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*Serving our Church and Community Since 1957*

*Chaplain Father Christian Amogu,  
The executive officers of Holy Family Council  
And the Board of Trustees of Columbus Centre  
Extend to you and your families best wishes for a  
A Blessed Christmas and New Year*

*Glory to God in the highest, and on earth  
peace to men on whom his favor rests*

*- Luke 2:14*



*With th' angelic host proclaim  
Christ is born in Bethlehem!  
Hark! the herald angels sing  
Glory to the new-born King!*

*Have a Blessed Christmas*

## KNIGHTHOOD AND TRANSFORMING OF THE TEMPORAL ORDER

FR CHRISTIAN AMOGU

The church is on a mission to sanctify humanity and bring everyone to the knowledge of the truth.



Through the sacrament of baptism, members are called specially to participate in the mission of Christ the Redeemer. This mission is captured in the words of Christ Himself who said: Go ye and make disci-

ples of all nations...” (). As those configured to Christ through the Sacrament of Christian initiation and the gifts of the Holy Spirit, members are called to proclaim the Gospel to the “ends of the earth”. This is the on-going mission of the Church in proclaiming the Gospel to the teeming multitudes of men and women of our time who either have never known the Redeemer or those whose faith have become tepid in the vicissitudes of life. Knighthood, therefore is an apostolate specially instituted by the church for the purpose of achieving this mission of evangelism. Knights are predominantly lay faithful who work to lay good foundation for faith in the local and universal church. The Fathers of the Vatican II clearly delineates the significance of the lay apostolate and work within the temporal order:

...by reason of their special vocation it belongs to the laity to seek the kingdom of God by engaging in temporal affairs and directing them according to God’s will. They live in the world, that is, they are engaged in each and every work and business of the earth and in the ordinary circumstances of social and family life which, as it were, constitute their very existence. There they are called by God that, being led by the spirit

to the Gospel, they may contribute to the sanctification of the world, as from like leaven, by fulfilling their own particular duties. Thus, especially by the witness of their life, resplendent in faith, hope and charity they must manifest Christ to others. It pertains to them in a special way so to illuminate and order all temporal things with which they are so closely associated that these may be effected and grow according to Christ and may be to the glory of the Creator and Redeemer (*Lumen Gentium*, 31).

Thus the Knights have an indispensable role to play in the project of evangelization. They are, in fact, ambassadors of Christ (2Cor 5:20) in the family, in the public place and in the heart of the world. The world looks to the “ambassadors of the good news” to transform the society for good. It is the responsibility of a Knights to strive as much as they are able to instill the ecclesiastical values within their own families and among its members and the world at large. Knights are called to be “light” and “salt” to the earth. This means that the exercise of their missionary mandate must have two dimensions namely: the mission *ad intra* and mission *ad extra*. The first thing to be said about the mission *ad intra* is that charity begins at home. A Christian family is the place where the seed of faith is planted and nurtured. The council fathers described it as the domestic church. Pope Paul VI, in his apostolic exhortation on evangelization, *Evangelii Nuntiandi*, says: for it to be truly so, “there should be found in every Christian family the various aspects of the entire Church,” which among other things include sanctity of life, sense of mission and communion. The Conciliar fathers taught that we

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are all called to holiness. And since the vast majority of Catholics live out their lives within the confines of the families, it is clear that the family should be a place in which each family member can grow in holiness of life. St Paul used to refer to the Christians as “saints”. If they are genuinely so, they must inevitably bear witness to this treasure in their daily lives. In our time, the work of evangelization is not a prerogative of a few, but is the responsibility of every baptized Christian.

Through our baptism, we are all called to be missionaries and therefore to “proclaim” the Gospel to those around us through the kind of life we lead and the privileged place for a good number of us is within the confines of our families. Pope John Paul II explained in his *Familiaris Consortio*, 17 that “[t]he family has the mission to guard, reveal and communicate love.” This underscores the missionary role of the family. The Knight as an exemplary Christian is, therefore, called to be a reflection of the loving communion that exists among the Persons of the Blessed Trinity by promoting this missionary role of the family. This is possible through the Christ-same love made valid through the grace of the sacramental marriage. This love is received both as gift and as a task. It is the duty of the Christian spouses to live and communicate this love first to each other and their children and then to others which are at the center of the family’s mission in the world.

The mission *ad extra*, relates to how the members of Christ’s faithful should engage the secular world. However, in some cases it overlaps with the manner they should engage their families since it is a matter of bringing their Christian life of witness to bear in all circumstances of life. Knights like other members of Christ’s faithful are citizens of two worlds namely; ecclesiastical and secular. Each of these are open systems that mutually influence each other. Thus, while the laity acquires its character through the ministry of the church in the world, the ministry of the church is sustained by the activities of the laity in the world whose

renewal is a key agenda of the Church. The laity and importantly the Knights are seen as important agents of renewal of the temporal order, all that go to make up: “personal and family values, culture, economic interests, the trades and professions, institutions of the political community, international relations, and so on, as well as their gradual development . . .” (Vat II Decree on the Apostolate of the Lay people – *Apostolicam Actuositatem*).

### **Special Roles of the Knights in the Church**

The church has special roles for the knights in the church. Apart from being members of the laity, knights participate in specialized roles in the church in line with their position as soldiers of Christ and guards of the church. There are three major roles that knights play in the church: the priestly role, kingly role and prophetic role.

Priestly role: What needs to be seen is the manner the above mentioned baptismal characters play out in actual life situations of the Knights. The laity has a unique area peculiar to them where they are expected to exercise their priestly role of sanctifying the world. On account of their role as priests, they are dedicated to Christ and anointed by the Holy Spirit and specially equipped so that even richer fruits of the Spirit may be produced in them. The Council fathers envisions this in the following words: “For all their works, prayers, apostolic undertakings, family and married life, daily works, relaxations of mind and body, if they are accomplished in the Spirit . . . indeed even the hardships of life if patiently borne . . . all these become spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ” (*Lumen Gentium*, 34)

The pastors of the Church are normally limited in their area of operation in the society. It is therefore the vocation of the laity to sanctify those areas of life peculiar to them because they are primarily responsible for these lived situations, such as family and married life, or secular work place. It is in areas such as these where only the laity are actually foot-soldiers on the scene that they are called to bear witness to Christ.

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Many of the Knights occupy enviable positions in the society. By virtue of their baptism and confirmation and various positions of authority that they hold, they have the priestly authority and responsibility to help sanctify their colleagues and those under their charge. This is done by their holy actions through the love and good deeds they perform on behalf of them. They encounter people in a number of places. These places provide opportunity to discuss and encourage their colleagues in the faith.

**Prophetic role:** Closely linked to the priestly office role of the laity is the prophetic role. According to Leonardo Legaspi, “[T]o prophecy does not mean simply to foretell the future. In its more fundamental and biblical sense, to prophesy means to speak in the name of God and proclaim his message. The laity too participates in the prophetic role as the mouthpiece of God when they are committed to their faith and uses every opportunity to bear witness to it, in their marriage, family and workplace.

The conciliar fathers teach that “The state of life that is sanctified by special a Sacrament, namely married and family life, has a special importance in this prophetic office . . . . In it the married partners have their own proper vocation: they must be witnesses of faith and love of Christ to one another and their children (*Lumen Gentium*, 35 )

It is the perennial teaching of the church both before and after Vatican II that parents have the primary responsibility to educate their children in the faith. Their prophetic role in this regard cannot be overemphasized. They rise and wake up to their children and this provides opportunity of spending quality time with them. The Catechetical instruction that parents provide their children whether at meals or bedtime, or while on a journey bears the imprint of the Holy Spirit and will yield the Spirit’s fruit in due time.

Finally, Christ’s prophetic ministry must be continued in the workplace. This domain is peculiar to the laity and it is where they exercise absolute influence on their co-workers and those they come in contact with. Present in this setting are

people of all faith. For a good number of people in the contemporary world, it is only in this context that they have the opportunity to hear the Good News of Christ; therefore the laity should use the opportunity to speak to them eloquently both by word and by the force of their good examples. And for those whose faith has grown tepid or those who have wandered away from the Church, this is a golden opportunity to make contact with them through kind, knowledgeable and active laity in the world.

**Kingly role:** By virtue of their baptism, the laity also shares in the kingly role of Christ. This title emphasizes the power the laity has to give direction and order in the ways things should be in the world. The first place that requires this ordering is the Christian family. Knights, as parents, are expected to be exemplary in the practice of Christian principles and virtues. Governance of their families involves applying the virtues of wisdom, patience, courage and fortitude in guiding those entrusted under their care. Knights, as parents and leaders, are responsible for imparting probity of character and respect to their subordinates. This can only be done by exercising paternal governance over them.

Finally, the Vatican II fathers stress that the laity, as part of sharing in Jesus kingship, must engage “in temporal affairs and directing them according to God’s will” (*Lumen Gentium*, 31). Here the Knights have to make their impact felt for the right governance and right ordering of the society according to Gospel principles and social teaching of the Church.

In addition, there is an on-going moral battle against the culture of life. Their victory of the culture of life over this war depends on how committed the Knights are to this burning issue. They have to employ every possible tools and talents at their disposal to fight the anti-life mind-set. They can neither remain silent nor neutral on a matter that demands their attention. They have been commissioned by Christ to fight this war when they were confirmed and it was there that they were given the power and courage of the Holy Spirit. The

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stake is so high to seat on the fence as the forces of evil vigorously corrupt our culture and the world. The Knights occupy a very conspicuous position in the society. Therefore, they have to strive for the right ordering and just governance of our society for the well-being of all. As the fathers of the council say: "Thus, through the members of the Church, will Christ increasingly illuminate the whole of human society with his saving light". (*Lumen Gentium*, 36). The Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith advises that "those who are directly involved in law making bodies have a grave and clear obligation to oppose any law that attacks human life". It went further to say that, "a well formed Christian conscience does not permit a political programme or an individual law which contradicts the fundamental contents of faith and morals" (CDF, 2003).

*Conclusion:* This is a very trying moment for the Church and she needs all her members especially the Knights to rise up to the challenges of our time. Knights are expected to speak out often on issues of local, national and international interests. They have to be courageous in the face of the contemporary challenges. If the Knights of the Church are not courageous to speak to defend the church, or challenge some negative policies which do not promote the common good then who would do that? They have to live up to their vocation like the Knights of the early centuries of the Christian era to protect the weak, defenseless, helpless and fight for the general welfare. The call is much more urgent in a world that is increasingly secularized, and has little regard for the dignity of the human person.

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### **Grand Knight's Message**

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### *Amogu, on Knighthood and Transforming of the Temporal Order)*

When Knights are active in their Council they demonstrate many projects of evangelization. They are ambassadors in the community with their works of charity, be it fund raising for the underprivileged, as readers, funeral servers, ushers in their parishes, volunteering and sponsoring activities at nursing homes, providing transportation costs for students and many other volunteer community activities.

Why not make a New Years' resolution to become an "ambassador of the good news" to transform the society for good. A good place to start is at a Council meeting. Meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Windsor Sportsmen's Club.

Congratulations to Brother Arthur Williams who was ordained a permanent Deacon on Sunday Nov. 9th at St. Peters Cathedral Basilica London.

Deacon Arthur will be a permanent Deacon at Corpus Christi.

Thanks to PGK Gary Norman and the volunteers who assisted with the Salvation Army Christmas Kettle Drive. (You are truly ambassadors in our community)

Our thoughts and prayers go out to PGK Larry and Pam Breault on the passing of their beloved daughter Maureen. We also remember Brother Russ Malenfant who passed away Nov. 1, 2019

My family and I wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year

Larry Lamont GK

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### **Deputy Grand Knight's Message**

**My Brother Knights,**

As we enter the holiday season....It is important to remember that not everyone is surrounded by large wonderful families. Some of us have problems during the holidays and some of us are overcome with great sadness when we remember the loved ones who are not with us. And many people have no one to spend these times with and are besieged by loneliness.

We all need caring, loving thoughts right now. Everyone is dealing with a variety of issues from, family problems,, health struggles, job issues, worries of any kind and just need to know someone cares.. For it is not what's under your tree that matters most, but rather everyone' who is around it, including all those who forever reside in our hearts .

I wish all of your families a very Merry Christmas and a safe, happy, healthy and prosperous New Years !!!

Vivat Jesus

Justin Artale DGK

**Financial Secretary's Report**

Dear Brothers,

It's dues time again, where does time go. Just a quick reminder that after per capita to State & Supreme (approximately \$30.00) our remaining dues after expenses are used for Charities in our City e.g. Good Fellows, Children's Aid Society and the Downtown Mission. To name just a few. Please be prompt at paying your dues so that together we can practice the greatest principal of The KofC, Charity.

As usual if you have a problem paying your dues please give me a call at 519-948-2196 and we will work something out in confidence.

At this time my family and I would like to wish each brother and their family a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

**District Deputy's Report**



Worthy brother Knights of Holy Family Council 4386, I bring you greetings from your Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson and your State Deputy David Peters. I attended the Ontario State District Deputy Organizational meeting

held on the weekend of Nov. 29-Dec. 1 in Toronto. I will be relaying the information at the next District Deputy Meeting for District 10 held sometime in the 2 nd half of the fraternal year. I have the Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians icon Marion Prayer Program and I will be bring it to your Council meeting this month for a prayer service. This will satisfy one of the requirements of Faith and Action.

Wishing your Council a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Vivat Jesus, Sammy Sleiman , District Deputy 10



Cancer patients, transplant recipients, accident victims. For these people and so many more, a timely transfusion of blood can be the lifesaving difference. Half of all Canadians will either need blood or know someone who needs it. The need is constant. Book now to donate blood. It's something you can do today to ensure someone else is waking up healthy tomorrow.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

**2020 Ontario Charities Lottery**

In support of **Special Olympics Ontario**, **Arthritis Society**, and **Local Charities**

**GRAND PRIZE OF \$200,000 CASH**

Other prizes include: a black Ford Mustang Convertible Eco Boost Premium, a white Chevrolet Silverado 3500 Crew Cab, a pontoon boat, a motorcycle, and a travel trailer.

**500 Prizes valued at over \$500,000**

(1) GRAND CASH PRIZE	\$200,000.00
(1) 2020 Ford Mustang Convertible Eco Boost Premium	\$62,267.75
(1) 2020 Chevrolet Silverado 3500 Crew Cab	\$48,814.69
(1) 2020 Princecraft Vestro 325 Pontoon Boat	\$33,438.96
(1) 2020 Harley Davidson Road King	\$28,327.97
(1) 2020 Honda For Three SUV Trail	\$20,968.02
(2) Cash prizes	\$10,000 each
(2) Cash prizes	\$5,000 each
(20) Cash prizes	\$3,000 each
(25) Cash prizes	\$2,000 each
(35) Cash prizes	\$1,000 each
(150) Cash prizes	\$500 each
(375) Cash prizes	\$100 each

**tickets for \$5 each**

Here it is the last few weeks of 2019 and it's time to get ready for the 2020 Ontario State Lottery campaign.

We are thankful to Brother Dave Martin for taking on the position of chairman again this year. Tickets are now available by calling Dave at 519-972-8914. **Lottery tickets always make good stocking stuffers at Christmas time.**

Please note The Lottery draw date has been moved back to May 29, 2020. Let's have another successful year, thanks to you, last year our Council received \$407.00 towards our local charity account.

**Organs & Tissues for Life**

Patients needing a new kidney, a heart transplant, a skin graft. One organ donor can save up to eight lives; tissue and eye donors can improve the lives of up to 75 more.

Register your decision to become a donor and talk to your loved ones about organ and tissue donation. Encourage others to register as well. Because we can all be the reason – the connection – that keeps Canadians living.

**Remembering our Brother Knights who passed away  
In 2019**

**Gordon Burnette  
Armand Laliberte  
Dr. Angelo Cerchie  
John Pizzuti  
Richard Zajac  
William Franz  
Russell Malenfant**

Thank you Fr. Christian for celebrating the memorial Mass with us on Sunday Nov. 17th.

A very special thank you to the CWL and brother Knights who prepared and served the beautiful breakfast..

**Dear brothers and sisters of Council 4386**

Thank you for your prayers and support during our time of loss.

It has meant so much to our family.

Larry and Pam Breault

**Brother Jim, your presence at the Village brings  
beautiful smiles of joy!**



**St. Clair neighbour Leona shares a dance with Jim, the volunteer who brings a musical dance party to Main Street every Wednesday. These are the moments The Village celebrates on its 5th anniversary .**

*By: Kristian Partington*

Main Street in The Village at St. Clair smells of popcorn on a random Wednesday at the end of November and music belts out as a small core of residents sing and dance along. People float in and out and the familiar tones seem to spark interest in them all. Some are neighbours (residents) who can't resist the motions of the YMCA or a chance to do *The Twist*, while others are family members coming or going, their smiles spreading wide as they listen to neighbour Wayne sing enthusiastically along, perhaps a little out of key.

**Brother Knight Art Williams Ordained Permanent Deacon**



A Welcome for Our Newly Ordained Permanent Deacon Art Williams On Saturday, November 9, 2019 at St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica. Arthur Williams was ordained to the Permanent Diaconate of the Diocese of London Arthur and his wife Donna had completed the 4 year course of studies for the Diaconate which entails a monthly weekend meeting (Sept - June) and with local Windsor meetings a couple of times a month for the 4 year course.

Art has been very active in our parish family, especially within the Confirmation and Sacramental programs. Brother Art has been a member of the Knights of Columbus Council 4386 since 1975. We hope that his presence within the Sacramental programs will be a continued blessing for the young people of the Parish.

Art will be assigned as the Permanent Deacon of Corpus Christi with a liturgical presence and a charity role within Windsor. Art will be a liturgical presence at our weekend liturgies, also prevailing regularly once a month at the Weekend Celebrations of the Eucharist.

*Fuzzy Thoughts*

*Changes Despair and Joy*

Well, as another year ends and another begins, I realize these are just numbers. Each year regardless of its number, brings the same events but also CHANGES. There are Changes in age, Changes in health, Changes in family life, Changes in Church, Changes in work and school and finances, just to name a few.

Changes are lessons in life that don't always seem fair and are hard to understand and even accept. Why has this change happened to me? I am a God fearing person, I don't deserve this CHANGE! Is this year going to bring Despair or Joy????

The only constant that we know from year to year is GOD'S love for us. Without God there is only Despair. God is by our side to give us the strength and courage to face our changes, be they grief and pain or joy and happiness. Give Him a chance.

May His gift of LOVE, gift of PEACE and gift of JOY be yours this Christmas. As the New Year arrives let us focus on our Changes. Let us forget the sorrows of the past and hope good, for the future. May God bring you the courage, power and gladness to make peace, grow in love and enjoy yourself and other people. May your new year of Changes not only bring you Joy, but also the understanding of how much God Loves you and is always there.

Vivat Jesus

## Appreciation Dinner

On Sunday December 1st 2019, Holy Family Council 4386 and Columbus Centre held its second annual Members Appreciation Turkey dinner at the Windsor Sportsman Club.

There were 87 people in attendance including 51 members, 34 guest, our Chaplain Fr. Christian Amogu and Pastor Fr. Jim Roche from Corpus Christi Church.

An excellent dinner consisting of turkey, stuffing, vegetables, potatoes, cranberry sauce, salad, roll and desert was enjoyed by all. It was a great time to reminisce with members who are unable to get out to regular meetings.

A nice collection of non perishable food items were donated to the St. Vincent DePaul. Thank you for your generosity.

Photo albums and copies of our Newsletters were available for viewing.



Pictured as current GK Larry Lamont with 70 year and charter member Rene Chartrand. Rene joined the Knights at Windsor Council 1453 on July 1st , 1949 and transferred to Holy Family 4386 as a charter member in March 1957 when Holy Family was formed. Rene is an inspiration to the younger members of our council



### How Knights Keep Christ in Christmas

Knights remind communities around the world what the Christmas season is all about, acts of charity and faith.

#### Make a “Fast” Advent—Getting back to the season’s penitential roots

Advent is sometimes called “little Lent” Like Lent, it is a season of preparation for a magnificent feast. And Like Lent, it began as a season of penance.

Our common task every day of Advent: to inspect every corner of our spiritual house and clean out the clutter, for Christ’s arrival is at hand

Thank you notes

Students from Sandwich Secondary School show their appreciation to Council 4386 for their generous donation to offset the transportation costs to the Village at St. Clair Long Term Care Home.



Dear K of C, Oct 3, 2019  
Thank you so much  
For donating money to the  
Village at St. Clair.  
It meant so much  
to me because I had  
So much fun my first  
time going there and  
I want to be able  
to keep going as long  
as we can.  
  
Best Regards,  
Caleb

Dear K of C  
I would like to thank you  
for raising money to help  
with our transportation  
to get to the Village.  
I love going to the Village  
to see all the bright  
smiles and just warming  
up all their hearts.  
Sincerely,  
Rylee Coulter



Vegas Nights at the Village at St. Clair

Thanks to these great folks for providing a wonderful evening of fun for all the residents at the Village at St. Clair.



# Polar BearSteak BBQ

JANUARY 18TH, 2020



**KofC Council 4386**  
**January 18th, 2020**

**WINDSOR SPORTSMEN'S CLUB**  
**2401 DOUGALL**

*Doors open at 6:00 PM*  
*Pits open at 6:30 PM*  
*Cook your own Steaks*  
*Plus All the Trimmings*

*\$30.00 per person*  
*Cash Bar*  
*Dancing 8:30pm to ???*

*Purchase Tickets Early*  
*Chicken or Fish*  
*Only available upon advance re-*  
*quest by calling:*  
*Gary at 226-348-0876*  
*Or email*  
*rosegary79hotmail.com*

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*rosegary79@hotmail.com*  
*council4386@hotmail.ca*

***Remember; This event sells out quickly.***  
***Don't be disappointed Call Early***

***Proceeds help the Knights support the many charities in our community***