



Holy Trinity Council 9990 News



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Grand Knight Report — Norbert Grillmair

Over the past few days, as I get ready for another Knights of Columbus convention, I have been thinking about what our Holy Trinity council did since the April 2022 convention. One of the highlights was that we could once again meet in person. We organized a successful garage sale, parish Christmas party and again started our monthly pancake breakfasts. We began a bi-weekly social where members and parish men come to play cards.

Our brother knights are involved as leaders in every aspect of our parish – as ushers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, maintainers of our building and grounds and a presence in many other areas of parish life. Some serve as members of the pastoral council, others on the maintenance committee. There is always a job to be done!

We need more members, especially those willing to take on leadership roles. It means actively standing up vs. standing by. We are all busy. I know. I am too. Maybe stepping up means tackling something that is outside our comfort zone. I can relate to that. I would much rather build something or clean the parish grounds than chair a meeting (or write an article). But I did and I learned a lot in the past two years.

Now it's time for someone else to lead our council. We have all been given special gifts and talents. Your talent is God's gift to you. What you do with it is your gift back to God. So, I challenge you to consider...If not you, then who? And if not now, then when?

Within the next year Terry Hayes intends to retire from two positions he's held for a long time; he is unlikely to continue on beyond June 2024. We need someone to take up the challenge of looking after the newsletter, the ability to assemble the newsletter from reports received and make editing corrections where necessary. Terry also intends to vacate his webmaster position; do you have experience managing a website? Do you want to learn? Terry's willing to assist anyone who takes over from him. Please consider volunteering.

Vivat Jesus,

Norbert

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?

THE AGE OF THE B. V. MARY UPON HER DEATH

Abridged from the visions of Blessed Anne Catherine Emmerich (1774-1824).



On August 13th, 1822, Catherine Emmerich said: “Last night I had a great vision of the death of the Blessed Virgin.” On being asked how old the Blessed Virgin was when she died, she looked away and said: “She was sixty-four. I have just seen the figure X six times, then I, then V; is not that sixty-four?”. (It is remarkable that Catherine Emmerich was not shown numbers with our ordinary Arabic figures, with which she was familiar, only saw Roman figures in her visions). Parentheses remarks were those of the “writer” who was interviewing her.



After Christ's Ascension Mary lived 3 years on Mount Sion, 3 years in Bethany and 9 years in Ephesus, with St. John. Mary did not live in Ephesus itself, but in the country where several close friends had settled. John had had a house built for the Blessed Virgin before he brought her here. Several Christian families and holy women had settled here. Mary's house was the only one built of stone.

On August 14th, 1822, she said: “Now I will tell of the death of the Blessed Virgin”. She continued, marking on her fingers the figures she mentioned: “See this number, a stroke I and then a V, does not this make four? Then again V and three strokes, does not that make eight? This is not properly written out; but I see them as separate figures because I do not understand big sums in Roman letters. It means that the year 48 after Christ's Birth is the year of the Blessed Virgin's death. Then I see X and III and then two full moons as they are shown in the calendar, that means that the Blessed Virgin died thirteen years and two months after Christ's Ascension into Heaven. This is not the month in which she died--I think I already saw this vision several months ago.”

NOTE: *The site below details the life of the Virgin Mary.*

The above was excerpted from chapter XVIII (18).

<https://www.ecatholic2000.com/anne/lom180.shtml>

Now you know 



Our Chaplain Retires

Father Jozef Kobos, SDS announced at Mass on Sunday his intention to retire in the summer of 2023. Father Jozef has been Chaplain of Council 9990 since his arrival at the parish in 2010. He will be greatly missed by our Council and the Holy Trinity Parish. Father Jozef will be moving to a support role in St. Patrick's Parish on Main Street in Vancouver. It is expected that Bishop Gary Gordon and the Diocese will announce the appointment of a successor in due course.

I JUST DON'T KNOW HOW A CEMETERY CAN RAISE BURIAL PRICES AND BLAME

IT ON THE COST OF LIVING



Pancake Breakfast Apr 30—Mike Finch

Pancake Breakfast Apr 30, 2023.

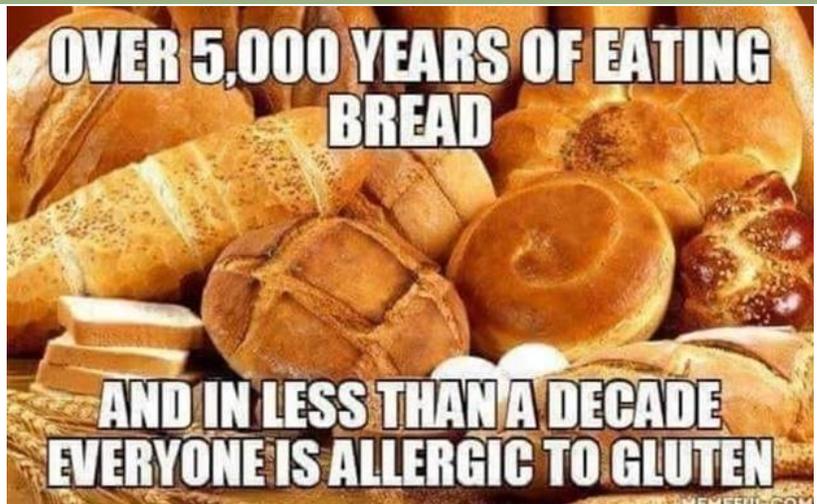
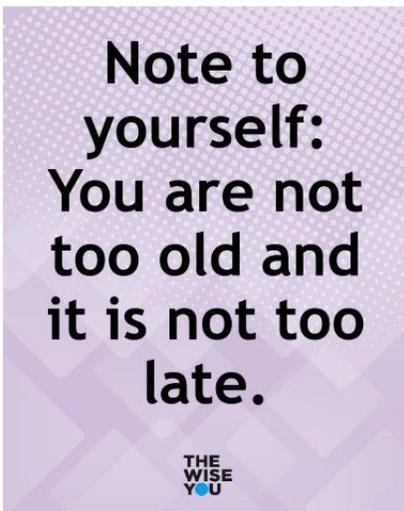
A big thank you to all the brother knights you turned out to make the breakfast on Sunday a success.

We had the pleasure of 76 generous guests for breakfast and all had a sufficient serving of scrambled eggs, Waffles and pancakes with many assortments of syrups.

It was great to see the turnout from the parishioners who by all accounts had a great time and enjoyed the efforts of Council 9990. I believe a few parishioners assisted with the take down of tables and chairs. We could have used a few more volunteers to help with the cleanup of the kitchen.

After replenishing our float we have turned over \$321.50 to the treasurer.

Mike



Celebrating MAY Birthdays

Allan Crowe

Shani John

Ralph Carlson

Thomas Prethesh

Les Taylor

Toney Lambert

Mick Brzoza

John Novotny

Jainsaw

Alan Cavin

Congratulations To Brothers and wives celebrating May Anniversaries

Let us pray for all married couples: that they will help one another attain holiness through the graces given to them in the Sacrament of Matrimony.

<i>Allan & Marg Crowe</i>	60
<i>Don & Sharon Fauchon</i>	21
<i>Mike and Margaret Howard</i>	54
<i>John & Rosanna Vanreeuwijk</i>	21
<i>Ken & Gale Koury</i>	65
<i>Tim & Melinda Franklin</i>	32
<i>Peter & Francesca Cheah</i>	49



Captain Alexandro Malaspina

Assembly 34

2018-2019 Executive

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Faithful Navigator

Faithful Comptroller

Faithful Captain

Faithful Admiral

Faithful Purser

Faithful Pilot

Faithful Scribe

Faithful Inner Sentinel

Faithful Outer Sentinel

Faithful Trustee (1-Year)

Faithful Trustee (2-Year)

Faithful Trustee (3-Year)

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Good of the Order

Please pray for:

- ◆ *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*
- ◆ *Widow Shirley Foucher*
- ◆ *Brother Les Taylor*

*Do you have someone who needs prayers?
Send me the names and I will add them to our
list*

“Be decisive. Right or wrong, make a decision. The road of life is paved with flat squirrels who couldn't make a decision.”

~Unknown~

SHARED ON I'M NOT RIGHT IN THE HEAD.COM

NEVER MAKE A WOMAN MAD.
THEY CAN REMEMBER STUFF
THAT HASN'T EVEN
HAPPENED YET.

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From our May 2003 Archives



OH - WOE IS ME: By Brother Pat Romano

This is not how I feel, but I see other Knights feeling this way when in the position I was. This letter to my Brother Knights is not something I want to write but feel I must write this.

“What the heck is he talking about?” I am talking about what the definition of Fraternity within the Knights of Columbus and what it means to us. A major part of the Definition of Fraternity is to help Brothers and others in need.

Why am I writing this? I am not seeking any form of pity for myself, but I want to prevent other Brother Knights from having what has recently happened to me.

As most Brothers know, I recently had Major Surgery and have been home for over 3 weeks recuperating. During this period everyone in my household was busy every day with their personal occupations and away from home. I was at home alone 12 hours a day, unable to walk any distance and unable to drive. I was house bound. During this period neither I nor any member of my Family received a single phone call or visit from Brother Knights. Yes, I managed to get through these weeks O.K. but I admit I was disappointed.

When we hear of a Brother Knight being in a situation of stress whether through sickness or injury or just having some every day hardship, its a duty of Brother Knights to be in contact with his Brother Knight and/or his Family to keep ourselves updated on his condition and requirements and to do everything necessary to help him over the hump. This may simply be a visit during the day, a ride to the pharmacy, or just to take him out of the house for a cup of coffee.

A big part of recuperation from any of illness is the Psychology of the individual. When a person feels good about their situation and surroundings, recuperation is quicker. Contacting the affected brother will help in almost any situation. Knowing someone takes the time and makes the effort to make a phone call or pays a visit to those who are housebound is effective.

There is no way I would expect every Knight to be in every day direct contact with every sick or injured Brother, it helps knowing Brothers are available and ready to provide you with needs when they arise. Remember, you cannot depend on someone else to do what you have a responsibility to do. The health and welfare of Brother Knights is the responsibility of every one of us.

Viva Jesus!

Pat Romano



**Holy Trinity garden and church
After cleanup by Knights**

Serious Humour

A dog followed his master to school. His owner was a fourth grader at a public elementary school. However, when the bell rang, the dog sidled inside the building and made it all the way to the child's classroom before a teacher noticed and shoo'ed him outside, closing the door behind him. The dog sat down, whimpered and stared at the closed doors.

Then God appeared beside the dog, patted his head, and said, "Don't feel bad fella!... they won't let ME in either."



Past Grand Knight and Election Chairman— Garry Shepp

Final Call for Elections Thursday May 4, 2023

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Grand Knight

The grand knight is responsible for the welfare of the council. He presides over council meetings, acts as an ex-officio member of all committees, appoints a membership and programming director, convenes officers for a monthly meeting, and ensures all necessary reports are submitted to the state and Supreme Council. He should also be aware of the council's financial status and ensure that his signature appears on all checks drawn. The grand knight is a member of the Advisory Board with general supervision of the council's Columbian Squire circle. *For more specific duties and responsibilities, refer to the Grand Knight's Handbook (#915).*

Chaplain

The chaplain is the spiritual advisor of the council. He is expected to make a report at council meetings on religious matters. The grand knight appoints a priest in accordance with any rules established by the bishop of the diocese to serve as council chaplain. *For more specific duties, responsibilities and eligibility refer to the Chaplain's Handbook (#945).*

Deputy Grand Knight

The deputy grand knight is second in command. He assists the grand knight with council affairs and fulfills all duties assigned to him by the grand knight. Should the grand knight be absent from a council meeting, the deputy grand knight will preside. He is chairman of the council's retention committee and also a member of the Advisory Board charged with overseeing the council's sponsored Columbian Squires circle.

Chancellor

The chancellor has a variety of responsibilities. Primarily, he assists the grand knight and the deputy grand knight in the execution of their duties and oversees the council in both their absences. He is charged with strengthening the members' interests in council activities. The chancellor is chairman of the admission committee and a member of the Columbian Squires circle ceremonial team.

Recorder

The recorder is similar to a court reporter or a secretary. He is responsible for maintaining a true record of all actions of the council and its correspondence. A Recorder's Minute Book (#1403) is available from the Knights of Columbus Supply Department for keeping a record of council meetings.

Financial Secretary

The financial secretary is appointed by the supreme knight, upon recommendation of the council. His main area of responsibilities is maintaining all financial and membership records. He collects and receives all monies from all sources, including annual dues from council members. He also handles supply orders for the council officers and members, filing the Report of Officer (#185), and submitting all membership transactions to the Supreme Council. *For more specific duties and responsibilities, refer to the Financial Secretary Handbook (#1410).*

Treasurer

The treasurer is responsible for the safekeeping and maintaining records of all council funds and accounts. He

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is responsible for depositing money into the council's accounts and provides a certificate of such monies to the grand knight. He is also responsible for payment of all expenses.

Lecturer

The lecturer is appointed by the grand knight to provide both educational and entertaining programs to the council. He is responsible for the 'Good of the Order' portion of council meetings. In order to provide members with informative and educational programs, he must be knowledgeable and aware of all council programming.

Advocate

The advocate is the legal representative of the council and serves as the council's attorney at trials and investigations of any interest to the council. While he does not need to be a member of the legal profession, he should be familiar with the council by-laws, the Order's Charter, Constitution and Laws (#30), Methods of Conducting a Council Meeting (#1937), and Robert's Rules of Order.

Warden

The warden is the 'watchdog' for council property and degree paraphernalia, except the property of the financial secretary, treasurer and recorder. He is also responsible for setting up the council chambers for meetings and ceremonial work. During ceremonial exemplifications, he will appoint and supervise guards.

Inside & Outside Guards

The guards have similar responsibilities, but distinct differences. The outside guard tends to the outer door admitting visitors and members to the inner door. Once at the inner door, the inside guard checks to make sure that their membership cards are current.

Board of Trustees

The board of trustees consists of three members elected by the council and the grand knight, who serves as chairman of the board. They oversee the work of the financial secretary and treasurer, and with the deputy grand knight serve on the council's retention committee. During council elections, only the three-year trustee is voted on, with the others moving on to become two and one-year trustees, respectively.



"To get back to my youth I would do anything in the world, except exercise, get up early, or be respectable." Oscar Wilde

"The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for." Will Rogers

"We must recognize that, as we grow older, we become like old cars – more and more repairs and replacements are necessary." C.S. Lewis

The adult version of "head, shoulders, knees and toes" is "wallet, glasses, keys and phone."



Years of Service

Joe Gillich is celebrating 60 years