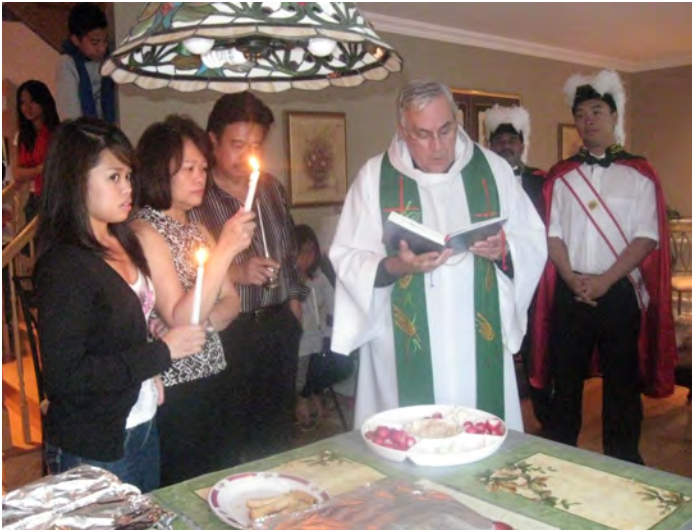


Eugenio Wedding Anniversary & Valdez Retirement Celebration at Brother Sonny Valdez' House



More than thirty brother knights, sisters, squires, and other family members attended a three-fold party at Sonny Valdez' house on Sunday, November 8, 2009. The activities started with a house blessing ceremony conducted by council 13881 chaplain SK Father John Lyng. He recited a prayer and then blessed each room and entrance individually with holy water. Former council 13881 financial secretary SK Jesus Eugenio and his wife Emerlinda celebrated the 25th anniversary of their religious wedding with a renewal of vows

ceremony. They had been greeted at the door by a small honour guard of four sir knights. Their two daughters read the passages from the Bible for the two readings. Finally, council 13881 advocate Sonny Valdez celebrated his retirement from the Montréal General Hospital after more than 30 years of service. The honorees were presented with photo plaques and with photo albums of their participation in KofC activities. SK Jesus Eugenio also received a plaque for his service to council 13881 as financial secretary.





Christmas Lights & Mural put up at St. Kevin's Parish

Nine brother knights worked from 9:00am until 4:30pm with a short lunch break for Chinese food on Saturday, November 21, 2009, raking the leaves on the church grounds, putting up the exterior Christmas lights and installing the nativity scene mural painted by brother Herminio Crisostomo in the middle arch of the front facade at St. Kevin's Parish. Seven sets of white lights were used to create the Christmas tree formation on each side of the main entrance while a set of colored lights was wrapped around each of the eight supports lining the forecourt of the church and another set of colored lights was used to illuminate the mural.



Knights lead Procession at Special PBSSQ Mass



An honour guard of 11 fourth degree sir knights from councils 13585 and 13881 led the opening, offertory and closing processions at the Philippine Benevolent and Scholarship Society of Québec Thansgiving Mass at St. Kevin's Parish on Sunday, November 22, 2009. Ten other members of council 13881 wearing ceremonial sashes took up the collection and directed the communion at the ceremony. Many of the brothers and their families also attended the reception in the church hall afterwards. The menu featured several varieties of pancit, spaghetti, a few different preparations of chicken and prok, bread rolls, fruit and desserts. Another party with more food and two birthday cakes was then subsequently held in the green room to celebrate the birthdays of two council 13881 members' wives, Helen Araneta and Remedios Gonzales.



Member Profile



Rhey Ramos

Our new financial secretary was born in San Fernando City, La Union, in the northern part of the Philippines in Ilocos Region. He is the third child among the twelve children of Benjamine Ramos and Adelina Marzan. Rhey became a member of the Knights of Columbus in 2009. He is married to Jocelyn H. Buenviaje, from Baun Batahgas, his classmate in nursing school, and is a father of three, Reeza Mae, Ryan Nelson and Cassandra. He studied pre-nursing at University of the East in Manila and graduated in nursing at St. Rita Hospital School of Nursing and Midwifery in 1976. He took the Nursing Board Examination and attained his licence in the same year. He then went back to the province and worked at Bethany Hospital as an operating room nurse. He took his Bachelor in Nursing at Manila Central University. He migrated to Canada in 1978 and has worked at Maimonides Geriatric Hospital as P.A.B. up to present. Rhey has been a member of the Pilipino Basketball Association of Montreal and the Pilipino Bowling Association of Montreal.

Member Profile



Benito Soliven

Our new council director was born in Santo Domingo, Ilocos Sur, Philippines, and joined the Knights of Columbus in 2009. He is the son of Lazaro Soliven and Marcelina Tadios. He is married to Noemi Taruc and is the father of four sons, Benito Jr., Nonito, and twins Bien Vill and Noe Vill, both also members of council 13881. Benito studied as a Bachelor of Arts undergraduate at Northwestern College in Laoag, Ilocos Norte, for 3 years, but left due to the death of his father. He then did a technical course in auto mechanics. He applied to work at Hydro Resources Com. He then worked in Saudi Arabia for 4 years in the mid 80's before returning to the Philippines to work at a solid cement factory in Antipolo Rizal as a foreman mechanic. He later worked for 5 years, starting in 2000, at a diamond mine in Angola in Africa as a heavy equipment mechanic before coming to Canada in May, 2006. He is very proud to say that he is a member of the Knights of Columbus at St. Kevin's Church.

Brothers are drivers for Mass for the Sick

Five brother knights served as drivers to pick up and bring back home people for the special Mass for the sick and shut-ins on Saturday, November 7, 2009, at St. Kevin's Parish. Attendees were served a light lunch in the parish social hall after the ceremony before returning home.

Calendar

Nov. 29 - Monthly general meeting
Dec. 12 - Disco Knights party at St. Malachy
Dec. 19 - District 91 Christmas party at St. Malachy
Dec. 20 - Squires monthly meeting
Dec. 26 - Christmas party at St. Kevin's
Dec. 27 - Monthly general meeting

Birthdays

Nov. 7 - Alfredo Villarino
Nov. 15 - Roberto Penton
Archie Reyes
Nov. 16 - Rolando Rimando
Anthony Del Rosario
Nov. 17 - Dominique Kpoghomou
Nov. 19 - Benedict Olalia
Nov. 22 - Sister Helen Araneta
Sr. Remedios Gonzales
Nov. 24 - Wilbert Nacino
Nov. 26 - Sherwin de Guzman
Nov. 28 - Squire Paolo Cortez
Nov. 30 - Rommel Medina

Family of the Month



Sir Knight Jesus Eugenio, our council's ex-financial secretary, with wife Emerlinda and daughters Holly & Jessica

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