



Celebrating 35 Years of Service

The Knights of Columbus Order was founded by Father Michael J. McGivney on March 29, 1882. Fr. Shyshkovich Council #8925 was granted a Charter on March 27, 1985.

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE



Christ is Born!
Happy New Year Brother Knights!

THE MOST PRECIOUS GIFTS!

In his sermon on Christmas Eve, Metropolitan Lawrence asked, "What gifts are we inspired to bring to the Lord" (paraphrased)? The shepherds took time away from tending their flocks to visit the Christ child. Our ancestors, like the shepherds, were overwhelming agrarian in number and familiar with working the land and tending to animals. The Wise Men were inspired to pay homage with expensive gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Today, many more are trained professionals who, like the three kings, can afford to give some of the finer things in life. The wool of the sheep kept Jesus warm and the gold most likely helped the Holy Family endure the refugee life that they were to embark upon. Are we giving what we can to support the body of Christ, our council and our parish? What are we inspired to give as we begin 2020?

In the epistles of St. Paul, we are reminded that all of us have been given gifts and talents to support the spread of the Gospel. I would like to mention three critical ways for us to increase our support for our council and parish in 2020.

- 1. Attend as many liturgical services as we are able and pray the rosary.
2. Devote more of our time to council meetings, programs and activities. We all need to be present at our meetings, especially our fraternal evening on Jan. 13. We will be fitting everyone with our 35th anniversary gear. Help with charitable and fundraising efforts including selling ICCD tickets (call Brother Gulchak). Encourage new members to join us. Note that there will be a special K of C "Manitoba 150" initiation day on Jan. 18 and a communion breakfast on January 26 at Holy Family Home.
3. We should consider increasing our monetary support of our parish as individuals and as a council. St. Joseph's operational expenses have become far greater than what is received in weekly parish envelope donations. As well, significant funds are still needed to complete the installation of new windows in the church.

Whether we identify with the Shepherds, the Wise Men or someone else in today's world, we all have been blessed with many skills and talents. We are asked to use them to serve with loving hearts. Each Knight can make a difference! Let us try to bring to the Lord and his Church our most precious gifts!

Let us glorify Him!

Br. Michael Ryczak

EXECUTIVE MEETING
Thursday, January 9
7:00 P.M.



COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, January 13
\* 6:30 P.M. \*



Christ is Born!

Glorify Him!

Dear Brother Knights,

Why do we make resolutions at this time of year? Usually it is because we notice something in our lives that we want to improve? The start of a new year seems like the perfect time to begin this improvement.

As followers of our Lord, this type of self-reflection that many of us do for our New Year's resolutions is something we are called to do everyday. We are to constantly do self-evaluations and strive to refocus our lives back to God, again and again. We fall down and then we get back up. We are constantly taking stock of ourselves, confessing to God, repenting (which ultimately means changing our direction from a self-centered one and reorienting our lives toward God). God always gives us a second chance to start anew! So with this in mind, what would be some good resolutions for us to make as Knights of Columbus. Here are a few suggestions:

Pray every day. Prayer is connecting with God, communing with the Source of life. Say set prayers every morning and evening, but then seek to talk with God throughout the day. Don't let an hour go by where you don't "check in" with God and turn your attention to Him.

Do not only pray, but try to meditate. This means sitting in silence for 10 or 15 minutes each day, and trying to clear your mind of all clutter, by simply sitting in the presence of God. You can do this in front of an icon, or you can sit anywhere and close your eyes, reciting the Jesus Prayer – "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, Have Mercy On Me, a Sinner."

Strive to fill your mind each day with something that is pleasing to God.

Take time each day to express gratitude, first towards God and then towards others. Even when you are having a tough day, pause and think of five things for which you can thank God. And make it a point that whenever you are frustrated, you thank God even more!

Each day hand over any anger or resentment to God. Don't allow the day to end while holding on to any bitterness. This means that we have to practice forgiveness daily. Take time each day to reflect on your own mistakes, asking God for forgiveness. Then, offer your forgiveness to anyone who may have hurt or offended you.

Refuse to let jealousy, greed, and envy preoccupy your mind. Thank God for what you have.

Every day remember how Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, and then think about how you can humbly serve others. And strive to serve others with joy. Remember that it's a blessing to be able to serve and to give to others.

These are a few concrete resolutions that each of us can try to do. If we do each of these every day, they will greatly bless us, as well as bless others. We will become instruments in God's hands, shining forth His light of love to the world around us! May the New Year 2020 bring many special blessings to each and every one of us

Peace,  
Fr. Dmytro

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**Catholic Foundation of  
Manitoba Website:**

<http://www.catholicfoundation.mb.ca/>

## UCC-MPC 150 AWARDS ??????

### What is the Ukrainian Canadian Congress -- Manitoba Provincial Council?

UCC-MPC is the representative of the Ukrainian Canadians in Manitoba. It works to ensure the community's continued existence and development, building on the countless hours of dedicated work of individuals and organizations over the years.

### What are these Awards all about?

In conjunction with Manitoba's celebration of its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary as part of Canada, UCC-MPC will present awards to 150 individuals and 150 organizations in recognition of their community leadership and volunteer contributions. The selection of recipients will be based on nominations received.

The deadline for nominations is February 29, 2020.

For full information as to the criteria and nomination process, please contact Lesia Szwaluk at 204-470-4095, or email [info@uccmb.ca](mailto:info@uccmb.ca), or write to UCC-MPC, Box 3567 Redwood Postal Outlet, Wpg, Mb R2W 3R4.

*Submitted by Br. Dennis Wawrykow  
at the request of UCC-MPC*

### 2019 Grey Cup Sports Raffle

As I write our submission for the January bulletin I have not quite completed the Financial Report on the 107th edition of the Grey Cup which was played on November 24, 2019. I should probably have it completed and the cheques ready for the council at our Jan. mtg. And of course congratulation to the Winnipeg Blue Bombers for being the 2019 Grey Cup Champions.

### 2020 Super Bowl Sports Raffle

There are still some tickets available for the 2020 Super Bowl game on Sunday February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2020. In the Pink series there are approximately 180 tickets left and in the Green approximately 200 tickets please make every effort to pick-up tickets for sale ASAP. You may pick them up from Don Gulchak or myself at our homes or Sunday liturgies. Please make sure your turn in your sold tickets to myself or Don ASAP. I will have whatever is left available at our Jan. 2020 Council mtg. for distribution and sales but that will be only 3 weeks away from the game. The 2020 Super Bowl, Super Bowl 54 or LIV (NFL) championship game which will decide the league champion for the 2019 NFL season is set to be played on Feb. 2, 2020 at Miami Gardens, Florida.

Fraternally,  
Br. J. Larry Trach, Raffle Chair

### The Way

Official Publication of the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia

<https://ukrcap.files.wordpress.com/2019/08/theway190811eng.pdf>



## YOUTH WINTER GAMES

### WHY?

Br. Dennis Wawrykow  
K.U.C.A. Representative

**Because...** Jesus said: "Let the little children come to me, and stop keeping them away."  
Matthew 19:14

**Because...** Each event begins with a prayer led by K.U.C.A. Chaplain Fr Yaroslav Buduykevych, and each child receives a brochure with a spiritual message, pictures, and activities.

**Because...** Children cannot get together on their own...the adults need to plan it for them...and bring them together. As children spend time together, they get to know one another, and to know that they are part of a group.

**Because...** When children feel like they are part of a group, they feel more like coming...to Church...to catechism...to serve at the altar...to learn about God...and how to live.

**Because...** the Youth Winter Games are about fun and games, but that is only part of what is going on. At the same time, the children are getting to know each other better, having a chance to make new friends, and to know that Church is not just a bunch of adults.

**For their good...for their benefit...to fulfill your obligation to guide and help them...** please encourage and bring your children/grandchildren/nieces/nephews to come to the Youth Winter Games...and it is fine to bring a friend.

**First event:** Saturday, Jan 18, 2020  
Rossmere Lanes, 1042 Henderson Hwy.,  
Registration 3:00pm, bowling and prizes 3:30-5:00 pm  
Bowling shoes are included

**2020 Theme: " I Can Do Everything Through Christ  
Because He gives Me Strength" Philippians 4:13**



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**Message from Dan Shepherd, State Deputy (President), KofC Manitoba**

Worthy Grand Knights, District Deputies, Brother Knights:

It is of the upmost importance we get this message out to our members to recruit new members to attend the "**Manitoba 150 Knight**". I am asking for your help. I am asking for every council to sign-up at least 2 new members for this Monumental Event! This is not a complicated thing to do. We all have family, friends, neighbors, or someone we just met that we owe them the opportunity to ask them to join the Knights of Columbus and change their life and their families life forever! Let's just ask them!

They will be taking the new Degree, this will be the first time it has ever been done. All participants will have their name engraved into a special plaque in honour of Manitoba's 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration and the first time in 138 years for the public degree!

Let's put Manitoba on the Map in the Knights of Columbus. Manitoba is Celebrating 150 years... let's make history!

**Brother Knights are asked to forward the invitation below to any Catholic Man you would ask to join by email, in person or postal mail. Please register with Dan Shepherd by email: dan@shepsscreeing.com. More details will be sent to you once you are registered.**

My fellow Catholic Gentleman,

I have some exciting news for you. On January 18, 2020, the Knights of Columbus of Manitoba will be offering you the opportunity to become a full Knight in the third degree. This will be the first time since the founding of the Knights of Columbus in 1882 (138 years) that this special Ceremony will be presented to a public audience, and I want you there with your family in attendance to witness you becoming a Knight. The event "Manitoba 150 Knight" is in honour of Manitoba turning 150 years in 2020.

Please consider participating in this monumental event for the Knights of Columbus and become a Knight. This is open for everyone to attend, but to become a member you must be an 18 year old male. What a great time to bring a family member, or a friend with you to join the Knights of Columbus with you.

**INTRODUCTION TO ROYAL DOORS:**

*Royal Doors* was launched as a website to provide English language resources for Ukrainian Greek Catholics in July 2011. We hope to have an ever-growing collection of catechetical resources, liturgical services, "how to" videos, news articles, and many other items that will serve the needs of the Church. *Royal Doors* is an unofficial site. We submit to the authority of our Patriarch, Sviatoslav, the Synod of Bishops of the UGCC, and, through their communion with the Holy Father, to Pope Francis. We promise to strive to present Church teachings accurately. If you believe that we have failed or could do better, please contact us – we are very open to hear from you.

*Royal Doors* was initially conceived by Fr. Andriy Chirovsky, founder and professor of the Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky Institute of Eastern Christian Studies at Saint Paul University in Ottawa, Canada, Fr. Michael Winn (Archeparchy of Winnipeg), Fr. James Bankston (Eparchy of Chicago), and Fr. Bohdan Nahachewsky (Eparchy of Edmonton). Presently, it is run by Fr. Michael Winn and Fr. Roman Planchak (Eparchy of Edmonton) with contributions from many others.

<http://www.royaldoors.net/>

*Introduction is from Royal Doors website which was located by our Faith Director Br. Dave Gnutel*

**Membership Dues**

The 2020 Council Dues are now payable. Dues are \$40.00 for regular members and \$25.00 for Honorary Members. Honorary Life members are exempt from dues. Please make your cheque payable to "Fr. Shyshkovich Council" and leave it with me at our next meeting or, place your cheque in an envelope marked "K or C Dues" and drop into the church collection plate or, mail it to me at 7 Lindenshore Drive, Wpg., MB, R3P 2M8.

Fraternally,  
Br. Gordon Lasko



**Congratulations to our Brother Knights**

**January**

- 1 Basil Galarnyk
- 11 Dave Gnutel
- 15 Harald Baehnk
- 21 George Gaba
- 22 David Hladun
- 23 Stefan Baluta
- 25 Jack Eyer
- 28 Mark Galarnyk
- 28 Gerald May

**DAYS FOR KNIGHTS**

- Jan. 9, Thursday, Executive Mtg.
- Jan. 13, Mon., Business Meeting & Fraternal Evening
- Jan. 19, Rosary Sunday
- Jan. 25, ICCD Early Draw
- Jan. 26, Communion Breakfast (Luncheon)
- Jan. 27, 35th Anniversary planning meeting
- Feb. 2, Sunday, Superbowl
- Feb. 6, Thursday, Executive Meeting
- Feb. 9, Sunday, UCWL Valentine Luncheon
- Feb. 10, Monday, Business Meeting
- Feb. 16, Rosary Sunday
- Feb. 22, Saturday, Pushchynia Fundraiser
- Feb. 22, Saturday, Archeparchial Fundraising Gala
- Feb. 28, Friday, First Fish Fry



Br Mike K, Br Gordon L, Br Bohdan and Br George K. prepared the outside of St Joseph's for the Christmas



Adults, children & Br Knights enjoyed the snacks and fun Keeping Christ in Christmas activities in our parish auditorium



Lighting Up For Christmas service



Br. Dave Gnutel  
December Knight of the Month

## K.U.C.A. APPEAL

*Submitted by Br Dennis Wawrykow, K.U.C.A. Representative*

### **SHEPTYTSKY HOSPITAL LVIV, UKRAINE**

***Motto: Compassion Changes The World***

***Project: Providing hot meals to immobile people in their homes***

*Since 1999, Sheptytsky Hospital in partnership with Caritas Ukraine has run the project "Home Care". This project provides free medical and social assistance at home to the lonely persons who are in desperate need of support: single invalids, single mothers/fathers who take care of children invalids, seniors with serious health problems, which cause their immobility etc.*

*The beneficiaries of the project are in the most vulnerable group of the society, since state support to the persons with a disability in Ukraine is very poor.*

*With this project we plan to support lonely persons with a disability by providing them with hot meals at their homes.*

#### **SHEPTYTSKY HOSPITAL --- HISTORY AND STATUS**

**1903** Establishment of the Hospital for the People by Archbishop Sheptytsky

**1938** Blessing of the new hospital building

**1944** Communists declare Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church illegal and take control of the Hospital

**1994** Hospital returned to the care of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church

Sheptytsky Hospital is one of only two Hospitals in Ukraine whose reports are accepted by the Canadian government for emigrants to Canada.

Sheptytsky Hospital holds the highest level of hospital accreditation in Ukraine.

#### **SHEPTYTSKY HOSPITAL --- MISSION AND VISION**

Sheptytsky Hospital teaches that compassion reflects care for the suffering of a human being, regardless of religious or ethnic affiliation, and affirms the dignity of each person in this world. The Hospital seeks to improve the world by combining professionalism with Christian love for one's neighbour and by promoting its guiding principles.

#### **FUND RAISING --- CANADIAN NEAR EAST WELFARE ASSOCIATION (CNEWA)**

Across the Middle East, Northeast Africa, India and Eastern Europe, Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) works in places where poverty, war and displacement shatter innocent lives. As an agency of the Vatican, CNEWA provide funds to ensure the Eastern churches — who run hospitals, clinics, schools, orphanages and other sanctuaries — have enough money to do their vital work.

Funds raised in Canada will be donated to CNEWA which will issue charitable receipts valid for income tax purposes, and which has government approval to forward funds to Sheptytsky Hospital.

**Fund raising for this project is being coordinated by KUCA (Knights of the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy. Cheques should be made out to KUCA. A single cheque, with all donor information, will then be sent to CNEWA. Goal: to raise \$2,500.00 by March 31, 2020.**

Submitted December 06, 2019

As Published in The Times

The Knights of Columbus, Fr. Shyshkovich Council #8925, 2019 Grey Cup Sports Raffle prize winners for License LGA-2942-RF are, in the **Yellow tickets**;

Major prizes – C. Winchar, D. Hnatishin, R. Moskal, M. Ryczak, B. Halipchuk, D. Aiello, R. Brethour, D. Ostovich and change of score paid \$25.00 each, winners are; N. Scott, K. Hrechka, B. Shklanka, M. Kiernicki, P. Skazyk, M. Leblanc, G. Gaba, J. Heilman, K. Shindak, C. Onufree, I. Keating, A. Wilson.

The **Blue tickets**;

Major prizes – E. Nachtigall, I. Demianiw, D. Glowatsky, V. Werhun, J. Maxwell, P. Horbal, J. Brennan, J. Webb and change of score paid \$25.00 each, winners are; J. Hueging, G. Homeniuk, W. Romanyshyn, C. Jonasson, H. Ly-sack, S. Werhun, L. Cuthbert, T. Trach, S. Cole, H. Kiernicki, J. Heilman, D. Kostynuik,.

In all 40 prizes were paid worth \$4,600.00, congratulation to all prize winners and thank you for your support to all who purchased & sold tickets.

### I.C.C.D.

BROTHERS, only 3 weeks left to get involved with our council's fundraising efforts. Buy one or two I.C.C.D Books and put your name in for 1 of 10 \$100.00 EARLY BIRD DRAWS being held on Jan 25/20. Remember Brothers please return your books back to me on our Jan 13/20 general meeting and Knights Malanka Evening or the following Sunday Jan 19/20 in order to qualify for the cash prizes. I hope all our Knights will participate in purchasing these books and win the big prize of choice of vehicle or \$20,000.00 or 4 other cash prizes. For those Brothers who have not yet purchased any books I will be at the three masses starting in Jan/20 and hope to equal our fundraising amounts from last year.

### 35th ANNIVERSITY GOLF SHIRTS AND KNIGHTS CAPS:

BROTHERS MAY 02, 2020 IS OUR BANQUET celebrating 35 years since our charter date of March 27, 1985. We encourage all our Brother Knights to get involved in purchasing this 35th anniversary golf shirt or 35th anniversary cap or both. We had sample shirts in various sizes and caps displayed last month for selection. Your cost will be \$40.00 for the golf shirt w/ taxes in and \$30.00 for the cap w/ taxes in. Please bring your cash or cheques to cover your purchase to our meeting on Jan 13/20 and yes, samples will be at the meeting for further orders. Brothers I will contacting each and every one of you during the first weeks of Jan/20 for your invitation to our Knights Malanka evening and fellowship and hope to see a large participation at our 35th anniversary festivity. I know that some of our Knights do not attend our monthly meetings nor participate in some of our events due to conflicting days and times so please phone me to add your order and I will add your names to our existing list. I hope to submit this order in late January, with all golf shirts and hats available for everyone in late February or early March. Please act on this as soon as possible with the hopes of at least 4 dozen of each item so our Knights can proudly wear their 35th anniversary shirts and hats. Stay tuned for more information on our up coming events and anniversary planning. Got an idea for our event please contact me or your grand Knight Sir Br. Michael Ryczak.

### SUPER BOWL TICKETS:

Brothers our Super Bowl Chair and ticket selling allocator has indicated that he has around 300 more Super bowl tickets still left unsold and is calling all our Brothers help to make this event a sold out event. S0000000000 please brothers if you cannot take 10 tickets, please purchase a few tickets from our two Knights who have given the word volunteer a new height at our week-end masses. They are eager to assist your ticket pick and will write your names if you cannot. Only 1 month left until game time on Feb 02, 2020. Brother Larry will cover the details on his report. Please support your Knights council's activities and fundraisers efforts so we can distribute our funds accordingly.

Your fundraiser volunteer with many hats  
Br. Don Gulchak