



FR. SHYSHKOWICH COUNCIL #8925



November 2021



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



Glory to Jesus Christ!

A Good Time to Reflect!

Brother Knights!

We have been blessed with a very warm September and October, extending the usual number of days of summer weather. As the days grow shorter and we spend more time indoors, we may do more indoor chores, read, and watch our favourite sports teams on tv. We may even decide to visit more indoor places as we take the time and perhaps the lesser risk of resuming in the activities that COVID has robbed from us during the last 20 months. We want to make up for some lost time.

November is a good time to reflect upon the warmth we have experienced. North Americans and most of the richer nations are beginning to emerge from a scourge, rescued by the continuing efforts of scientists and primary care workers. It is a time, also, to remember many who, by their service to their country, sacrificed their future for a time of freedom and prosperity for most of us. Let us take the time to reflect upon the sacrifices of many.

On Remembrance Day, all Knights of our Council and their families are invited to gather at 10:00 am for a Divine Liturgy in church to pray for those who died for the cause of peace. Please reserve your spot by calling the parish as soon as possible. Our council's formal dress code will be in effect with poppies worn on the left lapel. Officers are asked to wear their council jewels. Please assemble in the church auditorium by 9:40am.

The feast of St. Philip, on November 14, initiates a time of preparation for the feast of the Nativity (Christmas). It is a time of preparation. Let us take the time to prepare spiritually by praying for the many needs of others. Since we will seldom gather as a group for Knight activities, let us take the time to be charitable in our own private way. We should continue to support our parish and community with donations and charitable works. I urge you to sell as many ICCD and football pool tickets as possible. The proceeds from these sales will help our Council fulfill its financial commitments to many organizations. Take the time to encourage new members to join our council. Free membership buttons with QR codes containing information are available in the parish office.

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PLANNING MEETING

Thursday, November 4

7 pm

COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, November 8

7 pm

Let us take the time to console and pray for our brothers who have recently lost loved ones. Our prayers and sympathies are extended to Br. Edward Tycholis and his family upon the passing of his beloved wife Vicki and to Br. Peter Samorodny upon the passing of his sister.
Vichnaya Pamyat!

Michael Ryczak

Grand Knight

Слава Ісусу Христу!

Glory be to Jesus Christ!

Dear Brother Knights,



Our Ukrainian Catholic Bishops from around the world gather together annually to discuss important issues of our church. Such a gathering is called a *Synod*. In Greek the word *Synod* is translated “assembly”. The matters discussed at such gatherings focus on issues of pastoral concerns and of administration. There are currently over 50 bishops of our church throughout the world.

Of course, when the bishops gather, they need a place to assemble. Thanks to the support of the Knights of Columbus such a place is nearing completion. Recently, a memorial plaque, at the entrance to the new “Synod Hall”, dedicated to the founder of the Knights of Columbus, Blessed Michael J. McGivney was unveiled by His Beatitude Patriarch Sviatoslav and former Supreme Knight Carl Anderson, at the Ukrainian Catholic Sobor of the Resurrection in Kyiv, Ukraine. This event may be seen on YouTube by clicking on the link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cuaTti8yJ2o&t=163s>



It is interesting to note that currently in Ukraine there are 29 K of C Councils. Seventeen are found in Ukrainian Catholic parishes and twelve are found in Roman Catholic parishes.

Let us remember in prayer our Bishops and our brother Knights throughout the world, especially in Ukraine.

Peace & Prayers,

Fr. Dmytro



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I.C.C.D FUNDRAISER 21-22

BROTHERS we are half way through our fundraising efforts. Our EARLY BIRD DRAW is just around the corner. Presently, we have sold 35 books. COVID-19 has interrupted many activities. Our donations to charities will be reduced this year without our continuing support. We require everyone's assistance. I am committed to assisting my brother Knights. You may pick up your allotment of ICCD books by meeting me, before or after each church Divine Liturgy in the church courtyard. I will also leave your books in the church office for pick-up. I can drop the books off at your home. Just give me a telephone call.

Brothers, after over 20 months of staying inside, why not get out of your home, get your flu shot and phone me? I will leave your ICCD books at my door step ready for you to pick them up.

I would like to thank all of our brothers who took books of tickets at our September BBQ. Wouldn't it be great to socialize again in December?

Brothers. I miss your attendance at our monthly meetings. Please log in to our virtual TEAMS meetings to get all the information about our Council activities and the budget challenges we face. Your participation in ICCD sales will help us keep our financial commitments to a variety of charities.

Br. Don Gulchak
Chair, I.C.C.D Fundraiser.



NOVEMBER

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14 Peter Samorodny
17 Guy Shelemy
30 George Seidel

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Catholic Foundation of Manitoba Website

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

LIFE PROGRAMS --- IT'S TIME FOR MORE ACTION

An Appeal to Brother Knights

Br Dennis Wawrykow

To date, our Council has an enviable record of service in Life Programs, such as:

- We have had several presentations for the parish and community focusing on important Life issues
 - We have participated in preparing and presenting a program regarding Health Care Directives, at an event sponsored jointly by Manitoba State, St Emile Council, and Life's Vision
- We have led all other Councils in our participation in the March for Life, particularly in providing parade marshals

As well, our participation in Community Programs, such as through Welcome Home, is an attempt to better the lives of people and is a sign of recognizing the value and dignity of each person.

But there is so much more to do.

Life is under constant attack --- from the promotion of abortion and attacks on Pregnancy Crisis Centers--- to the dishonoring of the sick and disabled by refusing to provide proper care --- to the support for assisted suicide.

If you are at all interested---whether or not you know how you can help ---please contact me. I would like to arrange for a discussion so that we can move forward on whatever ideas may be presented.

We would also need someone to take on the position of Life Director for Council. If we have a group of Brother Knights willing to work together, I am sure someone will step forward. Guaranteed.

Contact by phone: 204-599-6055 Contact by email: dennisw3@hotmail.com

Submitted by Br Dennis Wawrykow,
Council Life Program Director

PALLIATIVE CARE

WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT? WHAT CAN WE DO?

From LifesVision <https://www.lifesvision.ca> Pick "End of Life" from the list at the top of the page

Edited by Br Dennis Wawrykow

PALLIATIVE CARE strives to relieve symptoms and to provide opportunities to focus on relationships and spirituality while neither promoting nor hindering death. Palliative care is needed by those suffering a chronic or progressive condition regardless of age, as well as by those nearing the end of life.

Every person, regardless of circumstances, has worth and can make a valuable contribution to our community. The dignity of those who are aging, disabled, or living with a chronic progressive illness is diminished if they:

- experience pain or other symptoms that are not well-managed,
- lose the ability to engage in meaningful activities,
- experience loss of control over their lives, or
- perceive that they are a burden to family, friends, or caregivers.

When dignity is lost, a person may feel hopeless and of little value. For too many, this leads to choosing Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD).

Here are some things we can do to help people choose life and promote their dignity:

1. Care about people who are struggling physically, mentally, and emotionally.

People need to know that someone cares. Help to reduce feelings of being a burden by letting them know that you want to be there to support them.

2. Be genuinely interested in how a person is affected by illness, disability, or the aging process.

Simply be present, listen, and support the person's outlook. You don't need to fix anything or try to make people feel better. All of us just want to be heard and understood.

3. Talk with people about those aspects of their life that they are most proud of.

4. Help people to engage in activities and interactions that are meaningful to them.

5. Get comfortable talking about the tough stuff, including death and dying.

Death is inevitable for all of us. Dying well is something we can plan for. But in order to do so, we need to talk about it. Engage your loved ones in conversations about their wishes and values, and what dying well means to them to help them maintain control of their lives until the natural end.

6. Advocate for Palliative Care --- at all appropriate stages, including end of life.

Fewer than 30% of Canadians have access to quality palliative and end-of-life care. Palliative care helps people who are disabled, living with a chronic progressive illness, becoming frail, or aging to live well and die well. This needs to be an option for all Canadians.

The Joy of Planning and Presenting An Introduction to Advance Health Care Directives

Br Dennis Wawrykow and I were guest presenters at a “Pro-Life Day of Formation” on Saturday, October 23 at St Emile Parish. The event was sponsored by Life's Vision and St. Emile Council of the Knights of Columbus.

To summarize, an Advance Health Care Directive can be used to express a person's health care decisions, or to name a person to do so, or both. The document is to be used only when the maker has lost the ability to give instructions personally. The process of making a Directive leads people at any age or stage of health to focus on and share their personal values, life goals, and preferences regarding future medical care. When you cannot give instructions yourself, it is crucial that someone knows your wishes and is prepared to speak for you. I am glad we had a chance to help spread the word.

This was a very important issue. Preparing for this presentation, introduced me to our topic. The preparation helped me think about, talk about and share what I had learned.

This talk was designed to act as a springboard for discussion. We encouraged our guests to talk with family members, and to seek professional ethical, legal or medical advice, as required in their personal situation, before deciding on a course of action.

I would like to thank St Boniface Archdiocese for the use of their resource entitled: A Faith-Based Advance Health Care Directive and Katarina Lee-Ameduri for her support.

I would like to acknowledge the important work of Life's Vision. A special thank you to Br Tim Scatliff for his excellent organizational and technical skills as well as the Knights of St Emile for their time, effort and attention. Last, but certainly not least, I wish to express my gratitude to Br Dennis.

Br George Koch



Brs Tim, Dennis, and George
Day of Formation
October 23, 2021

Knights of Columbus Fr. Shyshkovich Council Remembrance Day Service

Thursday, November 11, 2021



10 a.m. Divine Liturgy with Remembrance Day Service to follow

In consideration of COVID-19 restrictions, the Remembrance Day Service will be different than past services. Liturgy attendance by advance registration. Parishioners, Brother Knights and their spouses are asked to please register through the parish office to attend the Divine Liturgy and the Remembrance Day Service.

Phone [204-339-4512](tel:204-339-4512) or email office@stjosephukrwinipeg.ca

Br Knights, dress code will be in effect with poppies worn on the left lapel. Officers are asked to wear their council jewels and a poppy. Please assemble in the church auditorium by 9:40am.

Please note the Catechism Program Remembrance Day activities, the Knights procession upstairs and luncheon have been cancelled.

Br George Koch Remembrance Day Event Coordinator

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Bulletin & Meeting Dates

2021 / 2022 Columbian Year

Bulletin Submission Deadline (Monday)	Planning Meeting (Thursday, 7:00)	Business Meeting (Monday, 7:00)
November 29	December 9	December 13
December 27	January 6	January 10
January 31	February 10	February 14
February 28	March 10	March 14
March 28	April 7	April 11
April 25	May 5	May 9
May 30	June 9	June 13

Good of the Order

Two weeks ago, a Br Knight contacted me. He straight up said, "You probably don't remember me but I heard you'll be in my neighborhood doing a presentation at St. Emile Parish. Do you mind bringing me a couple books of ICCD tickets from Br Don?" We agreed to meet outside of his apartment building.

The morning I arrived, I called him. When he came down, I recognized him. We chatted a bit. The Brother lives in a 55+ apartment and his wife lives in a Personal Care Home a 10 meter walk from his front door. A convenient living arrangement.

I thought it was a nice way to start the morning for me! What if we all took a few minutes out of our day to help someone? Br George Koch