



THE GUARDIAN

St. John Vianney Council #9528
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From the desk of the Chaplain

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The Holy Season of Lent begins with the celebration of Ash Wednesday on February 11th. There are a number of Masses that day when the faithful are invited to begin their Lenten journey with the imposition of ashes on their foreheads and the reminder blessing that we are to turn away from sin and be faithful to the Good News. There are Masses

15 AM at Our Lady of the Atonement

12:00 PM St. John Vianney

1:00 PM Our Lady of the Atonement

2:00 PM St. John Vianney

3:00 PM Our Lady of the Atonement.

Picture

My knee surgery will be on February 5th. While I am recovering our Family of parishers will be blessed to have, Father Bob Champagne and Father Gary Goyeau to help Father Rob with the weekend Masses.

Blues

Jokes Father Jim

HOLY WEEK

Sunday

Triumphal entry into Jerusalem

Monday

Jesus clears the temple

Tuesday

Jesus goes to the Mount of Olives

Wednesday

Day of rest in Bethany

Thursday

Passover and the Last Supper

Good Friday

Trial, Crucifixion, Death and burial of Christ

Saturday

Lay in the tomb

Sunday

Resurrection



Grand Knight Brother John Gomez

Dear Brother Knights,

I hope that everyone had a great Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We've got several days events coming up soon including our Blues Buster in March and our bottle drive for Special Olympics. Our State Deputy will also be visiting us in June and is supposed to be attending the bowling tournament that we had the privilege of hosting last year and again this year. I hope you will consider joining a team and coming out to cheer us on.

We're also going to be holding our council elections here in the coming months. If you have interest in running for a position please let one of the members on the Executive Team know.

Let's have a great rest of the Fraternal Year and I'm looking forward to continuing to serve you. May God continue to shed his grace on you.

Vivat Jesus,
John Gomez



OUR EXECUTIVE

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	Brother Jules Santarosa(Lynn)	
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Recorder	Brother Jonathan Gordon (Kim)	
Warden	Brother Lou Lafontaine (Pat)	
Trustee (1 year)	Brother Del Rodelio	
Trustee (2 year)	Brother Kurt Scammel	
Trustee (3 year)	Brother Art Deburg	
		Guard
	Brother Steve Maika (Linda)	Guard
	Brother Greg Roy	
Lecturer	Brother Sandro Silvaggi (Pam)	



Chancellor Brother Richard Joanis

Greetings Brothers

A friend of mine (yes I have friends) asked me what Lent is all about. I explained as best I can than I found the following on the internet and sent it to him. I also thought I would share it with my fellow brothers. Lent is a time for believers to spiritually prepare for the celebration of Easter, which commemorates the [resurrection of Jesus Christ](#). During Lent, Christians often engage in practices such as fasting, prayer, and almsgiving as a way to deepen their connection with God and to reflect on the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. Many Christians use this time for introspection, repentance, and personal growth. The Lenten season serves as a period of spiritual purification, allowing believers to renew their faith and draw closer to the core tenets of Christianity. The observance begins on [Ash Wednesday](#) and concludes on [Holy Saturday](#), leading up to the joyous celebration of [Easter Sunday](#).

Now for our activities that is ahead for our council. The big one is our Winter Blues Buster which is on March 23rd at the Fogolar Furan Club on North Service Road. Tickets are \$60 per person which includes a buffet dinner and coffee and tea, along with great entertainment provided by Soulshakers. If you would like tickets contact Lou Lafontain at 519-948-2599, or come to our meetings, which are held the second Thursday of the month at St. John Vianney Church at 7:00.

In May we are having our elections. I encourage all to consider running for a position. Also for all to come and vote for your new executive.

Debbie and I would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter

Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood

Lord Jesus Christ, Shepherd of souls, who called the apostles to be fishers of men, raise up new apostles in your holy Church. Teach them that to serve you is to reign: to possess you is to possess all things. Kindle in the hearts of our people the fire of zeal for souls. Make them eager to spread your Kingdom upon earth. Grant them courage to follow you, who are the Way, the Truth, and the Life; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

.ONLINE MEMBERSHIP

The Knights of Columbus offers membership to practical Catholic men age 18 and older. The Knights of Columbus is a Family orientated organization, striving to Unite, and Strengthen family bonds through Faith and Fun.

Candidates who join through the E Membership program will belong to the Ontario State Council.

E Members are invited to transfer to a Local Council where at that time they will take part in Welcoming Ceremonies which will further explain our Four principles of the order: Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

E Members will have access to an online portal designed specifically for them with info on events in Ontario, online spiritual activities, and an online monthly newsletter. E Members can also if they so choose, attend local meetings. As an E Member you, your wife and children can volunteer your time to a local Council to help with their programs. Councils hold various types of activities revolving around six categories: Church, Community, Family, Youth, Pro Life, and Council. You are always welcome to attend and if you so wish, help out without being a member of the local Council. It is an opportunity to see the benefits of joining the local Council and getting to know the Brothers of the Council.

After signing up online you are considered a Brother Knight. With your entrance into the order you will receive access to all the benefits given to you by joining.

Each month you will receive:

- Our Columbia magazine detailing the charitable work being done throughout the Knights of Columbus.
- You will receive a Welcome package from our Supreme Knight and a Knights of Columbus Rosary blessed by our Supreme Chaplain Bishop William E Lori.
- You will receive no cost accidental life insurance, and Family Fraternal and Orphan Benefits.
- Access to our Scholarship program for members, spouses, and children.
- Access to one of the strongest and top-rated insurance companies in the world. Which has won numerous awards for most ethical company.
- Plus, many more benefits just for joining.

(for more details visit <http://www.kofc.org/en/join/benefits.html>)



Columbian Award Programs
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Ministry Fair

BASKETBALL FREE THROW



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

ST. JOHN VIANNEY COUNCIL 9528

WINTER BLUES BUSTER

A BAND WITH NO MOVIE EVENT FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY MARCH 23RD

DOORS OPEN 6:00PM

DINNER AT 7:00PM

FOGOLAR FURLAN CLUB (1800 North Service Road)

BUFFET DINNER \$60.00 per person (coffee & tea included)

The★Soul Shakers



So today, in church,
a guy in a dress tried to drown me

During Lent, a devout parishioner
wanders through heavy rain
through hamburger huts and
steak places into Mount Angel's

Jesus and the Devil have a competition.

The Devil had had enough of Jesus being in the spotlight for so long. He challenged Jesus to compose the longest tale on Microsoft Word and win. Jesus agrees, and they begin.

After hours and hours of feverish typing, the power goes out. The Devil is enraged, but Jesus remains calm. As soon as the power is restored, he restarts his computer and loses all of his work, only to see Jesus calmly typing from where he left off.

Lucifer is furious, accusing Jesus of being a liar, before God intervenes and declares Jesus the victor.

What is the moral of the story?
Jesus saves.

It is not enough to say we are Christians. We must live the faith, not only with our words, but with our actions.

Pope Francis

FEBRUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturd
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 General Meeting	9	10
11	12	13	14 Ash Wednesday	15	16	17 Basketball Free Throw District
18	19	20	21	22 Executive Meeting	23	24
25	26	27	28	29		

MARCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
-3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 General Meeting	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23 Winter Buster Blues Fest
24 Palm Sunday	25	26	27	28 Executive Meeting	29 Good Friday	30

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