

The ANVIL



NEWSLETTER OF BROTHER ANTHONY COUNCIL 10014

JANUARY 2010

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Next General Council Meeting

6 p.m., Wed., Jan. 27, 2009 (dinner served at 6:30 p.m.)

Our new website is ready to go

Check out Brother Anthony council's new, interactive website! It's located at www.brotheranthony.org/new.

You can quickly access various parts that are "open to the public" such as an interactive calendar and upcoming events.

Some parts of the new website are restricted to members of Brother Anthony Council; these will become available to you after you register on the site.

Just follow a few simple steps to register as directed on the Home page of the website.

A new special website feature is the **Notice Board** which is restricted to members. This Notice Board contains the following categories and forums:

Volunteers Needed for Council Projects

- Council Needs (Activities, Positions or Events)
- Charitable Works

Requests for Prayers

- General Intentions
- Specific Prayers

Employment

- Employment Opportunities
- Services for Hire

Items for Sale

- Proceeds to Member
- Proceeds to Council as Fundraiser



The website improvements are another way to help members become better informed and involved with council activities.

If you have any questions, suggestions or comments about our new website, please contact our Webmaster, **Bro. Fred Holtslag**, by using the email link on our website home page. à

CALENDAR OF EVENTS – 09-10

2010

January

- * 10 – Pancake Breakfast (Frank’s team)
- 27 – Council meeting (dinner by Frank’s team)

February

- 7 – Pancake Breakfast (Gilbert’s team)
- 13 – Ladies’ Knight (dinner by Gilbert’s team)
- 24 – Council meeting (dinner by Gilbert’s team)

March

- 6 - Seminarian Night (tentative) (dinner by Frank’s team)
- 7 – Pancake Breakfast (Lamar’s team)
- 24 – Council meeting (dinner by Lamar’s team)

April

- 4 – Easter Sunday
- * 11 – Pancake Breakfast (Frank’s team)
- 28 – Council meeting (dinner by Frank’s team)

May

- 2 - Pancake Breakfast (Gilbert’s team)
- 9 – Mother Day’s Brunch (Lamar’s team)
- 26 – Council meeting (dinner by Gilbert’s team)

June

- 6 – Pancake Breakfast (Lamar’s team)
- 23 – Council meeting (dinner by Lamar’s team)
- * 26 – Grand Knight’s Dinner (Gilbert’s team)

* To be confirmed

Happy New Year!

Being men of action

Some of us may set goals for 2010, ways in which we can be better or make resolutions to do things we have been putting off.

The challenge is to be committed and carry out the things we say we will do.

My fellow brother knights, I ask you to be men of action in 2010!

Do what you resolve to set out to do. Be realistic and practical, or dream big.

Act with heart and soul.

Similarly, become involved with the Knights as though it were your first day after initiation.

The enthusiasm upon joining the Knights or taking on a project can sometimes falter or wane over the months or years.

This is in some respects no different than being the good Catholic who must renew his faith every day, and every week during Mass by saying the Apostles’ Creed.

This requires commitment and effort, especially when you know that you are doing something good.

Please consider how you can help to be a better Knight this year.
There are many fine brother knights who participate and lead our council activities.
Meet with them, work beside them and help them.
We can achieve great things by being men of action for family, church, council, community and youth.
I assure you, you will receive much in return.
Happy New Year! à

Vivat Jesus
Bro. Bruno Binassi
Grand Knight

Chaplain's Message

Start with the Lord

At the start of this New Year, remember that anything begun in the proper way will end with good results.
If you start everything with Jesus and keep him in your mind, how can you ever go wrong?
Everything that is truly important starts with the Lord Jesus Christ.
Traditionally, faithful farmers made the sign of the cross before planting the first seeds.
They made the sign of the cross on the bread they baked in the oven using the wheat they harvested.
They made the sign of the cross before and after eating their meals.
So when you do work, do so in the name of the Lord.
And when you play, do so in the name of the Lord.
There is a saying that you should always start on the right foot.
Similarly, if you start the proper way, in the name and spirit of the Lord, you will certainly finish with good results. à

May God Bless,
Fr. Mitchell Fidyka
Chaplain

GK News

The second half of the Columbian year is now underway and there are two major events that you should note.

Please ensure your wife marks her calendar for **Ladies Night** on Sat., Feb. 13.

Ladies' Night is our opportunity to thank our wives for their support in our work as Knights.

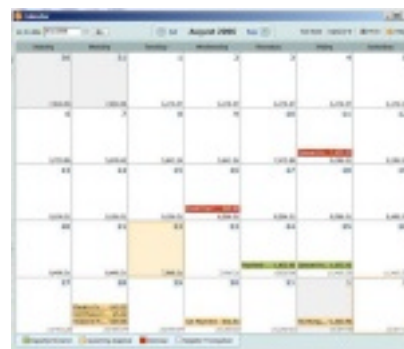
Also, mark your calendar for a completely new event on March 6.

Our council will host **Seminarian Night Dinner**. The seminarians and the seminary formation team will attend.

Tickets will be \$25 and available after the Masses.

Please refer to future announcements regarding the start of ticket sales.

The seminarians will also be invited to the **February pancake breakfast**.



The State submissions have also been started and will occupy much of my time over the next two months.

Recruiting new Knights will also be a priority over the next six months. However, this is a responsibility we all share and I encourage everyone to recruit a new member.

Every organization requires new people and ideas to be viable.

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Vivat Jesus,
Bro. Bruno Binassi
Grand Knight

Helping to maintain our church

A number of brother knights are involved in maintaining or improving our church facility.

Maintaining the church parking lot and lawn

Bro. Art Maat's crew has for many years generously provided snow removal and lawn maintenance to the church.

Exterior lighting The beautiful stone light-posts that light up the wall statues of the **Holy Family** on the south side of the church were built by **Bro. Marco Annich** and his crew.

Other jobs Brother Knights are involved in **many other jobs** that need doing. For example, members replaced the church valance lights above the stained glass windows in December, using scaffolding to reach the height. The team included Bros. **Bill Van Hoof, Clem Chiasson, Sebastian Frattin, Charlie Roach, Stan Lozinski, Ken Fischer, Maurice Beier** and **George Rodziewicz**. à

Parish Maintenance Committee A number of parish maintenance committee members happen to be knights, including **Bros. Bill Van Hoof, Clem Chiasson, Sebastian Frattin, Ken Fischer, Maurice Beier** and **George Rodziewicz**.

These are just a few examples, often unseen, of ways in which brother knights generously contribute to Holy Family Parish. à

Condolences to Carey Family

We extend deepest sympathy to **Louise Carey** and family on the death of loving and faithful husband, father and grandfather, **Sir Knight Bro. Pat Carey**.

Bro. Pat passed away on January 3, 2010 at the age of 84 following a courageous battle with cancer.

Bro. Pat was a familiar face as parishioner of **Holy Family church** and as a **Fourth Degree member of Brother Anthony Council**.



In his soft-spoken manner, he was always prepared to lend a hand when needed.

He helped with church maintenance and was an usher at **Holy Family Parish**.

He regularly helped with **blood donor clinics**, attended council meetings and was a founding member of **Brother Anthony choir**; he loved fine music.

Many family and friends attended the prayer service for Bro. Pat at **Holy Family church** on Wednesday, Jan. 6 and his Funeral Mass on Jan. 7.

The **Fourth Degree Honour Guard** led the procession at the service and Funeral Mass, and **Brother Anthony choir** led the music. **Choir Director Bro. Brian Roach** also sang an emotional Irish song of parting at the service.

Bro. Pat will be missed by Brother Anthony council and everyone who knew him.

Through the mercy of God, may his soul rest in peace.

Your prayers for Bro. Pat and his family are appreciated. à

Squire Circle needs more counselors



Last year, our Squire Circle had five active counselors.

Four of our counselors had sons who were active Squires.

However, we lost four counselors from last year.

Thankfully two ex-Squires stepped up to become counselors giving us three.

For the Circle to be viable in 2010, we'll need the help of two or three new counselors.

With a full slate of counselors, the workloads and time commitments are very reasonable.

To become a counselor, all you need: (a) is to be an Knight in good standing and (b) have the desire to work in our parish and community with some of the most outstanding Catholic boys and young men that you'll meet.

Our Circle has done a lot of great work and has the potential to continue to do so.

Please help. Call **Bro. John Kirk** at (780) 913-1484 for more information. à

Squire note

We encourage young men aged 12 – 17 to join the Columbian squires. **If you have any sons, nephews, grandsons or even great grandsons** who you think would benefit from this outstanding program, please pass their names along to one of the following Squire counselors: **Bros. John Kirk, John Caputo, Dean Pasternak or Michael Clarke.**

Or visit our Squires website

www.estodignus.org à

Esto Dignus!

Bro. John Kirk

Cell 780-913-1484

Meeting Highlights

Nov 25, 2009

Grand Knight Report – Bro. Bruno Binassi

The **Charity Appeal** money from 2006-09 was allocated to **Alberta Cancer Research Fund for prostate cancer** with the stipulation it only be used for educational purposes.

A thank you letter was sent to **Connelly-McKinley** for their donations and helping to make **Italian Night** successful.

Italian Night raised about \$4,000. Thanks to everyone who helped in any way.

A thank you note was received for our donation to **Roots of Change**

Treasurer's Report – Bro. Ryan Romenko The bank reconciliation statement was presented to council. Asset: \$56,712; liability \$26,582; Total: \$30,129; account balance: \$30,142.

Financial Secretary's Report – Bro. Bob Clarke

This year's quota is 19 members and 11 insured members. One new member joined leaving a goal of 18.

Membership cards are available; membership cost per year is \$40.

Deputy Grand Knight Report – Bro. Bruno Binassi

Ladies Night is approaching and **Bro. Cor de Boon** welcomes ideas for entertainment.

Fourth Degree – Bro. Bernie Arnold Next exemplification is at **St. Joseph High School** on Nov. 28. Meetings are held at **Holy Family Parish** on the first Thursday of the month at 8 p.m.

District Deputy – Bro. Morris Chaban Reminded Council we are at the half way point of the Columbian year. Keep up the good work!

Fraternal Benefits Advisor – Bro Kevin Paish

Knights are requested to contact **Bro. Kevin Paish** for their insurance and investment needs. His Email is kevin.paish@kofc.org or call him at (780) 458 3936. à

With thanks to Recording Secretary Bro. Gerald Lemke

Help wanted

Feed the hungry

Each month our council will prepare and serve two hot meals to seniors in need at the **Operation Friendship Senior Centre** in **Edmonton**. Meals usually prepared on a Wednesday evening and delivered the following day.

Contact: **Bro. Cor de Boon** at 780-458-8259, cell 780-918-6715 or e-mail cor@deboon.ca à

Assist at blood donor clinics we host

Our council hosts blood donor clinics in the parish hall. Part of our job is to put tables and chairs away after each clinic.

This task starts around 9:30 p.m. after last donations are given. Contact: **Bro. Elmer Wifladt**, tel. 780-458-7257. à

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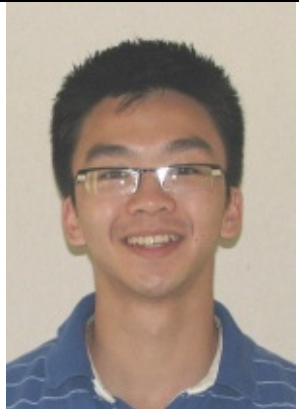



Meet our Seminarians

Every month we feature a few seminarians studying at St. Joseph Seminary in Edmonton.

This is part of our new program to show support to our seminarians.

Our council and the Knights of Columbus in general support the men who are dedicated to serve in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Your support and prayers for all 27 seminarians studying at the Seminary is appreciated.

			
<p>Troy Nguyen, 21, was born in Calgary, and is in his third year at St. Joseph Seminary. He is studying for the Diocese of Calgary.</p>	<p>Kelly Wilson is 23 and in his second year at the Seminary. He was born in Manitoba and is studying for the Diocese of Winnipeg.</p>	<p>Deacon Michael Schumacher, 29, was born in St. Albert. He is in his fifth year of study at the Seminary. He is studying for the Archdiocese of Edmonton.</p>	<p>Sebastian Benders, MSc., 29, was born in The Netherlands. He is in his fourth year at the Seminary, studying for the Diocese of Winnipeg.</p>



Patrick Lapage, 27, was born in **Peace River**. He is in his third year of studies at the **Seminary**. He is studying for the **Diocese of Grouard-McLennan**.

St. Joseph Seminary

The Society of Saint Sulpice

In 1990, a transformation occurred in the seminary life of St. Joseph Seminary.

The priests of **Saint Sulpice** arrived. This society comprises diocesan priests whose specific mission is the service of the presbyterial ministry.

The following priests have served as Rector over the past 19 years: **Rev. Lionel Gendron, p.s.s.**, (1990-1994), **Rev. Marc Ouellet, p.s.s.**, (1994-1997), **Rev. Jean Papen** (1997-2000), **Rev. Luc Bouchard** (2000-2001), **Rev. Lionel Gendron, p.s.s.** (2002), **Rev. Louis-Paul Gauvreau, p.s.s.** (2002-2004), and **Rev. Kevin Beach** (2004-2005).

The current Rector is **Fr. Shayne Craig, p.s.s.**

The Sulpicians have 350 years of priestly formation experience.

They have continued to build the tradition of St. Joseph Seminary.

They and the seminarians in their charge are forming an educational community in the apostolic spirit of our **Lord Jesus Christ**.

(Source: St. Joseph Seminary website)