



Issue 2014—2
June 2014 — Sept 2014

Scheduled Council Meetings

Council Executive Meeting

2nd Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

Corporation Meeting

3rd Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

Council General Meeting

4th Monday of every month 7:30 p.m. sharp.

Retired Members Club

2nd & 4th Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

Grand Knight's message

After a long bitterly cold winter, it is so nice to see that spring has finally sprung! It is also hard to believe that my term as Grand Knight is drawing to an end. Time just seems to go by faster as each year passes.

Together as a council we have been very active and have accomplished what we have set out to do. Without the help of many hands—both Executive and General Members alike—our success would not have been so great.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank my Executive team very much for all your help over my term as Grand Knight. I really appreciate everything you have done! As everyone knows, there is no "I" in "TEAM", and I feel we all worked very well together. A special thank you goes to our Facilities and Marketing Manager, PGK Martin

Hickey. Without your knowledge and expertise, I would not have been able to see myself getting through the position as Grand Knight.



Richard J. Collins
Grand Knight

May brings elections for a new Executive to take our council forward. Please consider prayerfully whether or not you may be able to step forward into one of the Executive positions that are available.

Please also know that whatever you decide, you are not alone. We are all there to help each other out in any way that you need.

Vivat Jesus



Officers for 2014 Fraternal Year

Chaplain	Rev. Ray Reitzel, C.R.	Treasurer	Joe Di Re
Grand Knight	Rick Collins	Trustee Year 3	Jamie Jewer
Deputy Grand Knight	Martin Hickey	Trustee Year 2	Marcel Sawyer
Chancellor	Wayne Lackenbauer	Trustee Year 1	Shaun Howard
Recorder	Ron McKellar	Warden	Joe Sales
Advocate	David Haid	Inside Guard	Alex Matan
Financial Secretary	Greg Kelly	Outside Guard	John Nguyen

Spiritual Director's Message

I am sure you are familiar with Pope Francis' YouTube statement, "**Who am I to judge?**" when someone asked him about same sex marriage.

The Church, and **most Religions, have always taught** that we have to show **proper respect for all human beings**, including gay people, the unborn baby, those with disabilities, the elderly, etc..

But the Church, and also most Religions, also teach that **all sexual actions** belong in the context of marriage. Therefore fornication [premarital sex], pornography and sexual gratification, adultery, are "**objectively**" sinful. You notice I said "objectively", which means the object, or the action, itself is immoral.

Now when someone does this, because of ignorance, or addiction, or under the influence of drugs or alcohol, or force, then these actions **may not be sinful**, because the **action** itself has to be **immoral**, the person has to **know** it is immoral, and it has to be **freely done**.

Remember about 2 years ago, when a fellow cut off a man's head in a bus, and carried the head outside? Now this action, or object, was grotesque and objectively sinful. Yet he was not declared personally or subjectively guilty, because he supposedly did not know what he was doing.

An example I usually give is when a person **goes through a red light**. He has **objectively broken the law**, or we might say he has broken the "**letter**" of the law. However, if he was rushing to the hospital, with his wife ready to deliver a baby [i.e. a good excuse], then he might stop, and then go through the red light. In this case he followed the "**spirit**" of the law, and would **not be guilty**. [hopefully he has an understanding police officer.]

Persons living in "**Common Law**" **marriage** are objectively committing adultery, or premarital sex. This is "objectively" sinful. Are they personally or, "subjectively" guilty? Only God can judge the personal, or subjective guilt of any person. We can only judge the object, or the action, itself.



Fr. Ray Reitzel, C.R.
Chaplain

Some homosexual and heterosexual men have **become priests** when they promise to remain celibate. However, if they cannot handle it, then they are asked to leave the priesthood.

If a good **religious person happens to be homosexual**, and wants to remain an active person in a parish, then they are still welcome to attend church, and to pray and worship with the community, but in a Catholic church, they are asked to refrain from receiving the Holy Eucharist [Holy Communion] if they continue in a sexual relationship.

Is that fair?? This is similar to a couple who are married outside of the church, or waiting for an annulment. This is a difficult situation. I do not have an answer. Maybe Pope Francis will have a new insight, and some solution to this situation.

You and I know many homosexual persons. They usually have a great personality, have great artistic talents, and are very joyful.

Many suffer very much for hiding their situation, and are relieved when it is no longer a secret.

We continue to be their friends and pray for them in their special situation.

May our Risen Saviour bless you, your family and friends, with peace, good health, and great joy!

Council Executive Nomination/Election Results!

As is the usual custom at the May General Meeting (and in accordance with our Constitution), we had the results of the Nomination/Election process. As we come out of that process, our new Executive board is announced as follows:

Officers for 2014–2015 Fraternal Year

Chaplain	Rev. Ray Reitzel, C.R.	Treasurer	George Dube
Grand Knight	Martin Hickey	Trustee Year 3	Wayne Lackenbauer
Deputy Grand Knight	Vacant	Trustee Year 2	Jamie Jewer
Chancellor	Vacant	Trustee Year 1	Marcel Sawyer
Recorder	Joe Sales	Warden	Rory Ferrier
Advocate	David Haid	Inside Guard	Bryan Van Engelen
Financial Secretary	Greg Kelly	Outside Guard	Vacant

As you will notice, there are 3 vacant roles on the Executive. Those roles will be filled by our incoming Grand Knight in the weeks ahead as he speaks with members about helping to have a full executive board. If he contacts you, please prayerfully consider the role, as there is a reason you have been asked—someone feels you will do a great job! As per our Constitution, the Grand Knight has the authority to appoint qualified members to the role. A qualified member is a member in good standing that has completed the 3rd Degree.

Please support your new executive, and feel free to contact any executive member or the GK with any questions or concerns.

Annual Open House and BBQ

Date June 8 2014

Time 11:00AM to 3:00PM

Where Knights of Columbus Hall

145 Dearborn Pl

BBQ lunch, coffee tea and dessert is provided compliments Waterloo Knights of Columbus

Come out and enjoy a meal on our patio and a great time to reconnect with your brother knights, their families, friends and well-wishers



Marketing Manager News and Views

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate and thank our Grand Knight Brother Rick Collins for the almost two and a half years he has spent as our leader.

Rick has made a substantial contribution over this time period with his love of our church and his brother Knights and their families.

He has since retired from his old world and is renewed with the spirit of charity as

shown in the many volunteer activity hours he currently gives.

He is now assisting in the kitchen, working with our retirees and is set to start bar keeping duties as well.

With a grateful heart I say to you Rick, "Well done, Sir Knight".



PGK Martin Hickey
Marketing &
Facilities Manager

Immediate Financial Assistance Required

We are looking for financial assistance for the following improvement projects, please choose one or both and if you are Charity Driven and will assist, we need your help.

In order to better market our facility for daytime rentals to businesses looking for offsite meeting space, we need **High Speed Internet Service** at the facility. Currently Rogers is the only viable solution to provide this service. The project cost is between \$8,000.00 and \$14,000.00.

We also have a priority capital improvement to replace **three of our HVAC roof units**. They have more than outlived their duty rate and are more than due for replacement. The replacement of these units is \$21,000.00 for all three.

These projects will enable us to move forward with our marketing plans and achieve financial success.

We have several **Potential Patrons** as members of our Council who have been financially

rewarded through their own hard work and we sincerely ask **YOU** to step forward now to assist.

If you are able to assist with either of these improvement projects, please contact Martin Hickey at 519-884-2060.

Special Thanks

Every Friday night, we serve what both our members and friends/strangers that visit our hall tell us is the best fish and chip dinner in the region.

A huge thank you is issued to, Greg Kelly, John Healey and their boss, Sharon Healey and all their crew members for your generous donation of time.

May God Bless Us All

Ask Eligible Men to Join

Today, I want to address the growth of the Order. Membership growth is the fuel that keeps this great fraternal engine running. All of our charitable works at the council, state, national and international level are thanks to our hard-working members. And more members equals more charity.

We know that the membership blitz is a tried and true way for councils to get more men to join. We see these pushes often in March, in celebration of Founder's Day, and again in October.

These drives are successful because Brother Knights have increased visibility speaking or presenting during and after Masses and at special events.

We must remember that we have a duty to ask each and every Catholic gentleman to join our ranks for the good of the Church, the community and the Order.

During the rest of the year, we often "forget" to ask men to join and to bring their families into the Knights of Columbus family. You probably know an eligible Catholic man you could ask

today. What if the only reason he hasn't joined is because no one has asked him yet?

When telling a prospect about the strengths of the Order, don't forget our greatest fraternal benefit: our insurance program. This is often a "selling point" to a potential member who is on the fence.

Many members become Knights simply to be able to buy coverage to protect their family. Soon after, they realize the good our charitable works do for their community, and they are proud to be members.

As your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, I look forward to helping us grow in fraternity in any way that I can.

Fraternally yours,
Dev S. Bhagwat
Fraternal Advisor
Phone: [519-888-0869](tel:519-888-0869)



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Knights of Columbus Prayer Service



When a Brother Knight passes away, please inform the funeral director that you wish to have a Knights of Columbus prayer service when you are making the arrangements. They will inform the Council.

A 4th Degree member may also wish to have a 4th Degree Honor Guard.

God our Father, your Son accepted our sufferings to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness. Hear the prayers we offer for our sick brother/sister. May all who suffer pain, illness, or disease realize that they have been chosen to be saints and know that they are joined to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

IF YOU OR YOUR SPOUSE KNOWS OF A BROTHER KNIGHT OR HIS SPOUSE WHO IS ILL, PLEASE INFORM THE GRAND KNIGHT SO THAT WE MAY PRAY FOR THEM.

Thank You Note from St. Agnes Parish

A much overdue thank you goes out from St. Agnes Parish to all involved in this past December's annual Advent Fish Fry & Evening of Carolling.

It was a packed house again this year for the annual event at the K of C Hall in Waterloo, and a great night to celebrate the season with fellowship and terrific food. Many St. Agnes Parish regulars were in attendance, bringing with them a large group of friends and family who are sure to return again soon.

All of the St. Agnes choirs combined for a powerhouse of musical performance, bringing light, fun contemporary music in addition to traditional classics. Our new pastor, Fr. Aleks Mazur, was also in the crowd, and had a wonderful time greeting parishioners and others from the larger K-W community.

This winter season has been a real Canadian winter, bringing with it ice and snow in

much greater volume and frequency than is typically expected. For you snowbirds - you picked a good winter to miss! While living through the season was bad enough, many organizations including ours, face large snow removal bills this year, causing strain to our budget.

The goodwill collection reached over \$1,000, which will help us to pay these bills and continue to keep the heat on!

I would be remiss if we did not send a special thank you to Dev Bhagwat for spearheading the event, and to the numerous volunteer Knights and friends who made the evening a success. It was truly an evening of building faith, community, and the spirit of the season. Thank you and see you soon!

Dan Weber
St. Agnes Parish Council Chair



Social Committee Report

On behalf of the Grand Knight and the members of the social committee, we would like thank you for helping to make this year's **Easter Food Drive (Project 5.5)** a success. Together we collected 1367 pounds of foodstuff and sundried items. This allowed us to donate approximately 340 pounds of food to the Saint Vincent de Paul conferences of our local parishes. (*St Agnes, St Louis, St Michael and Our Lady of Lourdes*).

A special thank you to Father Dan Lobsinger and the members of St Agatha parish; they generously donated 295 pounds of food and \$90.00 in cash (which was used to purchase additional food items). I would be remiss, if I did not thank Dorothy Wase for coordinating the food drive at St Agatha's church.

The Easter Food Drive would not have been a success without your assistance and generous contributions. It truly was a community event from the committee planning it to the people working it. Thank you for helping to make it possible!

As we are coming to the end of our Fraternal year, we would like to thank our Grand Knight, Richard (Rick) Collins who saw the need for a Social Committee who is responsible for planning events that provide opportunities for our members to come together to have fun, meet new friends, and network with colleagues and the wider community. It was indeed a privilege and pleasure working with the Grand Knight, the Executive committee, members of our Council and Waterloo Knights Inc. and we hope you enjoyed our events as much as we enjoyed planning and implementing them.

We wish to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of the many individuals who volunteered their time to contribute to the success of the events over the last two years. We would also like to wish the best of luck to the candidates in the upcoming council elections.

In order to have continuity, the Executive committee has by a resolution put forth to the council, requested that we stay on in our current position until the incoming Grand Knight assumes his duties and has had an opportunity to formulate and implement his vision for the council. To this end, the current Social Committee will continue working on three events which would take us to the end of 2014.

On Sunday June 8, 2014 you are invited to our Open House and BBQ starting at 11:00AM (please see ad in this bulletin). We are in the early stages of planning and coordinating with Sister Thérèse Turcotte to host the travelling religious exhibition "The one called Jesus" in September, and Our Signature Christmas Fish Fry and Sing Along featuring the St Louis Church choir is scheduled for December 05, 2014.

Fraternally yours,

Dev S. Bhagwat

Greg Kelly

John Healey

Upcoming Events

Cruise Knights Are Back

May 16th 2014 going until September 12th
CLASSIC OLD CARS, YOUNG HEARTS,
GREAT FOOD AND MUSIC

Annual Open House

June 8th, 2014, Annual Open House at our Hall, visit us between 11a.m. and 3p.m. to see all the updates to our facility, but more than that, make it a party with your friends, family and the Facility is open to all for most types of functions.

BBQ Steak Night

BBQ STEAK NIGHT with Chef Paul, will commence starting in June, Please visit our Web Site in late May for further details.

Upcoming Degrees

First and Second Degree—June 1st at our hall.
Third Degree—June 22nd at our hall.

Annual Memorial Mass

The annual Memorial mass is to be held June 19th at 7pm at our hall.

Annual Golf Tournament

Our 26th Annual Waterloo Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament will take place on August 24th, 2014. Details on Bulletin boards in June and also our website.

