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GOD'S

DIVINE

COVENANT

2 Chronicles

7: 12-17

Then the LORD appeared to Solomon in the night and said to him :

“ I have heard your prayer, and have chosen this place for myself as a house of sacrifice.

When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain , or command the locust to devour the land, or send pestilence among my people,

if my people who are called by my name will humble themselves, and pray and seek my face , and turn away from their wicked ways,

Then I will hear from heaven, and forgive their sin and heal their land. Now my ears will be open and attentive to the prayer that is made in this place. For now I have consecrated this house that my name may be there for ever; my eyes and my heart will be there for all time .



Here is a message from Easter 2004 authored by our council's chaplain  
Father Kekis.

## A day to rejoice.



“This is the day which the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it” (Ps. 118:24).

Today heaven and earth are rejoicing at the resurrection of our Lord. The blessed in heaven must feel more joyful, and the choirs of angels must be multiplying their alleluias.

On that first Easter - almost 2000 years ago - those early followers of Christ were filled with joy as they spread the news: “He is risen - all did not end with His death - He has risen as He said - He has paid the price of our redemption - He has opened the gates of paradise for us all.”

On that first Easter His Blessed Mother rejoiced, also, because He must have appeared to her first, before appearing to the others. There is nothing about this in the Bible, but then, Mary kept many secrets in her heart. The pious women who had bought spices with which to anoint His body, heard the voice of an angel saying: “Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but risen. Remember how He told you, while He was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and on the third day rise”(Lk. 24:5-7).

St. Peter and the other apostles rejoiced also when the risen Saviour appeared to them, as they remain behind closed doors. They saw Him in person with the marks of the nails still visible, and they heard His words - words of courage and peace.

Millions have given their lives because of their faith in His resurrection, which means that they too, will rise one day.

Those events of Good Friday tell us once more of the infinite love of God for His creatures. “Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends” (Jn. 15: 13). This miracle of miracles tells us today of victory after suffering, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up” (Jn. 2:19).

Easter is a day of joy - a day of rejoicing. May our Lord's victory over death, may his glorious resurrection, serve to give us added confidence and courage in a glorious resurrection of our own.



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**FATHER ANTON'S WORD'S OF WISDOM:** To say that the last few weeks have been a bit unusual would be an understatement, but united with Christ we can endure and overcome.

Easter is just around the corner and the events of Christ's life and of His passion remind us that life is about experiencing the resurrection in our everyday lives. We have had to die to many things over the last while and we will rise from them better and with a greater understanding of what life is all about.

In our fast paced world many have been working many more hours than they should in the pursuit of obtaining all those material things that they thought would make them happy. This Pandemic has taught us that all of these things pass and only one thing remains....life.

As Jesus enters Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, He is hailed as King, and as events unfold, at the end of this journey He is killed and mocked by many of the same folks who welcomed Him with palm branches. Jesus witnesses the weakness of humanity when it is faced with fear. His apostle's for the most part abandon Him. When He needs them most they are not there. They fell asleep in Gethsemane, and denied even knowing Him. At the foot of the cross were only His mother, and John. Knowing their weaknesses and the ignorance of those who put Him to death, and He cried out "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do." But what was thought to be an end by most who knew Him was actually a new beginning! He rose from the dead and dwelling among His disciples until His ascension He continues to teach. Finally, when leaving to take His place with His Father, He promises "and know that I am with you, even unto the end of the world.

This Pandemic has gripped us with uncertainty, we can see things changing... people seem to be more understanding. Families are spending more time together. Neighbour is helping neighbour. People are contemplating and reevaluating their lives and their priorities. The faithful are learning how to pray at home, and still be connected to their faith. The Church is learning how to reach out more with the tools that are available, especially social media. Just as Jesus was raised from the dead, we are dying to old ways and rising to a new vision of life and the world.

Every day, as Christians we are called to die to those things within ourselves that dim the light of Christ. We are challenged to protect the light of Christ within us so that it may shine brightly for all to see. We die to selfish desires that we may rise to be aware of those who are less fortunate. We die to hatred and rise to understand that the only true path is love. We die to prejudice and oppression rising to understand that all are God's children and they are our brothers and sisters. We die to the belief that the more we have materially, the happier we will be, and rise to understand that these "things" pass and that our happiness is not tied to what we have, but rather who we are.

This Easter is challenging. We will not be gathering in our Churches to celebrate Holy Week and Easter, but that does not mean "Easter is cancelled." The miracle of the resurrection is what prompted the early Christians to gather in "Home Churches" and we have the opportunity to experience our faith and the miracle of Easter more intimately with our families in our homes. We can pray together and celebrate. We can connect with our parish family by participating in the many Holy Week and Easter services that will be streamed on line by our parish.



In the end, as this Pandemic comes to an end, life will have changed. We will be an Easter people! We will live in the knowledge of the presence of the Risen Christ every day of our lives and will better understand How God was speaking to us in these times; a message to slow down that we might hear Him speak. A lesson that life isn't always about what we have materially, but who we have and who we are.

Yes Easter is about good that came from bad...that's why we say "Good" Friday. From Christ's sacrifice on the Cross we were saved! All our weakness, failures, worries; cares were nailed to the Cross and died once and for all! And yes, the Pandemic is also about good that comes from bad. We are learning to live life with more gratefulness; to be happy with less; to reach out to our neighbour; to understand compassion; to die to all those things that dim the "Light" that we might shine now more brightly in a world that was on a dangerous course of losing our identity as God's children and living only for ourselves.

My prayer for all of you this Easter is: May the Risen Christ fill your hearts with joy and contentment. May His light shine for you and in you, that you may be the light that fills the darkness and shadows of the world. May you walk in the light, and with the light, and shine so brightly that others may ask the source of it, and that you may answer: Jesus risen from the dead and with me always.

God bless all of you...with my love and prayers – Father Anton

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# Grand Knight's Message

Greetings and Blessings Brother Knights,

Given the growing concern over corona virus (Covid-19) and based on guidance from Government and public health authorities, please take the appropriate action to protect your families and yourselves at this time. Offer help where help is needed if you are able. Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ is the only one to see us through this pandemic. Please stay in your homes as much as possible and if you have to leave your home for whatever reason please practice social distancing.

At this time on behalf of our Knights of Columbus council I would like to offer our condolences to Brother Boris Dusanowsky, his wife Nadjia and their families on the passing away of their little grandson and angel, Wyatt, who was only twenty-four days old. May God keep him in his kingdom forever and ever. Amen. Вічна Память! Glory Forever!

All our events that were upcoming have been cancelled now because of the current situation with the corona virus pandemic. They will stay that way until such time that the restrictions have been lifted by Government and public health officials. The events in question are as follows:

- Svitnok Choir Spring Tea Concert at the Resurrection Ukrainian Catholic Church on April 5, 2020 is cancelled
- Our council's bingo at Princess Bingo hall on April 11, 2020 is cancelled
- Monthly Executive/General meeting on April 14, 2020 is cancelled
- The new combined exemplification public ceremony of charity, unity and fraternity that was scheduled for April 21, 2020 at the Knights of Columbus hall at Queenston and Parkdale has been cancelled
- Our council's Perogie Sausage Dinner event at the Church of the Resurrection on April 30, 2020 is cancelled

For your information our February 27, 2020 Perogie & Sausage Dinner was cancelled due to a winter storm and now this same event for April is cancelled. We had purchased the perogies, cabbage rolls and sauerkraut for the event. As these were in a frozen state and would get freezer burn we made the decision to let our members that wanted, to purchase any at half price. The remainder was donated to Good Shepherd for distribution to the needy. We will start with fresh product once the pandemic crisis is over.

There are still **a few Membership Dues that are past due**. The dues that are collected help pay the per capita fees and other fees that are charged to our council by KofC Supreme and Ontario State. This fee is calculated by the number of members in each council. When members neglect paying their dues our council is forced to use funds that were raised from charitable fund raiser events to pay for these charges. Please make an effort to bring your membership dues up to date. Payment may be made at the upcoming meeting or sent directly to Bro. John Mikitzel at 95 Goldenview Court, Waterdown, ON L8B 0L3

I wish to extend Birthday as well as Wedding Anniversary greetings to Brothers celebrating this month. Mnohya Lita! May God grant you many years.



This month we also have Easter, a very special time of the year - "The Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ". May God bless us and protect us during this time of the pandemic. I wish all the Brother Knights and families a Blessed and Happy Easter.

Again, let us not forget to offer prayers for our departed Brothers, Priests, Sister Servants, Brother Knights and members of their families who are ill or in the process of recovery. May God bless them and restore them to good health very soon.

Thanking you for your continued support. Stay healthy, stay safe!

Fraternally Yours,

*Don Krochak - Grand Knight*

# ***News Updates and Events***



A sign of times. The first time in the history of Council #7464's monthly Perogy sale; that the event had to be cancelled two months in a row. We as a council ask everyone to pray for the good health of everyone. And remind everyone to listen to the health authorities that all will get through these troubling times.



Our Council's condolences go out towards Br. Boris Dusanowsky and his wife Nadia over the passing of their grandson Wyatt. The funeral mass was celebrated on March 30th and live streamed at [www.sjucc.ca](http://www.sjucc.ca) You Tube. Their were 147 views. For those of you who missed the funeral it will be up for two weeks using the following link.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1StbJ0zduiSHDSonmu8TKWgI26hXjdKkKb/view?usp=sharing>



# MONTHLY SMILE



"On paper we have the perfect team."



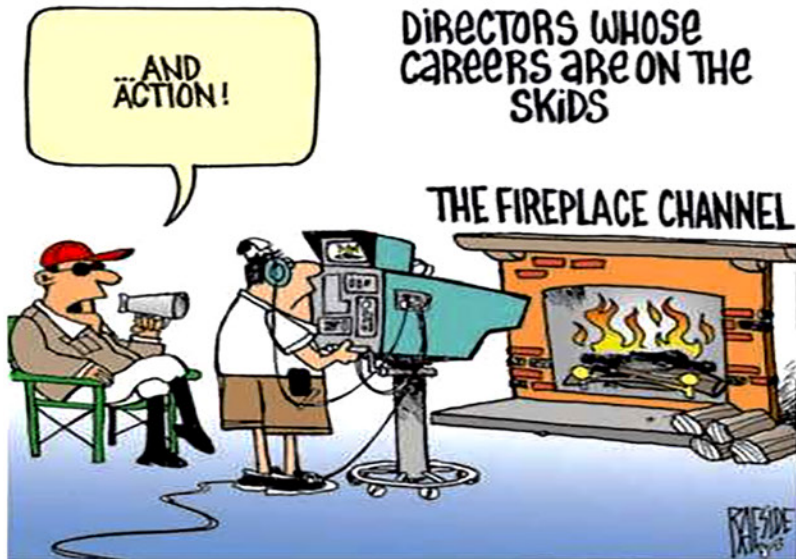
"If you get to be a stay-at-home dad, why can't I be a stay-at-home kid?"



"We welcome you as the first product of our Diversity Program. Now let's go get some dog chow."



"It's worse than we thought—everyone's been covering for him."





# NOTABLE DATES

- April 10** Friday **Good Friday**  
**Breakfast Session 9:30am**  
**April 11** Saturday **Bingo Princess Bingo** **Cancelled**  
**Matinee Session 12:30pm**  
**April 12** Sunday **Easter Sunday**  
**April 14** Tuesday **Exexecutive Meeting 7:00pm** **Cancelled**  
**General meeting 7:30pm**  
**April 17** Friday **Good Friday (Julian calendar)**  
**April 19** Sunday **Easter (Julian calendar)**  
**April 30** Thursday **Pyrohy-Kobassa-Kapussta sale** **Cancelled**

## Happy Birthday to the Following Members

- April 01 Fr. Zenon J Walnyckyj  
April 05 Daniel M Kaluzny  
April 06 Walter J Hrycak  
April 06 Walter Kaczmariski  
April 09 Alex Bogoslowski  
April 15 Doug I Durham  
April 18 Bob Strychowsky

## МНОГАЯ ЛИТА

*(Thus Soloman finished the house of the Lord and the king's house; all that Soloman planned to do in the house of the Lord and in his own house he successfully accomplished. Then the Lord appeared to Soloman in the night and said to him: 'I have heard your prayer, and have chosen this place for myself as a house of sacrifice. When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command the locust to devour the land, or send pestilence among my people, if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, pray, seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal teir land.*

(2 Chronicles 7: 11-14)



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