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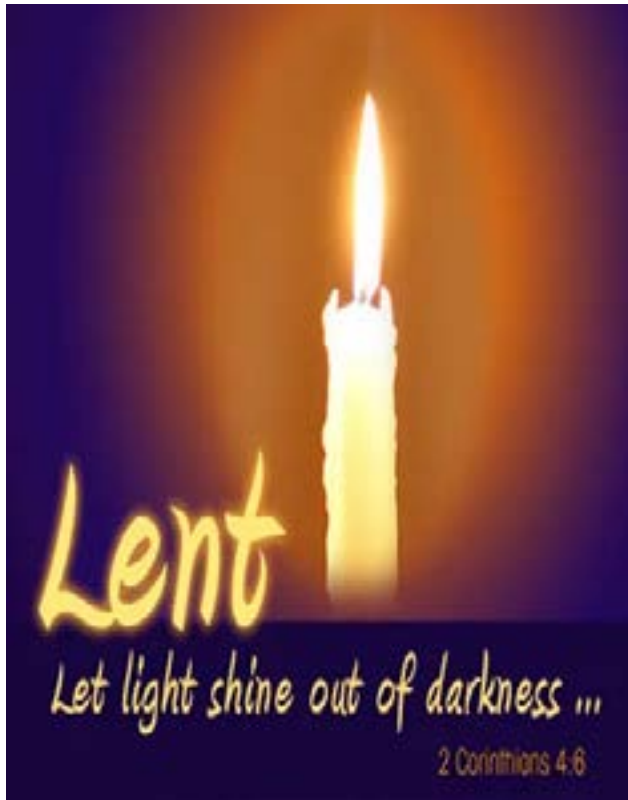
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Chaplain's Words of Wisdom

FATHER ANTON'S WORDS OF WISDOM:



Well, we are just over half our Lenten journey. If your journey is an honest one, you must be a little exhausted. Coming face to face with the realities of our life situation isn't always the most pleasant experience, nor is it the easiest of tasks. But Palm Sunday is coming...a ray of hope in our journey. There's joy amid our confusion, and there is a sense of something great that is yet to happen. Our journey to Easter will not be fulfilling or complete until we have traveled with Christ on the road of His passion. It is impossible for us to appreciate or even to understand the concept of resurrection without the experience of suffering and death. I'm not speaking of physical pain and death here, but rather about our emotional and spiritual wellbeing. Make an extra effort in these coming days to find your quiet place so as to prepare to share in Christ's Passion. Sit again in silence; breathe slowly and deeply. Be conscious of what is happening. Feel and listen to your heart-beat...be aware of each breath. Breathe in God's love and exhale your fears and anything that prevents you from listening to the voice of Christ. Be quiet now, and be still, For Christ is speaking to you: **"Dear Friend, how wonderful that you have remained faithful on our journey together. The time will soon be here to make your resolve to change those things you have discovered about yourself that prevent you from experiencing my loving**

presence every moment of your life. Often these changes will involve pain and a willingness to die to yourself, so that you can experience a new life...so that you can understand the concept of resurrection! Not just the resurrection of the physical, but more importantly of the spiritual. What is physical death but the cessation of life of the body? But spiritual death means that you no longer possess the essence of life...the breath my Father breathed into you at the time He created you in the womb. The breath of the Holy Spirit you received at the time of your Baptism and Confirmation. The divine life that you are gifted with each time you chose to partake of Holy Communion. Indeed, nothing is more tragic than spiritual death, since while you are still alive physically, spiritually you are starving and are no longer aware. You don't feel my love because you have chosen not to love. You don't share my life because you are not aware of my life in you. Your divinity has faded because of your choice to stay away and to try to do it on your own. Don't fear though; for I am with you. Call my name and I will be there to help lift you up from this great abyss to a new awareness of life. Travel with me just a bit longer. Be faithful and endure. There is a reward awaiting you that you cannot even imagine; it is incomprehensible to the mind but can only be experienced by the soul and heart. Through the sometimes-dark paths of this journey you will see light. That light is me calling you to come....to let go of yourself. I want you to "Lose yourself in me, so that you can find yourself." If you are willing to do this you will find and experience new life, and you will live in my love. Come then, let's not give up yet...come with me and together we will complete our journey."

Let us pray: "Dear Jesus, you promise that together we can conquer anything. This Lenten journey has been long. I am exhausted. I have discovered so many things about myself and my life that have prevented me from experiencing or sharing your love. I want to be faithful to the end of our journey, but I'm not sure I have the strength to do it. Be with me Jesus and hold me up when I am weak. Wipe the tears from my eyes when I think that my life and actions are beyond redemption. Assure me that your love is greater than anything, so that dying to my old ways and my old self, and sharing in a real way your Passion, I may come to understand and experience Resurrection as a new creation. Amen."

Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights:

Easter for the year 2024 will be celebrated on Sunday, March 31st. Христос Воскрес !

The Hamilton Trident Charities will be holding our monthly bingo on Saturday, **March 9, 2024** at the Princess Bingo Hall on Fennell Avenue. Bingo starts at 9:30 am., please support our fund raiser.

Our next General Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at 7:00 pm** in the Knights Room at St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church on Melvin Avenue.

Please remember our next Perogie Dinner will be held on **Thursday, March 28, 2023**. If you would like to pre-order your Perogie dinner call Mary Anne at 905-385-9462 or you could also send your request to hamiltonperogie@gmail.com.

I wish to extend Birthday greetings to Brothers celebrating this month: Br Zenon Holadyk; Fr Victor Nazartchyk; Br Jerry Pekaruk and Br Stan Sulymka. Mnohya Lita! May God grant you many years. Happy Wedding Anniversary greetings to Br Bohdan and wife Nadiya celebrating this month. Mnohya Lita Br Bohdan and Nadiya!

If you know of any of our Brothers or members of their families that are ill and in need of our prayers, please pray for their recovery. May God bless them for a quick recovery. Please keep Ukraine in your prayers especially their military, may God grant a quick victory to Ukraine.

The following Brother Knights passed away during the month of March in past years. Let's keep them in our memory and our prayers as well. +Rev Fr Emil Iskat; +Br Steve Verestiuk; +Br Mike William Shugan; +Br John Wasilishen and +Br Ron Swiston. Vichna Pamyat!

Thanking you for your continued support.

Fraternaly Yours,

Don Krochak - Grand Knight



After this he went out and saw a tax collector named Levi, sitting at the tax booth; and said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up, left everything, and followed Him. Then Levi gave a great banquet for Him in his house; and there was a large crowd of tax-collectors and others sitting at the table with them. The Pharisees and their scribes were complaining to His disciples, saying, 'Why do you eat and drink with tax-collectors and sinners?' Jesus answered, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick; I have come to call not the righteous but sinners to repentance.' Then they said to Him, 'John's disciples, like the disciples of the Pharisees frequently fast and pray, but your disciples eat and drink.' Jesus said to them, 'You can not make wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them, can you? The days will come when the bridegroom will be taken away from them, and then they will fast in those days.' He also told them a parable: 'No one tears a piece from a new garment and sews it on an old garment; otherwise the new will become torn, and the piece from the new will not match the old. And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; otherwise the new wine will burst the skins and will be spilled, and the skins will be destroyed. But new wine must be put into fresh wineskins. And no one after drinking old wine desires new wine, but says, "The old is good."'

Luke 5:27-39

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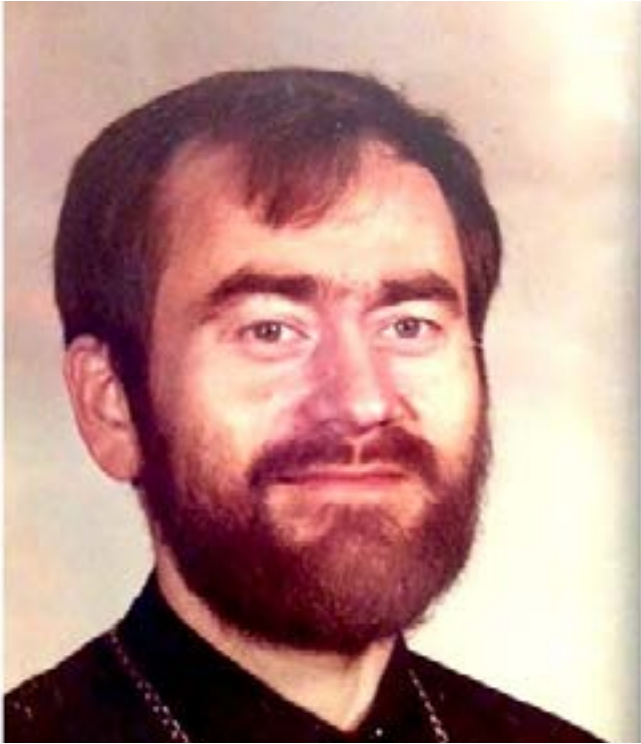
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News Updates and Events



Let's take a moment on March 15th to remember the anniversary of the passing of our dear brother and Charter Chaplain Fr. Emil Iskat.

Fr. Iskat also helped name our council #7464 to The Father Markian Shashkevch council. He has been dearly missed, so please remember him in your prayers.



On Saturday February 18, 2023; the 38th annual Bishop's Charity Dinner Dance held at Carmen's Banquet Centre. This event was organized and managed by The Knights of Columbus, (Districts: 8, 60, 83, 100, and 109), in order to raise funds for His Excellency, Most Reverend Bishop Douglas Crosby's, OMI, charities of His choosings. Members of our council #7464 with their friends and spouses were in attendance.

Knights of Columbus Ontario State Deputy Bruce S. Poulin and his wife Zoye were in attendance plus the Ontario State Board members. State Deputy Bruce Poulin presented a cheque of \$2000.00 to Bishop Crosby for his charities.

Enjoy the pictures of some of those who were in attendance.

pictures through thr courtesy of Ani Eunice Kaluzny



**Ontario State Deputy
Bruce S. Poulin & wife Zoye**



**State Warden Earle DePass & wife Francine
State Treasurer Joseph Bodnar**



**Council #7464 Warden
Dan Kaluzny & wife Ani Eunice**



**Membership Director Paul Perry
Past State Deputy Nat Gallo & wife**



**Guest
Mary Ann Krochak wife of Council #7464's Grand Knight
Don Krochak
Council #7464 Outside Guard Steve Dushko & wife Carol**



Council #7464 Advocate Ernie Bablak's table



In other news Zirka an Ukrainian band which includes council #7464's Deputy Grand Knight, Morris Hucal and his brother council #7464's Trustee John Hucal have been invited to perform in Australia's Hopakin the Park Festival April 6th.

ZIRKA - With deep Canadian-Ukrainian roots and a passion for traditional Ukrainian music, the **ZIRKA** band from the Greater Toronto area, continually strives to create a distinctive lively zabava sound that pleases listeners of all ages. **ZIRKA** loves to entertain and create a true **ZABAVA** party atmosphere! The band looks forward to bringing that special "energy" to the 2024 **HOPAK IN THE PARK FESTIVAL** and **ZABAVA!!!**

In 2021, **ZIRKA** recorded a new CD- "This is Us"! In 2022, **ZIRKA** released 5 new videos. The members of **ZIRKA** are: Morris Hucal (lead vocals, accordion), John Hucal (trumpet, vocals), Katherine Hucal (saxophones, vocals), Karen Aniol (violin, vocals), Bill Hawryschuk (drums) and Yurko Mychaluk (guitar, vocals). **ZIRKA** will feature Bobby Yakoweshen (drums and vocals) and Ryan Pugh (guitar and vocals) for the festival and zabava performances.

ALL PROCEEDS WILL SUPPORT



Future Ukraine



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presenting

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LOCAL **COMEDIANS** WITH A UKRAINIAN FLAVOUR

HOPAK IN THE PARK - 36 LAKESIDE DRIVE, ALBERT PARK
(Ticketed parking available along Lakeside Drive)
SATURDAY 6TH APRIL 2024 | 12PM - 4:30PM
TICKETS : <https://www.trybooking.com/1155733>



Festivities will continue at the evening **ZABAVA** - UKRAINIAN HALL
3-11 RUSSELL STREET, ESSENDON | 8:00PM TILL LATE
INCLUDES LIGHT SUPPER (ANTIPASTI)
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KofC Council 7464 & Ukr Church
of Resurrection Ladies holding
Perogie & Sausage Dinner Take
Out Only



Thursday, March 28, 2024

Menu:

Eight (8) Perogies, 1 Link Sausage, Cooked Sauerkraut & Fried Onions
for \$15.00 Cash Only

Pick Up at:

**Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Resurrection, 821 Upper
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or call Mary-Anne 905-385-9462

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2nd Notice – Ontario State Bursary

March 1, 2024

Worthy Grand Knight,

As graduating high school students prepare applications for universities and colleges many of them will also be looking for some financial aid to help pay for their further education. They will approach their guidance office for a list of organizations that offer bursaries and scholarships. Many councils offer their own bursary to a graduating student, but I also encourage you to advertise the State Bursary program too.

The Ontario State Board offers five bursaries valued at \$1,000.00 each to students of our members entering a full-time course at an accredited Ontario university or college. The deadline for applications is June 1st so please mention the State Bursary program over these next three months to your members at the membership meeting, in your parish bulletin announcements and your council email correspondence.

Full details are found on the application. Applications can be downloaded here:
<https://ontariokofc.ca/programs/faith-in-action/community/bursary/>

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph Bodnar".

Joseph Bodnar
State Treasurer



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A friend of mine has read all the books on how to deal with children. He thinks. He's quite good at it. One of his techniques, borrowed from the experts, is the loaded question - one to which there is no negative answer, for example, he'd ask, "What do you want to do first, pick up your toys or hang up your clothes?" But the five-year old soon showed how well he learned the trick. One day in the toy store, he halted before a display, looked up and demanded of his daddy, "Which one are you going to get me first, the scooter or the wagon?"

One day, out of a clear, blue sky, Billy asked his mother: "Mom, what do people say when they get married?" Mother answered: "They promise to love and be kind to each other." Billy thought a moment and exclaimed: "You're not always married, are you Mom?"

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NOTABLE DATES

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| March 09 | <i>Saturday</i> | Bingo Princess Bingo Hall 9:30am |
| March 10 | <i>Sunday</i> | Daylight Saving Begins |
| March 12 | <i>Tuesday</i> | #7464 Council meeting St. Nicholas Church 7:00pm |
| March 19 | <i>Tuesday</i> | Spring Equinox Perogie and Sausage Dinner Church of Resurrection Hall 3pm-6pm Take-Out only |
| March 28 | <i>Thursday</i> | |
| March 29 | <i>Friday</i> | Good Friday |
| March 31 | <i>Sunday</i> | Easter Sunday |

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Happy Birthday to the Following Members

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| March 02 | ZENON HOLADYK |
| March 03 | JERRY PEKARUK |
| March 20 | FR.VICTOR P. NAZARTCHYK |
| March 20 | STAN SULYMKA |

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