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Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you. Mathew 5:11

the Beatitudes

Chaplain's Words of Wisdom

Father Anton's words of wisdom: Time seems to be going by so quickly these days; we've



ended the Christmas season today with the feast of the Presentation of our Lord in the temple, and we are already into the third week of our pre-Lenten readings. The calling of Zacchaeus reminds us that if we truly accept the invitation of Christ, our eyes can be opened, our hearts softened and our lives transformed. We will practice righteousness instead of self-righteousness, and no longer compare ourselves to others or think ourselves better or more superior than another. The Gospel story of the Publican and the Pharisee teaches us about true humility and the true spirit of prayer. We don't pray to God because He needs us, but rather because we need Him! True prayer

always begins in an attitude of humility and faith. We acknowledge before God our limitations and weaknesses and He gives us in return blessings and forgiveness – in this way we have a genuine relationship, no pretending to be something we are not. The third Sunday presents us with the story of the Prodigal Son, someone with whom we can all relate. The most important part of this story for us to meditate on is when the Son is ready to come home – off he comes in the distance, practising a script he had prepared hoping his pleading would restore him to his father – but the father sees him in the distance and doesn't wait for him to come before him and grovel at his feet, rather he goes to meet him and seeing his sorrow and confusion embraces him and welcomes him home. That is how it is for you and me. God simply seeks the contrite heart, he doesn't expect us to BEG for forgiveness, but rejoiced when we are able to be honest with ourselves and the life we are living – our darkness turning to light once more – we feel our loving Father's embrace. The last two readings are about fasting, Cheesefare, and Meatfare. We are told in what spirit we are to fast and sacrifice. We are not to go around bragging, nor are we to criticize someone who is not fasting. Remember, with God everything is about invitation. We are free to accept the invitation or reject it but are not free of its consequences. I often wonder what kind of sacrifice it is in our modern day to fast from meat... lobster, crab legs, shrimp, scallops... not really a sacrifice to my mind. The idea is self discipline...we can go to Mass, fast on Fridays and during Lent and be the worst example of a Christian possible... gossip, lying to get ahead, putting others down etc. Obviously, these actions negate and of the good fasting is to bring about. The true Christian, accepting God's invitation does everything with joy, does not puff themselves up, is kind to others, non-judgemental and has a healthy relationship with God because they interact with Him daily through prayer. As Lent approaches my prayer for you is that you journey deep into your inner desert and spend time daily with Christ. Lay bare everything that sits heavy on your heart, share your fears, your doubt and disappoints, but also share your joy, your trials and triumphs...you'll be surprised how this will change your perspective of life, faith and Church – the Jesus experience can never be taken away – it is something that is yours to treasure always. God Bless! Fr. Anton

Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

As you well know this month we celebrate St. Valentine's Day on February 14, 2023. Happy Valentine's Day to the Brother Knights and their families. Be kind to your loved ones and offer prayers for families and friends far and near. Another important day this month is Family Day which is celebrated on Monday, February 20, 2023.

Our next General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 14, 2023 starting at 7:00pm in the Knights room at St Nicholas Church on Melvin Avenue.

We had a good turnout for our January 26th Perogie and Sausage Dinner event at the Resurrection Church. This was the next day after the snow storm so we are thankful to everyone that attended and a big thank you to all the individuals that helped make it possible.

The next Perogie and Sausage Dinner will be held on February 23, 2023. Hopefully the weather will be such that we have a good turnout again.

The next Trident Charities Bingo at Princess Bingo Hall on Fennel Avenue will be on Saturday, February 11, 2023 at 9:30 am. Please come out and support this fund raiser.

I extend Birthday greetings to the following brothers who are observing their birthdays in February: Steve Dushko; John Kohut; Raphael Rozo and Maurice Storozinski. Happy Wedding Anniversaries to the brothers and their wives celebrating this month as well. Mnohya Lita! May God grant them many years.

Please remember to offer prayers for our Brother Knights, their families, Priests and Sister Servants of Mary Immaculate who are ill or in recovery. May God bless them and restore them to good health. Please keep Ukraine, its people and Military in your prayers. Pray for their safety and strength during the war forced upon them.

Thank you for your continued support. Stay safe and stay healthy!

Fraternally Yours,

Don Krochak – Grand Knight

News Updates and Events



Grand Knight of KofC council #7464 Don Krochak (middle left) & Advocate Ernie Bablak (middle right) present donation cheques to the Holy Protection Church and Tyrsa Dance Group both of Burlington

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UKRAINE HUMANITARIAN RELIEF FUNDRAISER

*Perogie & Sausage
Dinner
Take Out Only
Thursday, February 23rd, 2023*

Menu: Eight (8) Perogie, 1 Link Sausage,
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When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him and he taught them, saying:

'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.'

'Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.'

'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.'

'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.'

'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.'

'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.'

'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.'

'Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.'

'Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.'

Matthew 5:1-12





Little Becky told her mother one day she was going to marry Billy, one of her classmates in the second grade. Mother was pleased but wishing to get across some of the facts of life she asked: "does he have a job?" "Yes, he does, " proudly proclaimed Betty, "he erases the blackboard after school."

A small boy in kindergarten was assigned by his teacher to make a Christmas drawing of the three Wise Men, riding their camels across the desert. When the drawing was finished, the youngster took it to the teacher for her approval. She studied it, then pointed to an item - a square box with a couple of wires sticking out of it. "what's that?" she asked. "Oh, that," said the boy. "That's the portable TV, I don't want them to miss 'Gunsmoke'"

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NOTABLE DATES

February 02	Thursday	Groundhog Day
February 11	Saturday	Bingo: Princess Bingo 9:30 am
February 14	Tuesday	Council meeting St. Nicholas meeting room 7pm
February 14	Tuesday	♥ Valentine's Day ♥
February 18	Saturday	Bishop Crosby Dinner Dance Carmen's Banquet Center 6pm
February 20	Monday	Family Day
February 22	Wednesday	Ash Wednesday
February 23	Thursday	Sausage & Perogie Sale Church of the Resurrection Hall 3-6pm Take out only
February 26	Sunday	First Sunday of Lent

Happy Birthday to the Following Members

February 05	MAURICE S. STOROZINSKI
February 15	RAPHAEL ROZO
February 17	STEVE DUSKO
February 19	JOHN KOHUT

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