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Congratulations to Brother Bertie Grogan SK

Our PGK writes

Greetings Brothers

On behalf of all the brothers of Province 30, I the Provincial Grand Knight congratulate Brother Bertie Grogan on being elected as our Supreme Knight and I wish him every success in his first year of office. He is from our Province and as I visit the councils I will bring him along with me to visit you, if he is free.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year as this copy is the last for this year.

Can I thank you all for your prayers for the editor of this newsletter Brother Mike Bagness who recently underwent surgery. Everything went well and is looking good.

I apologise to the Councils I have not visited because of my work, I will make every effort to visit you over the next few months.

I thank all Councils that raised money for the Provincial Project and the cheque will be presented at the Provincial Presentation evening on the Saturday 11th November.

At the last Provincial Committee meeting held in October the turnout was again very poor. Brothers, can I remind you that when you joined the Order you promised to support the Order. Every Council must be represented by the Grand Knight and the relevant council officers and any brothers that show interest. I NEED TO SEE ALL COUNCILS REPRESENTED at Committee's and Provincial Council meetings.

I will discuss this with the Provincial Officers at our meeting on 1st November.

I am contemplating on either having two or three meetings a year. I need to know what your thoughts are and will I get a 100% attendance?

At Supreme Council a cheque for £40,583.21 was presented to the national project "MISSIO". Over the past two years total raised exceeded £60,000.00. We still have another year to run. Can we top hundred thousand pounds?

The constitution of the order is being rewritten and all the brothers will receive a copy although this will not be for another two years.

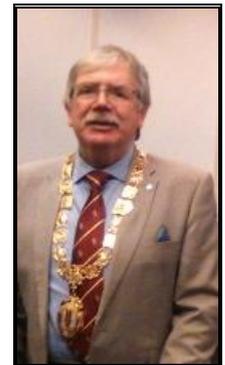
If you want to know more about the changes discussed at Supreme Council then I ask that your Council be represented at the Provincial Council meeting in Hayes on 5th December.

God Bless.

Yours sincerely & fraternally,

Rosario Fichardo

Provincial Grand Knight - Province 30



PROVINCIAL 100 CLUB

CASH PRIZES EVERY MONTH

1st Prize - £50.00 2nd Prize - £25.00
(Three extra prizes at Christmas)

August	1st	No 103	Mrs F Cullen CI 330
	2nd	No 19	R Fichardo CI 163
September	1st	No 105	B Almeida CI 163
	2nd	No 157	CI 399

Thank you all for your support for the 100 Club throughout the year.

Renewal notices have been issued for the period 1st October 2017 to 31st September 2018. This change in the payment dates was to help defray the burden of Head Office and Provincial dues (now £3 per brother) and the 100 Club memberships all occurring at the same time.

Whilst being a member is optional your continued support helps us to finance Provincial costs and to keep the Provincial dues as low as they are.

The 100 Club is open to all, including family, friends and neighbours, not forgetting your Council Chaplain.

Please encourage membership from all the Brothers in your Council especially any new brothers who may have recently joined the Council, in fact anyone who is willing to support our Province.

The monthly draw will continue once all membership has been received.

Thank you,
Michael Bagness - 100 Club Organiser.



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Provincial Project 2017/18



Proposed by Hanwell Council 163, the Ealing Centre for Independent Living's vision is an inclusive society where people of all disabilities have equality of opportunity and access and are empowered to lead full and independent lives, working in partnership to remove any barriers to achieving these outcomes.

The following information is taken from their website at www.ecil.org

"ECIL is a membership organisation representing and supporting disabled people and carers, of all types and of any age, who live and work in the borough of Ealing and surrounding boroughs.

We are proud to be part of the Independent Living movement and are one of a growing number of Centres for Independent Living (CILs) around the country. The government strategy paper improving the Life Chances of Disabled People published in 2005 recommends that there should be a CIL in every local authority area.

ECIL was formed as an independent organisation in 2002. We gained our charitable status in that year.

Our main activities are;

- Providing advice and information
- Providing advocacy (this means supporting people to access their rights and entitlements)
- Organising social events, courses and activities.
- Campaigning
- Working with other disability organisations through Disability Connect (the disability network in Ealing) and national organisations including the National Centre for Independent Living.
- Joint working with Ealing Council and Clinical Commissioning Group for example, the Long Term and Older Peoples Partnership Board, the Carers Partnership Board, the Learning Disabilities Partnership Board and the Mental Health Partnership Board."

We will continue to Serve God by Serving Others in 2018.

Province 30
Chaplains Dinner 2017
from Bro Rosario Fichardo

The annual Provincial Chaplains Dinner took place on Wednesday 27th November at Our Lady & St Joseph's Parish Centre, Hanwell home of Council 163. There was a good turnout but many councils were not represented.

The five Chaplain's that attended included Fr Duncan Adamson our Provincial Chaplain from Ruislip, Fr Sebastian Joseph also from Ruislip, Fr Charles Cahill from Hanwell, Fr Tony Thomas from Sudbury and a guest priest from Province 11 Northfields, Fr Jim Duffy.

Among the brothers present we had our own member of parliament in Bro Stephen Pound a member of Hanwell Council. At our request he kindly said a few words to those there.

A special thank you must go to Hanwell Council and their Grand Knight Brother Mario Barreto for hosting the event.

It would be very nice if the brothers that attended would give their comments even if its two lines to put in the next Roundabout. This will encourage more brothers to attend next year. ®

**The Annual Mass for our
Deceased Brothers will take place
at 8.00pm
on Friday 17th November at
The Most Sacred Heart, Ruislip.
The Fraternal candles will also be
blessed and distributed
at this Mass.
All councils are requested to be
represented at this Mass.**




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PHOTOS BY BRO BERTIE GROGAN

We will continue to Serve God by Serving Others in 2018.

Congratulations Bro Bertie.

from Bro Tim O'Connor . . .

Congratulations to Bro Bertie. If memory serves me right Bro Bertie is the first Supreme Knight from the Westminster Provinces since Bro Frank Mildner from Province 11 who I think was elected in 1958/59/60. I remember him for his statement that there were as many members of the KSC in the country at that time as there were members in the Communist Party. At the time each had around 15,000 members. ®

Nativity Scene Painting Competition 2017

Provincial winning entries are to arrive at Head Office no later than 3rd February 2018. As in previous years it will be open to two separate age groups, i.e.

- 1) School Year Groups: Reception, 1 and 2, (five to seven years of age).
- 2) School Year Groups: 3, 4, 5, and 6, (8 to 11 years of age).

The competitors' entries will be their own free hand drawing and colouring productions; the use of pre-prepared tracings should not be encouraged. The entries are to be submitted, sized A4 or A3, on paper or card of quality and colour of the entrant's choice. ®

Food for Thought . . .

Submitted by Bro John Lynn – CI 301

Three heart-touching statements by Charlie Chaplin . .

(1) Nothing is permanent in this world, not even our troubles.

(2) I like walking in the rain, because nobody can see my tears.

(3) The most wasted day in life is the day in which we have not laughed.

LIFE is to enjoy with whatever you have with you, keep smiling.

Alphabetical advice for you:

A B C Avoid Boring Company..

D E F Don't Entertain Fools.

G H I Go for High Ideas .

J K L M Just Keep a friend like ME.

N O P Never Overlook the Poor 'n suffering.

Q R S Quit Reacting to Silly remarks.

T U V Tune Urself for ur Victory.

W X Y Z We Xpect You to Zoom ahead in life

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The Sistine Chapel Reproduction

Bro John Lynn from Co 301 has recently driven a minibus for two local UCM groups to see the Sistine Chapel reproduction at the Church of the English Martyrs, Goring-by-Sea, West Sussex. The parish has the only known reproduction of the Sistine Chapel ceiling in the world.

The work was started by Gary Bevans, a sign writer parishioner, who is a natural artist with no formal training who in 1987 got the idea after a parish pilgrimage trip to Rome to attend the Beatification of 85 English Martyrs.

Following a discussion with Bishop Cormac Murphy O'Connor, Gary's request to bring 'the Sistine ceiling' to the parish was accepted.

It is now completed at 2/3 scale of the original. The colours match the newly cleaned ceiling in Rome. At the Mass of Thanksgiving, attended by many local dignitaries including the Duke of Norfolk and Countess of Arundel, Gary was presented by the Bishop with the papal cross 'Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice'.

Thirteen national and international TV companies have filmed the work, including CBS, ABC, BBC, ITV, Australian, New Zealand broadcasters, and recently Nippon Television International. Magazines, including 'Time' have covered it.

Open from March until October each year, visits can be organised by contacting:

English Martyrs Catholic Church,
Goring Way,
Goring-by-Sea,
Worthing,
West Sussex, BN12 4UH

Tel: Shop: 01903 506890

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For more details of the ceiling see:
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Knights of St Columba High Wycombe Cl 422 Annual Council Dinner

at 7:30pm on Friday 24th November 2017
 at Flackwell Heath Golf Club
 Treadaway Rd, Flackwell Heath,
 High Wycombe HP10 9PE

Dress will be smart/formal (black tie optional)
 and dress regalia will be worn.

The cost is £23.00 per head and you may wish
 to bring some money to buy your own drinks and,
 if you wish, buy raffle tickets.

If you decide to attend, please would you let
 us know and kindly inform me on 01494 562591
 or stefan@zacharydesign.com of your food
 choices as per the menu below :-

- **Starter:** *Butternut squash soup, Ham Hock Terrine, or Fish Cakes with Tartar Sauce.*
- **Main course:** *Chicken, Kale and Mushroom Pie with Seasonal Vegetables and Mash, or Beef Bourguignon with Sautee Green Beans and Mash, or Herb Crusted Salmon with Seasonal Vegetables & New Potatoes*
- **Dessert:** *Apple Crumble with Custard, or Trifle or*

Vanilla Cheesecake.

Brother Stefan Zachary
 Deputy Grand Knight, Council 422 (High Wycombe)

Supreme Council 2017

from Bro Rosario Fichardo

I cannot start this brief report without, once again, congratulating Bro Bertie on his election as Supreme Knight. The election took place on the Friday evening so we were aware all weekend as to who the next Supreme Knight would be. We also have a few new directors elected to the board, full details will be in the monthly mail shot. (Bro Brian Henry will assume the role of Director for Membership & Development the office formerly held by Bro Bertie)

During the Supreme Council meeting a lot of decisions were made for the Good of the Order, which are long overdue, they include the re-structuring of the Order into regions and a new constitution which has been drawn up and will be finalised next year in time for the new centenary.

Nationally the Order for 2016 to 2017 raised a total sum of £40,583.21 for the National Action Project. A cheque for this amount was presented to "Missio" at the banquet on the Saturday evening, this amount is twenty thousand pounds more than last year, with another year to run.

There are a lot of outstanding dues from many councils around the country which total in excess of £38,000.00. This has caused a lot of financial burden at Head Office who in turn had to borrow one hundred thousand pounds to be paid back with interest just to keep the Order afloat. It seems that those Provinces/Councils that regularly pay their dues are supporting those that do not.

During the meeting a decision was taken to raise the annual dues to fifty two pounds per annum (£52.00) which equates to just one pound a week. It was discussed in length and finally agreed on by a big majority.

So Brothers if you can put a jar near your bedside and put in two pounds a week so when the time comes it won't be a burden to pay your dues with some left over! You can also pay by direct debit to your council every month. For brothers who may have difficulty please contact your council welfare officer.

A centenary mass will take place at Aylesford on the 9th June 2019. Supreme Council for 2019 will be on Friday 19th and Saturday the 20th of October at the Marriot Hotel with a special celebration on Sunday 21st.

A fuller report will appear in the next Columba and the next mail-shot. ®

We will continue to Serve God by Serving Others in 2018.

The Martin D’Cunha Memorial Trophy for Efficiency

A reminder to all Councils of the criteria for the Efficiency Trophy.

The award is in the form of a cup, suitably engraved with the winner each year, which is presented to the Council in the Province which has shown it to be the most competent in terms of its organisational ability in the completion and submission of its paperwork and in its attendance and commitment to Provincial meetings.

The period for the award will be from October 1st - September 30th (inc) and the presentation to the winning Council will take place at the Annual Presentation evening.

Accurate records will be kept by the various Provincial Officers concerned, as to when the reports/returns are received; these will then all be collated by the Provincial Minutes Secretary. The Provincial Officers will then assess the results from the Councils and make a decision as to which Council/s has/have achieved the best overall result in order to receive the Trophy.

If all Officers and Brothers carry out the commitment they have to the Order, then nothing more is being asked. It is hoped, therefore, that this Trophy will prove an incentive to achieve 100% efficiency in all the Councils in the Province.

All Councils in Province 30 are invited to participate in this annual trophy and by so doing making our Province more efficient in their communications both locally and nationally.

The criteria to be achieved for successful participation in this award.

- a. Submission of FA1.
- b. Submission of SWC1 [April]
- c. Submission of FA5 (March)
- d. Submission of Council minutes (Monthly)
- e. Attendance at Provincial Council meetings (Quarterly)
- f. Attendance at Provincial Committee meetings. (Quarterly)

COUNCIL RETURNS

A brief description of three of the most important forms handled by a Charter Council:-

Form FA1 – ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Prepared by Council Finance & Administration Officer
The document MUST be signed by the Grand Knight/Provincial Grand Knight and the Auditor, and forwarded to H/O no later than the 30th June each year.

Form SWC1 - COUNCIL WELFARE REPORT

Prepared by the Council Spirituality & Welfare Officer and submitted to the Provincial Grand Knight no later than 15th April each year.

Form FA5 – CHARTER COUNCIL OFFICERS

Prepared by the Council Minutes Secretary or Grand Knight and sent to Head Office by 31st March each year at the latest—copy to be sent to the Provincial Grand Knight. If no form is received at Head Office there will be no entry in the national list of officers’ directory.

Council minutes to be sent to the Provincial Minutes Secretary on a regular basis, i.e. no later than 2 weeks after the monthly Council meeting.

Attendance at Provincial Council meeting is taken from the attendance sheet completed by the Provincial Warden at the meeting.

Attendance at Provincial Committee meetings is taken from the attendance sheet completed by each convenor and returned to the Provincial Recording Secretary. ®

Dates for your Diary

NOV	1st – Provincial Officers meeting 5th – Westminster Mass – 10.30am 11th – Provincial Presentation Evening. 17th – Deceased Bros & Candle Mass – 8.00pm, The Most Sacred Heart, Ruislip.
<i>A Happy and Holy Christmas to all our brothers and their families.</i>	
DEC	5th – Provincial Council meeting.
JAN 2018	15th – Provincial Committee meeting
FEB	7th – Provincial Officers meeting
MAR	6th – Provincial Council meeting
APRIL	9th – Provincial Committee meeting
MAY	2nd – Provincial Officers meeting

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JUNE	5th - Provincial Council
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