

Santo Nino Council News

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Council Honors Ladies

On Saturday, February 11, 2006, Santo Nino Council Knights came out to honor their ladies in a banquet at the West Harvest Inn. GK Ed Alejandria welcomed the Knights and their ladies. Fr. Emmett Morrissey talked about marriage and family and his appreciation of the Council's presence in the Blessed Sacrament Parish. PGK Seb Koh read his "Ode to the Ladies".

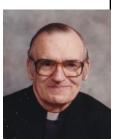
Bro. Inigo Mislang III rendered several love songs for the ladies to enthusiastic applause. PGKs Rio Mercado and Jim Alvarez with the help of their better halves Cecille and Susan ran two interesting games: "Know your Mate" and "Gender Feud". The evening concluded with presentation of roses and copies of Bro. Seb's poem to each lady.



Chaplain's Message

Fellow Knights,

Sincere thanks to our Grand Knight Edgardo Alejandria and my fellow knights for the birthday party you threw for me on the very day



Fr. Emmett

of my birthday, February 8, 2006 at the Hotel Saskatchewan Radisson Plaza. Thanks also for the beautiful jacket you gave me. It will be just perfect for "Fighting Irish" and Roughrider football games!

I would like to congratulate my fellow knights for the superb "Ladies Night" that our council celebrated at the West Harvest Inn on Saturday, February 11, 2006. From beginning to end it was a night to remember! The food was excellent; there were plenty of laughs; and I'm sure that the ladies felt very much appreciated. I think the fact that the evening was celebrated just a few days before Saint Valentine's Day made the event even more special.

May I wish you continued success in all future council endeavours!

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

Council Celebrates Fr. Emmett's Birthday

Our Chaplain **Fr. Emmett Morrissey** had a busy day Wednesday, February 8, 2006. Early mid-morning on that day, Church staff, mass servers and other hangers-on gave him a coffee-party with birthday cake and funny cards. He then celebrated his 75th birthday with the noon mass at Blessed Sacrament Church. Congregation sang

"Happy Birthday" after mass, complete with Notre Dame bal-He was loons. treated to dinner Hotel Sas-Teakatchewan room by Council, which presented him with a gift and a letter from



Fr. Emmett with mass servers and lector Ans Swartz. Note the ND baloons.

the president of Purdue University making him "The Boilermaker Fan of the Year 2006".

Annual State Convention

The Annual State Convention is on April 21-23, 2006 at the Delta Convention Center. Santo Nino Council delegates to the convention and Charitable Foundation are GK Ed Alejandria and PGK Carl Folk. Alternates are DGK Jess Feliciano and PGK Gil McDonald.

Council Church Director Mody Escanlar and PGK Seb Koh are co-chairs in charge of liturgy. Council is expected to provide honor guards, ushers and mass servers. Members and their ladies are urged to attend the convention. Our ladies help with the ladies program.

Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary of the Ericksens

Mike and Angela Ericksen celebrated their sixtieth anniversary recently. They were married at St. Mary's

Church in Regina on January 17, 1946 by Father Merx. They have two daughters, two grandchildren and two great grandchildren. They are parishioners of Holy Cross Church in Douglas Park, Regina since 1960. They have been ushers for the church for 45 years.



Mike and Angela

Mike joined the Knights of Columbus Msgr. Janssen Council in 1954, serving in various capacities. He is a Past Grand Knight.

Mike spent six years in the Canadian Armed Forces. He spent four and a half years overseas during the Second World War as a sergeant major.

Congratulations, Brother Mike and Angela!

Anniversary and Awards Night

The Seventh Anniversary and Awards Night of Santo Nino Council is to be celebrated Friday, **April 7** at the St. Mary's Parish Church and Hall with a Holy Mass at 5:00 p.m. and reception and dinner at 6:00 p.m. Guest Speaker is **State Deputy Bob Barkman**. Planned in the after dinner program are some games and a surprise number. Special feature during the awards is the recognition of **Bro. Cecil P. Schnurr** with an Honorary Life Membership for having



SD Bob Barkman

been a Knight of Columbus for fifty years (See p. 3.).

The Financial Secretary wishes to remind members that membership fees are due. Please call Bro. James Madrilejos at 789-9046.

Council Happenings

Council Free Throw

The Council youth Free Throw competition was held at Deshaye School on Sunday January 29, 2006. There were four boys and four girls from different age groups. They all advanced to the District Level competition at O'Neill High School on February 12, 2006. The winners are Brandon Nguyen, 10, Rey Anonas, 12, Zagan Siapno, 13, Mark Doluntap, 15, Breanna Rae Tranquilino, 8, Mariz Anonas, 10, Shaina Tranquilino, 12, and Marie Anonas, 14.

At the District Level, Mark Doluntap, Breanna Tranquilino, and the Anonas children won and will advance to the Zone Competition scheduled for March 11, 2006 at Leboldus High School.

2005 Christmas Caroling

The 2005 Christmas caroling, our seventh year as a fund-raiser was another success. Council collected a total of \$1179.99. There were 32 carolers; of these, 19 are council members, the rest are family and friends. Attendance of carolers varies from 10 to 20 including our guitarists **Bros. Jim Alvarez, Jessie Feliciano,** and **Gregg Ravasco**. Caroling was on December 8, 9, 13, 14, 15, and 18. English and Philippine carols were rendered at each host.

The carolers sang at five senior homes including the Santa Maria Senior Home and Martha House. They also sang on Saturday, December 17 at the PAS Christmas Party and on Sunday, Christmas Day at Blessed Sacrament Church before the 10 a.m. Holy Mass and at St. Mary's Church evening Mass.

Happy Birthday, Brother!

March

- 01- Henry Dielschneider
- 01- Constantine Folk
- 04- Efren Alejandria
- 05- Marianito Estrada
- 11- Ernesto Paraiso
- 13- Edwin Loos
- 19- Frank Ursaki
- 21- Ben Zatylny
- 29- Alvil Tayco

April

- 01- Don Schaeffer
- 02- Joseph Prokop
- 04- Joseph MacDonald
- 07- Vincent Baryluk
- 09- Mario Sison
- 11- Isaac Caburao
- 13- Pablo Ayuban, Jr.
- 13- George de la Cruz
- 17- Jovil Paez
- 19- Generoso Dimalanta
- 21- Fr. Dan Rafael
- 23- Nathan Abadiano
- 26- Rodrigo Chiu

May

- 04- Leonard Wentz
- 05- Francis Israel
- 13- Dale Nagrampa
- 13- Wayne Selinger
- 14-Boni Sison
- 15- Sid Castillo Sr.
- 18- Chad Abadiano
- 18- Edison Mercado
- 21- James Fogarty
- 23- Monty Sharber
- 25- Gregg Ravasco
- 27- Sonny de Paz

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31- Alexander Eberle







Congratulations and Welcome To our new Council Members

Gerry Agustin Adolfo Alvarez Edwin Casing Pete Escanlar Joel Ong

Upcoming Events

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March

- 01: Ash Wednesday
- 02: Regina Chapter meeting
- 11: Zone Free Throw Competition at Leboldus High School
- 11&12: Shamrocks sale for St. Patrick's Day at churches
- 15: Retreat St. Michael's, Lumsden (w/Fr. Burns Council)
- 17: St. Patrick's Day
- 26: Mass with Council doing liturgy, Council meeting
- 28: Bingo for Charity at Bingo Palace, 5:30-12 pm

April

- 02: Major degree Exemplification at Holy Rosary Cathedral
- 05: Regina Chapter Meeting
- 07: Council Seventh Anniversary at St. Mary's Hall
- 09: Palm Sunday
- 13: Holy Thursday (Washing of feet at Mass)
- 14: Good Friday
- 16: Easter Mass; Egg Hunt for Council children, 1-3 pm
- 21-23: State Convention at Regina Delta Convention Hall
- 23: Mass with Council doing liturgy, Council meeting
- 26: Bingo for Charity at Bingo Palace, 5:30-12 pm

Appreciation Day for young mass servers will be held in May. Time, date and place to be announced later.

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- 03: Regina Chapter Meeting
- 12: Annual Pro-Life Banquet at Center of the Arts, 6:30 pm
- 14: Mother's Day
- 16: Bingo at Santa Maria Senior Home at 6:30 pm
- 22: Victoria Day
- 28: Ascension Mass with Council doing liturgy, Council meeting & election of officers for 2006-2007

Council Retreat

Santo Nino Council and Fr. Burns Council are having a joint twilight retreat at the St. Michael's Retreat House in Lumsden on March 15, 2006. Supper is scheduled for 6:00 p.m., followed by the retreat and mass. Father Kevin Lynch will be the retreat facilitator and celebrant. Cost for the evening is \$15 per person.



Editorials

Dust Thou Art, to Dust Thou Returneth

With these words, our Lenten season begins. It is incumbent on us to contemplate the suffering of our Lord Jesus Christ who gave His life for our sins. We need to fast, to lead a prayerful life, to learn to forgive, to approximate the holiness of our Lord in our thoughts and actions.

As Knights, we have to lead an exemplary life. Whether we like it or not, we are role models, first to our immediate family and then also to the community at large. We have a burden on our shoulders but it is assuredly lightened by the presence of our Lord.

A Big Hurrah for Our Ladies

We pride ourselves in being family-oriented. We devote time to strengthening family ties through visitations, picnics, marriage vow renewals, memorials, Family of the Year Award, etc.

When we recruit a prospective candidate who is married, we also talk to the wife. Often, half in jest, we tell her that her best guarantee to stay married is for her husband to be a Knight. When a member has marital problems, we try to help or to lead the family to our priest.

As it turns out, our ladies have been our biggest supporters. We could not do what we do without them.

To our ladies, thank you and much love!

Priests in Our Council

Fr. Emmett Patrick Morrissey, parish priest at Blessed Sacrament Church since 1994, was born in Regina on February 8, 1931 to Thomas and Margaret Morrissey. He was the sixth of seven children, and attended Sacred Heart School and Campion College in Regina.

While at Campion, he wrote for the Campion News, was a member of Sodality, a Bryant Oratorical contestant, and a member of the city championship debating team. After high school, he spent a year at St. Peter's College in Muenster, Saskatchewan and then entered St. Peter's Seminary in London, Ontario.

He was ordained to the priesthood by Most Reverend M. C. O'Neill at Holy Rosary Cathedral in Regina on May 31, 1958. His first solemn mass was celebrated at Sacred Heart Church, his home parish. He then served for three years at Little Flower parish in Regina.

He received a B. A. Honours degree in philosophy from the University of Western Ontario, a B. Ed. Degree from the University of Saskatchewan, an M. A. in religious education from Fordham University and an M. A. in counseling from Columbia University.

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Message from our Grand Knight

Dear Brother Knights,

I am extremely glad at the progress of our Council. There are many reasons why I feel this way and I believe you do to. In our past projects everything went according to our plans and if there were hitches, we managed to overcome them.



Ed Alejandria

We have many more projects ahead of us and I hope we will achieve them as before.

One project that has brought great satisfaction to us is in regards to our Ladies who are always by our side and who never abandon us.

We are also fortunate in having for our Chaplain, Fr. Emmett Morrissey who is ever ready to help us and to give advice that benefits our Council.

If the energy and enthusiasm we show are to continue, I am confident that we will succeed in whatever we do.

With the help of the God, may we carry on.

Fraternally yours, Ed Alejandria

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He taught at three high schools in Regina – Bosco, Ursuline and O'Neill – and served as supervisor of student services for the Catholic school system. Father Emmett has been pastor at Marquis, Central Butte, Wadena, Quill Lake, Rama, Kuroki, Vibank, Odessa and St. Cecilia in Regina prior to Blessed Sacrament.

He is an enthusiastic sports fan, an avid reader, and a lover of Broadway musicals. His interest in the scripture has taken him to the Holy Land three times and his Irish roots have drawn him to Ireland twice.

Fr. Emmett joined the Knights of Columbus Msgr. Janssen Council in Regina in April 1960 where he served as Chaplain in 1970-71. In 1983-1988, Father served the Parish of St. Anthony's in Rama, Saskatchewan and was instrumental in forming the Our Lady of Lourdes Council #9713, which received its Charter on March 31, 1989.

Fr. Morrissey has been the chaplain of the Santo Nino Council #12415 since it was chartered in 1999 and is an enthusiastic supporter of all its activities. He is also a mainstay and organizer of the annual Canada Day Mass, which is sponsored jointly by the Father Hugonard 4th degree Assembly, Blessed Sacrament Parish and our Council.