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MAR 24- ST. PATRICK'S
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25 MAR ST. CECILIA



COUNCIL MEETING
MAR 8, 2016 7:00PM



31 MARCH
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SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH
20 MARCH



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Solemnity of St. Joseph

Just like God had a plan for Joseph, God has a plan for each one of us. The plan does not need to be more than that He wants us to be upright and righteous. He wants us to be loving parents and loving husbands. God wants us to follow the law – observe the commandments. But, just like Joseph, we may feel that we don't have anything to contribute: that we are nothing but simple carpenters...we may feel insignificant, that we have nothing to offer. Still, God has a plan for us. God gives us dreams and speaks to us in our dreams. But also, just like Joseph we may never see the fruit of our labour. We may never reap the harvest.

St. Joseph is the patron saint of husbands, of fathers, of families, of homes, and of workers. He is the unofficial patron against doubt and hesitation, as well as the patron saint of fighting communism, and of a happy death. Joseph is believed to pray also for pregnant women, travellers, immigrants, and people buying or selling houses. In 1870, St. Joseph was declared patron of the universal Church. And for us in our country, we should all know that St. Joseph is the principal patron of Canada. That's a huge responsibility for a man of so few words. But it's a perfect job for a man of action.

And so, as we journey through Lent – especially when we gather around the Eucharistic table, let's pray to St. Joseph: Let him guide us and help us open our hearts to God's plan. That we may be upright and righteous; that we may be men after God's will; that we may be able to pray, "Father show me how I fit into this plan of yours." And dream. Let God speak to you in your dreams and then get up and do as the angel of the Lord directs you. God has a great plan for everyone. Even for a simple carpenter.

- www.saltandlighttv.org/blogfeed/getpost.php?id=21151&language=en



Knights of Columbus, Ascension Council is excited to be able to bring this Charitable Program that connects the tradition of alms-giving with the needs of families in our community that have been affected by our current economy.

Inspired by Christ's fasting in the desert for 40 days, the 40 Cans for 40 Days help us to connect with the 3 Pillars of Lent; Prayer, Fasting and Alms-Giving.

We encourage each family to prayerfully give up one daily pleasure and give one food item per day for the 40 days of lent. 40 cans for 40 days is a real tangible way for families to live their faith.

Our goal is to raise 5 Tons of Non-Perishable food items and \$2000.00 in Store Cards for St. Vincent de Paul Society

Please join us in supporting this much needed program.

NEEDED FOOD ITEMS

CANNED GOODS / PASTA	DRY GOODS	CONDIMENTS	HOUSEHOLD ITEMS
MEATS	CEREALS	KETCHUP	LAUNDRY SOAP
STEWES	FLOUR	MUSTARD	DISH SOAP
SOUPS	SUGAR	RELISH	KLEENEX
TUNA	RICE	JAM	TOILET PAPER
FRUIT	PANCAKE MIX SYRUP	PEANUT BUTTER	DIAPERS
PASTA	JELLO/PUDDING	CRACKERS	TOOTHPASTE
SIDEKICKS	COOKIES		TOOTH BRUSH

Additionally, store cards can also be purchased from the Knight's Table so that families can purchase perishable items: Milk, Veggies, Meat etc. Store cards are available in a variety of denominations from: Co-op, Safeways, Sobey's, President's Choice, Save-On Foods and Walmart.

Ascension KofC Service Programs

Church

- Keeping Christ in Christmas
- Support for Vocations RSVP
- Alter Servers' Appreciation
- Parish Gala Dinner

Community

- St. Dismas Prison Ministry
- Blue Mass
- Catholic Citizenship Essay
- Shrove Tuesday Breakfast

Council

- Blood Donor Clinic
- Wives' Appreciation
- Stampede BBQ
- Monte Carlo
- Rorate Mass
- Christmas/Easter Mass Setup

Culture of Life

- March For Life

Family

- Pumpkin Carving
- 40 Cans for Lent
- Ascension Summer BBQ
- Bishop's BBQ at Bowness Park

Youth

- Coats for kids
- Basketball Free Throw
- Substance Abuse Awareness
- Scholarship Program

Padre Night



This year's Padre Night was held on 23 February. Each year the Knights of Columbus honour and pay tribute to the Priests of our Diocese for their commitment to their vocation and for their support of our Councils. Ascension Council would like to thank Father Avi, Father Thiery, Father Pil and Deacon Date for their continued support.



2017 Ascension Parish Gala



The Ascension Parish Gala was held on 10 February 2017 at the Calgary Italian Club. The Fourth Degree Honour Guard welcomed guests and dignitaries and provided ceremonial pageantry. Ascension Council sponsored the meals for the KofC Honour Guard and Brother Chris Rappell was outstanding in his execution as the Master of Ceremony. Thank you to all Brother Knights and their wives who attended this event in support of our Parish Capital Campaign.



At left: Brother Knights and their wives - UChe obeys, Enomfon Egure, Peter Egure, Iboro Akpan, Nsikak Akpan and Eneyo Eyo.





If there be here any hidden Catholics, let them pray for me, but the prayers of heretics I will not have.

-Saint John Ogilvie at his execution

Parish News and Events - By: Br. Mark Holland

Four Masses will be celebrated on Ash Wednesday (Ascension Sanctuary). There are two in the morning at 7:00 am and 9:00 am and two in the evening at 5:30 pm and 7:30 pm.

Every Friday evening during Lent, the Parish will come together for mass at 6:30 pm and then pray the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm. Different ministries or groups will lead the prayers each week. Our council is leading the prayers on March 31st. Please contact our Grand Knight if you can assist. Each station needs a reader for a short reading and prayer. We also need to provide a cross bearer, candle holders and a few other roles. Come and join together with the whole community to relive the journey of Jesus to Calvary.

Parish Lenten Mission – March 6-8 - Building Parish Community through Prayer, Reconciliation, Eucharist and the Gifts found in each member of the Parish.

The real source of our faith is not merely a set of doctrines but rather the person of Christ still living in the Church today. How did Jesus form community with others? What directives did Jesus leave with us to continue building in His name? What is unique and special about our community? How is our community a gift from God and how are we a gift to others? What areas within self and community need conversion? How do we attract others in becoming and remaining members of our community? In what way, do these gifts assist in deepening our relationship with God and others? What are your gifts?

Come and discover them at our mission. The presenter is Fr. Robbie McDougall, a bilingual retreat/workshop facilitator, singer, musician, composer, music publisher and producer. The mission schedule is: 6:30pm Mass, 7:00-8:30pm mission talk and 8:30-9:00 pm fellowship. The Ascension's Lenten Penitential service will be on Thursday, March 9th.

Partial Sponsorship (KofC and Ascension Parish)



Cheque Presentation - GK Kevin Power, Linda Holdbrook -UofC, DGK Dale Rundell.

Linda is one of 1 - 15 university students selected to participate in the Catholic Christian Outreach mission in Mexico City. Linda will be working with and training other university students on campuses and will also be serving the elderly and handicapped at a Wemon Shelter at 'Villa Mujeres'. We are looking forward to hearing about Linda's experiences at our March Council Meeting.

St. John Ogilvie - Feast Day 10 March 2017



Walter Ogilvie was a Scottish noble who raised his son John in the state religion of Scotland, Calvinism. John converted to Catholicism at age 17 at Louvain, Belgium, and then attended several Catholic educational institutions. He joined the Jesuits soon after in 1597, and was ordained in Paris, France in 1610. Sent to work in Rouen, France.

It was a time of great persecution of Catholicism in Scotland. "Send only those," wrote the Earl of Angus to the Jesuit General, "who wish for this mission and are strong enough to bear the heat of the day, for they will be in exceeding danger." Wholesale massacres of Catholics had taken place in the past, but by this point the hunters concentrated on priests and those who attended Mass. The Jesuits were determined to minister to the oppressed Catholic laity, but when captured, they were tortured for information, then hanged, drawn, and quartered.

Ogilvie repeatedly requested assignment to his home Scotland, and it was finally granted; he returned in November 1613. He worked as an underground missionary in Edinburgh and Glasgow, dodging the Queen's priest-hunters, disguised as a soldier named Watson. After 11 months in the field (and on the run), John was betrayed by a phony Catholic, imprisoned, interrogated, then tortured for the names of active Catholics. He gave no information. "Your threats cheer me; I mind them no more than the cackling of geese," he told his captors. Asked if he feared to die Father John replied, "No more than you do to dine."

After three trials he was convicted of treason for being loyal to the Pope, and denying the king's supremacy in spiritual matters. He is the Church's only officially recorded Scottish martyr.

- <http://catholicsaints.info/saint-john-ogilvie/>

Knight's Reflection: **Selfishness**



Click on the link below to watch a 20 minute video on Selfishness by Ven. Fulton Sheen

https://youtu.be/_05BRtoz11I

Links to K of C Publications

Columbia Magazine <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/columbia/index.html>

Knightline <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/publications/lc/knightline/index.html>

Chaplain's Report <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/officers/chaplains/index.html>

