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Chaplain's Words of Wisdom



CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE...

Well here we are and Christmas is just around the corner. Everyone is out and about shopping, getting their Christmas trees, looking for a buy on turkeys and the trimmings... but how many are preparing themselves spiritually for this wonderful feast. One of my favorite Christmas Carols was sung by Andy Williams years ago and these are the words: *"1. Some children see Him lily white, the baby Jesus born this night. Some children see Him lily white, with trusses soft and fare. 2. Some children see Him bronzed and brown, the Lord from heaven to earth come down. Some children see Him bronzed and brown, with hard and heavy hair. 3. Some children see Him almond eyed, the Saviour whom we kneel beside. Some children see Him almond eyed, with skin of yellow hue.*

4. Some children see Him dark as they, sweet Mary's Son

to whom we pray, some children see him dark as they, and oh they love Him too. 5. The children in each different place, will see the baby Jesus face, like theirs, but bright, with heavenly grace. 6. O lay aside each earthly thing, and with your heart as offering, come worship now the infant King, 'Tis love that's born this night. The children in each different place, will see the baby Jesus face, like theirs and fill with holy light." In this simple song like a beauty and understanding of the Christmas miracle. It reminds us that Christ came to all and loves all peoples. His love and grace have no boundaries and in all encompassing. Take time out of your busy schedules to read the Christmas story in Luke's Gospel. Sit and listen to the beautiful carols of the season. Look around and see the many blessings of your life, and this Christmas offer Christ the gift of your heart. Gaze upon the innocence of a beautiful child born in a many – a refugee, not registered with the government, middle eastern, a Palestinian Jew – yet He changed the course of humanity. Christ came to show us another way of life, and another way of thinking – He reminded us of who we are "children of God" and as such Christ is our "brother." Oh what a wonderful gift, to be sons and daughters of God! May this Christmas bring all of you joy, love and peace, and may the blessing of God be upon you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now, always and forever!

CHRIST IS BORN! GLORIFY HIM!

KHRISTOS NARODIVSYA! SLAVIM YOHO!

Grand Knight's Message



Dear Brother Knights:

Merry Christmas on behalf of the Council Executive and me. May the peace and blessings of Christmas be yours; and may the coming year be filled with happiness. I would like to thank each and every one of our Brother Knights and families that helped and made possible the various functions that our Council sponsored during the year. These allow us to continue in making donations to our Churches and other Charitable causes especially the Ukrainian Humanitarian situation. Please note that our next General Meeting will be replaced by a Christmas Mass and celebration in the hall afterwards on Tuesday, December 12, 2023 starting at 6:00pm. The next Trident Charities Bingo will be held on December 16, 2023 at the Princess Bingo Hall on Fennell Ave. The next Perogie and Sausage Dinner event will start up again in February 2024.

I wish to extend Birthday as well as Wedding Anniversary greetings to Brothers celebrating this month. Mnohya Lita! May God grant you many years.

Please keep the following Brother Knights in your prayers as they recover from their illnesses: Br Bohdan Matwijiw, Br Bob Moskel, Br Boris Dosanowsky and Br Joe Szpak.

The following Brother Knights passed away during the month of December in past years: +Br Michael Bojeczko; +Br Larry Dawson; +Rev Fr Victor Soroka; +Br Bill Ilkew and +Br Andre Nebesny. Let's keep them in our prayers. Vichna Pamyat! Let Them Rest In Peace!

Fraternally Yours,

Don Krochak – Grand Knight

For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named. Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onwards and for evermore.

Isaiah 9:6-7

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Monthly Smile

A little girl went with her aunt to see the Christmas parade. One float presented a religious scene the three Wisemen, Mary and Joseph and the baby Jesus in the hay. "Isn't Jesus ever going to grow up?" asked the little girl. "He's the same size he was last year."

The pastor said to the organist: "When I get through with my sermon, I intend to ask those of the congregation who want to contribute to the building fund to stand up. in the meantime , I want you to play some appropriate music." "What do you mean by appropriate music?" asked the organist. "Play 'O Canada'!" replied the pastor.

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NOTABLE DATES

December 08	Friday	Feast of the Immaculate Conception
December 12	Tuesday	Council Meeting Christmas Party Starting with Mass @6pm St. Nicholas Church & Hall
December 16	Saturday	Bingo Princess Bingo 9am
December 21	Thursday	Winter Solstice
December 24	Sunday	Christmas Eve
December 25	Monday	Christmas Day
December 26	Tuesday	Boxing Day
December 31	Sunday	New Years Eve
January 01	Monday	New Years Day
January 06	Saturday	Feast of the Epiphany

Happy Birthday to the Following Members

December 02	BOB TYMCZYSZYN
December 08	MORRIS M ZADVORNY
December 13	DANIEL HEWKO
December 24	DEMETRUS ROMANKO
December 28	JOHN W MARSHALL

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