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**Upcoming Dates:**

Mar 16 General Meeting at St Teresa's Church Hall 6:30 pizza, 7:30 meeting

**Websites of Interest**

- Ontario State Website ..... [www.ontariokofc.ca](http://www.ontariokofc.ca)
- Supreme Council (New Haven) Website ..... [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)
- Knights of Columbus Council 8192 Facebook Page:  
<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100067064282748>
- St. Teresa of Avila Church, Elmira Website .... [www.stteresaelmira.ca](http://www.stteresaelmira.ca)
- Contact our Grand Knight ... [gk8192@ontariokofc.ca](mailto:gk8192@ontariokofc.ca)

Newsletter Deadline: **The Tuesday after the Executive Meeting**  
 Submissions to the newsletter are welcome and expected from Chairmen of up-coming events and activities as well as reports on past activities. Please submit printed reports by email to John Bruder at [bruderjr@yahoo.ca](mailto:bruderjr@yahoo.ca).  
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# The Knightly News



Happy St Patrick's Day

Knights of Columbus  
Father Hugh MacKinnon Council 8192  
Elmira, Ontario

**EXECUTIVE MEETING**

*April Meeting Date:* Thursday, Apr 6, 2023

*Meeting Location:* Internet Microsoft Team Meeting

*Meeting Time:* 7:30 p.m.

**GENERAL MEETING**

*March Meeting Date:* Thursday, Mar 23 2023 **\*\* new date \*\***

*Meeting Location:* St Teresa of Avila Church Hall

*Meeting Time:* Dinner at 6:30 pm. Meeting at 7:30

*Agenda:* Program Reports  
Good of the Order

If you need a ride, please call an executive member or contact Br Todd Cowan at [gk8192@ontariokofc.ca](mailto:gk8192@ontariokofc.ca)

## Grand Knight's Message

Every year, we begin Lent by receiving ashes on our foreheads as we are told "turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel." Then what? Lent is not a time to avoid coffee or sweets simply so we can say we gave up something, but rather a time to recognize our sin, seek forgiveness and grow in our faithfulness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Our penances and sacrifices in Lent should help us to become holier men, not grumpier men. Pray asking God to help you see an area of sin in your life and then use Lent to take the necessary steps to remove, or at least lessen, that sin in your life. If you do this, Lent will be a time of great grace and you will be truly prepared to hear the message of Easter Sunday. I have personally found that whatever I have given up or changed during Lent, has always yielding in that habit or craving being gone by Easter. If it was giving up sweets, by Easter I find that uncontrolled cravings have pasted. I will still eat sweets, but not with the same determination as before.

It is not just giving something up, but also when I get the urges or cravings, my mind goes to Jesus as he fasted for 40 days, and how he was preparing for the greatest challenge of his short life. I personally pray that during this time of reflection I will know and understand just the magnitude of His sacrifice was, for us. I will continue to become closer to God. The promise that James reminded us in James 4:8 "Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you". The bonus as we draw near to God we change for the better. Better sons, better husbands, better workers and better neighbours.

As Catholic men, let us make good use of the seasons the Church offers us. By recognizing our sins, seeking forgiveness, and we will be able to live the new life of freedom Jesus won for us on the cross.

It is never too late to make a commitment for Lent!

Vivat Jesus

GK Todd

Brothers:  
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mornin' from down unda.  
Happy St Patrick's Day  
from your editor



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## Birthdays and Anniversaries

### Birthdays

6 - Mike Kraemer  
18 - Robert Shantz  
24 - John Dixon  
30 - Joe Boccanfuso  
30 - Armand Bertin

**Happy birthday, brothers!**

### Anniversaries

17 - Robert and Mary Jane Yaeger  
18 - Basil and Susan Markides

**Many happy and blessed years together!**

## **February Pot of Gold**

\$207.50 – Ray Denomme (Winner!)

Next Month **\$32.00** You have to be present to win.

### 50/50 Winners

1st @ \$14 – Emma Sheppard  
2nd @ \$10 – Lily Sheppard  
3rd @ \$8 – Adrian Miltenburg

## Lenten Stations of the Cross

at St. Clements - Church on Fridays at 7:00 pm  
St. Teresa of Avila Church – on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm

Our council, 8192 will be performing the Stations on Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup>. This is a great way to prepare for Easter.

## **Pot of Gold**

We have a winner!! Brother Ray Denomme was present at our February meeting and won \$207.50 We are starting a new pot for this month. Remember, you have to be present to win.



## Lecturer's Report

- To my Brother Knights, happy St. Patrick's Day, March 17<sup>th</sup>..
- To our brother Knight, Adrian Miltenburg, condolences on the passing of your brother John Miltenburg on February 17, 2023.
- Please remember in your prayers the good health of our brother Knights; Armand Bertin and Bev McKeown who is recovering from heart surgery and any brother Knights in need of healing.
- On behalf of brother Phil Milan and myself, we wish to thank our brother Knights for volunteering their time in running our spaghetti dinner event on February 10, 2023. Total Ticket sales were 159 and 14 council members volunteered 113 hours on this project.
- Our Memorial Mass on February 26, 2023 was a great success. We had 21 council members participating in the project and coffee Sunday for a total of 30 volunteer hours extended to the event. Special thanks to the ladies of the Knights and Steve Pond for our dessert table.

Vivat Jesus  
Ray Denomme

Brothers, this year the Maple Syrup Festival is a go on April 1<sup>st</sup> which is only 4 weeks away. I am doing a preliminary check to see who will or will not be able to help again this year so I can start to prepare schedules.

If you could email me back at [rilech@cyg.net](mailto:rilech@cyg.net) or give me a call at 519-595-8016 or 519-577-5928 that would be great.



Thanks

Rick Weishar

Shifts are required in the trailer (grilling, etc) and in front of the trailer (taking orders, cash). Shifts start at 7 am for both and if we have enough volunteers, likely only a 2 hour shift.

## Spaghetti Dinner Friday February 10

A huge shout out to Brothers **Phil Milan** and **Ray Denomme** for a wonderful Italian dinner. In addition, a huge thank you to all those who helped in the setup, running of the evening and the take down and tidy up.

## +Memorial Mass+

Three of our Sir Knights formed an honour guard for our annual memorial Mass. As well, twenty-one members participated.



## Who Was Saint Patrick?

St. Patrick was born in Britain around 400 A.D. (or Scotland; accounts vary) to wealthy parents who were Christians. A group of Irish raiders attacked his father's estate and kidnapped Patrick when he was 16. They took him to Ireland, which at that time was a land of paganism and druidism. Patrick spent six years as a slave, working as a shepherd, very much isolated from other people. During this time he not only became fluid in Gaelic, the Irish language, but he turned to religion for solace and became a devout Christian.

According to Patrick's writings, after six years he heard a voice telling him it was time to escape, so he traveled south for 200 miles until he reached the Irish coast where he boarded a ship to Britain. He studied under St. Germain, bishop of Auxerre in France, to help combat paganism, and was ordained a priest and given the name "Patercius" or "Patritius" from the Latin, meaning father of his people. St. Patrick traveled back to Ireland to teach Christianity to the Irish. St. Patrick died on March 17, 460 A.D.

In order to make the people understand the doctrine of the Trinity—that there are three beings who make up one divine God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—St. Patrick drew an analogy by picking a shamrock and showing that its three leaves were on only one stem. The shamrock was already a sacred plant in ancient Ireland because it symbolized the rebirth of Spring. Shamrocks, of course, are green, hence the stipulation that one must wear green on St. Patrick's Day!

Source: [education.com/magazine/article/The\\_History\\_Saint\\_Patricks\\_Day](https://www.education.com/magazine/article/The_History_Saint_Patricks_Day)



May the road rise up to meet you.  
May the wind be always at your back.  
May the sun shine warm upon your face;  
the rains fall soft upon your fields  
and until we meet again,  
may God hold you in the palm of His  
hand.

