

THE PATRIOT

The Newsletter of Msgr. Albury Assembly #2006 4th. Degree Knights of Columbus for Central, Western and Northern Vancouver Island

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Master of Fourth Degree**



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Faithful Navigator
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It is with humble pride that I serve this organization. In 1988, I became a Knight with the Dr. Briggs Council 4597. During this tenure, I worked in Campbell River at the Elk Falls Mill. Our residence was in Black Creek where we raised a family of 3 children; two sons and a daughter. I kept my commitment to raise them in the Catholic faith. The very reason I joined the Knights was to strengthen my Catholic faith and to provide my family with the opportunity to learn, pray and practice their faith.

I volunteered on several projects: - the Knights of Columbus Park, Mobile Food Booth, Joint Council Games night, and curling bonspiel. I had served as the youth director, council director, recorder, Deputy Grand Knight, and Grand Knight.

I became a member of the Monsignor Albury Assembly 2006, 4th Degree in 2013 and during that time served as Faithful Trustee. I have now accepted the position to serve as Faithful Navigator.

NEXT MEETING

Port Alberni Sunday September 19, 2021

Mass - 10:00 AM. Notre Dame Church, 4731 Burke Road.

Lunch – Alberni Golf Club, 6449 Cherry Creek Road following Mass.

Cost \$20.00

Meeting – Notre Dame Church Hall following lunch.

Ladies – Notre Dame Church Library following lunch

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SUPREME KNIGHT'S LETTER ON FOUNDER'S FEAST DAY FRIDAY AUGUST 13TH. 2021

Brother Knights,

Today is a historic day for the Knights of Columbus and for the Catholic Church — it is the first feast day of our Founder, Blessed Michael McGivney.

This is a day of celebration, reflection and prayer. The Church has chosen August 13 to honor our Founder because it falls one day after the anniversary of his birth and one day before the anniversary of his death, when he entered eternal life. During the 38 years in between, Father McGivney answered God's call to defend the family and the faith, most notably by founding the Knights of Columbus. In the words of our Supreme Convention theme, which were drawn from the Apostolic Letter of Pope Francis on St. Joseph, our Founder truly embodied "creative courage" in service to God — and his example should inspire us all to live boldly in faith.

The [Papal Message](#) to the Supreme Convention observed that "The joyful event of Father McGivney's beatification, celebrated this past year in Hartford, marked a significant milestone in [the Order's] distinguished history and represents a summons to renewed fidelity to the founding principles of faith, fraternity and charitable assistance to those in need."

For many years, Knights and our families have prayed for our Founder's intercession. His presence in heaven was confirmed by the [miraculous healing of an unborn child](#), the son of a brother Knight. That miracle paved the way for Father McGivney's beatification last October, when he was raised to the honors of the altar ([Highlights](#), [Recap](#)). Now, we hope and pray for a second miracle, so that we may soon call Father McGivney a saint.

August 13 will be a special day for the Knights of Columbus going forward. In the new opening prayer written for Masses honoring our Founder, we will hear the celebrant ask our Lord to grant that, like Blessed Michael, “we too may become vessels of mercy in our day and so enter into our heavenly inheritance.” This prayer is meant for every Knight, for in these words we find our life’s work.

On this blessed day, I offer this prayer and pledge to work alongside you — creatively building up the Knights of Columbus, and courageously defending the family and the faith. And together with you, I give thanks to God for the good work He began in our Founder, and continues in us.

Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us! Happy Feast Day!

Fraternally,

Patrick E. Kelly
Supreme Knight



EXECUTIVE MEETING

August 19, 2021 FN Wayne convened a meeting of the Executive of 4th. Degree at the Parish Hall at Christ the King in Courtenay. The agenda for this meeting contained a number of items and were discussed in a “round table” format.

The greater part of discussion was taken up with how to attract new members, retention of present members, meeting attendance and ways in which the attention given to each can be improved. Several other items, By-law changes, The Nicholson Fund, The Colour Corps and the possibility of the members of the Powell River Assembly rejoining our Assembly were thought to need further attention probably by committees struck to address each.

A complete report on all items was recently prepared in minute form by Faithful Scribe Sk. Mike Englehart. It will probably be open for further discussion by the membership at the next or a future Assembly meeting.

VOTE

PATRIOTISM is the emblem of the 4th. Degree, Knights of Columbus. One of the great privileges of being a citizen of Canada is the right to vote in an election. It is also a responsibility of every citizen to help determine who will lead the government over the next several years.

I urge all Sir Knights to exercise this right and responsibility in the forthcoming election

Monsignor Albury Assembly #2006 **Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus**

Knights of Columbus Monsignor Albury 4th. Degree Assembly 2006 has Sir Knights from all Councils on Vancouver Island north of Nanaimo. Currently we have members from parishes at Parksville/Qualicum, Alberni Valley, Comox Valley, CFB Comox, Campbell River and North Island.

Assembly meetings are held every second month, starting in September each year, at various locations throughout the area. Meetings consist of lunch followed by a business meeting. There is usually a Ladies' Program separate while the business meeting is in progress.

Generally the meetings emphasize fellowship and socializing over a good meal and the business transacted is kept to a minimum. All Sir Knights are encouraged to attend. Rides via car pooling are available.

If area representatives or other Sir Knights knows of any member in their area who does not have access to the internet, please provide a copy of this newsletter to him