



# Ascension Council 7991



## The Knight Herald

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### Grand Knight's Report

*Our year is off to a great start with the success of our Annual Pasta Dinner and Toonie Auction. Let us congratulate Br. G. Johnston and his team of volunteers. But first, we said Goodbye to our very good friend and fellow Knight, Gerry Taylor. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Sheila.*

*Welcome to our two new members who joined our Council, Jesse Witte and Gerald MaGeau from Alberta who transferred here.*

*Thank You to Brother D. Beliveau for the work done on the SandCastle Competition. Brother P. Horsfield attended the cheque presentation on behalf of the Knights. The 2016 Budget was approved at the General Meeting in September.*

*The kids coloring contest, "Keep Christ in Christmas" is under way and Ms. L. Gaetz has distributed all the paper for the kids. We will be judging the entries at our December Executive Meeting.*

*Preparations are under way for the Remembrance Day Ceremonies, Br. J. Enright will be picking up the wreaths and getting all the Knights in place to participate at the wreath laying.*

*Down the road, come December, we have the Annual Knights Appreciation day, Dec. 5th and the CWL Luncheon December 12th*

*God Bless You All, Vivat Jesus  
W. Sapieha. WGK Council 7991*

### Calendar of Events



Executive Meeting - St. Luke's Room

To all members of Council 7991 - Thursday, Nov. 5th at 7.00 pm General Meeting in the Parish Hall. Thursday, Nov 19th 7.00 pm

A Director for the Pro-Life Committee is urgently required. Anyone interested may contact our WGK.

Br. Misanchuk, has offered to look after the 2015/16' Life Style Book Program.

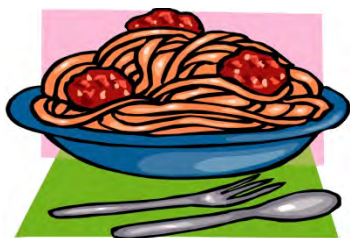
Br. D. Belliveau informs the next Garage Sale is scheduled for May 16th, 2016.

Knights Information/ Recruitment Sessions were scheduled to be held following both Masses on Oct. 25th at the Parish Hall.

Br. P. Tellier, Tel. 250-586-5741 is co-ordinating the Charity Appeal Program for our Council. Please contact Br. Paul if you wish to purchase and/or assist with the sale of tickets.

Knights Appreciation Soiree is scheduled for December 6th at the Parish Hall. Get ready for an evening of relaxation and to recognize the outstanding efforts by our Brother Knights.

Sunday Nov. 1st following the 10.30 AM Mass the WGK of Council 7991 is scheduled to present a cheque to the Principal of the John Paul II school of Port Alberni, B.C. The funds form part of moneys donated by the Parish at the Knights' Pancake Breakfasts.



The Annual Pasta Dinner or 'Pasta Knight' held on October 17th was a great success for everyone. We express our THANK YOU to all

Knights involved in this event and appreciate the great effort in supporting this project. We must also recognize the outstanding work by the Prize Donation crew and those who generously contributed the many valuable items. Grazie Mille Fratelli Gordon y Tony et Merci Therese!

An Irish Smile; "Your glass is empty O'Flaherty, will you having another?" - "And why would I be wanting two empty glasses?" replied O'Flaherty.

Regional Seminars have been held in various cities across BC during Sept.. These events include the State Executive and take place every other year encouraging Council Grand Knights, Financial Secretaries and Membership Chairmen.



The Supreme Knight Carl Anderson sent a letter on Sept. 4th, 2015 announcing the KofC Support for Persecuted Christians in the Middle East.

The KofC is committed to assisting our Christian brothers and sisters suffering in the Middle East. It is estimated that over 4 million people have been displaced due to the violence resulting from systematic cleansing and persecution in that area. By early Sept. 2015 the KofC has

donated more than \$4 million in relief efforts in Iraq and Syria through the KofC Christian Refugee Relief Fund. The Supreme Knight pointed out that more assistance is needed as the "response from the international community has been woefully inadequate". A website, [christiansatrisk.org](http://christiansatrisk.org). can be accessed to learn more about this humanitarian emergency and to make a donation.

The Supreme Knight asks that we "pray daily for our Christian brothers and sisters for their perseverance in faith and hope, the improvement of their living conditions and the restoration of peace in their land."

Discussions continue with our WGK, Fr. Karam and Bishop Gary Gordon on the issue on our Parish Adopting a Refugee Family. Meetings with the Parish Council are anticipated in the near future to speak to the subject of how we can take part.

On a separate and more pleasant note, it was learned on Oct. 25th that Fr. Karam successfully obtained his 'Landed Immigrant Status'.



The Diocesan Appeal has begun with our Parish being asked to contribute \$50,000.00 for the 2015-16' period.

## HEALTH



To those of our brothers and their loved ones who may be suffering ill health we wish you all the best and a speedy recovery. Please notify the

Worthy Grand Knight should you require any assistance or favor hospital visits.



Bro. Gerry Taylor



It was a sad day, October 17th when we said 'Farewell' to our Brother Knight Gerry Taylor, who had been an active member of our Council including two terms as our Grand Knight.



It was only a few days before his passing that Fr. Karam, our WGK, W. Sapiha, Brothers S. Fraser and G. Johnston visited Br. Gerry's home for a bit of gardening. We regret his early passing and how little we knew of this hardworking, humble and dedicated man who served with the Merchant Marine, was Chairman of the Pro-Life Committee, was instrumental in forming the Ascension Knight's Choir and was involved in so many projects by Council 7991.

God Bless and We Will Miss You Brother Gerry!

**Thank God for Choir Members;** Sweet sounds fill the air as God's gift you gladly share. What joy you bring as you praise God and sing. (1993 C.T.A.)



The Knights Choir is schedule to sing at the Sat. 5.00 PM Mass on Oct. 31st and the 8.30 AM Mass on Nov. 1st.

It's a good way to say Thanks to our God for all we receive and

When you Sing a Hymn You Pray Twice.

Call Leo at 752-4717 if you would like to join the Choir.

### Knights Gear !

KofC Headquarters at New Haven, CT informs that new products are now available; i.e.

- ✓ Brookstore@Surge Power Bank
- ✓ Union 4-in-1 Stylus Pen
- ✓ 4GB Knights of Columbus flash drive
- ✓ 3"tall Bluetooth speaker
- ✓ Computer backpack

Visit 'Knights Gear' to order.



So say the Irish;

"On his way home one night, Paddy dropped into the pub. The barman poured him a beer and asked if he wanted to be in a raffle. "What's it for?" asked Paddy. "It's for a poor widow with 13 kids." said the barman. Paddy shook his head, "No good for me, I'd never be able to keep them."

Best Sermons are Lived - Not Preached.

A chap interviewed his grandmother for part of a research paper he was working on for his Psychology class. When he asked her to define success in her own words, she said, "Success is when you look back at your life and the memories make you smile."



**The Catholic News Service** comments on "Bridge of Spies" as a good historical film of the Cold War period. Rated A III Adults.

**The Synod of Bishops** ended this past week (Oct.25th) with the main theme being "How should the church relate to the wider world". Approx. 94 resolutions were agreed to which will affect the future of the church.



## Past Events

### Confirmation



## November Birthday's

Bernie Brilling	11-06-1955	60
Mark J Osborne	11-06-1974	41
Edward J Nicholson	11-10-1941	74
Gordon W Johnston	11-11-1934	81
Oliver J Perumal	11-11-1934	81
William A Walsh	11-15-1936	79
John C Chambers	11-19-1963	52
James E Lewis	11-22-1944	71

### BEST QUOTE OF ANY ERA!

"The Budget should be balanced, the Treasury should be refilled, public debt should be reduced, the arrogance of officialdom should be tempered and controlled, and the assistance to foreign lands should be curtailed, lest Rome will become bankrupt. People must again learn to work instead of living on public assistance." - Cicero, 55 BC

**So, evidently we've learned nothing over the past 2,069 years.**