

Knights of Columbus

St. John the Divine, Council 11053
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The Month of the Blessed Virgin Mary



**Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy!
Our life, our sweetness, and our hope!
To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve;
to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.
Turn, then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us;
and after this our exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.**

May 2014

History of the Rosary

Since the Rosary is composed, principally and in substance, of the prayer of Christ and the Angelic Salutation, that is, the Our Father and the Hail Mary, it was without doubt the first prayer and the principal devotion of the faithful and has been in use all through the centuries, from the time of the apostles and disciples down to the present.

It was only in the year 1214, however, that the Church received the Rosary in its present form and according to the method we use today. It was given to the Church by St. Dominic, who had received it from the Blessed Virgin as a means of converting the Albigensians and other sinners.

I will tell you the story of how he received it, which is found in the very well-known book *De Dignitate Psalterii*, by Blessed Alan de la Roche. Saint Dominic, seeing that the gravity of people's sins was hindering the conversion of the Albigensians, withdrew into a forest near Toulouse, where he prayed continuously for three days and three nights. During this time he did nothing but weep and do harsh penances in order to appease the anger of God. He used his discipline so much that his body was lacerated, and finally he fell into a coma.

At this point our Lady appeared to him, accompanied by three angels, and she said, "Dear Dominic, do you know which weapon the Blessed Trinity wants to use to reform the world?" "Oh, my Lady," answered Saint Dominic, "you know far better than I do, because next to your Son Jesus Christ you have always been the chief instrument of our salvation."

Then our Lady replied, "I want you to know that, in this kind of warfare, the principal weapon has always been the Angelic Psalter, which is the foundation-stone of the New Testament. Therefore, if you want to reach these hardened souls and win them over to God, preach my Psalter."

So he arose, comforted, and burning with zeal for the conversion of the people in that district, he made straight for the cathedral. At once unseen angels rang the bells to gather the people together, and Saint Dominic began to preach.

At the very beginning of his sermon, an appalling storm broke out, the earth shook, the sun was darkened, and there was so much thunder and lightning that all were very much afraid. Even greater was their fear when, looking at a picture of our Lady exposed in a prominent place, they saw her raise her arms to heaven three times to call down God's vengeance upon them if they failed to be converted, to amend their lives, and seek the protection of the holy Mother of God.

God wished, by means of these supernatural phenomena, to spread the new devotion of the holy Rosary and to make it more widely known.

At last, at the prayer of Saint Dominic, the storm came to an end, and he went on preaching. So fervently and compellingly did he explain the importance and value of the Rosary that almost all the people of Toulouse embraced it and renounced their false beliefs. In a very short time a great improvement was seen in the town; people began leading Christian lives and gave up their former bad habits.

Inspired by the Holy Spirit, instructed by the Blessed Virgin as well as by his own experience, Saint Dominic preached the Rosary for the rest of his life. He preached it by his example as well as by his sermons, in cities and in country places, to people of high station and low, before scholars and the uneducated, to Catholics and to heretics.

The Rosary, which he said every day, was his preparation for every sermon and his little tryst with our Lady immediately after preaching.

Our Lady has approved and confirmed this name of the Rosary; she has revealed to several people that each time they say a Hail Mary they are giving her a beautiful rose, and that each complete Rosary makes her a crown of roses.

So the complete Rosary is a large crown of roses and each chaplet of five decades is a little wreath of flowers or a little crown of heavenly roses which we place on the heads of Jesus and Mary. The rose is the queen of flowers, and so the Rosary is the rose of devotions and the most important one.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Please pray for your Brother Knights and their families, especially those where you know there is illness or death in their families. I ask that you also keep those distressed members of our Parish family in your thoughts and prayers.

As a result of the devastating natural and other disasters throughout the world, please remember and pray for those who have lost their lives, those who are mourning, those who are dying, those who are suffering and those survivors who now have to live with the consequences of these disasters. Remember to pray also for the volunteers and military in those countries doing what they can to help the survivors get life back to normal.

Finally, please pray for our Priests during this Year for Priests. Pray also for our Seminarians that they will feel the arms of Jesus wrapped around them, giving them the strength they need to continue their studies and eventually serve the faithful in the London and other Dioceses throughout the country.

May Birthdays

Moe Lacerte	May 1 st	Frank Cuzzocrea	May 9 th
Harry Meloche	May 1 st	Jim Kehoe	May 9 th
Alf Renaud	May 5 th	Keith Campbell	May 10 th
John Cassidy	May 7 th	Tim Thompson	May 14 th
George McGuire	May 8 th	Mark Killeen	May 21 st

Minute Meditations

Making Love Visible

God sends us brothers and sisters who are - or at least are called to be - warm, supportive, comforting. They make God's love visible - the ones still with us and those who have gone ahead.

From: *St Anthony of Padua*

Sharing of Love

Love cannot exist in isolation or autonomously because love shares itself with another. Love requires a lover and a beloved, a giver and a receiver. It is the receptivity of love that makes it gift.

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General Meeting, April 8, 2014

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by GK Gary Pullam at 7:40pm
2. Warden's Report: Hugh Short reported that all present were paid-up members. The Election of Officers will be held in May.
3. Opening prayer: Lead by Joe Metron.
4. O Canada: sung by all present.
5. Opening Ode. Sung by all present.
6. Roll Call of Officers: Absent: Alberto Sanchez, Bern Rollings
7. Minutes from March 11th Gen. Meeting were passed by Joe Metron and 2nd by John Egan.
8. Fourth Degree: No report.
9. Treasurer's Report: John Savel reported: The cash receipts from the Pancake/Sausage Dinner were \$640.00 and Total Expenses and Total Expenses were \$682.04 showing a deficit of \$42.04 actually due to the purchase of further food/supplies etc. The Reconciliation of the Book Balance to the Bank Balance was \$7,265.20. Deposits for the Month of March were \$1,765.25. Receipts from the Fish n Chip Dinner totaled \$972.75 and a Gross Profit of \$549.01 was realized. All Statements for the above funds are attached. Accepted by Pat O'Neil and 2nd by Hugh Short.
10. Financial Secretary: Tony Leonardo: Reported Dinner Statements and deposits as above in item #9. Money for First aid Kits and Defribulators should be drawn from a Miscellaneous Account.
11. Chancellor's Report: NIL
12. Deputy Grand Knight: Leo Santos proposed that council direct a percentage of all charitable funds to support the parish in light of the current financial state, as reported by Moe Lacerte, Parish Financial Chairman at the past Executive Meeting. The consensus was favourable.
13. Past Grand Knight: a) St. Vincent de Paul, due to the last parish envelope drive, has received adequate funds for now. b) Poor Man's lunch will take place on Good Friday as usual. Soup should be brought in by 2pm. c) New Refrigerator is required to meet the rising demand for many events taking place in the parish. The cost of replacement will be c. \$3,500.00. There was a NOTICE OF MOTION put forward to have a minimum of \$2,000.00 available for the purchase of a refrigerator; passed by Keith Campbell and 2nd by Leo Santos. d) The Pasta Dinners will be replaced with the regular Roast Beef Dinners which will include music etc.

14. Golf Tournament: Gary Pullam reported:

- a) The introduction letter and poster samples are completed as shown.
- b) There are 28 committed golfers date which comprises c. 50% of the minimum required. If we achieve 100 registrants there will be special prizes added to our silent auction on behalf of Greenhills Mgt.
- c) It was also suggested that we could have a Food Drive for our respected benefactors.
- d) Volunteers are still needed and must be available currently.

15. Future Events: FYI ... 2015 the Parish will celebrate its 50th Anniversary

- a) Monday, April 14, 2014, Mass of the Holy Chrism Dinner for the Priests.**
- b) Friday, April 25, 2014, Roast Beef dinner**
- c) Tuesday, May 06, 2014, Executive Meeting**
- d) Tuesday, May 20, 2014, General Meeting and Elections**
- e) Friday, May 23, 2014, Roast Beef Dinner, entertainment pending.**
- f) Year-End Dinner: To be announce for mid June and possibly in Port Stanley again.**

16. For The Good of The Order: GK Gary Pullam lead the council in prayer in remembrance of all our deceased and infirm members, and their families.

17. Closing Prayer and Ode: All participated.

18. Adjournment: the meeting was adjourned by Joe Metron and 2nd by John Savel at 9:05pm.

EXCITING NEW COMMUNICATION TOOL

You may already be aware of the development of the new Ontario State Web Portal. This tool will allow all of us to post more information regarding the activities within Ontario.

As a first step we are posting our first Online Bulletin for your viewing. Brother Knights, be sure to take advantage of a weekend getaway in Toronto and don't forget to enter the Blue Jays Contest (pgs. 5/25)

If you have articles and photos you wish to submit, please send them to Ontariostatebulletin@live.com.

This format will be published 4 times per year. Our next issue will launch July 2014 so don't forget to submit your articles.

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Financial Secretary Reminders and Reports:

The General Meeting will be held on Tuesday May 20, 2014 following the 7pm Mass. We are in need of a Warden and 1 Year Trustee, Hugh Short advised he will be available to provide training to the new Warden. Please consider these positions.

I have attached 3 reports to the Newsletter which consists of the Banking report and 2 Dinner reports that occurred since the last meeting. Please review and bring your questions to the Meeting.

Once again, please keep the Annual Golf Tournament in mind and let's spread the word as we close in on the 100 golfer target. A special thanks to Gary Pullam for his efforts in spreading the word to the other Councils in our District.

St. John the Divine Council 11053 - Executive - 2013/2014

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