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Santo Nino & Holy Trinity to Host Major

On October 19, Holy Trinity Council and Santo Nino Council will co-host a Major Degree Exemplification at the Holy Trinity Church—St. Mary’s School Gym, Sherwood Drive and MacIntosh Avenue. Agenda for the day follows:

- 8:30-10:30 Registration
- 9:30 Mass
- 10:30 Breakfast
(Ladies program to follow breakfast)
- 12:00 Exemplification at St. Mary’s School Gym
- 4:30 Knighting and Benediction at Holy Trinity Church
- 6:00 Banquet and Program at Holy Trinity Parish Hall

Fees/tickets

- \$45.00 Per candidate
(includes breakfast and banquet)
- 5.00 Breakfast tickets for members and others
- 5.00 Ladies breakfast tickets and program
- 15.00 Banquet tickets

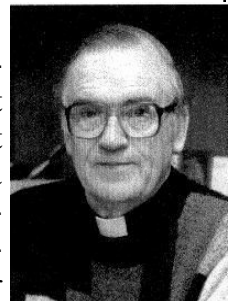
Ladies of members and candidates are encouraged to take part in breakfast, the ladies program, the Knighting Ceremony and Banquet. Ladies program includes a tour of some Regina attractions.

Tickets may be obtained from Grand Knight Rio Mercado or Membership Director Efren Alejandria.

Chaplain’s Message

Fellow Knights:

From August 12 to August 15 of this past summer I made a silent, private retreat at the beautiful Westminster Benedictine Abbey in Mission, B. C. Those four days gave me time to reflect on my own spiritual life and on the Church. I thanked God for His many blessings, and in my own heart I lamented the breakdown in family life that I have witnessed in the Church and in society in general during the years of my priesthood.



Father Emmett

And then, during the little retreat, I thanked God for Blessed Sacrament Parish and for the Santo Nino Council which has been such a spiritual addition to our parish. Not only has this Council won three Star Council Awards, but family life among council members has been exemplary. Thank you for bringing Filipino family lives to our parish. The love that you show for your wives and children has not

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The Knights of Columbus are dedicated to the four pillars of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

Canada Day Mass and Brunch, a Big Do

Over six hundred people came to celebrate Canada Day with a Mass of Thanksgiving at the Blessed Sacrament Church and a pancake brunch at the churchyard. Most Reverend Peter J. Mallon, Archbishop of Regina, was the chief celebrant of the Mass with Father Hugonard Assembly Chaplain Fr. Frank Obrigewitsch and Council Chaplain Fr. Emmett Morrissey concelebrating. Fr. Frank gave the homily on patriotism.

The celebration was a joint effort of the Father Hugonard Fourth degree Assembly and the Blessed Sacrament Church. Faithful Navigator Martin Wrubleski was the Master of Ceremonies with Sir Knights Gaston Donais, Louis Caza and Victor Tetreault as Lectors. Gift bearers were Past State Deputy William Argan, State Deputy Bert and Judy West and representatives from the Catholic Women's League and community groups. Colour Party and the KC Honour Guards were led by Master Herb Muma, Commander Les Good, RCMP cadets and Regina City Police.

The music ministry was provided by the KC Choir directed by Wayne Ottenbreit together with organist Betty Draper, cantors Gaetan and Anita Hammond and trumpeter Klaus Ottenbreit. Santo Nino Council supplied the Bell Ringers, Greeters, Mass servers and Eucharistic Ministers.

Pancake brunch was served before and after the Mass by the Santo Nino Council amid a festive atmosphere enhanced by good weather, PGK Jim Alvarez's band of singers, craft sale and free popsicles to children and those young at heart. Thanks for the successful brunch go to the many members, their wives and families, and to the Canada Day Committee headed by Brother Efren Alejandria.

That was a great start of the Columbian Year, Rio!

Ministries for Sunday, September 28, 2003 Liturgy:

Mass Servers: Rodrigo Chiu, Danny Nagrampa, Efren Alejandria, Matt Robinson, Dennis Charette

Readers: Jun Hernando, Jim Alvarez

Eucharistic Ministers: Mody Escanlar, James Madrilejos

Bell Ringers: Sonny de Paz, Boni Sison, Nol Ventocilla

Greeters: Allan Ngui, Mario Sison

Gift Bearers: Jovil and Victoria Paez and family

*Mody Escanlar
Church/Vocations Director*

Members are kindly reminded to pay their 2003 membership dues and obtain their new membership cards. Dues contribute to the operation of Supreme, State, Chapter, DD and Council.

*James Madrilejos
Financial Secretary*

Chaplain's Message (continued)

gone unnoticed! Family is very important to you.

I would especially like to commend you for your liturgical participation in the 10:00 A. M. Mass at Blessed Sacrament on the fourth Sunday of every month. Your participation in the Mass, as a greeter, a lector, a bell ringer, a Eucharistic minister, or a Mass server is the greatest sermon that you could ever preach to your children or your grandchildren! Actions speak louder than words!

I would urge every member of our council to circle the fourth Sunday of every month on your calendar. Plan now to attend Mass with your family on that day and then attend the monthly meeting in the parish clubrooms. Keep up the good work.

Emmett Morrissey



Fr. Hugonard Assembly at the Canada Day brunch: Faithful Commander Les Good, Sir Knights Fern L'arrivee and Art Vanderzalm, and Faithful Navigator Martin Wrubleski



Council fourth degree members Sir Knights Terry Abadiano, Seb Koh, James Madrilejos, Dennis Charette, and Mody Escanlar, with Mrs. Shirley Escanlar and six eminently dressed RCMP Mounties

Happy Birthday, Brod!

September

- 01- Albino Alejandria
- 03- Mody Escanlar
- 07- Joseph Alejandria

October

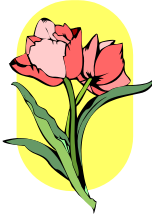
- 04- Seb Koh
- 13- Sam Anonas
- 13- Eddie Concepcion
- 13- Pedro Onza
- 15- Terry Abadiano
- 15- Jun Hernando
- 17- Fr. Amulfo Sison
- 18- Julius Tria-tirona
- 20- Irineo Alarcon
- 21- Fr. Eusebio Tubale
- 23- Jaime Alvarez
- 24- Leonardo Diana

November

- 01- Edgardo Alejandria
- 01- Ariel Madrid
- 02- Inigo Misleng III
- 05- Aristotle Siapno
- 09- Bryan Concepcion
- 23- Danny Nagrapa
- 24- Ramon Salva
- 25- Rochus Klein
- 28- Rogelio Herreria
- 29- Ferdinand Marcial
- 30- Bonifacio Ibalio

December

- 06- Ferdinand Santa Maria
- 12- Ferdinand Feliciano
- 26- Sam Tranquilino



Upcoming Events

September

- 18: Fourth degree installation of officers at St. Basil's
- 28: Mass and Council meeting

October

- 1: Chapter meeting
- 4-5: State Bowling at Golden Mile Lanes
- 5: First degree at Blessed Sacrament
- 10: Bingo Night (with Msgr. Janssen Council)
- 13: Thanksgiving Day Mass (Columbus Day in U.S.)
- 16: Fourth degree meeting
- 19: Major degree at Holy Trinity
- 26: Mass and Council meeting

November

- 1: All Saints Day
- 5: Chapter meeting
- 11: Remembrance Day
- 14: Bingo Night (with Msgr. Janssen Council)
- 20: Fourth degree "Honour a veteran"
- 23: Mass and Council meeting

December

- 03: Chapter meeting
- 5-7: State Midterm Meeting at Davidson
- 11: Fourth degree Christmas party
- 9 to 20: Santo. Nino Christmas Caroling
- 25: Mass & Potluck at Sacred Heart with Rosary Group
- 28: Mass, Council Christmas Potluck Dinner

Council Tennis Tournament

The summer 2003 saw a good turnout for the Council Tennis Tournament going on its fourth year. The singles tourney was held on the weekend of June 28-29 while the doubles on August 8-10, both at the Douglas Park Tennis Courts. There were sixteen players who competed in singles and twelve pairs in doubles.

Trophies in singles went to A-class winner Boomer Quangtakoune, A-class runner-up Jim Alvarez, B-class winner Ramon Salva, and C-class winner Ethel Steadman.

Trophies in doubles went to A-class winners Gunner Kiel and Rec Mercado, A-class runner-ups Jim Alvarez and Rio Mercado, B-class winners Ro Euroba and Siravan Quangtakoune, and C-class winners Herberto Aguilar and Susan Alvarez.

At the conclusion of the tournament, Council had a barbecue dinner at the park. Success of the tournament is due to the committees headed by Bro. Ramon Salva for the singles and Bro. Boomer Quangtakoune for the doubles. Thanks are also due to Gina Escanlar for the scheduling and printing.



Family Picnic 2003

On Saturday August 16, Council had its annual Family picnic at the Wascana Park across from the Science Center. Members and their families and friends had a ball competing in races, playing games and pigging out. The Green Team led by Gregg and Chelo Ravasco won the races. Prior to the picnic was a Treasure Hunt with questions like "Who was the Kiwanis Park named in honor of?" and "What were the make and model of the totalled car in front of the Canadian Blood Services Building?"

Thanks to Jovil and Bootsie Paez for organizing this year's picnic.

Editorial

Council Continues to be Vibrant

Congratulations to PGK Jim Alvarez and to all members of our Council for receiving the Columbian Award for 2002-2003. We recruited three new members last year and we are thus short of our quota of five. As well we are one short of our insurance quota. So we didn't four-peat after winning three straight Star Council Award since our Charter Year.

The Columbian Award is given to councils that have held at least four major projects in each of five areas: Church/Vocations, Community, Council, Family, and Youth. Many of these have become traditional in our activities, such as Christmas caroling, family picnic, Anniversary dinner, monthly liturgical service at mass, various drives for charity, newsletter, etc. It is exhilarating to know that Council continues to be vibrant as new leaders come to the fore.

Congratulations, guys and Godspeed!

District Deputy's Two Bits

I would like to thank Worthy State Deputy Bert West for appointing me DD#3 and for his confidence. I would also like to thank members of our Order especially the councils in my district for their support.

1. I just received the reports by Former District Deputy Merv Kealey on council status for 2002-2003 and he gave an excellent assessment of strong leadership and active involvement of members in several areas of council doings within the district. It is therefore no surprise that several councils receive awards for the year 2002-2003. In particular, **Holy Family Council 10797** receives the Fr. McGivney and the Founder's Awards; **Fr. Burns Council 5949** and **Santo Nino Council 12415** receive the Columbian Award; and **Holy Trinity Council 10401** receives the Star Council Award (one of nine in Saskatchewan). The fifth council in my district, **St. Peters Council 11307** won a Church/Vocations Activities Award at the State Convention in Saskatoon. Congratulations!
2. Councils are reminded that the deadline for the Charity Appeal Drive is October 20. If council needs more coupon books, please let me know.

Message from our Grand Knight

Greetings, Brother Knights!



It is indeed a blessed summer. We were on track and running with our activities: a very successful Canada Day Mass and Pancake Brunch, Doubles invitational Tennis Tournament, and our Family Picnic. To the people behind these undertakings, thank you for stepping up to the plate. Upcoming events are First Degree Exemplification on Sunday October 5 at the Blessed Sacrament Church and Major Degree on October 19.

If you have prospective candidates call Bro. Efren Alejandria (Membership Director) and he will be honored to discuss membership matters with you. On October 19, we are co-hosting a Major Degree exemplification with Holy Trinity Council. We call on our first degree Brothers who are ready to go onward and face new challenges. I also call on other members and their missus to come and lend support to our candidates for the Major.

Note that our focus is geared toward the promotion of fraternity among brother Knights, strengthening our faith and promotion of strong family ties. There is no room for controversial issues that degrade our morality and beliefs. Our endeavors are directed towards God's glory; nothing will compromise our salvation.

In Christ,
Rio Mercado

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3. There are usually two major degree exemplifications each year. The first one is coming very soon on October 19, 2003. The other will be on March 28, 2004. Hosts for the October major are the Holy Trinity and Santo Nino Councils and the Regina DDs. On this day we are also honoring Fr. Emmett P. Morrissey and Fr. Louis E. Kubash on the 45th anniversary of their ordination. I urge you to encourage members and their wives to take part in the exemplification. Exemplification, needless to say, is a re-dedication and a commitment to our goals.
4. On October 15, members of the clergy will have their Major at Holy Cross Parish – St. Andrew School at 7:00 p. m.
5. Santo Nino Council is holding a first degree exemplification on October 5 at the Blessed Sacrament Church.

Seb Koh
District Deputy #3