

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

St. Paul the Apostle, Alliston

COUNCIL 9352

ASSEMBLY 3477



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*St. Paul the Apostle, Alliston; Council #9352; District 99
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Officers' Planning Meetings 1st Thursday of every month

Assembly Meetings 2nd Wednesday of every month

Council Meetings 2nd Thursday of every month

**Online Rosary every Friday at 8:00 pm see Gonzalo De
Romana's weekly EMAIL and please join us**



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Pastor

Core Lenten Obligations & Practices:

- **Abstinence:** No meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent (ages 14+).
- **Fasting:** Ash Wednesday and Good Friday (ages 18–59).
- *The Three Pillars:* Catholics are called to deepen their faith through *Prayer* (scripture, liturgy), **Fasting** (self-control), and **Almsgiving** (charity).
- **Easter Duty:** The obligation to receive Holy Communion at least once a year, usually during the Easter season.

Key Dates & Exemptions:

- **Dates:** Lent starts Ash Wednesday (Feb 18, 2026) and ends before the evening Mass of Holy Thursday (Apr 2, 2026).
- **Exemptions:** Those with health conditions, pregnant, or nursing are generally exempt from fasting.
- **Fridays:** If not abstaining from meat on a non-obligatory Friday, it is recommended to substitute with another penance.

Reverend Father Norberto

Chaplain,

Knights of Columbus



BRIAN ALLEN

***Grand Knight
Council 9352***



BROTHERS

I strive to unite the Counsel in a *brotherhood of Chistian bothers*. While at the same time help the community during my term as Grand Night.

WELCOME to ***Anthony GILL***, who completed his Third Degree on Wednesday, March 11, 2026



***Brian
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Thank You, Brother”

On the **third Sunday of each month**, members of our Knights of Columbus council gather in the church before the **10:30 a.m. Mass** to pray the Rosary together.

This past Sunday, before those gathered in the church, a young man stepped forward to lead the **Fifth Decade of the Rosary**. With the quiet assistance of the Chief Counselor, he confidently led the prayer alongside the Knights. That young man was **Marcus**, a Columbian Squire of more than **three years**.

After the Rosary concluded, Marcus and the Chief Counselor walked together from Knight to Knight. Marcus shook each man’s hand, looked him in the eye, and simply said **“Thank you, Brother.”**

It was a simple gesture, yet a powerful one. *Perhaps his words carried a deeper meaning:*

*Thank you, Brother, for allowing me to stand among you and accepting me for who I am.
Thank you, Brother, for your patience and understanding of my youthfulness.
Thank you, Brother, for mentoring me as a young Catholic man.
Thank you for guiding not only me, but the thousands of Squires I represent — past and present — even as we have recently been told the Squires program must come to an end.
And thank you, above all, for sharing with us the greatest gift of all: the gift of faith.*

For nearly **three decades**, Columbian Squires have stood beside the Knights of Columbus in our parish — learning to pray, to serve, and to grow as Catholic men. Programs may change and structures may evolve, but the **brotherhood, faith, and mentorship shared between Knights and Squires will continue to live on in the young men whose lives were shaped by it**. Sometimes the most meaningful moments in our Order are expressed in the simplest words: **“Thank you,**



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Brothers,

Tax season is here! In Canada, taxes must be filed by April 30th, 2026. Whether you're ahead of the game and done filing, or you're putting it off for another couple weeks, this time of year is a good opportunity to consider whether your tax rate or bracket has changed. If so, do you know the implications for your long-term financial strategy?

People can end up in a higher tax bracket than they anticipate when their income fluctuates — for example, if your salary changed, or if you retired and are drawing on different income sources. Paying a higher tax rate may mean less disposable income or less money to leave to your family as you planned.

You can protect yourself against these potential losses and build dependable cash value through permanent life insurance with the Knights of Columbus.

Permanent life insurance allows you to build cash value that you can access up to the Adjusted Cost Basis tax-free while you're alive. You can also create an income tax-free inheritance for your loved ones after you pass allowing permanent life insurance to be useful in a range of situations.

Of course, we always recommend that you work with a qualified tax advisor or CPA in addition to your KofC Agent

By helping to secure your financial future and legacy with the Knights of Columbus, you're living out the vision of Blessed Michael McGivney, who founded our Order 144 years ago this month. His mission of protecting Catholic families is as important today as it was for the first members who gathered all those years ago.

I'd love to talk more if you have any questions. Please come chat with me and we can schedule a time to meet.

Thank you!

Andrei DIAS

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

St. Paul the Apostle Parish

Alliston, Ontario

"Ignite Your Passion, Empower His Mission"

SPIRITUAL BOUQUET

Sign-up sheets were displayed in the narthex of both churches and information packages were sent to our three Catholic elementary schools.

A total of 4,205 Spiritual Offerings were offered for the seminarians. These will be tallied with the other 93 Diocesan councils and will be presented to the seminarians at the Ordinandi Dinner on March 24th.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The worship service by the women of Nigeria was focused on the theme of "I Will Give You Rest: Come".

This year the hosting church was the Community Well Chapel in Alliston with eight other churches also participating. Five of our CWL members attended, with Beatriz Baumfeld, Martha Whelton and Loretta Gismondi reading passages.

Upcoming Events:

- *April* 11th - CWL has entered a team in the Grate Groan-Up Spelling Bee contest in support of Next Step Literacy.
- *April 16th* - a representative from our local Food Bank will present in the church hall at our April general meeting. All parishioners are welcome.
- *April 25th* - Mass at 9:00 am in honour of Our Lady of Good Counsel at Immaculate Conception.
- *April 27th and 28th* - Toronto Diocesan Annual General Meeting in Ajax. This year's theme is: *Ignite Your Passion, Empower His Mission*. We have 4 members attending

Blessings

Fredina Elliott

MIKE CROWLEY.

SO we are in the second week in lent !

How is your Lenten Journey going?

Are you holy? Don't blush and choke and say, "Nooo, I'm no saint!" Well, don't you believe (as we profess in the Creed) in the *Holy Catholic Church*? *Aren't you part of this church? Didn't you receive the Holy Spirit in baptism?*

We are holy. We were made holy during our baptisms. However, we're not fully convinced that it's good to be holy, and thus we do things that are not true to our baptismal nature. It takes a lifetime to learn how to apply our holy nature to all the daily situations that tempt us to be unholy. We have to work hard to motivate ourselves to act according to the holiness within us.

To resist sin, we must learn to control our thoughts, nourish our souls, and discipline our flesh-nature so that we become stronger against whatever makes us vulnerable to sin.

Our minds stray into evil less often when we spend more time praying and meditating on God's Word, God's love, God's will, and everything else that is Godly. The spiritual passions of our souls become less selfish when we care about others. We learn to overcome our irregular appetites (the sinful cravings of the flesh) when we discipline our bodies through fasting, abstinence, and penance.

In March 3rd first reading, God pleads with us: "Wash yourselves clean! Put away your misdeeds from before my eyes; cease doing evil; learn to do good." We want to live this way, but it surely is not easy. We need supernatural help. We need special graces. Praise the Lord, this is exactly what is offered in the Sacrament of Reconciliation! Because it is a sacrament, it is an encounter with the supernatural.

God wants to make it easier for us to put away evil deeds and use the gift of holiness that he's given us. And he never asks for the impossible. He's the one who makes saintly living possible. It's up to us to avail ourselves of this help.

"Come now, let us set things right, says the Lord: Though your sins be like scarlet, they may become white as snow...."

And Jesus tells us in the Gospel reading, "Whoever humbles himself shall be exalted." The word "exalt" means "to enhance the activity of" or "to intensify." God will enhance and intensify our holiness whenever we admit we've sinned and rely on the power of his holy sacraments!

Vivat Jesus

Brother Mike

Popes

Pope Vigilius.

Dec 2, 537 - June 7, 555 A.D.

Pope Vigilius is a rare case, having been one of the only Popes to have been an anti-pope prior to being consecrated legitimately as a successor of Peter. Though elected and enthroned on March 29, 537, he wasn't recognized by the Roman clergy as true pope until after Silverius' death on December 2 of that year.

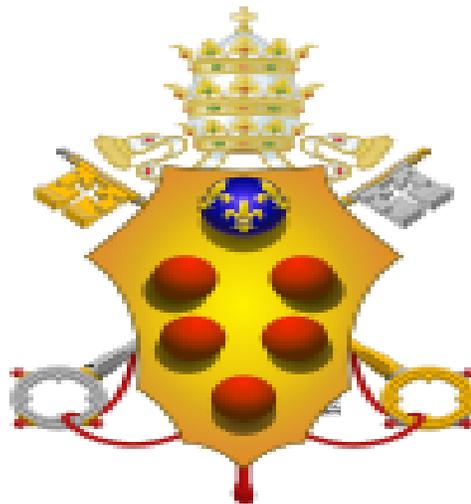
Controversy followed Vigilius wherever he went, as he sought to both battle heresy and appease the people what put him in office.

The war between the Ostrogoths and Byzantines raged in Rome and the rest of Italy for virtually his entire papacy. One of Vigilius' only generous acts is related to this, as he attempted to send alms to the people there while he was tied up in the East. Vigilius served as pope for nearly 18 years, dying at Syracuse on his journey back to Rome on June 7, 555.

Two famous saints were born in the year 540, the third of Vigilius' papacy. Both St. Gregory the Great, the 64th pope and Doctor of the Church, and St. Columbanus, the great Irish missionary and patron of motorcyclists, were born around that time.

Vivat Jesus

Brother Mike



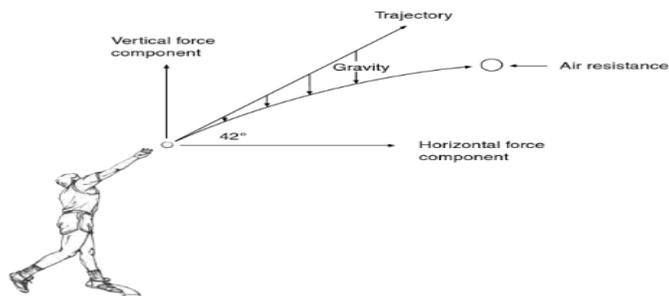
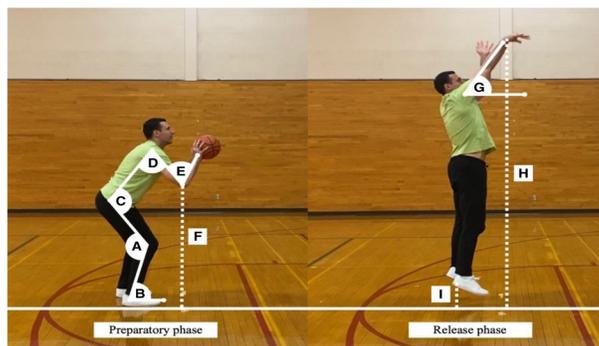
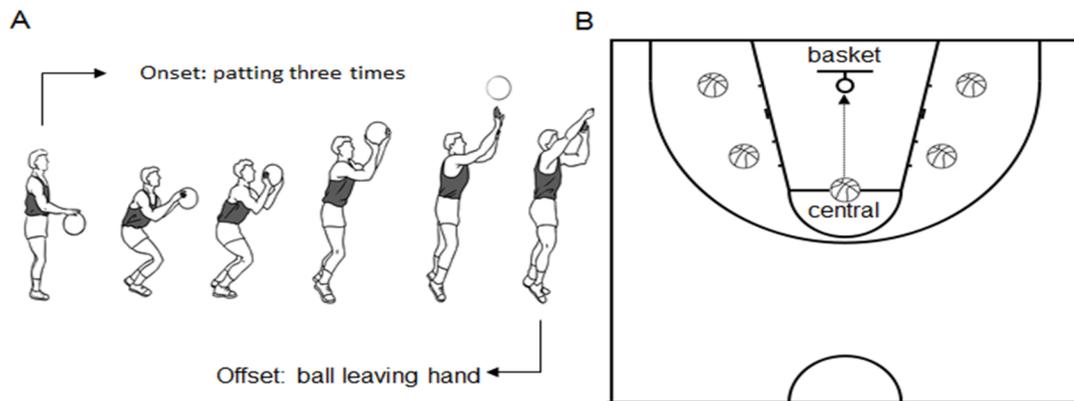
Richard MAAGUIRE.

FREE THROW

We had 10 students advance to the regionals that will be held on March 28 in Toronto.

Richard Maguire

Free Throw Chairman



Ed ROONEY

MEMBERSHIP AND RETENTION

Brothers

Please join in welcoming *Anthony Gil* as our newest member of the Council.

Thank you for all the Knights that participated in the exemplification. I encourage anyone who has not completed their 2nd or 3rd Degree under the old system to come out to one of the new exemplifications to certify as a 3rd Degree and to redo your vows as a Knight of Columbus.

We plan on doing a membership drive now that Father is back. Usually this means it's an opportunity to raise our visibility within the parish. The main emphasis is to personally approach someone you may know to encourage them to consider the Knights. An ideal time is at our events.

As an example during the St Patrick's Brunch there were two gentlemen that have been considering becoming a Knight.

We are an active Council, an active Council is usually a successful Council. In order for us to continue doing the good works we do we must strive to recruit new members to achieve our goals.

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Vivat Jesus

Brother Ed

What It Actually Means to Call Someone a Brother

On brotherhood, fraternity, and the covenant that holds us together

We didn't grow up together. We didn't choose the same careers, neighborhoods, or paths to get here. And yet here we are — bound by something hard to explain to anyone on the outside. Brotherhood isn't a thing you can point to. It isn't the meetings, the events, or the card in your wallet. Brotherhood is what lives in the space between — the moment you realize you are not alone in something you thought you were carrying by yourself.

It's knowing the man beside you is pointed toward the same true north, even when neither of you is perfectly on course.

A love that requires something

Fraternity is a kind of love. Not the easy kind — the kind that says: I see you, I'm not going anywhere, and what matters to you matters to me. It doesn't weaken with age. It grows quieter and more certain — the way anything real does. The older men of this council don't say much when they walk in. They don't have to. Something settles in the room. A reminder that this means something, because they've spent a lifetime proving it does.

Do we — as a council — actually show it?

It is worth sitting with that question honestly.

Do we notice when a brother has gone quiet — when the chair that was always filled is suddenly empty, and we tell ourselves he is probably just busy? Do we pick up the phone, or do we wait for the next meeting and hope he shows up? When a brother is struggling — in his marriage, his health, his faith, his livelihood — does he know, without any doubt, that this council is a safe place to say so? Or have we built something that looks like brotherhood on the surface but asks very little of us beneath it?

These are not accusations. They are the questions that fraternity asks of every man who claims it. Because brotherhood is not a status. It is a practice. And like any practice, it can quietly erode when we stop paying attention.

When did you last call a brother — not about a meeting, not about an event, but just to check in? When did you last sit with someone who needed presence more than answers? When did you last make it easy for a younger man to walk through the door and feel like he belonged?

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Esto Dignus — a hundred years of worthy, and the silence to follow

The Columbian Squires were born in 1925 on two words that asked everything of a young man: Esto Dignus. Be Worthy. For a hundred years they were the doorway through which boys first learned what it meant to stand for something — mentored by Knights who had already paid that tuition.

In 2017, the Board of Directors quietly stopped allowing new Circles to be chartered. Now, the decision to close the program entirely arrived with the quiet efficiency of an administrative footnote — rather than the fraternal weight it deserved. Effective June 30, 2026, all Circles will be dissolved, current Squires graduated, and no new members processed. One hundred years of formation — ended with a letter, a date, and a single suggestion: go meet with your pastor and ask how your council might help with parish youth ministry.

That's it.

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We can respect a difficult decision and still name what it costs. The men who wore that pin deserved more than a memo. So did the boys who will never get the chance.

Brotherhood cannot be inherited. It has to be witnessed. A young man doesn't become a Knight because he read a brochure. He becomes one because he watched someone live out those two words — and decided he wanted to as well.

We are the Squires many of our young men never had. The invitation to be worthy has to come from us now.

Worth protecting — and worth passing on

When a brother grows frail, our job deepens. When a young man is searching, our door opens. The young carry the work. The old carry the wisdom. Together, we carry each other. We are not just members of an organization. We are men who chose to be responsible for one another — and for the men who will come after us.

Be worthy of what you were given. Pass it on.

Patrick HAYES

Chief Counsellor

Columbian Squires-Circle 4328

Paul the Apostle

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



MEMBERS BIRTHDAYS

March 2026— Dick MAGUIRE; Tim RIENGEUITTE'; Peter BERNARDIE; Mario FRANCONI'; Jim PURVIS; Mike CROWLEY; Denis MAJOR; Gavin TAN; Deacon Michael LEWIS

WIVES BIRTHDAYS

March 2026— Christina CARNOVALE; Donna LYNCH; Lydia ROWETT; Josie RIENGEUITTE; Tracey KROEPLIN; Maria OSELLAME

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

March 2026— No Anniversaries noted

OUR MEMBERS WHO ARE SICK

Patrick St. ALMONT; James PURVIS; Skip LANGEVIN ; Ron GASTON; Domenic GERONIMO; Bruce McCALLUM; James LAROSE; Moses TAVARES ; Jerome LENNON Dick MAGUIRE

FOR THE FAMILIES OF OUR COUNCIL MEMBERS WHO ARE SICK

Linda LEMIRE, wife of the Late Aurele Lemire;

Catherine MUNDY; Wife of the Late Wayne Munday

Jerry Krauskopf cousin of Jerome Lennon;

Cecilia De ROMANA Mother and Mother-in-law of Jennifer and Gonzalo De Romana; *William De ROMANA* son of Jennifer and Gonzalo De Romana;

Elaine WALSH, wife of Gerard Walsh ; *Andrew WALSH*, son of Gerard Walsh (Council 1452 Terra Nova Council, NFL)

Shevantha FFERNANDO Father of Shen Fernando ;

Maria OSELLAME and Paul OSELLAME wife and son o Carlos OSELLAME,

Ann CROWLEY wife of Mike Crowley; ;

Walter MERIDIANI Father of Silvo Meridiani

Melissa GIANGREGORIO wife of Leonard Giangregorio

John HAGAN Sr. Father of John Hagan Ju.

Mikaela GILL wife of Anthony Gill

Rose GILL Daughter of Anthony and Mikela Gill

FAMILY MEMBERS WHO HAVE PASSED ON

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

Elvira TAN Mother and Mother in law of Geoff and Elizabeth Tan

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL 9352 2025—2026

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OUR DECEASED MEMBERS

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In 
Loving
Memory



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ROSARY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY,

APRIL 19, 2026

GLORIOUS MYSTERY

	<i>Mike CROWLEY</i>
<i>First Mystery</i>	<i>Brian SKELTON</i>
<i>Second Mystery</i>	<i>Richard de FARIA</i>
<i>Third Mystery</i>	<i>Randy Van VUGHT</i>
<i>Fourth Mystery</i>	<i>Gonzalo De RAMANA</i>
<i>Fifth Mystery</i>	<i>Andrew KOKELJ</i>
	<i>Patrick HAYS,</i>
	<i>Neil ARSENAULT,</i>
	<i>William LYNCH,</i>
	<i>Bruce McCALLUM</i>

