



Grounds Cleanup at St. Kevin's Parish

More than 20 knights and squires worked from 12:30pm until 5:00pm, with a short lunch break for Chinese food, on Sunday, April 5, 2009, raking the leaves, creating a compost heap, spreading new grass seeds and fertilizer, and taking down the Christmas lights at St. Kevin's Parish. The grounds work continued on Saturday, April 25, as 4 brothers added soil to the compost heap and removed the debris from the lawns of the church. This is the 4th consecutive year that KofC Council 13881 has maintained the grounds at St. Kevin's.



Brothers are marshals for Way of the Cross



A dozen brothers from Council no. 13881 acted as marshals for the annual outdoor Way of the Cross procession at St. Kevin's on Good Friday, April 10, 2009. Most wore special T-shirts printed for the occasion by brother Herminio Crisostomo. Several knights also carried the cross for the segment of the pilgrimage from the CDN Hospital Centre to Mackenzie King Park. More than 500 people participated in the 2-1/2 hour 15-station 5km march through the Côte-des-Neiges neighbourhood.



Meritas Award received at Provincial KofC Congress



Knights of Columbus Council 13881 received a Meritas award in the council activities category for its Gala Night project at the Québec provincial congress held at the Sheraton Laval hotel from April 17-19, 2009. District deputy Guy Masse presented the award to grand knight Irenio Nacino at the April general meeting. This is the second Meritas award that the council has received, the other being obtained in 2007 for its participation in a float during the St. Patrick's Day parade.



Thanks from Jason Piper

Since my arrival at Saint Kevin's, the Knights of Columbus have been most welcoming and supportive. On December 1st 2008 I received a letter from the Knights assuring me of your prayers and encouragement which I greatly appreciated. Later that month on December 27th 2008, during your Christmas party (held in Saint Kevin's Hall), you most generously provided me with financial support, which was completely appreciated. One of the pillars of the Knights of Columbus is the support of vocations, and truly in every form you have been most supportive. Thank you for your generosity, and be assured of my prayers. Again, thank you!

Your Brother in Christ, Jason Piper

Calendar

- Apr. 26 - Monthly general meeting
- May 2 - 4th degree exemplification at St. Brendan
- May 17 - Squires monthly meeting
- May 31 - Monthly general meeting

Birthdays

- Apr. 3 - Boris Polanski
- Apr. 5 - Vicente Garcia
- Apr. 24 - Rev. Robert Clark
- Billy Garibay
- Apr. 26 - Sonny Valdez
- Apr. 28 - Pablo Eclipse
- Apr. 29 - Jackson Ventura

Family of the Month



Benito Soliven with wife Maria Noemi and sons Noe-Vill and Bien-Vill, both former squires and current knights

New 2nd & 3rd Degrees

Ferdinand Cortez, Fermin Cosejo, Alfredo Gotera, Reynaldo Ramos, Edwin Reyes, Rolando Rimando, Benito Soliven, Santiago Valdez, Timothy Viger

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Squires News

Christian Youth Leadership Camp - February 27-March 1

(Formation program for young adults 14 to 18 yrs old)

About 30 young people, which consisted of participants, organizers, and volunteers, spent a weekend at Tibériade House near St. Jerome to experience an amazing program. St-Kevin's invested in seven of our youth to participate in this event: Patrick Crisostomo, Robert Kevin Araneta, Christine Marie Nacino, Noe-Vill Soliven, Bien-Vill Soliven, Manuel Toca, & Kathleen Castillo. They are members of either the Squires or Altar Servers, and were sent to this program to explore their personal leadership competencies. In addition, 3 of the Young Adults group were also there with the leaders group, and the volunteer group.

The program was developed so that the teens may learn with other youths from different parishes diverse leadership styles while strengthening their own personal spirituality. The weekend was full of



activities to help develop skills including communication, and recognizing their gifts and talents. After the weekend, Kathleen Castillo expressed: "You really discover more about yourself and others and how you can relate to them. I have changed since this experience and I am not the only one. What I have learnt not only applied to my Christian leadership skills but also my leadership in my everyday life."

Within just a weekend, close and meaningful relationships with youths who share the same faith were established. What was most moving and unforgettable for participant Kathleen and the volunteers was that within only two days we witnessed our fellow St-Kevin youth grow and change before our eyes.

To these seven young adults: May you always be inspired to share your gifts and talents with others, and may you have the courage to use the skills you acquired to make a difference in our community.