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Saint Margaret Mary
Knights of Columbus
Council 9553
Charity Unity Fraternity

**Executive Meetings: Every First Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Hearth Room.
General Meetings: Every Third Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Hearth Room.**

April / May 2011

Chaplain Report

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Dear Brother Knights

Greetings from your Chaplain. As this newsletter goes to print, Spring is officially just around the corner. We spring ahead one hour to daylight savings time and welcome longer days. Bishop Crosby is settling in and feeling more at home as our 9th Bishop of Hamilton.

We begin the holy season of Lent with its 40 days of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, leading to Holy Week and the Holy days of the Sacred Triduum and Easter itself. We need these days of Lent to replenish our spiritual lives and follow in the steps of Jesus Christ. Lent is a special time, a powerful time of grace, maturity, responsibility and holiness.

Turn away from sin and be faithful to the gospel we hear as the ashes are placed on our foreheads on Ash Wednesday. We move toward Easter and Jesus' victory over Satan, sin and death. The Church's heart and soul is found in Easter; at Easter the Church proclaims the gospels of the passion and Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead. Our journey through Lent makes us stronger believers in the Lord Jesus; and better members of the Knights of Columbus. Our faith in Christ is strengthened and deepened; we are better followers of the Lord. Brother Knight may you have a blessed and lively Lent this year and a glorious Easter celebration. Will the Lord bless you!

Father Mike Downey

UPCOMING EVENTS

19 - General Meeting
Nominatiton of Officers
22 - Good Friday Parking
Help needed

**24 - Easter Sunday
Parking Help needed
MAY**

3rd - Executive Meeting
8th - Rose Sunday

17th - General Meeting
Guest Speaker - Pat
Akers - Breakfast Club
Holy Name of Jesus
Elections of Officers
JUNE

7th - Executive Meeting
21st- General Meeting
Year end social
?? - School Awards

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Community

• Thanks to Brs. Mario Salvatore, Bob Chwalyk, Red McDonald and Don Benassi for moving the furniture from the Rectory while the rugs were replaced.

• A \$100 cheque for the **District Basketball Free Throw** was given to District Deputy Mario Salvatore. Mar.21st DD Mario Salvatore, Br. Fel Marpa and GK Jim Hannam delivered a certificate from the district and plaque for the regional basketball free throw.

• A plaque and Medal for **Alcohol and Drug Abuse poster contest** was given to Patricia Gonzales and Emma Tillotson.

• Thanks to Brs. Mike Cusick, Don Benassi, Bruce Coughlan and Eric Folber for setting up the school gym for the **pancake breakfast**. Thank you to Br. Paul Simpson and his team for preparing the meal, and Br. Cipriano Mendosa for providing the music. Thanks to all the Knights that volunteered their time and sell 50/50 draw tickets and Joe Pracsovics for his assistance for this event. Congrats to Father Mike Downey for winning the 50/50 draw.

• **50/50 Draw at the Hamilton Bulldogs** game on March 12th made approx. \$900.00 with the proceeds going to Camp Marydale and McMaster Children Hospital. Thanks to our Brs. Mario Salvatore, Bob Chwalyk and Don Stacey who helped out.

• **Special Olympics Bowling Tournament** was held on Apr. 2nd. Thanks to Br. Peter Gauthier, Don Stacey, DD Mario Salvatore & GK Jim Hannam. Br. Paul Stacey participated in the Tournament.

• Thank you to the Knight's who participated on the Friday April 1st **Stations of the Cross**.

• **Rose Sunday** is on May 8th. Funds this year will be going to the Women's Shelter. Br. Garry Thomas is Chairman.

Our Brothers in need

• Br. Dr. Harry Andry sent Sympathy cards and Mass cards for Brother-in-law of Jose De Leon and Father of Joe Baiardo. Get Well Cards were sent to Br. Paul Stacey and Br. Mario Salvatore.

• Br. John Sexton has entered the Dr. Robert Kemp Hospice. Br. Bob Chwalyk & GK Jim Hannam delivered a Get Well Card, Plant and Communion to John. He's in good spirits.

Note : Br. John Sexton passed away April 15th. Funeral Mass April 19th.

• Br. Deris Giavedoni had surgery, a fruit basket & get well card was given to him

**UPCOMING GUEST
SPEAKER**

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**May - Pat Akers**  
**Breakfast Club**  
**Holy Name of Jesus**

**Upcoming Motion for  
April 19th General  
Meeting**

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Motion # 1
\$100.00 toward a bus
to Youth Conference in
Ohio.

Motion - Garry Thomas
Second - Red Mac Donald

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**Motion # 2**  
**\$80.00 to sponsor a**  
**child to go to Camp**  
**Marydale.**

Motion - Mike Cusick  
Second - Garry Thomas

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Motion # 3
\$200.00 to purchase
a pressure washer for
the church.

Motion - Garry Thomas
Second - Dr. Harry Andry

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**Car Raffle Update**

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Please return sold
and unsold tickets to
Chairman Don Benassi

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**Tickets sales proceeds**  
**to date approx. \$4000.**

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**Supporting your**  
**Council to helps us**  
**to help others.**

**For the Good of the Order**

• Thanks to Br. Bob Chwalyk for setting up the recruitment table during the pancake breakfast. Thank you to Br. Chris Cupido and Br. Don Goulet speaking from the pulpit encouraging recruitment to the Knights.

• Br. Bob Chwalyk and Br. Don Benassi helped with mounting Council 9553 plaques and pictures in the Fr. Kennedy Room. Br. Fabian Almeyda was asked to engrave the names and years of service for the past grand knights.

• Congratulations to our new Third Degree Members Fr. Mike Downey, Sean Stach, Angelo Cosco & Greg Watson.

• Nomination of Executive Officers for 2011 – 2012 will be on April 19th, 2011. Please consider taking on a position. Get involved with your Council.

• Candidates have been selected to attend the May 22nd Knights of Columbus Convention.

**Correspondence**

• Received an appreciation card from Br. Joe Baiardo and his wife Marie.

• Request for donation – Canadian Diabetes Association

• Youth Conference – Donation Request toward the cost of a Bus to Ohio- Contact Person Doris Lopresti

• Council 8380 St. Anthony offered a mass on March 25th in honour of our area Police, Firefighter and EMS Workers.



**CONGRATULATION THIRD DEGREE BROTHERS**  
Sean Stach, Angelo Cosco, Greg Watson, Fr. Mike Downey with  
Worthy District Deputy Mario Salvatore & Grand Knight Jim Hannam



### Catholic Humour

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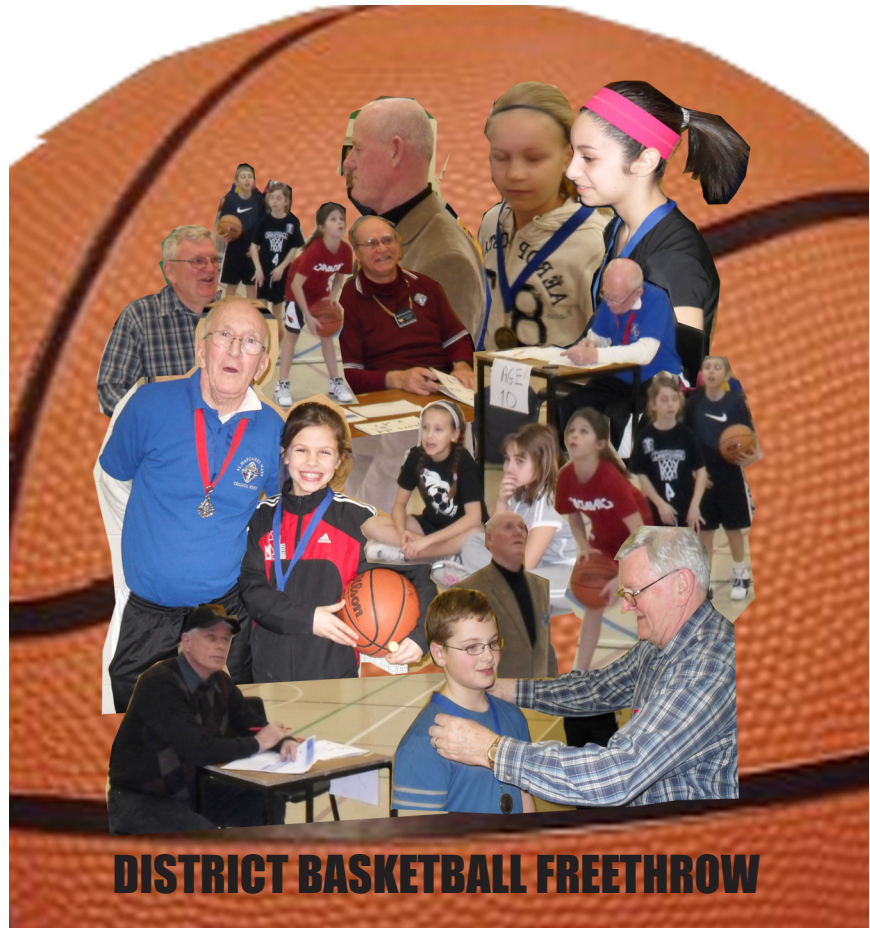
Donation

Father Mike answers the phone. 'Hello, is this Father Mike?'
 'It is!'
 'This is the Revenue Canada. Can you help us?'
 'I can!'
 'Do you know a George Robinson?'
 'I do!'
 'Is he a member of your congregation?'
 'He is!'
 'Did he donate Donation \$10,000 to the church?'
 'He will.'

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#### Catholic Dog

Paul Stacey lived alone in the Irish countryside with only a pet dog for company.. One day the dog died, and Paul went to the parish priest and asked, 'Father, my dog is dead... Could ya' be saying' a mass for the poor creature?'  
 Father Bill replied, 'I'm afraid not; we cannot have services for an animal in the church.... But there are some Baptists down the lane, and there's no tellin' what they believe. Maybe they'll do something for the creature.'  
 Paul said, 'I'll go right away Father. Do ya' think \$5,000 is enough to donate to them for the service?'  
 Father Bill exclaimed, 'Sweet Mary, Mother of Jesus! Why didn't ya tell me the dog was Catholic?'



**DISTRICT BASKETBALL FREETHROW**



**Pancake Breakfast March 6th**