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# Chaplain's Words of Wisdom



**FATHER ANTON'S WORDS OF WISDOM:** "What must I do to have eternal life?" This is a question that we often ask ourselves. It surprises me that those who call themselves Christian ask this question time and time again, even though they know the answer. I think we want to feel good about our lives, including those things we know we should change, so we hope to hear the answer "nothing." Jesus teaches: "You shall not kill; you shall not commit adultery; you shall not steal; you shall not bear false witness; honour your father and your mother; and love your neighbour as yourself." But we soon learn that these commandments are the gateway to something greater... they call us to give ourselves totally. "Sell your possessions and give to the poor, then you will have treasure in heaven," teaches our Lord. It is difficult to hear the words "sell what you have." What can this possibly mean... do I have to live like a pauper to enter the Kingdom? The answer is of course, no! But we cannot be attached to our things to the point that they possess us. We convince ourselves that we do not have enough to help others materially; all the while most of us live in nice homes, nicely furnished. We drive nice cars, and we eat well. We have heat in the winter and

air conditioning in the summer. The truth is, if we truly give to others from our hearts, this offering is made to God, and whatever we offer is blessed and returned to us abundantly. When I was young, we were poor. I come from a family of eight children plus my parents. When someone would show up unexpectedly, even though we thought there wasn't enough to eat, my father used to say, "Just put another potato in the pot, and there will be plenty." And you know what? There was always enough to go around. My experience over the many years I have served as a pastor is that those who have less tend to be more generous than those who have plenty. I think it is because they have experienced need and continue to know what it is like to live from week to week. Once we get comfortable, we tend to forget when times were tough, and we take a lot for granted. The commandments are not rocket science, they are simple guidelines to live a peaceful and grateful life. You shall not kill.... Is this so hard to grasp? Yet we humans have been good a war since the beginning of time. You shall not commit adultery... in other words remain faithful to the one whom you have committed yourself too, and they to you... be faithful to God, to friends and those who have been pillars in your life, faithful to you in good and bad times. You shall not bear false witness... why is it that lying seems to come so easy at times. Why is it that we feel we need to lie to build ourselves up so that we look better than others... this is the biggest lie, for we are all the same - human and weak, and our strength comes only from God. Honour Your father and your mother... they brought us into the world, and God chose them as the vehicle by which to give you life. Our parents (even those that may have some dysfunction" I'm sure try the best they can. I know my parents struggled to be loving and caring, and they didn't show it very well. There was physical and verbal abuse and at times life was pretty tough... but as I grew older, I came to understand that they were broken and, in their brokenness, they did the best they could. Although we never had a close relationship and for many years there was no communication (their choice, not mine), I never harboured bitterness or hatred. I was hurt that they didn't celebrate my accomplishments and were not a part of my journey to ministry and ordination, but I knew in their own way they were proud.

My Ukrainian father I know was proud, because when I finally did get to see him prior to his terminal cancer he communicated it to me well. The fact that I chose to learn the little Ukrainian I did and chose to become a Ukrainian Catholic priest made him smile. I buried both my father and my mother, and although we did not have the love of child and parent, I did love them in my own way. I had mourned the loss of parents before their death, but I know God led me back to each, one at a time, to celebrate their funeral liturgies, but also that I might have the opportunity to heal. Regardless of our upbringing, I am convinced that people live what they have learned. Maya Angelou once said: "When you know better, you do better." Love your neighbour as yourself... this isn't as hard as we think. To love our neighbour is to be respectful, even to those whose lifestyles and situations may not reflect our own beliefs. It means to be present in times of need. To care for the sick and the poor. Not to judge; to bear no prejudice or hatred. This isn't hard if we let God do His work and we do our own. Smile at others when you meet. Acknowledge a panhandler or addict when you see them... as simple hello may make all the difference in their day. Accept one another as Christ accepts you... for we are all sinners... and comparing sins is just plain idiotic. Walk humbly with your God, be imitators of Jesus and live your own life the best way you know how. **LET US PRAY: HEAVENLY FATHER, LOVING GOD, HELP ME TO FOLLOW YOUR COMMANDMENTS, FOR IN LOVE YOU CREATED BE; SHOW ME THE WAY TO YOU. REMIND ME THAT WE ARE ALL SINNERS, MAKING MISTAKES AND SHOWING WEAKNESS, BUT OUR STRENGTH IS SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER THROUGH YOU. KEEP ME FROM JUDGEMENT AND HATEFUL SPEECH AND ALLOW ME TO LIVE MY LIFE IN PEACE AND IN DOING SO SHARING THAT PEACE WITH OTHERS. JESUS, YOU ARE THE WAY, THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE... THERE IS NO LIFE EXCEPT THROUGH YOU. AMEN.**

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*Then Jesus cried aloud: 'Whoever believes in me believes not in me but in him who sent me And whoever sees me sees him who sent me. I have come as light into the world, so that everyone who believes in me should not remain in the darkness. I do not judge anyone who hears my words and does not keep them, for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world. The one who rejects me and does not receive my word has a judge; on the last day the word that I have spoken will serve as judge, for I have not spoken on my own, but the Father who sent me has himself given me a commandment about what to say and what to speak. And I know his commandment is eternal life. What I speak, therefore, I speak just as the Father has told me.'*

**John 12:44-50**

# Grand Knight's Message

**Dear Brother Knights:**

Summer is almost here so let's relax and enjoy the warm summer weather.

The Hamilton Trident Charities will be holding our monthly bingo on Saturday, **June 1, 2024** at the Princess Bingo Hall on Fennell Avenue. Bingo starts at 9:30 am, please support our council's fund raiser.

Our next General Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 7:00 pm** in the Knights Room at St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church on Melvin Avenue. This will be an important final meeting for the fraternal year 2023-2024 as we hold elections for a new executive to serve in the next fraternal year 2024-2025. Meetings under the new elected executive will begin on Tuesday, September 10, 2024. At this time I'm announcing that I will be stepping down as your Grand Knight so please attend this meeting to select your next Grand Knight. I want to thank the brother Knights for their support and encouragement through the past years.

Please remember and support our next Perogie & Sausage Dinner to be held on **Thursday, June 27, 2024**. This will be our last perogie and sausage event as we will shut down for the summer months of July and August. We will start the dinners again on Thursday, September 26, 2024.

It has pleased Almighty God, in his infinite wisdom, to call from our midst our beloved Brother Stanley Sulymka, who departed this life on May 21, 2024. The Brothers of Father Markian Shashkevych Council 7464 which to extend our deepest condolences to the family on his passing. Our hearts are saddened by your loss and our thoughts and prayers are with you. Vichna Pamyat!

I wish to extend Birthday greetings to Brothers celebrating in the month of June: Fr Renaldo Kekis and Br Ron Zinkewich. I wish Happy Wedding Anniversaries to Brother Knights and wives celebrating in June. Mnohaya Lita! May God grant you many years.

If you know of any of our Brothers or members of their families that are ill and in need of our prayers, please pray for their recovery. Please keep Br Volodymyr Demchuk's wife Irene in your prayers as she recovers from surgery. May God bless all the ill for their quick recovery. Please keep Ukraine and its people in your prayers. Slava Ukraini! Heroyam Slava!

The following Brother Knights passed away during the month of June in past years. Let's keep them in our memory and our prayers as well. +Rev Fr Julian Nebesny; +Br John Bajus; +Rev Fr Patrick Byce; +Br Demetrius "Matt" Sianchuk; +Br Dmytro Worobel; +Br John Zulak and +Rev Dea Mitchell Kita. May They rest in peace! Vichna Pamyat!

May you all have a great 2024 summer. Thanking you for your continued support.

Fraternally Yours,  
Don Krochak, Grand Knight

# News Updates and Events

At Tuesday's June the 13 general meeting we will have elections for our next executive for fraternal year 2023-2024. Please come out and select whom you would deem suitable to lead our council into the next year. You can nominate someone or even yourself. All 3rd degree members or if you plan on receiving your 3rd degree in the Fraternal are eligible to serve.

The following is a slate of officers up for election:

<b>Grand Knight:</b>	<b><i>Don Krochak</i></b>
<b>Deputy Grand Knight:</b>	<b><i>Morris Hucal</i></b>
<b>Chancellor:</b>	<b><i>Orest Gulka</i></b>
<b>Recorder:</b>	<b><i>Mykhaylo Furtak</i></b>
<b>Treasurer:</b>	<b><i>Don P. Segodnia</i></b>
<b>Lecturer:</b>	<b><i>Open</i></b>
<b>Advocate:</b>	<b><i>Ernie Bablak</i></b>
<b>Warden:</b>	<b><i>Dan Kaluzny</i></b>
<b>Inside Guard:</b>	<b><i>Steve Pronek</i></b>
<b>Outside Guard:</b>	<b><i>Steve Dushko</i></b>
<b>Trustee:</b>	<b><i>open</i></b>

**COME GET INVOLVED, REMEMBER IT IS YOUR COUNCIL.**



It is with great sadness that we hear of the passing of one of our brothers  
Stanley  
Sulymka; who fell asleep in Christ on  
May 21, 2024.

Stanley has been a member of KofC  
council #7464 since 1994. He leaves  
behind his dear wife of 60 years Chris-  
tina, two sons: Jack and Jason.  
Please pray for the repose of his soul  
and for those of his loved ones left be-  
hind.



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In other news, Bohdan Nebesny and his wife Christine will be celebrating 50 years of wedded bliss on Saturday June 8, 2024.

A formal celebration of this milestone event will be held at a later date because of medical issues presently.

†Father Julian Nebesny, a brother Knight of our council, officiated the marriage vows back on Saturday, June 8, 1974.

Bohdan is the brother of our council member Izidor Nebesny.

On Saturday May 11, 2024 members of KofC council #7464 attended the ordination to the priesthood of Rev. Deacon Danylo (Don) Dudar. Most Rev. Brian Bayda conferring the sacrament of Holy Orders at a mass in the Holy Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church in Burlington, ON.

Brothers attending were Izidor Nebesny, Robert Moskal, Bohdan Matwijiw, Steve Popowich, Don Krochak and Dan and Ani Kaluzny.



**Bishop Bayda conferring Holy Orders on Deacon Dudar**



**Fr. Dudar giving his first blessing**



**Don, Dan, Bohdan & Steve**



**Ani & Dan Kaluzny**

*Photos by  
Ani Kaluzny*



**KofC Council #7464  
& Ukr Catholic Church  
of The Holy Resurrection**

**Ladies are holding  
Perogie & Sausage Dinner**

**Take Out Only**

**Thursday, June 27, 2024**

**Menu: Eight (8) Perogies, 1 Link Sausage, Cooked Sauerkraut & Fried  
Onions**

**for \$15.00 Cash Only**

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# Happy Birthday to the Following Members

## June

June 08

**FR. RENALDO KEKIS**

June 13

**RON J ZINKEWICH**

## July

July 01 **JOHN P BILLOWUS**

July 12 **PETER PANKO**

July 06 **DON P SEGODNIA**

July 15 **FR. S TARAPATSKY**

July 11 **FR. ANDRIAJA PETRESIAN** July 17 **ROBERT MOSKAL**

## August

August 13 **ERNEST W BABLAK** August 16 **OREST M GULKA**

August 13 **STEVE N PROCYSZYN** August 24 **IZIDOR NEBESNEY**

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# Monthly Smile

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A grandmother was having some difficulty reading a letter. She tried holding it out at arm's length, then she brought it up close to her face. Realizing that wasn't helping, she once again held it out at arm's length. "Gosh," her small grandson commented. "Grandma reads like she's playing a trombone!"

What does a storm cloud wear under his raincoat? Thunderwear.  
How does the ocean say hi? It waves!

Why did the teddy bear say no to dessert? Because she was stuffed.  
Why did the soccer player take so long to eat dinner? Because he thought he couldn't use his hands.  
What did the policeman say to his hungry stomach? "Freeze. You're under a vest."

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# NOTABLE DATES

June 11	Tuesday	In person Council meeting @ St. Nicholas Church 7pm
June 16	Sunday	👷 Father's Day 🧑‍🔧
June 20	Thursday	Summer Solstice
June 27	Thursday	Perogie and Sausage Dinner Church of Resurrection Hall 3pm-6pm Take-Out only
June 29	Saturday	Bingo Princess Bingo Hall 9:30am
July 01	Monday	(+) Canada Day (+)
July 27	Saturday	Bingo Princess Bingo Hall 9:30am
August 05	Monday	Civic Holiday
August 24	Saturday	Bingo Princess Bingo Hall 9:30am
September 02	Monday	Labour Day

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