

# Knights of Columbus

January 2023 Newsletter

ST. PETER'S PARISH COUNCIL 13404 – 533 CLARENCE STREET, LONDON, ONTARIO, N6G 3N1

## *Grand Knight's Comments: Roger Khouri*



Welcome to the New Year of 2023! I trust that you had a nice Christmas celebration with family and friends. My hope is that you were able to feel peace when looking upon our wondrous God in the manger; then, that you took that peace and reflect it to those around you.

Our year began with a very important matter for us to consider, that is, the future of the council's activities. Of course, with the pending closure and demolition of the parish centre, we are challenged to "think outside the box" to ensure that we can still assist with supporting the parish and the community.

Many of you have expressed your disappointment at this decision and I echo your sentiments. However, as Knights, we should not simply throw up our hands and give up. Please remember how hard it was to start as a council 20 years ago and how hard we worked over the years to become an integral ministry to the Church and the city. And, our work is needed more than ever before to call people back to Church and to care for the needy.

Honestly speaking, I don't know how things will play out. Yet, without mistake, I know that we can meet this and any other challenge that we are faced with because Christ is our Shepherd who can guide us. I would ask for your participation and involvement in the discussions so that we can pool our collective talents to address how to continue to move forward as a council.

Lastly, since it is a new year, please be mindful that our membership dues of \$50 are to be paid. These Dues follow the calendar year.

Please join us at our upcoming meeting this Thursday at 7 pm in our Council Chambers. See ya then!

May God bless you and your family!

*Insurance Agent's Message: Br. John Noonan*

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***Happy New Year to all my brothers and their families! I wish you peace, joy and good health this coming Year!***

It's that time of year when we make resolutions. Have you made any yet? Maybe the realistic question is: Have you already broken some of them?

Here are 10 popular New Year's resolutions from the Internet and some of my own:

1. ***Get in shape;*** for some of us this means to lose some weight, exercise more and staying fit; to stop smoking or eat healthier foods.
2. ***Stop procrastinating;*** I don't know about you, but I'm going to put this off for another year.
3. ***Improve my prayer life;*** there's an app for that! The Laudate app claims it is the most downloaded Catholic app. It has an immense library of prayers, daily readings, devotions, podcasts and Vatican documents.
4. ***Improve on a skill or develop a new hobby;*** maybe you want to lower your golf handicap or learn to bowl! Go for it!
5. ***Be more thankful;*** God has blessed me in so many ways and sometimes I forget to thank him for all of those things....usually because I'm too busy asking for something else.
6. ***Spend more time with the people with that matter most;*** sometimes I get so busy keeping the house up or going to some meeting, I forget the ones I do these things for. I've got to set aside more time to just be with them.
7. ***Reduce stress;*** in sometimes this hectic and seemingly crazy world, it's easy get swallowed up in the latest target and worry all the time. Cutting out these sources of stress or learning how to deal with them more effectively means a more settled life.
8. ***Read more;*** with so much on the internet, TV and radio, it's easy for me to get lost in those. Reading for pleasure has become something of a lost art.
9. ***Spend wisely;*** it's so easy to spend money on things we really don't need, buy on a whim or because we're keeping up with the Joneses.

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**10. Review your current financial situation;** it's always a good idea to take stock on a yearly basis.

***Now this last resolution I can definitely help you keep.*** My resolution is to contact each of you this year to check in and if appropriate, set up a time to meet. We can update your information and see where you stand. Your financial health is critical to your family's future security. We'll take a look at your goals and aspirations and help make sure you're on track to reach them.

Vivat Jesus!

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**Goodbye**

*By Larry Barrett*



We heard an announcement, the office building will be no more, this made our Knight's of Columbus members sad to the core.

The Knights, CWL members, choirs and others will all be displaced, and we all will need to find another place.

Eventually, the wrecking ball will destroy our hall, and it will no longer stand glorious and tall.

The Knights purchased tables and chairs for our church to share but where will they go and will they be spared.

We want to continue to provide financial aid and meal events, however, will it be necessary for us to rent a tent.

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Hopefully our Lord will help us to continue our way  
to bring comfort to those who need it every day.



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*Remember in your prayers  
those who are ill and pray  
for the repose of the  
deceased souls*



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