

The Good Knight

*"In Service to One,
In Service to All"*



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Greetings! As we enter the month of June, we begin to anticipate the joys and adventures of the summer season. Gardeners and farmers are tending their crops; children are preparing for the end of the school year; everyone is looking forward to some vacation time ... time to rejuvenate, relax, and restore.

As you anticipate the summer vacation, I offer you the following Summertime Prayer taken from A Book of Irish American Blessings and Prayers by Andrew M. Greeley.

**WE THANK YOU, LADY WISDOM,
YOU WHO PRESIDE OVER THE TURNING OF
THE SEASONS AND THE LONG DAYS AND THE
SHORT NIGHTS, FOR BLESSING US WITH
SUMMERTIME, WITH SUNLIGHT AND HEAT,
WITH SAND AND SURF,
WITH HUMID DAYS AND RAINY NIGHTS.**

**GRANT THAT WE MAY USE WELL OUR
SUMMER RESPITE FOR REST AND
RECREATION AND RECOLLECTION. PROTECT
US AND ALL THOSE WE LOVE FROM SUMMER
DANGERS. HELP US TO SEE, IN THE HEAT
OF SUMMER, A HINT OF THE PASSION OF
YOUR LOVE. WE ASK THIS IN THE NAME OF
JESUS YOUR SON. AMEN.**

Thank you for reading *The Good Knight*.

Louis Kloster, Editor

Important Dates

June 2026

- 3 Feast of St. Charles Lwanga (Saint of the Month)
- 10 Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting by Zoom
- 12 Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
- 13 Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
- 14 Knights of Columbus pancake breakfast COR Gathering at 7 p.m.
- 17 Knights of Columbus General Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.
- 21 Father's Day
- 29 Feast of Saints Peter and Paul



Knight of the Month

Bro. Louis Kloster was recognized as our Knight of the Month for May. Louis serves as the recorder for our council, preparing meeting agendas and minutes. He recently organized the Annual Highway Cleanup and is the volunteer coordinator of the team that maintains the churchyard and cemetery. Louis is on the Liturgy committee and leads music at the 5 p.m. Mass on Saturdays.

Outside the parish, he volunteers at the Marian Centre and is involved in prison ministry at the Edmonton Remand Centre.



The Papal Cross



The Papal Cross is composed as a staff with three horizontal cross bars towards the top. The bars represent the Pope's three roles as Bishop of Rome, leader of the Western Church, and successor to St. Peter, the first pope. The papal cross is integrated into the papal coat of arms, specifically on the miter, as depicted on the left.



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Saint of the Month St. Charles Lwanga

We know from reading about the saints that many of them were persecuted because they believed in Jesus and preached the Good News to others. Some were even killed for their faith; they are known as martyrs.

Each year, on June 3, we remember twenty-two saints who died in Uganda, a country in central Africa, 140 years ago – in 1886. One of them was Saint Charles Lwanga.



Charles Lwanga and his friends had become Christians. They had learned about Jesus from some missionary priests who had come to Uganda. The Ugandan king at that time was King Mwanga. Charles Lwanga had been one of his royal pages, but the pages did not like the king's cruel and un-Christian behavior. The king wanted to stop the spread of Christianity in Uganda, so he ordered Charles and the other Christian pages to be put to death. Charles and about 100 persons died. Fortunately, the king was not able to stop Christianity.

Four years after the death of St. Charles, the number of Christians in Uganda had grown to 10,000. Charles Lwanga is the patron saint of Catholic youth and those who are victims of torture.

The Good of the Order

Every month the Knights pray for the sick or recently deceased in the parish as well as relatives and friends who are in need of God's help. We call this the Good of the Order. Please pray for:

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| • Shirley Affleck | Medical concerns |
| • Hilda Bannack | Dementia |
| • Jean Boucher | Bladder cancer |
| • Wilbur Collin | Heart condition |
| • Florent Duguay | Cancer |
| • Everett Hoffarth | Ill |
| • Claire Kloster | Deceased |
| • Ardie Korte | Recovery heart surgery |
| • Eric Lafoy | Recovery from surgery |
| • Robert Lavallée | Kidney/prostate concerns |
| • Roland Leblanc | Dementia |
| • Lynda Leblanc | Health issues; melanoma |
| • Jean-Pierre Lefebvre | Detached retina; blindness |
| • Janet Ledene | Cancer |
| • Doris Lytle | Sick |
| • Larry Rowan | Prostate cancer, dementia |
| • Joanne Scherger | Multiple myeloma |
| • Laura Stack | Deceased |
| • Dean Weans | Cancer |
| • Andrew Weinkauff | Recovery from brain injury |
| • Dean Weans | Cancer |
| • Robert Weisenberger | Stroke and heart attack |
| • Maureen Whenham | Cancer |

The Ten Commandments

The Ten Commandments, also known as the Decalogue, are significant in the moral life of a Christian. This year, *The Good Knight* has explored each one. The **Tenth Commandment** is:

Thou shalt not covet your neighbor's goods.

The tenth commandment completes the ninth commandment, which concerns concupiscence or covetousness of the flesh. Nor are we to covet the goods or property of others. Many people desire to win millions and to be rich. This commandment forbids greed or what is also known as *avarice*.

We are to abandon our desire for greed, one of the seven deadly sins, and turn instead towards joyful giving. St. Paul writes, "Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Cor. 9:7). St. Francis of Assisi, in his prayer, supports this notion with the words: "It is in giving that we receive." Jesus also instructs us: "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20: 35). This commandment encourages stewardship and the sharing of our time, talent, and treasure.



Envy is also a violation of the tenth commandment. It is a type of sadness that we feel when someone has what we lack. Rather than celebrating and rejoicing in the gift of

another, one covets or criticizes it. This capital sin leads to all kinds of harm: hatred, calumny, theft, vandalism, lack of charity, etc. It was Satan's envy of God that led to his departure from God's grace.

We can combat greed and envy by practicing goodwill, humility, generosity, and detachment from riches. Our happiness and consolation are not based on the accumulation of goods. True joy is found in the Lord.



Soap Box Derby

This year's Soap Box Derby, sponsored by Our Lady of the Hill Council 13064, took place on Saturday, May 23, as part of the Beaumont Days celebration.

Twenty-four boys and girls between the ages of 8 and 13

participated in this event. The weather was favorable, and fun was had by all.

Thanks to Bro. Patrick Stack for coordinating this event and to a host of other Knights and parishioners who volunteered their time to help run the soapbox derby and ensure the safety of both competitors and bystanders.

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The Sacraments – The Christian Mysteries

This year The Good Knight examined each of the seven sacraments of the Catholic Church. This month we take a close look at:

Marriage (Matrimony)



True or False?

- _____ 1. A Catholic can marry a non-baptized person, but it is not considered a sacramental marriage.
 - _____ 2. Marriage was the last of the seven sacraments to be recognized by the Church
 - _____ 3. In order to marry within the Church, men must be at least 18 years of age; 16 for women.
 - _____ 4. The creation of woman from man is symbolic of a man's superiority over his wife.
 - _____ 5. When a couple gives consent to one another in marriage, the bond between them is sealed forever by Christ.
 - _____ 6. Sexual impotency invalidates a marriage.
 - _____ 7. The Church does not consider a separated couple to be married.
 - _____ 8. A divorced Catholic can no longer participate in the life of the Church.
 - _____ 9. An annulment is a declaration that a couple has not entered into a union that has all of the content necessary for marriage.
 - _____ 10. Infidelity and infertility are grounds for an annulment.
 - _____ 11. Marriage is a sacrament of service.
 - _____ 12. It is sinful to marry an unbaptized person.
 - _____ 13. A priest is the ordinary minister of the sacrament of marriage.
 - _____ 14. In Matrimony, the matter (visible sign of the sacrament) is the wedding rings.
 - _____ 15. The Catholic Church recognizes matrimony – or marriage – as an everlasting covenant or partnership between a man and a woman.
2. True. Theologians could not easily find the institution of this sacrament within Scripture. At that time, sex was considered at least a venial sin, even within marriage. Sacramental rites of matrimony only started to develop in the 9th century.
 3. False. Men must be 16 years old, and women must be at least 14 years of age. Under the age of 18, permission must be given by a parent or guardian.
 4. False. It is symbolic of the intimacy, complementarity, and permanency of the relationship. Woman was created to be a suitable and equal partner for man.
 5. True. "The "intimate union of marriage, as a mutual giving of two persons, and the good of the children, demand total fidelity from the spouses and require an unbreakable union between them" (CCC #1646).
 6. True. Each person must be physically capable of having sexual intercourse. However, sterility does not invalidate a marriage.
 7. False. Canon Law does allow for separation of the husband and wife. Reasons for separation include infidelity; grave danger to the spouse or children, such as psychological or physical abuse; or undue difficulty, such as alcoholism.
 8. False. Divorced Catholics cannot receive Eucharistic communion, but remain part of the Church.
 9. True. An annulment acknowledges that, beyond a reasonable doubt, the marriage was never valid. Reasons include: psychological reasons (temporary insanity, gross immaturity); deception; grave lack of reasonable judgment.
 10. False. Infertility is not grounds for an annulment, unless one kept it a secret prior to marriage.
 11. True. Marriage is a vocation through which the husband and wife develop and share their God-given gifts for the sake of each other and their families. They are called to a sacrificial and devoted love. (The other is Holy Orders.)
 12. False.
 13. False. Unlike other sacraments, the husband and wife – and not the priest – are the ordinary ministers of the sacrament. It is still necessary to have an ordained minister, even if it is a deacon, present as a witness.
 14. False. In Matrimony, the matter is not a visible, external symbol, such as the wedding rings, but the interior disposition of those celebrating the sacrament. The mutual exchange of vows constitute the form, while the mutual acceptance of the consent is the matter. The vows they make publicly and the rings they give to each other symbolize and signify the everlasting love that they pledge to one another.
 15. True. The Catholic Church does not recognize same-sex marriage.



The Sacrament of Marriage: The Answers

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Word of the Month

In order to communicate our faith to others, we need to develop a certain vocabulary ... a faith vocabulary. Each month we will dissect and investigate one faith-related word.

DIocese

This is a geographical area or territory administered by a bishop. The Church has created dioceses across the world. The diocese is divided into individual parishes. The bishop serves the role of shepherd and has responsibility for the teaching of the faith, for the pastoral care of the People of God within his diocese, and for the governance of the Church therein. The pope is the bishop of the diocese of Rome.

Beaumont is part of the Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton.

Birthdays in June

We send blessings to the following Knights who are celebrating birthdays this month:

- June 5 Philip Hawkins
- June 5 Bryan Oulton
- June 7 Ted Kotylak
- June 8 Jacob McLarney
- June 17 Chris Bendoritis
- June 20 Camille Bérubé
- June 27 Francis Feth



Wedding Anniversaries in June

- June 5 Ted & Carmen Kotylak
- June 11 Camille & Jo-Anne Bérubé
- June 14 Darcy & Audrey Kirtzinger
- June 17 Chris & Wendy Bendoritis
- June 18 John & Ramona Bosnyak
- June 21 Jean & Diane Boucher
- June 21 Jam & Jackie Abello
- June 25 Julien & Patricia Plamondon
- June 27 Paul & Sheree Weisenberger
- June 29 Joe & Belinda Halbach
- June 29 Vern & Karen Reichert
- June 30 Jeremy & Kris Bujold

Have You Heard This One?

A man and his ever-nagging wife went on vacation to Jerusalem. While they were there, the wife passed away. The undertaker told the husband: "You can have her shipped home for \$5000.00 or you can bury her here, in the Holy Land, for \$150. The man thought about it and told him he would just have her shipped home.

The undertaker asked, "Why would you spend \$5000 to ship your wife home, when it would be wonderful to be buried here, and you would spend only \$150?"

The man replied, "Long ago, a man died here, was buried here, and three days later He rose from the dead. I just can't take that chance."

Family of the Month

In May, our council recognized Juan Carlos Garcia Rojas, his wife Olga Navarro Montoya, and their son José as our Family of the Month. Olga is an active member on the parish Liturgy committee and an assistant sacristan with Marie McDonald. As a member of the pastoral care committee, she brings Holy Communion to those who are sick or housebound and unable to attend Mass. Olga attends daily mass and spends time each Friday in Eucharistic Adoration.



Juan often accompanies and supports Olga. He has recently applied to become a Knight of Columbus. Their son José is a regular altar server on weekends and is sometimes available to serve at weekday Masses. He is becoming involved in the parish youth group, The Rock. We thank Juan, Olga, and José for the many meaningful ways they contribute to our parish.



Annual Highway Cleanup

On Saturday, May 2, our council, the CWL, and The Rock worked together to clean a 10-kilometer stretch of Highway 21 from

Township Road 512 to Township Road 502 and a 17 km section of Highway 625 from Highway 21 to the Nisku Spine Road. The cleanup was a great success with over ninety volunteers, including three support vehicle drivers and six people preparing the barbecue lunch. The cleanup began shortly after 9 a.m. and the last group returned to the church



around 1:30 p.m. Hamburgers, hotdogs, chips and liquid refreshments were enjoyed by all. We were most grateful to God for the abundant volunteers, the favorable weather, and the safe and orderly completion of

the work. Thanks to all who helped.

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IS THE GREATEST ROMANCE;
TO SEEK HIM,
THE GREATEST ADVENTURE;
TO FIND HIM,
THE GREATEST HUMAN ACHIEVEMENT.**

St. Augustine