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> CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE Eardley Adams



# TEAZ Mission Statement KEEPING COUNCILS AND CLERGY CONNECTED

Worthy Brother Knights - now entering our 25th month under the COVID-19 shroud.

To the Grand Knights, District Deputies, Faithful Navigators and leaders in the TEAZ community. <u>Please share this Bulletin with</u>

your Chaplain, Officers and your Councils.

To all my Brother Knights, I thank you for attending the March 2022 meeting, the number of attendees was larger than the previous month which was quite encouraging. We had a number of very informative guest speakers from the State Board and State Directors for which I am very grateful to them for their involvement in the meeting. I also wish to extend my Easter greeting to all the TEAZ membership and your Families. May you have a safe and joyous Easter.

**Our next TEAZ meeting will be held on Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022.** The main purpose of the meeting is for the election of three TEAZ Officers namely: Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. (See "Important Message" below) This meeting I am hoping will be a hybrid meeting (combination of live in-person and virtual) The virtual component will be on the Zoom Platform and would represent the first time TEAZ will be holding a live inperson meeting in more than 2 years. Location subject to Covid protocols in June 2022 and also to be determined.

**Council / Assembly Elections:** This is the time of year when we should all be considering what Officer position, we ourselves would like to fill in our respective Councils and Assemblies. Moreover, start now to give serious consideration to, who within your Councils and Assemblies would make good candidates to be nominated and for which Officer position/s. This is a very serious and important task and cannot be overstated. Your choice of candidate, correctly done will lay the future direction of your Council / Assembly.

TEAZ wish to recognize two Councils who were featured in the Columbia Magazine in the month of March 2022. My congratulations to **Council 6301 St. Jacques d'Embrun** who were recognized for donating \$10,000 to help defray the cost of repaving the parking lot at Saint-Jacques Church. Also, **St. Leonard's Council 11752 in Monotick, Ontario** who donated more that 300 pairs of eyeglasses collected by the Council.

Be there or be Square! - State Convention April 22<sup>nd</sup>, to 24<sup>th</sup> / 2022 Niagara Falls Canada. Click this link: <u>Letter</u> from State Advocate Marcel Lemmen (mcusercontent.com)

**Membership Dues for Fraternal year 2021 / 2022** by E Transfer Payment to TEAZ now available: Councils and Assemblies may now pay their TEAZ Dues (Council Dues = \$50.00 / Assembly Dues = \$20.00.) using e Transfer. For additional information contact the Treasurer, Brother Philippe Yeung at: 905-294-3187 or email at pmjyeung@gmail.com.

Referral Program: If you have completed your Membership Drive and you have prospects that are sitting on the fence, unsure if they should join your Council. Remember to refer those prospects to State. State will contact them on your behalf to encourage them to join your Council.

Free Membership has been extended to June 30th, 2022.

**IMPORTANT MESSAGE:** This is an appeal to every member of Council across the Toronto East Archdiocese Zone – This Board has served the TEAZ community for the past two and a half years, the term is one year but due to Covid 19 the Board decided it would be best to stay on until the pandemic subsides, which I believe is now. As a result, I am appealing to every member to consider running for Office as this Board will NOT be running for office after our June 2022 meeting. If you have any interest in doing so, please call me directly, my contact information is on the front cover page of this Bulletin. (Positions available: Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer)

Vivat Jesus.

Eardley Adams TEAZ Chairman.

# IMPORTANT AND USEFUL LINKS FOR YOU:

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- Beatification of Fr. McGivney kofc.org/beatification
- Video: Navigating the Beatification Webpage
- Video: Miracle Confirmed by the Vatican
- Father McGivney Guild –

https://www.fathermcgivney.org/en/index.html

- Ceremonials Webpage kofc.org/ceremonials
- Past and Future Webinars kofc.org/webinar
- Success: Investing in Key Relationships
- Fraternal Leader Advisory Volume 14
- Past Fraternal Leader Advisories

# CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE Fr. Paul Magyar



In the gospel of Luke, Jesus mentions incidents where Galilean people were executed by the Roman Soldiers under Pontus Pilate's command. Jesus also mentions the victims of construction accidents such as the falling of the tower of Siloam that killed 18 people. The questions that the people in Jesus' time had were: Did the victims of natural disasters, wars,

and accidents actually deserve their death for their sins? Were these victims worse sinners in the eyes of God? Does God punish people through natural disasters, wars and accidents? Jesus' answer to all these questions is NO.

Often in ancient way of thinking about rewards and punishment was, that if something unfortunate happened to a person, and they died, then it was either due to their own sins, or punishment for the sins of their ancestors. According to Christ, sin is not transferable from one generation to the other (unless it is specifically taught from one generation to the other; however that is rare). Christ teaches that God does not punish people by taking their lives in the form of war, natural disasters or accidents. God does not punish people due to the sins of their ancestors. Rather the lack of repentance of the individual is what leads to problems.

Christ emphasizes the need for repentance. If a person chooses not to change and they resist to repent then a calamity will befall them or others around them. One individual can create a lot of change. Jesus as one individual saved humanity. A tyrant who repents his sins can stop a whole war and prevent many deaths.

Jesus always concentrates on the conversion of the individual person. Easter is the celebration of Jesus' death and resurrection for

the sake of our souls. We participate in that through our Baptism. However we also take part in a death and resurrection process when you have a good conversation with someone. Be open to learning something new from the person you are talking to. As a result you will die to an older way of thinking and hopefully adopting a better way of realizing.

Blessed Easter to ALL ! Fr. Paul Magyar

# FAITH IN ACTION

"... So you see, it isn't enough just to have faith. You must also do good to prove that you have it. Faith that doesn't show itself by good works is no faith at all – it is dead and useless" James 2, 27

#### A. FAITH MATTERS

Holy Week 2022 will begin on Sunday, April 10 Palm Sunday and ends on Saturday, April 16. Easter Sunday is April 17

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Sunday before Easter. Celebration of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Observed with palm branches, parades, and celebration.



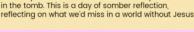
laundy Thursday Thursday before Easter, Commemorates the Last Supper.

Often observed with foot washing, stripping of the alta and overnight prayer vigil to keep watch with Jesus in the garden.

Good friday

Friday before Easter. Most solemn day of the church year. Observes the day Jesus was crucified. Observed by praying the Stations of the Cross and three hours of silent prayer while Jesus was on the cross.





Saturday before Easter. Observes the day Jesus was

Saturday



# Easter Sunday

Hallelujah! Christ has risen! This day we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. Sing hallelujahs and celebrate with great joy.



#### **B. LIFE MATTERS**

#### Canadian Indigenous Leaders Meet with the Pope Updated March 28, 20228:23 AM ET THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

VATICAN CITY — Indigenous leaders from Canada and survivors of the country's notorious residential schools met with Pope Francis on Monday and told him of the abuses they suffered at the hands of Catholic priests and school workers, in hopes of securing a papal apology from him and a commitment by the church to repair the harm done.

"While the time for acknowledgement, apology and atonement is long overdue, it is never too late to do the right thing," Cassidy Caron, president of the Metis National Council, told reporters in St. Peter's Square after the audience.

This week's meetings, postponed from December because of the pandemic, are part of the Canadian church and government's efforts to respond to Indigenous demands for justice, reconciliation and reparations — long-standing demands that gained traction last year after the discovery of hundreds of unmarked graves outside some of the schools.

Francis has set aside several hours this week to meet privately with the delegations from the Metis and Inuit on Monday, and First Nations on Thursday, with a mental health counselor in the room for each session. The delegates then gather Friday (April 1) as a group for a more formal audience, with Francis delivering an address.

Let us pray for the success of these meetings, healing and reconciliation.

#### C. FAMILY MATTERS

#### Easter: A Family Celebration

"Mother, behold your son ... Son, behold your mother!" These words from our Lord Jesus as he was dying on the cross reminds us that "the greatest story ever told" along with its important lessons and values should be passed on to all generations.

Holy week is important on the religious and Western calendar. After Christmas, it's the tradition that most people in the world celebrate. It is a time for religious commemorations as well as a celebration rooted in cultural traditions, but regardless of its meaning, let us not forget that it is all about God's love for his people.

Holy week, especially Easter, is an occasion to get together to share their customs or pass their religious beliefs on to younger generations. But there is the challenge: to make it more meaningful, there is the need to go over and beyond colorful symbols that engage children, beyond chocolates, bunnies and eggs. So why not gather everyone for a nice dinner and together thank God for the gift of ... gift of FAMILY.

# Lord, as we gather together as family and friends; we invite you once again into our lives.

May the hope of your resurrection color our days. May the promise of your spirit working in us light up our lives.

May the love you revealed to us shape our giving.

#### **D. COMMUNITY MATTERS**

St. Leonard's Council 11752 council members in Manotick, Ontario, collected more than 300 pairs of prescription eyeglasses, reading glasses and sunglasses at St. Leonard Parish and several local schools. The Knights repaired the glasses and shipped them to Villa Marzo, Cordon Isabela, in Luzon North, Philippines. The municipal council there will work with a local optical clinic to distribute them to people in need.

CHEVALIERS TO THE RESCUE With pandemic restrictions limiting parish fundraising opportunities, StJacques d'Embrun (Ontario) Council 6301 donated CA\$10,000 to help defray the cost of repaying the parking lot of Saint-Jacques Church.

Grand Knight Kelvin Law reported that St. Agnes KY Tsao Chinese Council 15176 successfully completed a Fundraising Campaign for Canadian Wheelchair Foundation on February 28, 2022. With generous support of the parishioners and our members we received a total amount of \$22,920.00 for purchasing 117+ wheelchairs.

#### STATE/SUPREME MATTERS

#### **2022 State Convention**

ONTARIO STATE CONVENTION will be held on April 22 - 24, 2022 at the Sheraton on the Falls Hotel 5875 Falls Ave, Niagara Falls, ON L2G 3K7

BOOK YOUR ROOM TODAY REGISTER ONLINE To register using a PDF registration form, please click here to download the form. Please mail the PDF registration form to Ontario State office along with your cheque payment. Advertise in our 2022 Convention Booklet Elections Resolutions Souvenir Store Ladies Program Updates Agenda 2022 Sponsors 2022 Awards Booklet 2022 Convention. Please see the Chairman's Report for link to the State Convention.

#### What Are We Doing for Ukraine

NEW HAVEN, Conn. — The Knights of Columbus today announced that Knights and their families, as well as communities around the world, have rapidly responded to a call for contributions to its Ukraine Solidarity Fund, and supplies are already arriving in Ukraine and Poland to assist displaced families and refugees. On Friday, Feb. 25, the Knights committed \$1 million for immediate distribution to support Ukrainians impacted by the recent Russian invasion of their country. The organization also launched the Ukraine Solidarity Fund, pledging to match all funds raised up to an additional \$500,000. As of March 2, the Ukraine Solidarity Fund has raised over \$747,000, for a total of more than \$2.2 million in assistance. One-hundred percent of donations are being used to assist internally displaced persons and refugees from Ukraine.

In a video message to the more than 1,800 Knights of Columbus in Ukraine on Feb. 25, Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly said, "Some of the proudest moments in the Order's history have come amid the adversity of war. We are called 'Knights' for a reason. There is a reason we count Patriotism among our guiding principles. The hour is upon us."

The relief funding is already being used to provide supplies and assistance to those in need in both Poland and Ukraine. Through extensive local connections with churches and communities, as well as networks of local Knights and volunteers, essential resources and services are reaching families within hours of donations being received. (source: Knights of Columbus News Release March 2, 2022)

# VATICAN MATTERS

**Pope consecrates Ukraine, Russia to Mary** Mar 25, 2022 by Junno Arocho Esteves (CNS Vatican)



In Picture: Pope Francis burns incense in front of a Marian statue after consecrating the world and, in particular, Ukraine and Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary during a Lenten penance service in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican. (CNS/Vatican Media)

VATICAN CITY — As Russia's violent month-long invasion continued to devastate Ukraine, Pope Francis laid the fates of both countries at the feet of Mary in the hopes that peace would finally reign.

"Mother of God and our mother, to your Immaculate Heart we solemnly entrust and consecrate ourselves, the church and all humanity, especially Russia and Ukraine," the pope said March 25, pronouncing the Act of Consecration after leading a Lenten penance service in St. Peter's Basilica.

"To you we consecrate the future of the whole human family, the needs and expectations of every people, the anxieties and hopes of the world," he prayed.

After the consecration, the pope, accompanied by a young boy and girl, placed a bouquet of white roses at the feet of the statue. He then remained for a few moments, with eyes closed and head bowed in silent prayer, before stepping away.

According to the Vatican, an estimated 3,500 people filled St. Peter's Basilica, while 2,000 people watched on video screens from St. Peter's Square. Police asked pilgrims who entered St. Peter's Basilica carrying or wearing Ukrainian flags to put them away, since the event was a prayer service.

Let us continue to pray for a successful reconciliation between our Church and the Indigenous people of Canada.

#### FROM OUR FIELD AGENTS

# We're opening up! With your field agent, let's put together a membership recruitment drive

It's time for pulpit speeches once again to let men know within your parish to come join us. Ask you field agent to help Not sure who your field agent is? - contact me Michael Mullin General Agent <u>Michael.mullin@kofc.org</u> (905) 363-4755

# **OREMUS**

## **IN MEMORIAM**

We remember those who have died and have gone before us, marked with the sign of faith, especially our family and council/assembly members for whom we pray. May they find in God's presence light, peace and happiness.



#### FOR HEALING

For our Sick Brothers and Loved Ones Almighty God, giver of life and health: Send your blessing on all who are sick, and upon those who minister to them, that all weaknesses may be vanquished by the triumph of the risen Christ; who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.

# FOR OUR FAMILIES

May we all enjoy the gifts of Easter and share them with all we meet in our lifetime.