

Knights of Columbus

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From the Grand Knight



My Fellow Knights

I would like to thank Fr. Mark, who at our last general meeting started us off with Mass. It was a wonderful way for us to come together. We are usually so wrapped up in having a business meeting we tend to forget what we are all about. Father has also mentioned that he would like to say Mass prior to each meeting at 7:00 PM. For those of you who were unable to attend, the meeting was more than business, it was a gathering. We came, we prayed, we had our meeting, and then we sat down with some food and refreshments. We also had a First Degree during our meeting and I would like to extend my thanks to Mike Garlinski and the rest of the Degree team for a job well done! Guy Precourt, our State Deputy was in attendance and remarked on the how well organized the evening was and how well we conducted ourselves.

On March 15, Bob Girouard, Dan Shepherd, and Guy Precourt were at St Vital Church, with about 20 – 25 brother Knights to put forward a request to Supreme to form a new council. Ulysse Poirer was chosen as Acting Grand Knight. Special thanks to Garry Back, and Dan Shepherd for helping to get things going. Thanks also to Gerry Dy for printing all the material for the meeting.

The success of the Round Table at St Vital Parish, would not have been a success if it were not for the continuous and hard work of one individual.

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From Fr. Mark's Desk



While I was on holidays I had the opportunity to read the latest book by Catholic author, John Allen Jr. You may know him from CNN or the National Catholic Reporter. He is a very balanced author, who has an amazingly deep insight into Roman Catholicism. His book is called *The Future Church: How Ten Trends are Revolutionizing the Catholic Church*.

I was taken with a few of his insights; one in particular speaks of a concern that is mentioned often. We are not seeing the young people that we once were. He says that we romanticize those days as the *good old days*. I think that we forget the time, the culture and how much the world has changed. Mr. Allen challenges us to remember that we need to always minister to those who are in our pews on Sunday. We look around and see a fair bit of grey hair, and we are called to ensure that we are not looking past those present and yearning for those who are not there. For us it is a moment to use what God gives to us right now.

We as Knights of Columbus have a multi-faceted challenge. We need to be people of faith – in the here and now – looking forward and letting what has happened stay in the past. We need to minister to those in our presence; who in the parish needs help to get here, who needs to be visited, who needs to be driven, who needs to be prayed for. We also need to be willing to see the big picture; one that says that all of our best laid plans are of naught if they are not God's plans.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THE WAY OF THE CROSS
FRIDAY APRIL 1ST, 2011
ST. JOHN BREBEUF CHURCH
TIME: 7:00 PM

COLUMBUS COURTS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
WEDNESDAY APRIL 6TH, 2011
TIME: 7:30 P.M.

THE WAY OF THE CROSS
FRIDAY APRIL 8TH, 2011
ST. JOHN BREBEUF CHURCH
TIME: 7:00 PM

EXEMPLIFICATION OF THE FOURTH DEGREE
APRIL 9TH, 2011
NOTRE DAME CATHOLIC CHURCH
SELKIRK, MB
ROLL CALL: 11:00 AM

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING & FIRST DEGREE
APRIL 13TH, 2011
ST. JOHN BREBEUF PARISH HALL
TIME: MASS AT 7:00
MEETING AT 7:30 AFTER MASS

THE WAY OF THE CROSS
FRIDAY APRIL 15TH, 2011
ST. JOHN BREBEUF CHURCH
TIME: 7:00 PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Our Chaplin, Fr. Mark Tarrant has requested our council to lead the Stations of the Cross on Friday, April 1st at 7:00 pm at St. John Brebeuf Church. Please make every effort to come out and support our Chaplin and the community of St. John Brebeuf.

CARITAS DINNER

The Catholic Foundation 2011 Annual Caritas Dinner, Honouring St. Amant, will take place on Thursday, April 14th at the Winnipeg Convention Centre.

Come to April 13th Council meeting for your chance to win a pair of tickets to this wonderful evening.

Winnipeg (St. John Brebeuf) Council #1107 **Executive for the Columbian Year 2010-2011**

Grand Knight	Lawrie Caron	885-1047
Deputy G.K.	Jack Blair	488-2201
Chaplain	Fr. Mark Tarrant	
Fin. Secretary	Joe Brekelmans	488-3892
Treasurer	Aurèle LeClaire	489-6996
Recorder	Gordon Danylchuk	475-8330
Advocate	Omer DeWandel	261-8256
Chancellor	Roy McPhail	231-2040
Warden	Alan Simoens	488-8987
Inside Guard	Ray Senez	895-1577
Inside Guard	Norm Barnabe	231-2031
Outside Guard	Pat Gobenciong	488-2226
Trustee 1 yr.	Bob Girouard	488-2968
Trustee 2 yr.	Dan Shepherd	488-4636
Trustee 3 yr	Grant Nazarko	489-3748
Program Director	Omer DeWandel	261-8256
Church Director	Mike Thibert	688-4145
Community Director	Omer DeWandel	261-8256
Council Director	Jack Blair	488-2201
Youth Director	Dave Bruneau	489-1928
Membership	Bob Girouard	488-2968
Family Director	Joe Brekelmans	488-3892
Lecturer	David Bruneau	489-1928
Public Relations	Joe Brekelmans	488-3892
Pro-Life Director	Todd Dobson	489-0335
Columbus Courts	George Ferris	981-7305
Bulletin Editor	Grant Nazarko	489-3748
Webmaster	Joe Brekelmans	488-3892

ART EXHIBIT AND SALE FUNDRAISER

Due to insufficient manpower, please be advised that the proposed Art exhibit and sale scheduled for May 6th, 7th and 8th, 2011 has been cancelled for this year.

I say this year as I intend to restart planning and organizing this event again in the fall of 2011 with the intention of recruiting assistance from the parish at large. I would like to thank those members who did make a commitment.

AN INVITATION

I invite those interested members to attend the Artarama 2011 at Mary Mother of the Church on April 1st, 2nd and 3rd, 2011. This will give an idea as to the scope of work involved putting on an exhibit of this kind.

Omer DeWandel

ICCD

YOU ASSISTANCE IS NEEDED

We have a great start to our 2010-11 Charity Appeal. Let us give a big push to finish the year in record territory. Bring your sold books of tickets back at the April 13th meeting. In the mean time, let George, Omer or Bob know if you can help out at Grant Park Shopping Centre for the week of March 26th. Remember that the Council gets most of its charitable funds for the year from the profit realized with the sales of these tickets.

Our next Grant Park Mall week is Mar 27 to April 3.
Please contact one of the names below to assist.



Bob Girouard 488-2968
George Ferris—981-7305
Gary Back— 284-8069

THE SOBEY'S GIFT CARD PROGRAM

The success is dependent upon your involvement.

One is to volunteer to sell these gift cards. To volunteer you time contact either Jack Blair, Dan Shepherd or Omer Dewandel.

Two, purchase these gift cards for your or extended families grocery purchases at Sobey's. Or purchase a gift card for another of Sobey's gift cards that include restaurants, building supply, and other service companies

First Degree

This year, our Council has brought in 27 new members. This must be a record. As we know, most of these members will be transferring to St. Vital Council #15,???. Since we are having a First Degree at all the meeting until June, now is the time to ask eligible men in our own parish to join our ranks. It is everyone's responsibility to ask Catholic men to join.

TRUSTEES REPORT

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NOTICE OF MOTIONS

The May 11th monthly meeting will feature the **election of officers for the 2011-12 Columbian Year.** Please seriously consider taking a position on the executive for the upcoming year, if called upon. We have many long time members who have served on the executive for several years and deserve a break. Your consideration would be greatly appreciated. If you wish to present yourself as a candidate or you want to nominate a Brother Knight, please submit your selection to one of the trustees. The trustees will confirm the candidate's nomination and will publish a list of men to fill the various offices in the next (end of April) newsletter.

Notice of Motion: Nomination Manitoba State Council. The Council nominates **Dan Shepherd** for the position of Manitoba State Warden for the 2011-12 Columbian Year.

Notice of Motion: Delegate to the Supreme Convention. The Council nominates **Dan Shepherd** as delegate to the Supreme Convention in Denver Colorado in August 2011.

These motions will be presented at the April 13th Council Meeting. If approved, they will be forwarded to Bruce Ray, Nominating Committee Chairman.

Cardinal McGuigan Province Fourth Degree Manitoba District

Cordially invites all Third Degree Knights

EXEMPLIFICATION OF THE 4TH DEGREE

WHERE: Notre Dame Catholic Church
269 Jemima St, Selkirk

WHEN: Saturday April 9th, 2011
11:00 am Roll Call

Please consider making plans now.
Additonal information from SK Robert (Bob)
Girouard, Master at 488-2968 or
rgirouard@gmail.com.

Ways to Pay for Whole Life

We live in a world of options and we are constantly bombarded by choices. Some of these make our lives more complicated, but many of these choices are created with the public in mind.

At the Knights of Columbus, every product we offer has been designed solely for the benefit of our members and their families. When I present an option to you, it's because a team of experts has discussed it to be certain it serves your best interest.

We have a few options on how you can provide and pay for the whole life coverage that your family needs. Many whole life policies call for premiums to be paid for your entire life or to age 100. But we also offer permanent life coverage with guaranteed cash values (and the potential to earn dividends, which are not guaranteed) through policies that offer a limited period of premium payments.

First, we offer "10 Pay Life" and "20 Pay Life." Consider paying premiums for 10 or 20 years, and never having to pay for the coverage again. The plan is "paid up" and no more premiums are due. The plan stays in force, death benefit remains intact and the guaranteed cash value grows.

A plan with similar benefits is "Life Paid Up at 65." The difference over 10 or 20 Pay Life plans is that this permanent product requires you to pay premiums until age 65. Then, premiums stop (just in time for retirement), but the plan remains in force.

Finally, the ultimate in limited pay is our Single Premium Life product. Imagine buying life insurance – permanent life insurance – and only paying one single premium? It's possible.

To learn more about these products, our long-term care insurance or retirement products, please call me today.

Cleo Castillo FA
Fraternal Advisor KofC

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Not only does he keep busy with our council, but he is the Master of the Fourth Degree and busy with ICCD. Thank you Bob Girouard for all that you do. That is one of the reasons you were nominated to State as our nomination for Knight of the Month.

I would like to thank all those who helped out at our last Pancake Breakfast. It was great to see some new faces too. It makes a big difference having those extra hands. I would also like to thank those who helped me at our General Meeting, preparing the food and refreshments.

Please keep in mind that I will need help at Easter Vigil, to prepare and serve food. We also have a great opportunity to get out there and show who we are as Knights. On the weekend of July 8 – 10, at the University of Manitoba, the Knights of Columbus, and particularly our council was asked to be volunteers for the Summer Track and Field Event. At one time, we were the supporters of this, and we were asked to do it again. This is open for Knights and family members, as well as friends. Dan will have more information at our next meeting.

Last of all, but not least, please remember in your prayers the victims of the disaster in Japan. Even today, the victims of the earthquake in Haiti suffer from its effects.

Vivat Jesus

Lawrie Caron, Grand Knight, Council #1107

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The example Jesus gives us was that he served, ministered to and loved those who were with him at that moment. During this Lenten season let us, by our faith, our trust and our desire to serve our Lord face the challenges of the future Church by being fully present in the present.

Please know of my prayers and sincerest gratitude, as I am,

In Christ



Father Mark Tarrant