



# Knights of Columbus

April 2021 Newsletter

ST. PETER'S PARISH COUNCIL 13404 – 533 CLARENCE STREET, LONDON, ONTARIO, N6G 3N1

## Grand Knights Comments



***Christ is risen; Truly, He is risen!  
Happy Easter to you and your whole families.***

With the renewal of our faith through the Resurrection of Our Lord, we are able to take on life anew.

Many of our Knights and their family members became Catholics at the Easter Vigil in years gone past. I am always impressed and humbled in how strong these "new" Catholics have treasured their involvement in the Church. For me, their anniversary of becoming catholic also can

help us celebrate too; since the world can keep trying to tug people away from Christ, but, people still feel drawn to Him and nothing will keep them away from Him.

Those of us who are cradle Catholics can certainly learn a lot from the "new" Catholics. May we all be full of fire and energy for our faith too!

I wanted to highlight a few items to you; that are coming up over the next few months.

**First, our Parish Trivia Night** is taking form. It is open to everyone! You can use a computer or dial a phone number to participate in it. It will be a **LIVE event** to build community. It takes place on **Friday May 7th at 7 pm**. *More information to be given at our General Meeting.*

**Second, Fr. Peter Amszej** has agreed to give a **Spiritual Talk in late May** to our council. We are aiming **for the fourth Thursday of the month at 7pm** via tele-conference.

**Lastly, our Field Agent, John Noonan** would like to hold a **Fraternal Benefits tele-conference**. This will help people learn about the Knights of Columbus and it will give all of us a better feel for being a Knight. Date to be announced, but, perhaps in early June.

**Our General Meeting will be this Thursday, April 8th at 7 pm**. It snuck up on us quite early. Here's how to join the tele-conference:

1. Dial 1-866-931-8417

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2. When prompted, enter the Conference Number: 8020
3. When prompted, enter the PIN: 875985
4. You will then be prompted to record your name and then you'll be connected into the conference.

Thanks brothers, and hope you can join the meeting this Thursday!

*May the Risen Lord richly bless you and your whole family!*

Easter greetings to all my members and your families! As a time of preparation, Lent helped us focus on the sacrifice of Good Friday and the hope of the Resurrection. I hope this season brings you much joy and happiness!

That sense of rebirth that comes with our Easter celebrations also can be noticed in the change in weather. Some daffodils and tulips are poking through the soil, the temperature is creeping upward, and we hope April showers are in store and not that precipitation that has to be shoveled! As I looked around my yard I see much that needs tending to after the winter weather. I've got a few plants to transplant, some clean-up needed around the outside of the house, I see a window that's been cracked...and my "honey do" list is getting longer and longer.

I've found that I'm much more efficient with a list of chores if I write down all that I need to do. Then I go back through my list and rank order them for importance. Sometimes I get to choose the order; sometimes the order is chosen for me. In either event, the best part comes when I get to cross off the chore as being done. Maybe it's the visual of seeing one more item completed...it gives me a sense of accomplishment.

In addition to the outside chores, I have several others that always come at this time of year. I've got windows to wash and other "spring cleaning" in the house. The vehicles could use a good cleaning inside and out and I know there will be some major project to sift through a pile or maybe even a room of things we don't need, don't want, or don't fit anymore.





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In keeping with that list theme, put me on the list; up at the top since it relates to your family's financial security. A virtual meeting over the computer is a way for us to meet safely and efficiently. We can discuss your needs, wants and desires. What's changed? Let's make sure nothing stands in the way of reaching your goals. The Order has provided me with a new needs analysis program (either Profiles Professional or NaviPlan) to help you track where you are, where you want to go and how well you're progressing on your financial journey.

Mine is an item you can cross off your list and really feel good about it.

*Wishing you Easter joy!*

Vivat Jesus!

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## *April Zoom Meetings*

**Thursday: April 08, 2021 General Mtg.**

**Tuesday: April 27, 2021 Executive Mtg.**



*I guess the phrase "there's a 50% chance of precipitation" does that sound more scientific than "it might rain or it might not"*

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Easter Sunday is one day when we take the time to celebrate the central mystery of our faith after having followed Jesus during Holy Week through his suffering and death. However, we celebrate the Resurrection every day because we are baptized Christians. We are followers of Jesus.

So, how can we be Easter people every day – people who believe and act as if the fact Jesus rose from the dead affects us not only at the end of our time on earth but every day?

### **Here are some ways.**

- the ability to forgive those who have hurt us in any way. On the Cross Jesus was forgiving to those who tortured and were killing him and so must we. He forgave those who abandoned him and restored their spirit. Forgiveness is a sure sign of the new life we can live.
- the ability to love, to receive love from others and to give love to others, to trust others with who we are, to listen to them.
- the ability to accept freedom from what binds us up and keeps us from living life to its fullest – our sins, our compulsive behaviour. Jesus came to set us free – to help us turn away – to help us place God first and watch all other things take their proper places. This can free us from all that entraps, wounds and destroys us.
- the ability to live a life of selfless service. When I let go of my ego and self-centeredness and seek the good of others and work for the common good I am as St. Paul reminds us “walking in newness of life.”

Thank you for all you do to serve our parish and community and for your patience during this time of pandemic.

Along with the members of our parish pastoral team and staff, I wish you and your families a Blessed Easter season.



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**From Editor: Larry Barrett, “just sayin”**

*Our lives have certainly changed during the past year. Covid-19 is has been referred to as a war and our enemy. Hopefully, once enough persons have been vaccinated the virus will then be defeated just like polio and scarlet fever. Unfortunately, there still is a shortage of vaccine.*

*There are some persons whom do not wish to be protected. I am personally aware of a family where a senior couple received the vaccine **in spite of their well educated adult children asking them not to do so !!** It is hard to believe their children have sided with the “enemy”.*

*However, regardless whether you are for or against getting vaccinated, **please make sure your actions prevent the pandemic from spreading or it will never end.***

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***For The Good Of The Order***

***Remember in your prayers  
those who are ill and pray  
for the repose of the  
deceased souls***