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TEAZ Mission Statement **KEEPING COUNCILS AND CLERGY CONNECTED**

[Final Bulletin under this Leadership.](#)

Worthy Brother Knights - now entering our 26th month under the COVID-19 shroud.

To the Grand Knights, District Deputies, Faithful Navigators and leaders in the TEAZ community. Please share this Bulletin with your Chaplain, Officers and your Councils.

Worthy Brothers, I take this opportunity to thank you, the membership for being there during the worst 26 months in living memory of running any organization and although we are coming out of it, we are not quite out of the woods yet. My Board members deserve a great deal of praise Rev. Father Paul, SK Schubert, Brother Philippe and SK Peter I thank you from the bottom of my

heart, you have no idea how I appreciate you and all that you do. Thank you very much.

Our Chaplain Fr Paul Magyar will be leaving for a sabbatical in June 2022 and this will be his last report. Our Secretary SK Schubert has had his share of health challenges which will not allow him to continue in his current capacity. We wish Fr Paul and SK Schubert our warmest wishes, God's blessings, support and healing with what ever challenges lie ahead, we will continue to pray for you both and to all Brother Knights please keep Fr Paul and SK Schubert in your prayers.

March for Life: Brothers are you all preparing for the Ottawa March for Life on Thursday May 12th, 2022. Buses are being made available through Campaign Life Collation so act now.

Our next TEAZ meeting will be held on Saturday, June 25th, 2022. The main purpose of the meeting is for the election of three TEAZ Officers namely: Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. This meeting I am hoping will be a hybrid (See "Important Message" below)

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.

GK To Do List: Officers Chosen Form #185 Due June/30th. Continue to submit your Fraternal Program Report Forms #10784. Conduct your FBE and Membership Drive. Planning Ahead: Revisit and review your Star Council activities.

TEAZ wish to recognize Council 13785 who is featured in the April 2022 edition of the Columbia Magazine. My congratulations to Council 13785 St Barnabas in Toronto, for their participation in the Life Chain program. It stated that more than 200 parishioners joined the demonstration outside the St Barnabas Parish Church.

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 pmjeung@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.

Eardley Adams, TEAZ Chairman.

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 almost three 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

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

Fr. Paul Magyar

In the gospel of John 20:19-31 we read about the great mercy of Jesus Christ. The gospel of John was written between the years 90 and 95 C.E./A.D. It is written 30 years after the gospel of Mark. By this time, Christianity has been understood by ancient people as the religion of healing. Jesus heals the blind, crippled, deaf, mute and raises people from the dead, such as Lazarus. In this particular passage from the gospel of John we see how Jesus heals the disciples from denial, doubt and betrayal.



Peter denied Jesus 3 times before the cock crowed, when Jesus was put on trial. Peter as a result of his sin wept bitterly. After the resurrection Jesus appears to Peter while he is fishing and reconciles Peter from his sin of denial by asking him 3 times: "Peter do you love me?" Peter says yes 3 times and becomes healed of his sins. At the same time all the disciples become healed of their sins of denial because they all deserted Jesus when he was arrested.

Jesus appeared to the disciples in the upper room while Thomas was not there. Thomas refused to believe that Jesus actually resurrected and appeared to them. He needed empirical evidence of Jesus, he needed physical proof that he could touch Jesus himself and only then he would believe. These are the conditions that many atheists have about believing in God. They need to see and touch God before they are convinced. That is why Jesus says, blessed are those who have not seen and still believe. Jesus does appear to Thomas the following Sunday and Thomas does touch Jesus' wounds and he becomes healed from his doubt.

In John 20:24 it specifically says that there are 12 disciples. That means that when Jesus appeared to them the first time in the upper room and Thomas was not there, it would be 11 present. This means that Judas was present when Thomas was not there. If Judas was not present then it would only be 10. This is only presented in

the gospel of John in this way. Jesus breathes the holy spirit on the disciples with Judas being present. Judas did not commit suicide yet. Matthias who was later chosen to replace Judas was chosen between the time of the ascension and Pentecost. This event is still before the ascension. This shows that Jesus shows great mercy to Judas, that he forgives his betrayal and the other disciples actually tolerate his presence. Judas eventually does commit suicide. We do not know exactly why, maybe because he felt unworthy of Jesus' mercy. It is an open-ended question. However the gospel of John focuses on Jesus' mercy and example to his disciples and all of us about the healing power of forgiveness.

I want to thank all of you for the opportunity to have shared my thoughts on the gospels with you. This is my last TEAZ message. I am going for a study sabbatical for a year. May God bless all of you and your families. Praying for all of you.

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

Five reasons Catholics honour Mary in May***

It has been a long-standing Catholic tradition to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in May. In most Catholic churches (and even in many Catholic homes), a "May Altar" is erected with a statue or picture of Mary, flowers, and perhaps candles. The altar stands from May 1 to 31 as a reminder of Mary's importance in the life of the Church and in our own lives as well.

Additionally, many Catholic churches and families hold a "May Crowning," presenting Mary with a crown made of blossoms or other hand-crafted materials to signify her queenship as the mother of Christ, the King. I've even seen some crowns made of glistening metal and synthetic jewels.

Why May? The tradition dates all the way back to the ancient Greeks who dedicated the month of May to Artemis, the goddess of fecundity. Romans also claimed May to honor Flora, the goddess of bloom or blossoms. They celebrated "floral games" at the end of April and petitioned Flora's intercession for all that blooms. In medieval times, a tradition arose of expelling winter at this time of year, since May 1 was considered the start of new growth.

It was during the Middle Ages (11th century) that the idea of giving the month of May to Mary began with an old tradition, the "30-Day Devotion to Mary", which was originally held August 15 to September 14. During the month, special devotions to Mary were organized, and this custom, which began in Italy eventually spread elsewhere.

Although we do not see Mary as a goddess of any sort – Catholics do not worship Mary, we honor, or venerate, her as Jesus' mother – we have adapted the early Greek and Roman customs of honoring important women in their religions, by honoring the most important

woman in our religion: Mary. That is why Catholics in general honor Mary during May. Here are five reasons why it makes sense to honour her this month.

1. Mary is Jesus' mother. She is the instrument of the Incarnation and her yes, or fiat, made it possible for our Lord to become the God-Man who was crucified for our salvation.

2. She is the first and most perfect disciple. Mary was the first to hear the Good News, and the first to follow Christ. Her entire life was devoted to him and assisting him, in whatever way she could, to carry on his mission. Unaffected by Original Sin, she was able to perfectly open herself to God's will.

3. She is our mom. No, really. She is. To put it simply, she's our mother because we are all members of the Body of Christ. Since she gave birth to that Body, then she's our mother, too. At the moment she gave her fiat, she became our mother in the order of grace. She may not have given birth to us physically, but she certainly has given birth to us spiritually.

4. She loves you more than you can ever imagine. If she did not, would she have endured the horror of seeing her Son tortured, scourged, crowned with thorns, carry the Cross to Calvary, and die a gruesome death on it? She did it for you, for all of us, because she understood that Jesus' Passion and Crucifixion was the only way to your (our) salvation. She loves you like no human mother ever could.

5. Mary is advocate, helper, benefactress and mediatrix.

*** source: Marge Fenelon, Monitor, Marge Fenelon, May 09, 2017 — updated on January 04, 2021

B. LIFE MATTERS

The 25th annual March for Life in Ottawa will be held on May 12, 2022. The theme for this year is: I AM ...



"I AM" is a shout into the abyss that "I exist."

"I AM" is a claim to existence—an assertion that says "I am here! Notice me!"

"I AM" declares that existence is enough.

"I AM" demands a law to protect the preborn.

"I AM" is the name of God, shared with Moses when his people were in bondage.

Remember that life is sacred at any stage.

C. FAMILY MATTERS

Our Order recognizes the role of the family in the church. To help families live out the joy of Christ, Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori has composed a prayer through which families will come together to consecrate themselves under the protection of the

Holy Family. In times of darkness and uncertainties brought about by war, and other events that challenges our faith, we ask for the aid or intercession of the perfect son Jesus Christ, Mary the perfect mother, and Joseph who is a model for every father, to be a beacon of God's love through His Church.

OREMUS: O Lord Jesus, you lived in the home of Mary and Joseph in Nazareth. There you grew in age, wisdom and grace as you prepared to fulfill your mission as our Redeemer.

We entrust our family to you. O Blessed Mary, you are the Mother of our Savior. At Nazareth you cared for Jesus and nurtured him in the peace and joy of your home.

We entrust our family to you. O Saint Joseph, you provided a secure and loving home for Jesus and Mary, and gave us a model of fatherhood while showing us the dignity of work.

We entrust our family to you. Holy Family, we consecrate ourselves and our family to you. May we be completely united in a love that is lasting, faithful and open to the gift of new life. Help us to grow in virtue, to forgive one another from our hearts, and to live in peace all our days. Keep us strong in faith, persevering in prayer, diligent in our work, and generous toward those in need. May our home, O Holy Family, truly become a domestic church where we reflect your example in our daily life. Amen.

D. COMMUNITY MATTERS

Prepared by Providence: Ukrainian Knights serving the needs of their country amid war see God's hand in the Order's Presence and Growth

One of several local Knights of Columbus leaders appointed to the Archdiocese of Lviv's "Anti-Crisis Committee," State Deputy Maletskiy has been working tirelessly, in collaboration with Knights in Ukraine and Poland, to find shelter for displaced families and distribute much-needed aid throughout his war-torn country.

"Today, more than ever, the activities of the Knights of Columbus are needed here in Ukraine," State Deputy Maletskiy said. "The call is 'In service to one, in service to all.' This is more relevant than ever in Ukraine. Indeed, Father McGivney's vision was prophetic."

This is not the first time the Order has met urgent humanitarian needs resulting from unprovoked Russian aggression in Ukraine. Just months after the first Ukrainian councils were established in September 2013, Russia invaded eastern Ukraine and annexed the Crimean Peninsula, beginning an era of violence displacing hundreds of thousands of people and claiming thousands of lives. Local Knights responded with immediate material and spiritual aid, and the Supreme Council provided substantial assistance through both the Ukrainian Greek and Latin-rite Catholic communities in Ukraine.

The leaders of both churches, Major Archbishop Sviatoslav Shevchuk of Kyiv-Halyc and Archbishop Mieczysław Mokrzycki of Lviv, were among the very first members of the Order in Ukraine, joining together in a degree ceremony in Lviv in May 2012.

“The Knights of Columbus came into Ukraine at the right time and in the right place,” said Major Archbishop Shevchuk in an August 2018 interview, following the designation of Ukraine as a state council. “We started with the first councils in Lviv and in Kyiv, the capital of Ukraine, right before the Revolution of Dignity started, right before the war knocked on our door. I think because of that very vibrant presence of the Knights of Columbus in our country, we were prepared by divine providence.”

Now, with Russia’s full-scale invasion, Knights are being called to respond even more generously, Archbishop Mokrzycki said.

VATICAN MATTERS

An Easter Lesson: Understanding Thomas

“Peace be with you! The Lord says these words a third time when, eight days later, he appears to the disciples and strengthens the flagging faith of Thomas. Thomas wants to see and touch. The Lord is not offended by Thomas’s disbelief, but comes to his aid: “Put your finger here and see my hands” (v. 27). These are not words of defiance but of mercy. Jesus understands Thomas’s difficulty. He does not treat Thomas with harshness, and the apostle is deeply moved by this kindness. From a disbeliever, he becomes a believer, and makes the simplest and finest confession of faith: “My Lord and my God!” (v. 28). These are beautiful words. We can make them our own and repeat them throughout the day, especially when, like Thomas, we experience doubts and difficulties.

“For the story of Thomas is in fact the story of every believer. There are times of difficulty when life seems to belie faith, moments of crisis when we need to touch and see. Like Thomas, it is precisely in those moments that we rediscover the heart of Christ, the Lord’s mercy. In those situations, Jesus does not approach us in triumph and with overwhelming proofs. He does not perform earth-shattering miracles, but instead offers us heartwarming signs of his mercy. He comforts us in the same way he did in today’s Gospel: he offers us his wounds. We must not forget this fact. In response to our sin, — the ugliest of sins, whether ours or someone else’s — heLord is always present offering us his wounds. Do not forget this. In our ministry as confessors, we must let the people see that in the midst of their sin, the Lord offers his wounds to them. The wounds of the Lord are stronger than sin. Source: Pope Francis I Homily on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 24, 2022.

Mary, Queen of Peace, Pray for us!!!



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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.

*Let there be Peace on Earth
Let it begin with our selves
... our families, our communities,
then the world!*