



## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**CHARITY, UNITY, FRATERNITY & PATRIOTISM**

**ST. JAMES COUNCIL #4557**

**CHARTERED IN 1958**

**SERVING THE PARISHES OF:**

**ST. JOHN XXIII, ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE, ST. ANN'S & ST. MARGUERITE  
BOURGEOYS CHAPEL (17 WING)**

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BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

MONTHLY COUNCIL SCROLL

INSURANCE PLAN

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FAITH IN ACTION PROGRAMS FOR COMMUNITY, FAMILY, FAITH & LIFE

# **2025 EVENT CALENDAR OVERVIEW**

## **GENERAL MEETINGS**

WE GATHER FOR MASS AND A GENERAL MEETING THE 1<sup>ST</sup> MONDAY OF EACH MONTH FROM SEPTEMBER TO JUNE AT ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH AT 7PM.

## **SUMMARY OF MAJOR ANNUAL EVENTS**

KNIGHTS ARE CALLED TO SERVICE TO THE PARISH BY PARTICIPATING IN THE LIFE OF THE PARISH AS PART OF THE LITURGY MINISTRIES AND VOLUNTEERING AT THE WEEKLY ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE BINGO AND ANY SOCIAL EVENTS.

ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE, ST JOHN XXIII, AND ST. ANN PARISHES WELCOME KNIGHTS TO CONTINUE TO VOLUNTEER FOR PARISH EVENTS. CHECK WITH THE PRIESTS AT THE THREE PARISHES ST. JAMES KNIGHTS REPRESENT WHERE YOU CAN HELP.

## **SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER**

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION DINNER** – IN AUTUMN OUR COUNCIL PREPARES A 7-LAYER CASSEROLE SERVED AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH HALL IN NORTH POINT DOUGLAS. EVERY SUNDAY FROM SEPTEMBER TO THE END OF JUNE, IMMACULATE CONCEPTION DROP-IN PROVIDES TAKE OUT MEALS, TOQUES, GLOVES, SOCKS & TOILETRIES. CURRENTLY THE DROP-IN SERVES APPROXIMATELY 100 INDIVIDUAL MEALS ALONG WITH 40 FAMILY PACKS CONSISTING OF 220 MEALS.

**CHARITY RAFFLES** – STARTING IN OCTOBER WE PARTICIPATE IN TWO RAFFLES WHICH RAISE FUNDS FOR OUR COUNCIL CHARITABLE COMMITMENTS.

- GREY CUP RAFFLE TICKETS ARE SOLD BY MEMBERS OF OUR COUNCIL TO RAISE FUNDS FOR CHARITIES. DRAW WINNERS ARE BASED ON SCORES IN GREY CUP GAME HELD END OF NOVEMBER.
- ICCD RAFFLE TICKETS FOR A VEHICLE ARE SOLD ON BEHALF OF MB STATE TO SUPPORT OPERATIONS AND CHARITIES (PARTICIPATING COUNCILS RECEIVE A REBATE PRORATED ON SALES). DRAW IS HELD IN APRIL.

THE ABOVE TWO LONG STANDING RAFFLES RAISES FUNDS FOR OUR CHARITY DONATIONS EACH YEAR. THEY INCLUDE BUT NOT LIMITED TO: SEMINARIAN SUPPORT, LIFE CULTURE, CAMPAIGN LIFE COALITION-MB, VILLA ROSA, ROSSBROOK HOUSE, IMMACULATE CONCEPTION DROP-IN, SCCS STUDENT BURSARY, K OF C COATS FOR KIDS, AND ST. JOHN XXIII KNITTING CLUB.

## **NOVEMBER**

**APPRECIATION DINNER** – THIS DINNER IS TO RECOGNIZE OUR DEPARTED BROTHERS AND TO SUPPORT THE WIDOWS. THE WIDOWS ARE INVITED TO A COMPLIMENTARY DINNER. WE ALSO USE THIS OCCASION TO PRESENT THE DISTINGUISH SERVICE AWARD TO A WORTHY KNIGHT BASED ON SERVICE OVER THE COURSE OF THEIR MEMBERSHIP.

**KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS SIGNAGE** – THE COUNCIL ERECTS THE KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS SIGNS AT BOTH ST. JOHN XXIII AND ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE. THE SIGNS ARE DISPLAYED IN NOVEMBER AND REMOVED IN JANUARY.

## **DECEMBER/JANUARY**

**KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS COLOURING CONTEST** – PARTICIPATING STUDENTS ARE FROM ST. CHARLES CATHOLIC SCHOOL, ST. JOHN XXIII AND ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE. WE JUDGE OVER 100 ENTRIES. THREE WINNERS FROM EACH CATEGORY RECEIVE A GIFT. THE WINNING ENTRIES FROM EACH CATEGORY ARE FORWARDED TO MB STATE FOR FURTHER JUDGING AT A PROVINCIAL LEVEL.

## **MARCH/APRIL/MAY**

**WAY OF THE CROSS** – EACH YEAR MEMBERS PARTICIPATE IN THE WAY OF THE CROSS HELD FRIDAYS DURING LENT AT ST. JOHN XXIII AND ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE.

**CATECHISM** – ANNUALLY THE ST. JAMES KNIGHTS PRESENT A ROSARY TO ALL THE STUDENTS GRADUATING FROM THE PARISHES CATECHISM PROGRAM.

## **JUNE**

**MASS FOR THE UNBORN CHILD AND ALL HUMAN LIFE –** A PRO LIFE MASS FOR THE UNBORN CHILD AND ALL HUMAN LIFE IS HELD AT THE MONUMENT FOR THE UNBORN CHILD AND AT THE QUEEN OF HEAVEN MAUSOLEUM IN ASSUMPTION CEMETERY.

**GRAND KNIGHT BBQ/RECEPTION –** KNIGHTS AND SPOUSES ARE INVITED TO THIS EVENT, TO SHOW OUR APPRECIATION FOR THE OUTGOING GRAND KNIGHT AND TO HONOUR INDIVIDUAL KNIGHTS AND THEIR SPOUSES FOR DEDICATION DURING THE COLUMBIAN YEAR. WE PRESENT THE GRAND KNIGHT WITH HIS PAST GRAND KNIGHT PIN, THE KNIGHT OF THE YEAR AND THE FAMILY OF THE YEAR CERTIFICATE. WE ALSO PRESENT THE JOE MAHUSSIER AWARD FOR THE KNIGHT PROMOTING PRO-LIFE AND CHRISTIAN VALUES.

**WE ARE AN ACTIVE COUNCIL AND NEED THE SUPPORT OF ALL MEMBERS TO BE SUCCESSFUL. WE ARE LOOKING FOR CATHOLIC MEN 18 YEARS AND OLDER TO JOIN US AS WE REBUILD OUR KNIGHTS COMMUNITY FOLLOWING THE PANDEMIC.**

**IF YOU FEEL CALLED TO SERVE IN ANY WAY JOIN US ONLINE.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT THE GRAND KNIGHT OR ONE OF THE PARISH REPRESENTATIVES OR ANY BROTHER KNIGHT.**

**NEW MEMBERS WILL CONTINUE OUR LEGACY!**

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