



## BISHOP DURIEU COUNCIL 11244

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# KNIGHTLIFE



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## YEAR OF FAITH

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# Grand Knight's Report

Brother Knights,

Here we are approaching the mid point of the Year of Faith and we are to wonder what we have accomplished that is on the theme of FAITH? We have Pope Francis demonstrating his ideas for a humble and simplified papacy. We can look at the lives of his predecessors and though they had different ideas on the appearance and function of the office they too demonstrated a great faith in Jesus and the church. How supportive are we of the church in the marketplace or in our private lives for that matter? If we expect the public to show respect for our freedom of religious practice and belief then we must show that we are in solidarity with the teachings of the church. We also need to be aware of the spin that the church's history has received by it's antagonists over the years and how these lies have become accepted myths. Diane Moczar in "Seven Lies About Catholic History" reviews seven of the more prominent myths and how to answer them. It's a book worth reading!

We also need to be aware of looking out for self and friends when we need to be loving and serving others. We must always remember the journey of Jesus on Good Friday when he gave himself completely for our redemption. He opened the gates of heaven and will lovingly assist us on our journey, but we must ask for, and accept, his assistance. That is to demonstrate our faith in him.

Brother Knights and others are Marching on Ottawa, Victoria and the other provincial capitals. Last year the Canadian bishops suggested that local community marches be held as well. The theme of this year's march is "End Female Gendercide". Our council is joining in this year's MARCH FOR LIFE in a physical way. We will gather at the bus stop by St. Mary's Hospital for a march down to MP John Weston's office on Teredo. Please lend your support by showing up March 9, at 2 pm.

May is the month for the council's election of officers. Talk it up among your brothers. What plans or ideas do you have for the coming year? All elected positions are open, Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Recorder, Treasurer, Advocate, Warden, Inside Guard, Outside Guard, Trustee, 1 year. Participating in the council elections is an integral part of your duties as brothers in the council. A good sign is that we already have a nomination for warden.

Vivat Jesus, Greg Gobbi, GK.

## Coming Events

Apr. 17	Parish Council Mtg. St. Mary's
Apr. 21	Pancake Breakfast - Holy Family
Apr. 24	General Meeting - Holy Family
Apr. 27	Newfie Night - St. Mary's

Apr. 26-29	KofC Convention - Richmond
May 4	Men's Breakfast - St. Mary's
May 8	Executive Meeting - St. Mary's
May 9	March for Life
May 12	Confirmation - St. Mary's
May 19	First Communion
May 19	Beef Dip - St. Mary's
May 22	General Meeting - St. Mary's

## Men's Breakfast

Saturday, May 4 in St. Mary's Hall the men gather for their discussion breakfast. Please check your bulletin.



## Beef Dip

There will be a Beef Dip at St. Mary's Sunday, May 19. Phone brother David and offer your service. Thank you to those brothers who pitched in for the March Pork Pull - The attendance wasn't great but we still made a few dollars.

## Membership Dues

Dues are coming in slowly. Please assist Brother David in his job by making out a cheque for \$40 and getting it in the mail as soon as possible or give it to him or the treasurer at Mass.

## First Degree

The First Degree Team is standing by - waiting patiently for the next candidate to be signed up.

If you need a form #100 call Greg - 604-885-9188

**Form #100  
Belongs in  
All of These Places**

- Briefcase
- In Your Pocket
- Near Your Phone
- Glove Compartment
- Everywhere You Go!

**SIGN UP A  
NEW MEMBER  
TODAY!**



  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

## Pennies for Heaven

Once again the Knights are collecting for the "Pennies for Heaven" fund. The BC Yukon state urges all councils to establish a "Pennies for Heaven" fund that is turned over to the State Council just prior to the State Convention. This fund is then distributed to the bishops of the BC Yukon State to be spent on the education of seminarians in their respective diocese. Therefore you are urged to be generous in helping the government take the penny out of circulation by putting them to a heaven bent use. Please note that other coinage and bills are welcome. Loonies and toonies

are faster to count and go farther towards this Heavenly cause. Collecting will be done throughout March following the Masses at St. Mary's and Holy Family.

### BURSARIY Reminder

Once again it is bursary time for catholic students in grade 12 attending one of the secondary schools on the coast. Information regarding these Knights of Columbus bursaries is available from the school counsellors and from your parish office.

### BURSARIES AVAILABLE FOR POST SECONDARY STUDENTS

- Beginning last month, the Knights of Columbus Charity Foundation started accepting applications for the 2013 Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger Memorial Bursary Program.
- This bursary program is available to all Roman Catholic students residing in the province of British Columbia who are enrolling in their second or subsequent year of post secondary education at any legally recognized institute of higher learning in BC.

Deadline: Completed applications, including a one page curriculum vitae and short personal resume, must be received by the Bursary Chairman on or before June 30, 2013 to be considered for the 2013 bursary program.

- For further information, visit:  
<http://www.kofcbc.org>

or contact:

Arcie José Lim,  
State Bursary Chairman  
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### March for Life

Last month you were given a rundown of the March For Life B.C. and as you likely know there is a similar event being held in OTTAWA. Last year the Canadian bishops suggested that we also hold local community marches. This year the Knights of Columbus are working with the Sunshine Coast Pro Life group to stage a local Pro Life March for Life. These events are to encourage thinking of the TRUTH about abortion situation nationally, provincially, and locally. Starting this year a local march is planned. It will start at St. Mary's Hospital bus stop and march on the sidewalk down to our MP's office on Teredo Street. Once gathered outside the office building there will be a speaker on the theme of Ending Female Gendercide and the stifling of debate on the topic by our government declaring that M-408 was non-voteable.

### We Pray For:

- Holy Father, Pope Francis
- Our Bishops and Priests
- Ed Roop (Travis' friend) for his recovery from a motor vehicle accident

- Ken Owen (David Short's brother-in-law)
- Keith's brother-in-law - Laurier Fortin
- Kelvin Stephens
- Kevin Kennedy
- Courtenay Siagriss - RIP (a friend of Travis' son)
- Ann Fagen (Joe Brady's sister-in-law)
- Sylvia Weber (Gary's sister)
- Sonny Dampier
- Gerry and Eva Gillis
- Bill Muskaluk
- For David Short and Kathy Roberts good health
- Patricia McDonough
- Luke Bombardir - RIP (a Powell River friend of Travis)
- John & Patricia Myerscough, special prayers for their family
- Chewey Seward, and the Seward family
- Our wives and families
- Widows of our departed brothers - Elaine Middleton & Mary Gagnon
- Travis' neighbours Martin Fletcher - may his wife Anneke Vanderchaar - RIP
- Special Intentions for Ted Hanley and the Jesse Tree Project In Galveston, Texas; and for his service to the people of that area.



### *Our Lady of Guadalupe Pray for Us*

**NEWFIE and CAPE BRETON  
Supper  
and  
Variety Show**

**Saturday, April 27**  
**\$30.00 adult**  
**\$10.00 child**

**Tickets at St. Mary's  
Hall office**  
**Special guest:**  
**MAIRI RANKIN**  
**This is a CWL fundraiser.**

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## Resolutions for State Convention

(The following is a sampling from the 16 pages of resolutions to be voted on at this year's State Convention )

### Part of RESOLUTION #9

RESOLVED, By the British Columbia and Yukon State Council, Knights of Columbus at the state Convention assembled in Richmond, British Columbia, April 28, 2013, that we renew our deep commitment to oppose any governmental action or policy that promotes abortion, embryonic stem cell research, human cloning, euthanasia assisted suicide and other offences against life, and that we will continue to speak out to our elected representatives about the need to enact legislation to oppose these practices and protect human life from conception to natural death; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That we will continue our efforts to charitably inform, educate and motivate our brother Knights and fellow Catholics of the serious obligation they have to form their consciences so that they make sound moral judgements which support and defend life in all its stages; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That we will challenge our fellow Catholics who are elected officials to be true to the faith they claim to profess, by acting bravely and publicly in defence of life, affirming with Pope Benedict XVI that "there can be no room for purely private religion"; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That we recognize that abortion not only results in the death of an unborn child but also leads many post-abortive women and men into depression, anxiety and other emotional disturbances; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That we believe that "women deserve better than abortion" and will continue to support programs which provide women facing crisis pregnancies with alternatives to abortion, including adoption, and that we support projects which provide spiritual support to those women and men suffering from the traumatic emotional and psychological after-effects of abortion; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that as Knights of Columbus we will continue to reaffirm our commitment to building a culture of life by promoting policies that favour the family, and by recognizing that it is within strong and healthy families that moral values are taught and that the spiritual and cultural heritage of our nations is transmitted; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED; That we reaffirm our long-standing policy of not inviting to any Knights of Columbus event, persons, especially public officials or candidates for public office, who do not support the legal protection of unborn children, or who advocate for the legalization of assisted suicide, euthanasia or other offences against human life; and of prohibiting such persons from renting or otherwise

using facilities over which we have control, or speaking at Knights of Columbus events, or bestowing on them honours or privileges of our Order of any kind, or inviting them to serve as honorary chairpersons of events, celebrations or committees, or hold any office in the Knights of Columbus; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That we once again commit ourselves to pray, to do penance, to fast and to seek the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary to intercede on our behalf for the establishment of a culture of life.

### RESOLUTION #11 some of the Whereas section;

WHEREAS, The constitution Act 1982 Part 1, The Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms declares "2. Everyone has the following fundamental freedoms:

- (a) Freedom of conscience and religion;
- (b) Freedom of thought, belief, opinion and expression, including freedom of the press and other media of communication;
- (c) Freedom of peaceful assembly;
- (d) Freedom of association."

WHEREAS; The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops in the Pastoral Letter on Freedom of Conscience and Religion reaffirm the Catholic Church teaching that the right to religious freedom is based upon the inherent dignity of the human person, which is known through both reason and divine revelation. The document concludes by requesting that men and women of faith reaffirm their commitment to the promotion of the precious rights and freedom of conscience and religion; and

WHEREAS; the Catholic Church teaches that the right to religious freedom is based upon the inherent dignity of the human person, which is known through both reason and divine revelation; and

WHEREAS; Religious freedom means that all persons are to be free from coercion in matters of belief and conscience, and that no person should be forced to act in a manner contrary to his or her own beliefs or conscience; and

WHEREAS; During his visit to the United States in 2008, Pope Benedict XVI reminded us that it should never be necessary to deny God in order to enjoy our rights and that it is inconceivable that believers should have to suppress their faith in order to be active citizens; and

WHEREAS; Religious freedom is not a benefit that a government confers out of a sense of mere tolerance and that can be removed, but rather it is an inalienable right, rooted in the transcendent dignity of every human being and is at the very heart of human rights because it encompasses freedom of speech, assembly and conscience, which together form the basis of civil society and respect for the individuals; therefore be it

### RESOLUTION #14

RESOLVED, By British Columbia and Yukon State Council, Knights of Columbus at the State Convention assembled in Richmond, British Columbia, April 28, 2013, that a petition be circulated in this Province to have abortion removed from the provincial health care plan as an insured service, and follow up with whatever action is necessary to ensure its implementation; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the British Columbia & Yukon State urge all other State jurisdictions in this country to start a similar petition in their Province.

### St. Mary's Annual Charity Fun Golf Tournament

Come One, Come All



Help us build a new St. Mary's Catholic Church in Gibsons, BC. A new Church on Gibsons Way will help in presenting Gibsons as a progressive, modern community and will provide a wonderful place to worship.

In a fun format, "anyone can play", in this tournament whether or not you have ever swung a golf club before.

Date: May 25, 2013

Location: Roberts Creek Golf and Country Club

Registration: \$135.

Contact Patrick Mimeault to enter or for more information. email to: mimeault@telus.net

Tax receipt provided for this event.

Dinner is included. Dinner only tickets can be obtained from Marie Bernadette for \$40.

### A Little Humour

Three men died and went to heaven. Upon their arrival, St. Peter asked the first if he had been faithful to his wife. The man admitted to two affairs during his marriage. St. Peter told him that he could receive only a small car to drive in heaven.

The St. Peter asked the second man if he had been faithful to his wife, and the man admitted to one affair. St. Peter told him he would be given a family car to drive.

The third man was asked about his faithfulness, and he told St. Peter he had been true to his wife until the day he died. St. Peter praised him and gave him a luxury car.

a week later the three men were driving around, and they all stopped at a red light. The men in the small and family cars turned to see the man in the luxury car crying. They asked him what could possibly be the matter -- after all, he was driving a luxury car.

"I just passed my wife," he told them. "She was on a skateboard."

Bobi Gorla (Readers Digest)

## End Female Gendercide

Sechelt  
MARCH  
for LIFE

Thursday  
May 9, 2013  
2:00

Gather at  
St. Mary's  
Hospital  
BUS STOP

March on to

MP John Weston's office on Teredo  
Listen to speakers on issues like  
the removal of freedom to debate.

### Listen to the Pro

George, a keen golfer, was going through a bad spell, so he went to a professional for advice. "Your trouble is all in your mind." said the pro. "I want you to play a full round of 18 holes with only an imaginary ball. Keep a careful score for each hole and bring me your card."

George followed the advice and presented his card to the professional. "Tomorrow," he said, "I want you to play another 18 holes, this time with a ball, but with an imaginary club. Keep a score and bring me your card."

When he submitted the second card, the pro examined it. "Congratulations, George," he announced, "these two cards show that you have the two best rounds of your golfing career."

"What should I do next?" said George.

"Give up the game while you're at your peak."

Frank Fennell (Readers Digest)



The following article is included at the risk of overloading Knightlife with an excess of Pro Life March material.. However, it is information on the importance of the topic to our Bishops, the Church and society

### **NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE: THE URGENT NEED TO BUILD A CULTURE OF LIFE**

15 April 2012

Message of the Catholic Organization for Life and Family on the occasion of the 2012 National March for Life

#### The Urgent Need to Build a Culture of Life

On the occasion of the National March for Life, The Catholic Organization for Life and Family (COLF) reminds us that we live in an age and in a country which place enormous importance on the concept of “rights” – rights which, regrettably, are very often understood completely apart from the obligations which they ought to entail. Surely my rights, your rights, stop where the rights of our neighbours begin! But “who” – asks the Gospel of St. Luke – “is my neighbour?” (Luke 10:25). Every year in Canada, some 100 000 of our most vulnerable neighbours are sacrificed on the altar of “choice” – as the exercise of what some misguidedly consider a “right”. Among those aborted in the last year alone we might have counted a future prime minister or a ground-breaking scientist, a playmate for our children, or our future son or daughter-in-law.

The unborn child is, in fact, my neighbour and must be respected as a person from the moment of conception. As science demonstrates, even at the earliest stage of development each child in the womb is a unique and completely irreplaceable human being. We should therefore work tirelessly to ensure that our laws are reformed in order to reflect the humanity and the fundamental right to life of our tiniest neighbors. This is our obligation as free and responsible citizens. This is what we owe our neighbour!

History has shown repeatedly that where the right to life of the unborn is not protected other rights are sooner or later mocked. One need only consider the recent claim by a number of medical ethicists associated with Oxford University (England) – that newborn babies have no “moral right to life” – to see where the logic of a pro-abortion culture leads: Infanticide becomes acceptable.

Abortion Hurts us All

Those who falsely uphold the so-called “right” to abortion forget one simple fact: Ultimately, abortion benefits no one! The most obvious and most appalling consequence of abortion is the squandering of innocent human life. But the destructive impact of abortion does not end there. For the woman who submits to abortion there are nearly always profoundly negative consequences. Every year, more and more cases of “post-abortion syndrome” attest to this truth. Ongoing research has shown that fathers of aborted children, too, often find themselves experiencing profound feelings of loss and isolation. The surviving siblings of aborted children often feel guilty for simply existing and frequently suffer from depression and crippling sadness; this phenomenon has come to be called “abortion survivors’ syndrome”. In other instances, the grandparents of aborted children are profoundly affected by a sense of betrayal and loss.

What of our society as a whole? In his encyclical *Evangelium Vitae*, Blessed John Paul II warned that abortion poses “an immense threat to life: not only to the life of individuals but also to that of civilization itself.”<sup>1</sup> In one way or another, every one of us is impoverished by the culture of death that surrounds and threatens to infect us. A society which tolerates abortion is a society which makes the human being a mere means to an end. A society which continues to tolerate the destruction of its weakest members is one which will inevitably tolerate the destruction of the relatively weak, the disabled, the sick, the marginalized and the inconvenient. Can anyone be safe and truly flourish in such a society?

#### Choosing Life

The challenges which confront us are sometimes overwhelming. But we need to recall that change comes one person at a time. Being pro-life means respecting human life at every stage of development and in every circumstance. If our message is to be heard, we need to take account of our own attitudes and way of life. The most immediate way we change things for the better is by ensuring that we are consistent in our own actions. We need to ask ourselves, “Does the way I live my daily life help to create a culture of life?”

There are signs of hope that a genuine culture of life is beginning to flower around us. Earlier this year, in a comprehensive report entitled “Not to be Forgotten – Care of Vulnerable Canadians”, 55 Members of Parliament, representing all political parties, offered a comprehensive and reassuring pro-life look at palliative care and end of life issues. Recent polls have consistently shown that more than half of Canadians believe that human life should be protected before birth.<sup>2</sup> Clearly, it is the time to bring pressure to bear on our legislators to reopen the public debate on abortion. Let’s begin by making it clear to our Members of Parliament that we support the efforts of MP Stephen Woodworth (Kitchener Centre) to have Parliament revisit the scientific evidence regarding the humanity of the unborn.

