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The Beacon

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Grand Knight's Report

Brother Knights,

Christ is Risen! This is the season of life!

May is the month of the Virgin Mary, our spiritual Mother, given to us by Jesus on the cross. So, it is perfectly fitting that we celebrate this gift of God's grace in the season of Easter. I'd like to invite all the knights to pray the rosary daily to honour our Blessed Mother and offer those prayers for the dignity of the unborn and for the prudence and fortitude of those mothers who are struggling with their pregnancies.

Mother's Day will have come and gone by the time of this publication, as well as the sale of roses. The proceeds of this K of C initiative will go directly to the Gianna Center and Back Porch ministries which provide pregnancy support services. If you missed this event and consider these to be important ministries, please consider offering direct support.

Life abounds! This year's Alberta March for Life will take place on Thursday May 12, beginning with a 10am Mass for Life at the Basilica. With recent events of good rumours coming from the US Supreme court, it is especially important to have a strong showing of men that support life.

Speaking of new life...

Your Knights of Columbus Executive needs new faces. We have an excellent group of gentlemen who give much of their time for their church, their community, and their brothers. However, we are need of some more men. Please consider giving of an extra hour or two a month, we have a few positions that still need to be filled. St. Francis



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said, "For it is in giving that we receive", and I can testify, through my experience, that this is true.

And, of those that gave of themselves, allow me to offer a big thank you to the teams that made our 2 pancake breakfasts a great success. It is so great to see our community spring back to life!

May 18th is our next general meeting, June 5th is our Parish County Fair, and June 11th is our wrap up mass and Banquet... Please join us as we wrap up this Columbian year.

God Bless,

Brother Brent Heit - Grand Knight

Chaplain's Corner

Brothers,

"It is the Lord ".

After the resurrection of Jesus some disciples had gone fishing. A stranger on the shore told them to cast their net to the right side of the boat. They got a huge haul of fish. Seeing this John, who describes himself as the disciple Jesus loved, recognized the stranger:

"It is the Lord " (John 21:1-7)

It is important in all we do for example in the sacraments (Baptism, Marriage, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist etc.) to recognize and speak of the presence of the risen Christ at the very heart of our activity.

We do this best by remembering in our heart the words of Jesus. To do this is to base our activity on rock and not on the shifting sands of our needs and wants.

Let us always hear the Lord's call to help fellow Knights in their efforts to do good.

Fr ED, OMI







Photos from the May '22 Mother's Day Roses. We raised \$1,317 for the Gianna Centre





At the May 1st Pancake Breakfast, we raised *\$600* in donations for the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul of Edmonton.



The Society of St Vincent de Paul (SSVP), North of 60 Project annually ships food and necessities to those in need, from the Edmonton and Calgary area, to the Northern and Arctic communities of Inuvik, Tsiigehtchic, Fort McPherson, Tuktoyaktuk, Paulatuk, Aklavik, Sachs Harbour, Fort Good Hope and Ulukhaktok. The annual North of 60 Project helps families meet their basic needs, in communities where the cost of living is extremely high. Meet some of the northern and Arctic residents as they share their gratitude for how the North of 60 Project impacts their communities, in this video: https://ssvp.ca/special-projects/north-of-60/

The **St. Albert, SSVP, North of 60 Project is partnered with Ulukhaktok.** Food to those in need, is the main focus of the North of 60 Project and is purchased to supplement Ulukhaktok's Food Bank and the Helen Kalvak K-12 School programs. The Project collaborates with northern contacts to address ways to support community recreation, school, family, health, social, sewing, artisans and cooking groups. (*See list of needs below*)

Ulukhaktok (pop 450) is only accessible by air, and for a few summer months, by sea. Once the St. Albert, sea container is packed with food and necessities in May and June, it and the other N of 60 sea containers are trucked to Hay River. In July, they are loaded onto sea barges that travel down the MacKenzie River to the Beaufort Sea (Arctic Ocean), dropping off containers at communities along the way. Ulukhaktok's sea barge arrives in the fall.







Only one or two barges per year make the journey to Ulukhaktok. These carry the entire year's supply of non-perishable grocery items, dry goods, vehicles, fuel, construction material, prefab homes, etc. There is a short window of navigable open water for this two-month journey. Timing is everything – what is not shipped by barge needs to be flown in, significantly increasing the cost to the community.

Here's how you can help our Canadian neighbors in need: Donations for Food wholesale purchases.

 Cheques:
 Payable to Mail to:
 St Albert SSVP North of 60 Project

 Linda Tutt, Chair, St Albert, SSVP, North of 60 Project
 10 Orchid Place, St Albert, Alberta T8N 6P5

 E-transfer
 Email
 L@tutt.ca

 *Provide your phone number, name, address and email address so a tax receipt can be issued.

<u>Non-food donations</u> (new or like-new only). Please follow the list below. This list has been made in collaboration with the Ulukhaktok contacts, staying with the commitment to ship what they need, not what we think they need. To arrange for a pickup or drop-off contact: Linda Tutt, St. Albert L@tutt.ca 780-651-6486 home or 780-667-8079 cell. Deadline for non-food donations is April 27

<u>School supplies</u>: Printer paper: letter, legal, 11x14 size, dry erasers, dry eraser markers, glue sticks, plasticine, modelling clay, colored Bristol board, colored construction paper, science fair tri fold display boards, (no 3 hole line or plain paper, no binders), tampons, feminine pads

<u>Cooking community groups:</u> Mixing bowls, cutting boards, scrubbers, J Cloths, coffee makers (no pods), tea towels, kettles, food containers, large utensils (stirring spoons, spatulas, can openers) <u>Sewing community groups:</u> sewing machines, fur and leather pieces or coats, embroidery thread, full skeins of yarn (no partial), thread, notions, sewing machine needles, zippers (longer for coats), fabric for parkas, mitt and : stroud, melton, commander, imitation fur/angel fur/sherpa for mitt and boot lining, outer wear fabric for Arctic parkas (no cottons, knits, silks) <u>Community events</u>: XL pots, XL pans, grills, small appliances, large utensils (stirring spoons, spatula, flipper, etc). Stacking chairs or sturdy pews.

<u>Greenhouse and High School Hydroponic option:</u> potting soil, containers, seeds (hardy and short season floral and edible), garden markers and stakes, hand gardening tools

<u>Elder Social Club</u>: Holiday themed decorations(Valentines, Christmas, St Patrick's, Thanksgiving, etc.) items, Halloween costumes

<u>Health Centre and Family Needs</u>: baby and children's clothing-larger than newborn size, blankets, quilts (all sizes), diapers, wipes, outerwear, coloring books/crayons/markers/child scissors for Health Centre Waiting Room

Construction supplies: Repair material such as plywood, flooring, windows and insulation needed for the Church, which is

also used for community events. Support this project with material donations or funds. **Shipping**: sturdy cardboard moving or packing boxes

Thank you for your continued prayers, interest, and support of this project.

Linda Tutt

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General Election of Officers for Knights of Columbus Council #4742 Executive Columbian 2022-2023 Columbian Year

The election of Officers takes place at the May 18th General Meeting.

We are looking to fill the following positions:

Recorder

Warden

Outside Guard

Year 3 Trustee

Duties of Council Officers can be found at:

https://www.kofc.org/un/en/resources/officers/officers.pdf

Tickets are on sale **NOW!**



Don't be disappointed

get your tickets early as this event WILL sell out!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 4742 2021-22 WRAP-UP BARBEQUE & SOCIAL

Saturday, June 11th, 2022 Mass at 5:00 p.m. in Main Church <u>Champagne Reception from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m.</u> Dinner at 6:45 p.m. After Dinner Social Tickets go on sale in May! Star of the North Retreat Centre



End the 2021-22 Columbian Year with a Party! Tickets just \$35 each or \$70/couple

Tickets available in the Church Hall at the May 14th & 28th Food Drives, as well as the May 18th General Meeting. You can also contact Br. Scott Venne at <u>venne1@shaw.ca</u> or by calling Scott at 780-460-1255

UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>May 2022</u>

- 1 Sunday, Pancake Breakfast after 9AM and 11AM masses
- 2 Monday, 7PM, Executive Meeting

7/8 – Selling Mother's Day Roses after the 5PM Saturday Mass and 9 &

11AM Sunday Masses

- 14 Saturday, 10AM Noon, Food Collection/Grocery Card Sales
- 18 Wednesday, 7PM General Meeting & Election of 2022/23 Executive
- 28 Saturday, 10AM Noon, Food Collection/Grocery Card Sale

June 2022

- 5 Sunday, after 11AM mass Parish Country Fair
- 6 Monday, 7PM, Executive Meeting
- 11 Saturday, 10AM Noon, Food Collection/Grocery Card Sales
- 11 Saturday, Wrap-Up Mass and Barbeque at Star of the North Retreat Centre
- 15 Wednesday, 7PM General Meeting
- 25 Saturday, 10AM Noon, Food Collection/Grocery Card Sale

Food Drives – Grocery Gift Cards

Food Drives and Grocery Gift Card sales continue every second Saturday from 10AM until Noon in the Parish Hall. Thank-you to everyone who supports the Drive and Grocery Gift Card sales.

Good of the Order

Keep in your prayers our Brothers Gerry Buccini, Charlie McGregor, Joe Radosh, Roger Lemieux, Moe Douville, and Fred Esslinger.

We cannot visit our fellow Brothers who are ill and in continuing care however the visits will resume when possible. If you are aware of a Knight who is ill or who passed away, please call Br. Tony Csilics. (780) 458-0065.

11th Annual Charity Golf Tournament 2022



(First Come, First Served Basis)

IN HONOR AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF BRO JULES LACOURSIERE

Past State Deputy and Former Supreme Director, Knights of Columbus, Alberta-NWT State Council

"A Great Supporter of Nazareno Charity Golf Tournament"

Saturday, July 16 2022 DEVON Golf and Conference Center 1130 River Valley Devon, Alberta Phone: 780.987.3569 Ext 102: Website: <u>www.devongolf.ca</u>

Registration opens @ 11:30 a.m. and Shotgun starts @ 1:30 p.m. <u>sharp</u>!

Registration Fee of \$150.00 includes: 18 holes of Texas Scramble golf, shared power cart, snack bag, bottled water, proximity holes contest, and Steak Dinner.

The 2019 tournament was a huge success with 107 golfers. This year, golfer registration will be on a First Come, First Served Basis. We urge you to register early by registering online at https://forms.gle/j22L5PD51rG10Pio9 . If you want the online form emailed to you instead, please text your email address to this mobile number: 780-499-8679. If you need further assistance, have problems registering online, or have no access or means to fill up the online form, please contact: Bro. Joseph Duenas- call or text: 780-803 – 8992; joseph.p.duenas@gmail.com

Our 2019 golf tournament netted a profit *of* **\$7,500.00**, partially from player registration fees and incredible Hole Sponsors. All these profits were donated to Edmonton and surrounding area Charities: Lurana Shelter, Kids N' Us Diabetes, Canadian Red Cross, Lutheran Church Youth Program, St. Vincent de Paul, Westend, Marian Centre, St. Michael Parish Leduc Fundraising, Corpus Christi Parish Fundraising, Mustard Seed, Sign of Hope, MADD, Santa Maria Goretti Parish Fundraising, Religious of the Virgin Mary, and Alberta Diabetes Foundation. They made a lot of difference to these Charities!

Fraternally, JULITO R. REYES, PSD & FMFD