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Grand Knight Report — Garry Shepp

TEMPUS FUGIT

“Time flies” - a familiar expression in our daily lives!

Our Fraternity year ends in just a few short months on June 30. For Trinity Council it has been another great year with our traditional events - Garage Sale, Charity Appeal, Coats for Kids, Third World Used Eyeglasses, Bursaries/Scholarships, Pancake Breakfasts and that memorable Christmas Dinner!

Then there were the numerous other calls for our services- funerals, Art & Craft show, church/ hall / rectory reno/maintenance, the new Pickle Ball and Badminton programs, Seder dinner, a few emergency assistance requests, etc.

And soon our Annual Canada Day BBQ.

Trinity Knights responded and served well!

Now our challenge is for the new Fiscal year starting July 1 to continue and even expand upon these achievements.

Very soon we will be electing a new Executive (to include GK and DGK) and we need you to answer the call from our Nomination Committee to carry forward this proud tradition of service- especially in all the leadership roles.

The personal rewards are surprising! Be not afraid as The Holy Spirit is with us!

Vivat Jesus,

Garry

Important Note:

Our next general meeting is May 21 at 7P.M

Our next planning meeting will be on May 07.

Holy Trinity Council 9990



Meetings

6234 Spartan Road, Nanaimo, BC

General

7:00 P.M. First Tuesday of the month in the **Boardroom**

Executive

7:00 P.M. Third Tuesday of the month: Meeting room



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By: *Allan Crowe*

DID YOU KNOW?

Our Lady of Fatima is the title given to the Blessed Virgin Mary in connection with her apparitions to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal. She told the children (Lucia dos Santos and her cousins Francisco & Jacinta Marto) to pray the rosary daily to end of the war (World War I). Mary continued to appear once a month for 6 months.

Angelic apparitions of Fatima

The first angelic visit – Spring 1916: The Angel teaches the shepherd children how to pray.

The second angelic visit – Summer 1916: The Angel reveals himself as the Angel of Portugal and motivates the children to continue praying and to offer as a sacrifice their suffering to the Lord.

The third angelic visit – Autumn 1916: The Angel brings communion to the shepherd children and asks them to make reparation for the crimes of “ungrateful men.”

Marion Apparitions



The first Marian apparition of Fatima – May 13th 1917: Mary asks the children to return on the 13th each month for 6 months. Mary tells the children they will suffer much, but will reach Heaven. She then asks the children to say the rosary every day to bring peace to the world.

The second Marian apparition of Fatima – June 13th 1917: Mary asks the children to add the Fatima prayer to the end of each decade of the Rosary. They ask for her to take them to Heaven and she replies “Soon I will take Jacinta and Francisco, but Lucia is to stay a while longer.”

The third Marian apparition of Fatima – July 13th 1917: Mary shows the children a vision of Hell and reveals that God wishes for there to be a great devotion the Mary’s Immaculate Heart to save souls from Hell. She then predicted the Second World War and the persecution of the faithful in Russia warning that without prayer and consecration of Russia to her Immaculate Heart “she [Russia] will spread her errors throughout the entire world, fomenting wars and persecution of the Church.”

The fourth Marian apparition of Fatima – August 19th 1917: The local administrator imprisons the children to prevent them from making their appointment with Mary. 6 days later she appears to them in a pasture and asks them, “Pray, pray very much and make sacrifices for sinners. For many souls go to Hell because there is no one to pray for them.”

The fifth Marian apparition of Fatima – September 13th 1917: A crowd witnesses white rose petals falling from the sky and then disappearing as Lucia asked Our Lady of Fatima to cure the sick. She replies that only some will be cured while the Lord “has no confidence” in others who were not healed.

The sixth Marian apparition of Fatima – October 13th 1917: 70,000 + people witness “The Miracle of the Sun” from up to 10 miles away. Mary reveals herself as the Lady of the Rosary and says, “People must amend their lives, ask forgiveness for their sins and not offend Our Lord any more for He is already too much offended.”

What happened to the shepherd children?

Francisco dies of the flu at age 11 – 1919; Jacinta dies of complications of the flu at age 10 – 1920; Lucia becomes Sr. Mary of the Sorrowful Mother – October 3rd 1934; she joins the Discalced Carmelites taking the name Sister Maria Lucia of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart – May 31st 1949

The three secrets which were parts of the message Mary revealed to the children that were not immediately made public. This is especially true with the third secret of Fatima, which Lucia only revealed when directly ordered to do so by her bishop in an act of holy obedience.

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The three secrets of Fatima are:

1. A vision of the souls in Hell.
2. Prediction of the end of WWI and a prediction of the beginning of WWII as well as a request to consecrate Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.
3. A vision of the Pope, along with other bishops, priests, religious and lay people, killed by soldiers.

Pope Benedict XVI, then Cardinal Ratzinger, cautioned the faithful against reading the third secret in a way that predicts a future event. **Pope Pius XII** consecrates “the world and Russia” to the Immaculate Heart of Mary – 1942. **Pope John Paul II** consecrates “the world including Russia” to the Immaculate Heart of Mary – 1984

At the end of the 20th century, there was growing speculation concerning the three secrets Our Lady of Fátima allegedly revealed to the children in 1917. Though two of the messages had been disclosed in the 1940s—commonly interpreted as the prediction of the end of World War I and the start of World War II and the rise and fall of communism—the third had been kept secret by the Vatican, giving rise to numerous theories. In May 2000 it was finally announced that the third message was the Virgin Mary’s vision of the May 13, 1981, assassination attempt on Pope John Paul II, The pope publicly credited Our Lady of Fátima for saving his life.

Now you know



May Anniversaries

Allan & Margorie Crowe	61
Don & Sharon Fauchon	22
Mike & Margret Howard	55
John & Rosanna Vanreeuwyk	22
Ken & Gale Koury	66
Tim & Melisa Franklin	33
Dominico & Lucia Park	66
Peter & Francesca Cheah	13

COMING EVENTS

- * 7 May Planning Meeting
- ** 9 May March for Life– Victoria
- *** 21 May General Meeting
- **** 26 May Pancake Breakfast

Q: If you have 3 apples and 4 oranges in one hand and 4 apples and 3 oranges in the other hand. What do you have?

A: Very large hand

Q: Mr. Smith has 4 daughters. Each of his daughter has a brother. How many children does Mr. Smith have?

A: Five.

Mr. Smith has 4 daughters and 1 son.

Q. What has a head and a tail, but no body?

A. A coin

Father Murphy walks into a pub in Donegal, and asks the first man he meets, 'Do you want to go to heaven?'

The man said, 'I do, Father.'

The priest said, 'Then stand over there against the wall.'

Then the priest asked the second man, 'Do you want to go to heaven?'

'Certainly, Father,' the man replied.

'Then stand over there against the wall,' said the priest.

Then Father Murphy walked up to O'Toole and asked, 'Do you want to go to heaven?'

O'Toole said, 'No, I don't Father.'

The priest said, 'I don't believe this. You mean to tell me that when you die you don't want to go to heaven?'

O'Toole said, 'Oh, when I die, yes. I thought you were getting a group together to go right now.'



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- ◆ *Brother Aurel Muego*
- ◆ *Betty Young widow of Brother Pat*
- ◆ *Brother John Vanreeuwyk*
- ◆ *Norma Dumas—wife of Brother Joe*
- ◆ *Brother James Chase*
- ◆ *Brother Les Taylor*
- ◆ *Widow Shirley Foucher*

*Q. The more you see of this the less you see.
What is it?*

A. Darkness

May Birthdays

- Allan Crowe*
- Shani John*
- Ralph Carlson*
- Thomas Prethesh*
- Les Taylor*
- Tony Lambert*
- Mick Brzoza*
- Andre Letain*
- Jon Novotny*
- Jainshaw*
- Robert Wang*
- Roy Kuziw*

MOOSE HIDE CAMPAIGN: AN INDIGENOUS LED GRASSROOTS MOVEMENT TO END GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

In collaboration with Trinity's Truth and Reconciliation Committee, the Knights are invited to participate in the Moose Hide Campaign, an initiative to help end gender-based violence against women and children. The Campaign Day is **Thursday May 16 2024**. It was started by indigenous and non-indigenous men as an awareness campaign. This idea stems from BC's response to the recommendations of Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

Traditional Indigenous beliefs hold that the wearing of a moose hide is good for healing both physical and emotional pain. For this reason, it is seen as an excellent symbol for taking a stand against violence and undoing the effects of Residential Schools. In the words of Senator Murray Sinclair, the Chief Commissioner of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission,



**MOOSE HIDE
CAMPAIGN**
**CAMPAGNE
MOOSE HIDE**

“The Moose Hide Campaign provides a sacred space to contribute to our nation's healing journey. It is a movement that calls upon people to speak up, take action, educate and support each other.”



Wearing the moose hide pin, a 2 cm square patch held on by a bobby pin, signifies your commitment to honour, respect and protect the women and children in your life and speak out against gender-based and domestic violence. Knights, and all parishioners will be given the opportunity to get a Moose Hide patch when they arrive in April. For further information please refer to the Moose Hide Campaign web page at: <https://moosehidecampaign.ca/>

By participating in the campaign we will be honouring the vision set out in the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action, the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, and the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls' Calls for Justice. Further, this initiative conforms exactly to the values of the Knights of Columbus. It is hoped that all our brother Knights will see this as a good opportunity to exemplify our beliefs.

2009, A summer to remember —Terry Hayes

The summer of 2009 was the year of our granddaughters graduation from Elementary; Suzanne and I decided to attend the graduation. We made the long drive to Ottawa, this drive was a great opportunity to visit friends in Kamloops, a son in Calgary, cousins and an Aunt in Thunder Bay, Ontario and later a visit with Suzanne's family in Hawkesbury, Ontario and later onward to our first visit of Quebec City. This was also a test of our new Hybrid's efficiency. It was also an opportunity to visit the grave of my mother and grandmother Hayes in Thunder Bay.



We had a short stay In Thunder Bay, but we had time for dinner with cousin Janie, one of her daughter's, my aunt Mary; we were expecting to spend more time with them but thought it better to spend the time on the way back to Nanaimo. On leaving Thunder Bay we attended Sunday mass at St. Andrews, the oldest Catholic church in Thunder Bay. It was also located on our route out of the city. St. Andrews is located in the Port Arthur area of the city.

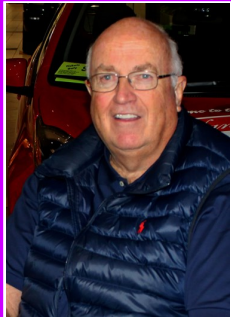
We were fortunate to attend a mass that included two priests and humour. One of the fathers told the following joke. “An airline pilot known in the city for his penchant for speed, was driving through an intersection when a flash from the street light standard alerted him to the photo radar mounted there. He immediately looked at his speedometer and

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was sure he was travelling at the posted speed limit; he decided to go around the block and through the intersection again, but below the speed limit, proof that he was at the speed limit. Again the photo radar flashed. Irritated he decided to test the photo radar again, another three times; each time the photo radar flashed.

The following week he received 5 tickets in the mail for driving without a seatbelt.”



Pancake Breakfast Mar 24— Mike Finch

"HAPPY BIRTHDAY FATHER IREK !!"

This theme played an important part in the success of the April 28, 2024 Pancake breakfast. The support from council covering set up, preparation, presentation/serving and clean up was very gratifying.

Job well done and thank you one and all. A small increase in the required supplies saw no shortages even with the increased attendees. A special thank you to Sandra Lomas on the waffle machine and serving, Betty McCormick and Gwen Smith on the donation table and Adele Halowaty on serving. The Birthday Cakes, provided by the CWL, were a big hit with little or no left overs. It was a great joint project, so thank you to all the members of the CWL.

The support from parishioners continues to be outstanding. The gross proceeds were \$901.95 and after paying all the expenses and replenishing the float of \$400.00 we have turned over \$488,95 to the treasurer. The gross for this event is a record and the council can be very proud of this.

The next Pancake breakfast will be May 26, 2024.



Q: I can only live where there is light, but I die if the light shines on me. What am I?

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Brothers...following up on last weekend's Gospel featuring The Good Shepherd...here is a timely reflection to consider.

Blessings.

Mike Patterson, Lecturer

Sobbing for Joy...I will lay down my life for the sheep. John 10:15

Sadly, more than a few people feel that they are too awful to be loved by God.

Many of them grew up feeling rejected and worthless. So, when hearing a

message of God's love, they might believe it for others, but they struggle to accept it

for themselves.

What might such wounded people do? They would likely benefit from a healing experience of real love, either directly from God or another person. I recommend they pray for a personal experience of God's love and/or belong to a loving community of faith.

In reality, all of us have only a limited awareness of the depths of God's love. If we truly experienced it, we would sob for joy. We would want to share this amazing news with everyone. We would overflow with love and gratitude.

Heavenly Father, may we experience your infinite love and mercy for each of us and courageously share this Good News with the world.

Amen.



Football commercials can be fun.

A new American import to the CFL is standing out on the field, he's not aware of the differences between American and Canadian rules; Two Canadian players are standing behind the goal posts explaining the differences in rules.

"If the ball isn't returned over the goal line the team on offence gets a point. It's called a rouge. Unless the ball is kicked out."

The American player complains to the coach "Coach they're doing it again."

The two players in the end zone, "should we tell him about the three downs?"

Another commercial has an American player with his tongue stuck to the frozen goal post.

One Canadian player says to the other "Texan's fall for it every time."



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