. Amen."
- "May I stand in solidarity today with all my brothers and sisters around the world who are suffering. May we be united in your love, and may I work to build your kingdom here on earth."
"Heavenly Father, I'm truly sorry for the moments today where I missed the mark. I ask for your forgiveness and the **strength** to better follow Your call tomorrow. Amen."
- "God, I lift up (name of the person you'd like to pray for) today. I ask that you bless them abundantly today and throughout Lent. Amen."



Church yard clean-up. Brothers Jim Loftus, Norbert Grillmair and Chris Lukyn remove debris and stuff a wood chipper.

Brother Mike Smith receives an award for the February Brother of the month for his work with running a successful Charity Appeal



Jim Loftus— Knights in Action

Brothers :
Last year's clean-up project of the church grounds is almost done. You will recall that a windstorm toppled half of a tall, forked, Douglas fir tree in one of our winter storms, narrowly missing the home of one of our renters. We hired a faller to come in and remove the rest of that tree and several others that

were deemed to present a danger. A great bunch of our brothers subsequently came out, gathered up the scattered branches and piled them in preparation for easier chipping. Here are some recent pictures that Grand Knight Norbert took of PGK Jim helping Chris Lukyn stuff the debris into the chipper. Fortunately, Brother Norbert came out to help since there was so much extra debris that was deposited on this site by others. A third day of chipping will set us up nicely in preparation for our next clean-up project later this spring. We will pick a nice day for a brotherly work bee. Vivat Jesus — Jim



Membership — Jim Loftus

Brothers:

The Holy Trinity Council 9990 Degree Team travelled to St. Peter’s Church on Saturday, February 25 to exemplify the lessons of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity for three Mid Island Council 3842 candidates. I am proud of the performance and delivery of the team, especially considering that it was the first time participating for five of the seven team members. The evening’s lessons were well attended by brother Knights, family, and friends. Unfortunately, none of our Council’s candidates were able to attend. We will have to double our efforts to find a more convenient date.

Vivat Jesus— Jim



My mother taught me about RE-CEIVING .

"You are going to get it from your father when you get home!"

My mother taught me MEDICAL SCIENCE .

"If you don't stop crossing your eyes, they are going to get stuck that way."

My mother taught me GENETICS .

"You're just like your father."



Bartering in Israel

As US tourists in Israel, a man and his wife were sitting outside a Bethlehem souvenir shop, waiting for fellow tourists. An Arab salesman approached them carrying belts.

After an impassioned sales talk yielded no results, he asked where they were from.

"America," the husband replied.

Looking at her dark hair and olive skin, the Arab responded. "She's not from the States."

"Yes I am." said the wife. He looked at her and asked.

"Is he your husband?"

"Yes." she replied.

Turning to the husband, he offered..... "I'll give you 100 camels for her."

The husband looked stunned, and there was a long silence. Finally he replied, "she's not for sale."

After the salesman left, the somewhat indignant wife asked her husband what took him so long to answer, to which the husband replied, "I was trying to figure out how to get 100 camels back home."

Congratulations

*To Brothers and wives
celebrating March Anniversaries*

Dennis and Mary Adachi

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Ed and Doris Landry

66

Good of the Order

Please pray for Brothers and wives

- ◆ *Nora Loftus wife of Brother Jim*
- ◆ *Brother Mike Harrigan and wife Gay*
- ◆ *Brother Jim Whalen*
- ◆ *Brother Aurel Muego*
- ◆ *Brother Pat Young & wife Betty*
- ◆ *Brother John Vanreeuwijk*
- ◆ *Norma Dumas—wife of Brother Joe*
- ◆ *Brother James Chase and wife Dorothy*
- ◆ *Shirley Foucher widow of Brother Maurice*
- ◆ *Brother Ken Lingenfelter*
- ◆ *Brother Les Taylor*

Environmentally safe rat poison

We recently had a rat rush in the house when the door was opened to go out. It took 11 days of trying different methods of riding the house of this pest. It left a trail everyday of poop droppings and urine, plus chewed bottoms of doors. There are many choices of traps and things you can do. For us none of them worked, but the loan of a bait trap and a suggestion of homemade bait worked. Rodents can't digest this concoction and bloat.

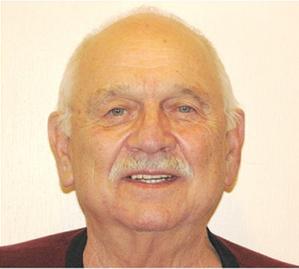
These pests should not be taken for granted especially during the winter when they aim to look for warmth to outlive the cold. The reason why rats are considered as one of the most common winter pests is their inability to survive the cold weather. You can observe the increase of rat activity inside your home during the winter season because they aim to survive by infesting the homes for warmth, food, and reproduction. Beware, these rodents are very secretive in nature. Without knowing it, you might be facing a full-on infestation.

Baking Soda Poison. For this poison, combine 1 cup of flour or cornmeal with 1 cup of sugar and a powdered chocolate mix then add 1 cup of baking soda. Mix it very well. Fill some jar lids with the poison and put it where you can find rat droppings. Monitor the area until you no longer see any sign of rat infestation. *We put the mix in a bait trap.*

I didn't have the chocolate mix, regardless the bait attracted the rat and the trap killed the rat; I suspect the rat had been exposed to regular traps and bait in another home and ignored them. Smart Rat!

January 18, 2023

We announce with heavy hearts that Dave passed away peacefully at Nanaimo Hospital on January 18, 2023, at the age of 81. Dave is survived by Keni, his beloved wife of 42 years, his Boston Terriers, Monkey and Austin, and many cherished friends and loved ones.



Brother David Lorette

Born in Swan River, Manitoba, Dave was the seventh of 10 children born to Frank and Julia. The family bought a dairy farm and moved to Abbotsford, BC in 1944.

As a young man, Dave made his way to northern BC where he worked in the logging industry until he discovered a passion for fishing while on a trip to Prince Rupert. Working in the fishing industry and eventually owning his own boat and business, Dave fished for 35 years.

The biggest catch for Dave was the love of his life, Keni, who he met on a fishing boat in Nanaimo in 1979. They were married the following year, and in 1981, they moved to Gabriola Island, where Dave operated a gravel and excavation business for the next 40 years.

Dave loved all animals; he also enjoyed travel, vegetable gardening, and had an insatiable appetite for knowledge and new adventures. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus for many years. Dave was known for his quick wit and jovial demeanour, but lesser known is the fact that “Twinkle Toes” was also a Ball Room dancer.

Dave put passion and energy into everything he did. Nothing was too much for him, as he could figure anything out, and he enjoyed doing just that.

Thoughtful and generous; Dave was always there to help people out, whether by mentoring, motivating, being supportive or just plain listening, something he was wonderful at doing. He was always ready to contribute in any capacity; he thrived on doing this throughout his life.

Dave, you will be missed terribly by all those who were lucky enough to know you. Service was held on Saturday, February 11, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 6234 Spartan Rd., Nanaimo.



My mother taught me HOW TO BECOME AN ADULT.

"If you don't eat your vegetables, you'll never grow up"





**Holy Trinity
Catholic Church**

***...proudly presents...
The Greater Victoria Police Chorus***

In Concert

SATURDAY APRIL 15, 2023

2:00pm

6234 Spartan Road - Nanaimo



\$20.00 per ticket

At the Church office and after Sunday Mass or at the door.

Watch for posters & more ticket information!

**Net concert proceeds to *RESTORE HIS HOUSE* Capital Campaign
Fund of Holy Trinity Church**