

# Knightly News

## Council 2181

**Grand Knight Roland LeBlanc** 

The Knights of Columbus Council 2181 now serves the parishes of St Ambrose and Notre-Dame de L'Assomption.

#### Message from Grand Knight - Roland LeBlanc



The Knights of Columbus promote Christmas and the season of Advent – Journey to the Inn, Spread the light of Christ – Keep Christ in Christmas and promotes neighbors to shift from preoccupation with materialism to the light of Christ and a spirit of giving. I encourage you to follow the footsteps of Christ – treat our neighbors, friends and families with kindness, compassion and patience.

The past months has been unfortunate for our council, we lost four of our members in a short span of time due to various illness. We keep the families of our departed brother Knights in our prayers and may God grant them the strength to bear their loss.

### Parishioner Appreciation weekend - Apple Crisp

The Knights once again stood up to the challenge our pastor put us through – Father Henry wanted an apple crisp social after each mass on October 14<sup>th</sup> and October 15<sup>th</sup>. We worked hard and served a combined total of 520 servings of apple crisp with whipped cream. It was a super huge success with a lot of hours put in by our volunteer brother knights.

#### Coats for kids



Council 2181 purchased 8 boxes at a cost of \$1380.00 of coats to help ensure children are warm when they go to school this winter. A total of 96 coats were distributed. 48 coats were provided to Tri-County English schools and another 48 to CSAP schools by the knights of our Notre-Dame Roundtable.

## Yarmouth Food Bank Support



Knights of Columbus are committed to helping end hunger through various programs – Council 2181 does this through our monthly collection.

Members of our council carry out a food drive on the first Sunday of every month. Before masses, you will see Bro. Phil Mooney, Bro. Marshall Sweeney and Bro. Larry Richard waiting to get your donations. Parishioners donate non-perishable items and cash donations. A total of \$8327 and 750lbs of food was handed over to the Food Bank for the period of October, November and December. We thank all our parishioners for their kind generosity and support to this worthy cause.

#### **Tri-County Pregnancy Centre Support**



Life director Bill Carroll closed out the Baby Bottle Fundraising Campaign with a donation of \$4500. The project qualified for an additional \$400 from the KofC Supreme Aid and Support after Pregnancy program bringing the total donation to \$4900. Thanks to the parishioners of St. Ambrose and Notre-Dame De L'Assomption parishes for making this event a huge success.

#### Fund Raising Breakfasts – Special Olympics - Calgary

Proceeds from the October & November community breakfasts were in support of the Yarmouth Special Olympics curling team as they travel to Calgary in February. Knights of Columbus Council 2181 helped raise a total of \$ 2299.We were pleased to see our local MLA at the event with his family and thank him for a donation of \$250.00 as well.

#### **Annual Youth Summer Camp**



Council 2181 held it's annual Golf Tournament October 4th lead by Brother Phil Mooney with proceeds in support of the St. Ambrose Youth Summer Camp. Last year's tournament funded a donation of \$3000 made in June to help with costs so kids could attend the camp. A total of 50 people attended the camp which was held at Johnston's Christian Park from August 13th to 18<sup>th</sup>. When the sponsorships are tallied and pledged monies are received a similar donation will be made for the 2024 camp season.

#### **Knights of Columbus Choir**

We are seeking men of all ages to join our choir and you do not have to be a member of the Knights of Columbus. You will not be asked to join our order unless you chose to do so. Please contact any member of the choir or contact our choir director Gary Surette at 902-746-4446

#### **Update from Membership Director**



We are always looking for men to join the order and have a satisfying experience of doing charity to the local community and the church. Knights of Columbus are committed through various faith in action programs to support parish families in need.

If you know of anyone that would be interested in putting his faith into action, please ask them to meet one of our brother knights either before or after mass at the church entrance or call Roy at 902-774-3043.

We extend a welcome to the former members of council 8988 Tusket who merged with council 2181 this past spring. May they continue their works within the Notre-Dame de L'Assomption Parish as a group of men in a council 2181 roundtable.

#### For the "Good of the Order"

If you know of any brother knights who are in distress, sick or in hospital or need our prayers, please get in touch with Brother Bill Carroll at (902) 749-3207.