



Knight Life

Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord, Aug 6

• After six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There He was transfigured before them. His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them.

And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

Peter said to Jesus,

Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters — one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.'

(He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.)

Then a cloud appeared and enveloped them, and a voice came from the cloud:

This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him! • — Mark 9:2–8

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Remember in your prayers
deceased Members whose
Anniversaries occur in
August and September —

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A Word from Pope Francis

The new things which God gives to our lives are lasting, not only in the future, when we will be with him, but today as well.

God is even now making all things new; the Holy Spirit is truly transforming us, and through us he also wants to transform the world in which we live.

Let us open the doors to the Spirit, let ourselves be guided by him, and allow God's constant help to make us new men and women, inspired by the love of God which the Holy Spirit bestows on us!

— April 28, 2020

Welcome once again, this time to the August / September edition of *Knight Life*.

My report to you for this edition may appear a little mundane when compared with my other reports over the last six months, that is, I have been able to catch my breath during this last month, despite continuing to hold both State Council and sub-committee meetings utilising Zoom. So, our business has continued but, to a lesser extent in some areas where we need to contact other organisations with curtailed office hours due to COVID-19 restrictions, or where progress of matters has been slow.

Obviously, with Mass, we have been restricted to watching this on computers, iPads or the television, but I think we are all grateful now that we are starting to get back to being part of the Church celebrations in person at Mass. In some parishes, the Knights are assisting Priests and Parish Councils in whatever way they can to open up for services, such as by measuring church and hall dimensions, marking out seating to limit numbers, and acting as ushers to ensure parishioner safety through social distancing. This is very much our role, to support our clergy in whatever way we can to reopen the churches, demonstrate leadership, and be prepared as a team to help your Parish return to its previous strength.

Similarly, we have reopened the KSC State Office, but with limitations and restrictions. I ask that if you are visiting our office, that you read the door notice before entering, sanitise your hands as requested on the notice before entering, adhere to social distancing by observing marker barriers, and **not** touching others, e.g. shaking hands. As a result of reopening the office, our July State Council meeting, which was held in our meeting room for

some Members whilst others joined us on Zoom, was the first in the office since March.

I mention too, that Southern Cross Care is undertaking renovations to various rooms adjoining our office and meeting room, some of which are very much to our advantage. Whilst we were initially without overhead lighting and work was continuing on the day of our July State Council meeting, I can only be most grateful to the builders, who set up portable lights and discontinued any associated noise for our benefit, whilst we met. Well done to them and thanks to SCC once again.

National Conference — The KSC National Annual General Meeting which was scheduled for 23 May in Hobart, was held quite successfully on Zoom on that date. Several other matters of business were also discussed in a limited National Executive Meeting following the AGM. Whilst I am not yet in receipt of meeting minutes, a more important issue for South Australia to come from the meeting, were the dates confirming a Triennial Conference and our Centenary celebrations in Adelaide. These are now locked in for 27-29 May 2022.

From our National discussions we can also expect to have at least one meeting per year via video conferencing. The advantages resulting from this will be to save time and costs of travel and accommodation.

2020 State Conference and Annual General Meeting – State Council has agreed to postpone this year's State Conference and AGM until Saturday, 5 December. This allows an extra month for COVID-19 restrictions to be lifted by the Government and subsequently, by Southern Cross Care in the use of their activities hall, John Martin House. It has also been discussed that a backup to

the meeting attendance on that day for rural and remote Members wishing to participate in voting or proceedings, could be to link those Branches by Zoom. However, I must stress this is in the early stages of consideration, as we need to ensure that we can do this.

Knight Life considerations – You may see notices either in Knight Talk or other areas of Knight Life, that we need to give careful consideration to whether we have the wherewithal to produce only digital versions of Knight Life in the future. This is not the finale on this issue, but needs to be considered due to the expected cost rises of printing and postage, and reducing member numbers. Whilst we consider this, State Council is very much aware that there are members who are unable to print a digital copy at all, some may not be able to print in colour, and some may not have a computer. However, our Administration Officer is endeavouring to ascertain who will need a paper copy in the future, and who would prefer digital. To facilitate printing colour copies for those who require it, State Council intends to upgrade the photo copier we presently have. Despite this thinking, Branch Members will have the opportunity to express their opinion about such cost savings during a forum at our State Conference in December.

For now, I look forward to meeting up with some of you again soon, either at your Branch meetings or at our State Conference, and trust you and your families will keep safe.

Do you
remember ...
Victor Borge?



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The Practice of the Faith Meandering Musings on Mission

I still find amusing the old canard that I first heard more than 70 years ago.



As long as Australia is not a Republic, we show our loyalty by adhering to the Queen's English. Our American cousins do not feel that pressure (e.g. they ignore *practise* and spell *practice* with a "c" for both verb and noun).

*"S" for the verb and "C" for the noun is what they write in London Town.
Does Uncle Sam, the Queen disturb,
by confusing noun and verb?*

Semantics aside, **HOW** we practise (practice?) the faith is what really matters. The Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith-life, but what do we bring to the Mass?

Pope Francis shows the way. He has graduated, not only from the Catholic University in Cordoba in his own country, but more importantly from the school of life in Buenos Aires.

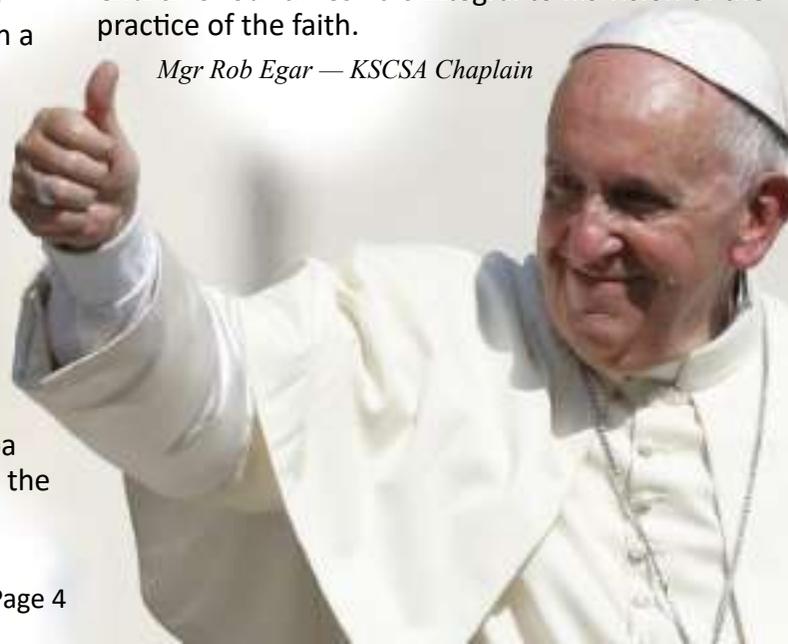
Even as Cardinal Archbishop he would travel by bus to the slums to greet his flock among whom were the unemployed and the homeless, greeting them by name. Mass in their shanty chapels would bring them together.

Shortly after Francis became Pope he organised at the Vatican a three-day conference which was described by one of the participants as *Challenging the Globalisation of Indifference*. 150 delegates attended, including 30 bishops from around the world.

The Indigenous Women of Chile, The National Union of Peasants in Mozambique, The South African Waste Pickers' Association, The National Slum Dwellers Federation of India, The Landless People's Movement of Brazil and The Malawi Union for Informal Sector were a few of the groups represented. Never before had these hitherto voiceless been given a place on the world stage.

The *Little Flowers of Assisi* was a very early literary work by a companion of Saint Francis publicising the Saint's charism. Pope Francis is ensuring that these flowers will continue to blossom in the Church of our times. It is integral to his vision of the practice of the faith.

Mgr Rob Egar — KSCSA Chaplain



Digital Edition of Knight Life

This edition of *Knight Life* has been produced in two forms. Firstly, the traditional printed hard copy that you are familiar with has been produced and will be distributed by Post in the normal way. Secondly, a digital electronic copy will be emailed to those who have an email address and have passed it on to Head Office.

The dual run of Digital/Printed copies will continue until the end of the year. Members are invited to evaluate the new format and to post comments on the web site or contact the editor at kscsa@kscsa.org.au

State Council will propose at the AGM that, from March 2021 the digital edition will be the only format under which *Knight Life* will be published. If that proposal is passed, the printed edition will be discontinued in March 2021.

The office will assist readers without computer access to print all or part of the digital magazine.

If the digital format is adopted, the savings will be significant, particularly in printing and postage.

Members of the Website and *Knight Life* committee will be able to deal with enquiries that arise from the transition and the Office.

The dual run will assist readers who wish to print parts of the magazine.

CONTRIBUTORS to *Knight Life* should continue to forward contributions in the usual way, i.e. in an MS Word document or as an Email. Photos should be in Jpg format.

The possibilities offered by the digital process are vast. **We commend the changed *Knight Life* to readers.**

Tony Sexton — Editor

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KSC 2020 Formation Program Session 7

‘To be a strong and faith-filled Catholic fraternity committed to serving our Church throughout Australia.’

Theme: The Landscape — our Heritage, Home and Future

One of the topics that has also been mentioned to me is the subject of our ecology. At the time of putting this program together there is a current drought and a terrible bushfire emergency and other natural disasters are to be expected. A few short years ago the Formation Programme was presented by Archbishop Hickey and concentrated on the Holy Father’s Encyclical Letter ‘*Laudato Si’*’ which was precisely on this subject. Very significantly the Holy Father taught us that we needed an ‘*integrated*’ approach that embraces all the elements that influence our common home and that we need to bring all the elements that influence life here on this planet together in responsible dialogue and social harmony. It is one Creation and humans have been given direct responsibility for it. That is a huge and daunting task but one that we have an obligation to embrace.

Step 1: Opening prayer

from the Order’s Prayers

Step 2: Readings on the Theme

“The urgent challenge to protect our common home includes a concern to bring the whole human family together to seek a sustainable and integral development, for we know that things can change. The Creator does not abandon us; he never forsakes his loving plan or repents of having created us. Humanity still has the ability to work together in building our common home. Here I want to recognize, encourage and thank all those striving in countless ways to guarantee the protection of the home which we share. Particular appreciation is owed to those who tirelessly seek to resolve the tragic effects of

environmental degradation on the lives of the world’s poorest. Young people demand change. They wonder how anyone can claim to be building a better future without thinking of the environmental crisis and the sufferings of the excluded.”

— ‘*Laudato Si’ Para 13*

“True wisdom, as the fruit of self-examination, dialogue and generous encounter between persons, is not acquired by a mere accumulation of data which eventually leads to overload and confusion, a sort of mental pollution. Real relationships with others, with all the challenges they entail, now tend to be replaced by a type of internet communication which enables us to choose or eliminate relationships at whim, thus giving rise to a new type of contrived emotion which has more to do with devices and displays than with other people and with nature. Today’s media do enable us to communicate and to share our knowledge and affections. Yet at times they also shield us from direct contact with the pain, the fears and the joys of others and the complexity of their personal experiences. For this reason, we should be concerned that, alongside the exciting possibilities offered by these media, a deep and melancholic dissatisfaction with interpersonal relations, or a harmful sense of isolation, can also arise. — ‘*Laudato Si’ Para 47*

“The creation accounts in the book of Genesis contain, in their own symbolic and narrative language, profound teachings about human existence and its historical reality. They suggest that human life is grounded in three fundamental and closely intertwined

relationships: with God, with our neighbour and with the earth itself. According to the Bible, these three vital relationships have been broken, both outwardly and within us. This rupture is sin. The harmony between the Creator, humanity and creation as a whole was disrupted by our presuming to take the place of God and refusing to acknowledge our creaturely limitations. This in turn distorted our mandate to “have dominion” over the earth (cf. *Gen 1:28*), to “till it and keep it” (*Gen 2:15*). As a result, the originally harmonious relationship between human beings and nature became conflictual (cf. *Gen 3:17–19*)” — ‘*Laudato Si’*, Para 66

Step 3: Allow a few moments reflective silence

Step 4: Scripture Reading

“God blessed them, saying to them,

‘Be fruitful, multiply, fill the earth and subdue it. Be masters of the fish of the sea, the birds of heaven and all the living creatures that move on earth.

God also said,

‘Look, to you I give all the seed-bearing plants every-where on the surface of the earth, and all the trees with seed-bearing fruit; this will be your food.’” *Genesis 1:28–29*

“He (Christ) is the image of the unseen God, the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, thrones, ruling forces, sovereignties, powers — all things were created through him and for him. He exists before all things and in him all things hold together, and he is the Head of the Body, that is, the Church.” *Colossians 1: 15–18*



Step 5: Reflection 5 minutes

Step 6: Sharing 10 minutes

Knights have a very strong history of engagement in the defence and encouragement of Christian values in Australian society. ‘Putting Christ back into Christmas’, Aged Care, encouragement for ‘Right to Life’ are only three of many examples

• *Do I see this as an essential contribution to the Church and to the ecology?*

There have been a lot of demonstrations that have attracted media attention regarding matters like “climate change”

- *Do I react?*
- *What is my reaction?*
- *As a member of a ‘faith-filled Catholic fraternity’ what should be my reaction?*

Step 7: Conclusion

We pray together —

O gracious God, giver of all that is good, we bless you for having given us life to share with so many other creatures.

Through them and with them we praise you and ask that you continue to pour out your Spirit upon the universe, and in it to show forth your glory.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen
St Augustine

Step 8: *The meeting proceeds*

Step 9: Closing Prayers
From the Order’s Prayers

KSC 2020 Formation Program Session 8

• To be a strong and faith-filled Catholic fraternity committed to serving our Church throughout Australia. •

Theme: The Landscape — Calling us to Hope

When one looks at a landscape — perhaps in ‘real time’, perhaps a painting, perhaps a photograph — we are invited to pause and look more closely at the scene. We can see an image that in the midst of all its various parts has a certain unity. That unity often reflects an idea of a timelessness and a future.

Earlier we noted the presence of a certain stress and confusion abroad in our beloved Australian community.

The reasons are many and varied but perhaps more importantly in the midst of that, ‘faith-filled Christians’ respond with a desire to make things better, to heal, to look beyond into something else.

This is the alternative view that the Lord Jesus brings. Presenting this view through words and actions is a genuine service to the Church throughout Australia.

Step 1: Opening prayer

from the Order’s Prayers

Step 2: Readings on the Theme

“Furthermore, when media and the digital world become omnipresent, their influence can stop people from learning how to live wisely, to think deeply and to love generously.

In this context, the great sages of the past run the risk of going unheard amid the noise and distractions of an information overload.

Efforts need to be made to help these media become sources of new cultural progress for humanity and not a threat to our deepest riches.

— ‘Laudato Si’ Para 47

“If a mistaken understanding of our own principles has at times led us to justify mistreating nature, to exercise tyranny over creation, to engage in war, injustice and acts of violence, we believers should acknowledge that by so doing we were not faithful to the treasures of wisdom which we have been called to protect and preserve.

Pope Francis: World Day of Peace Message 1 January 2020

“For the followers of Christ, this journey is likewise sustained by the sacrament of Reconciliation, given by the Lord for the remission of sins of the baptised.

This sacrament of the Church, which renews individuals and communities, bids us keep our gaze fixed on Jesus, who reconciled “all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross” (Col 1:20).

It requires us to set aside every act of violence in thought, word and deed, whether against our neighbours or against God’s creation.

The grace of God our Father is bestowed as unconditional love. Having received his forgiveness in Christ, we can set out to offer that peace to the men and women of our time. Day by day, the Holy Spirit prompts in us ways of thinking and speaking

that can make us artisans of justice and peace. May the God of peace bless us and come to our aid.

Pope Francis: World Day of Peace Message 1 January 2020

Step 3: Allow a few moments reflective silence

Step 4: Scripture Reading

“It is for us who are strong to bear with the susceptibilities of the weaker ones, and not please ourselves.

Each of us must consider his neighbour’s good, so that we support each one another. Christ did not indulge in his own feelings either; indeed, as scripture says:

The insults of those who insult you fall on me (Psalm 69:9).

And all of these things that were written so long ago were written so that we, learning perseverance and the encouragement which the scriptures give, should have hope.

Now the God of perseverance and encouragement give you all the same purpose, following the example of Christ Jesus, so that you may together give glory to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ with one heart ”

Romans 15: 1–6

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in your faith, so that in the power of the Holy Spirit you may be rich in hope. ”

Romans 15: 13

Step 5: Reflection 5 minutes

Step 6: Sharing 10 minutes

Hope is one of the three cardinal virtues (along with faith and charity). These are gifts from God to help us in our pilgrimage.

Do any of us remember the traditional Act of Hope that we were taught years ago?

Just to remind:

*O my God,
relying on your infinite goodness and promises,
I hope to obtain pardon of my sins,
the help of your grace,
and life everlasting,
through the merits of Jesus Christ,
my Lord and Redeemer*

- In the midst of daily life, do I even think about the Virtue of Hope?
- What do I do to encourage others who may, for one reason or another, be struggling?
- Recall a message of hope given to you when you were in need?

Step 7: Conclusion

We pray together —

Heavenly father,
I am your humble servant,
I come before you today
in need of hope.

I need hope for a calm and joyful future.
I need hope for love and kindness.
I pray for peace and safety.

Some say that the sky
is at its darkest just before the light.
I pray that this is true,

for today seems stormy and dim.

I need your light, Lord, in every way.

I pray to be filled with your light.

Help me to walk in your light,
and live my life in faith and service.

In your name I pray. Amen

Step 8: The meeting proceeds

Step 9: Closing Prayers

From the Order’s Prayers

Notice of State Conference and AGM

Notice is hereby given that the State Conference and AGM of the Knights of the Southern Cross (SA) Inc. will be held at John Martin House, The Pines 336 Marion Rd, Plympton on Saturday, 5 Dec 5 2020.

Commencing with Mass at 9.30am

Morning tea and lunch will be provided. Cost of the conference registration will be \$10.00 All Members are welcome, and it is hoped all Branches will be represented.

- **Nominations for State Council** will close on 14/9/20
- **Nominations for State Chairman** will close on 14/9/20
- **Nominations for Life Membership and Bill Keane Awards** will need to be submitted to State office by 14/9/20
- Any **Amendments for the Constitution** will need to be submitted by 14/9/20

Reports from Branches need to be submitted to Bro Dave Huppatz through the State Office by the end of October so that Conference papers can be finalised.

David Huppatz — Executive Secretary

Nomination Forms

Nomination for State Councillor

Name:

Address:

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Branch:

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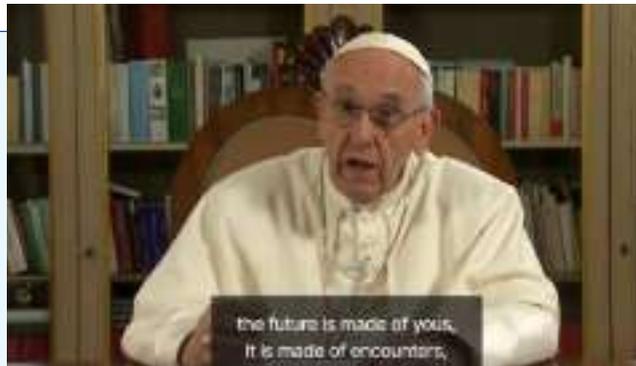
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Nominated by:

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No Member shall be eligible for election to State Council unless they have been a Member for at least twelve months.

Nominations close: Sept 14, 2020 at 4.00pm



Nomination for State Chairman

Name:

Address:

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Branch:

I am a financial member of the order and I accept the Nomination.

Signed:

Nominated by:

Signed:

Nominations close: Sept 14, 2020 at 4.00pm

A word from Pope Francis ...

'A single individual is enough for hope to exist, and that individual can be you', says His Holiness Pope Francis. In a hopeful message to people of all faiths, to those who have power as well as those who don't, Pope Francis calls for equality, solidarity and tenderness to prevail. **"Let us help each other, all together, to remember that the 'other' is not a statistic, or a number,"** he says. **"We all need each other."** — TED conference — 2017

[Click here to listen to the full talk](#)

We have all been affected by the Corona Virus in many ways over the past 4 months. Who would have thought that we would see churches locked up on weekends with parishioners watching Masses being celebrated and televised for the Catholic audience? Weddings have been postponed and funerals have been virtual private ceremonies due to the restricted number allowed to attend.

Thankfully things are now getting back to normal with meetings now permitted as long as social distancing is complied with. Our Branch Mid-year Social Luncheon was successfully held on Sun, July 5, and thoroughly enjoyed by all that attended. We now look forward to our Christmas event.

We have held two meetings since the lock down and those meetings were held at 3 pm instead of the night time starting time of 7.30 pm. We will keep trialling the current arrangement as winter night meetings are difficult for our members due to dark and often bleak winter conditions that affect night travel this time of year.

On a happy note, Brian and Ali Cooper recently become grandparents for the first time. Their daughter Emily gave birth to a son on Thurs, July 2. Little Charles, mother and father are doing well at the time of writing this report.

Please keep our sick and ailing brothers and their families in your prayers.

The doctor said I need to eat more fish ...



... my friends, we cannot tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism and exclusion in any form and yet claim to defend the sacredness of every human life.

At the same time, we have to recognise that the violence of recent nights is self-destructive and self-defeating.

Nothing is gained by violence and so much is lost.

— Pope Francis prays for the repose of the soul of George Floyd



The logo for Frank J Siebert Funeral Directors, featuring a stylized 'FJ' monogram with 'EST 1867' on either side. Below the logo, the text reads 'FRANK J SIEBERT FUNERAL DIRECTORS'. To the right of the logo, the text says 'At your service - wherever you need us to be'. Below this, the contact information is listed: 'admin@frankjsiebert.com.au', '24 hr phone 08 8223 5879', and 'www.frankjsiebert.com.au'.

Contributions to OCTOBER/NOVEMBER Knight Life are due on or before

SEP 14, 2020

Please email your contribution to Knight Life Editor at —

kscsa@kscsa.org.au

as a Word document or as part of an email.

Be Not Afraid

Catholic artists from Australia and around the world unite to sing from their homes.



Aberfoyle Park — Bro Tony Hughes

Greetings from the Aberfoyle Park Branch.

Last week (Mon, Jul 6) the Branch was able to host its first meeting since the Covid crisis. Early this year we held Branch elections; however, this was the first time that the Branch could get together at a meeting with the new executive. It was exciting to chair my first Branch meeting. Those who know me understand that at times, I can be somewhat excited at meetings trying to motivate everyone into the spirit of things! In my corporate life I was once referred to as an “entertainer”, which I find amusing. Fortunately, I have Tony Sexton as my vice-chair, Tom Evans as treasurer and, new to the exec, David Kinnon as secretary to keep me under control.

With the size of the Branch, I don't support the concept of a division between the ‘executive’ and ‘Members’. I believe us all to be ‘Branch Members’; however, some of us have taken on additional jobs and responsibilities within the Branch. We all have our own strengths, knowledge, and experience, and I am very pleased to recognise this in Members, and pass onto other Knights as much responsibility as they would like — the concept of Members ‘championing’ projects. The role of chairman and executive is one of a facilitation role, not one of an authoritarian dictatorship!

As for the ‘Tony Ideas’ for the Branch, I have a strong belief in the assistance and support of men and their families in their Christian lifestyles. There is a strong argument that we men seem to be ‘forgotten’ in the church and, in some regard, by society in general. Many supports are available for women if we look at Parish and archdiocese groups available for women.

So, looking back in our Parish, my goal is to support to the men of our Parish. The Knights need to be as active and visible as possible. We need to get the men of the Parish together in a supportive, collegial environment.

This may include, but not be limited to such events as:

- Regular men's lunches
- Whiskey night
- Wine afternoon
- An off-site men's retreat
- Fundraising
- Hosting other Parish functions.

Additionally this may ultimately improve membership. While the men of the Parish feel part of a group it would be significantly easier to move them into Knight's membership.

The idea of ‘men supporting other men’, leads into another related topic of homelessness amongst men. A wonderful suggestion was made by one of our Branch Members that this would be a great focus for the Knights. This, along with the associated issue of **men's mental health** is a very passionate cause of mine. A number of years ago I discovered a psychotic young man living in a tent under a tree not 500m from my house. It is a long story, which I have never told before, but he is now medicated, on a DSP, living in a furnished Housing SA unit. All that achievement is sometimes a surprise to me and it will make a great subsequent Knight Life article.

It is arguable that homelessness is purely a geographical symptom of many underlying mental health issues. Creating accommodation may not solve the underlying issues.

Looking at the statistics, the Knights could certainly play an important part. Although the incidence of depression etc is higher in women, men are almost half as likely to reach out for help.

Suicide amongst men is in the order of 3 times that of women, every day in Australia we lose about 6 men to suicide. (source: beyondblue)

So put simply, us guys need to look after each other!

Unfortunately, I am not going to change the world, and am not even going to try. If I can make a difference in my little corner of the world, I will be happy!

All the best.

Para Region — Bro Errol Duke

As with all other Branches, there has been no Branch activity here as per the Covid 19 restrictions.

However, if all goes to plan, we will re-commence Meetings as from the beginning of August, 2020.

The only main news to report since our February Meeting was the sad passing of our muchly esteemed Brother, Dudley Dolman. Dudley was a very popular Brother in our group and will be sadly missed. Thankfully, wife Margaret does have family nearby to assist her as the need arises.

Also, we report the passing of our former Member, Matt Fitzpatrick.

It has been indeed wonderful to have been able to return to Mass Services, and we hope that this will continue with our State being virtually casualty-free at this time of writing.

And, of course, wasn't it great to see both Eagles soaring on the first weekend of July??

On June 9th 2020 the Members of Clearview / Kilburn Branch held their monthly meeting. The meeting was held face to face for the first time in two months due to the COVID-19 restrictions being eased allowing us to conduct our meeting in the Clearview Community Centre.

Present at our monthly meeting was Fr Selva Raj (Parish Priest) and Bro Brian Cooper (State Council).

Bro Ivan welcomed all present and then invited Fr Selva to address the meeting. Fr Selva expressed his delight at the forming of the Knights of the Southern Cross Branch at Clearview/Kilburn. Fr Selva also informed us that due to the easing of restrictions of the COVID-19 Pandemic in South Australia, masses would recommence in both churches on June 21, 2020 with strict COVID-19 restrictions. Bro Robert Casey who is also Chairman of the Parish Council then informed Members that the Clearview / Kilburn Branch were asked to assist the parish at weekend Masses by acting as ushers as to the instructions of the COVID-19 Protocols. Clearview/Kilburn Branch has been very active at all Masses at ushering and I am sure that Fr Selva and all parishioners are grateful.

Formation 5 was not fully discussed at this time due to the Members being instructed on the requirements of the Branch Members at all Masses once the weekend Masses recommenced.

Bro Brian Cooper also presented to the Members present a fundraising suggestion that the Woodville/West Torrens Branch run called '45 CLUB'. Bro Brian explained in detail the concept of '45 CLUB' and it was decided to discuss this at our next meeting.

In closing, the Clearview/Kilburn Branch would once again thank all Branches who have donated money to help our Branch establish. The Branch would like to say a special thank you to one of our dear parishioner's grandson who gave us \$20.00 from cans & bottles that he took to the recyclers so he could donate it to the "Man from the Knights". For this generosity we thank him sincerely.

Our next meeting is scheduled for July 14 and with the possibility of further easing of the COVID-19 restrictions. I am sure we will be even further active in assisting all parishioners and Fr Selva in the Clearview/Kilburn Parish.



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Dernancourt Branch Chairman, Bro David Lloyd presenting SVDP representative Bro Peter Roberts (also a Dernancourt KSC member) with a cheque for \$1500 for their Winter Appeal.

Aberfoyle Park: 1st Monday — 7.30pm
Parish Centre, 26 London Rd, Aberfoyle Pk

Brighton | Marion | Hallett Cove | Glenelg:
1st Wednesday — 7.30pm
Parish Activity Centre, Strathmore Tce, Brighton

Clearview | Kilburn: 2nd Tuesday — 7.00pm,
Parish Hall, Clearview

Copper Coast: 3rd Thursday — 7.30pm — Parish Hall

Dernancourt: 2nd Wednesday — 7.30pm
Parish Centre, 1 Avoca St, Dernancourt

Edwardstown | Plympton: 2nd Wednesday — 7.30pm
'The Pines' Club Rooms — 336 Marion Rd,
North Plympton

Emmaus: 3rd Thursday — 7.30pm
St Therese School Hall, Col Light Gdns

Hectorville | Tranmere: 1st Wednesday — 7.30pm
Tranmere Hall, 1 Birkinshaw Ave, Tranmere

Mt Barker | Strathalbyn: 2nd Wednesday — 7.00pm
Our Lady of Mercy Church Foyer

Murray Bridge: 3rd Sunday — 4.00pm
Holy Redeemer Pastoral Centre

Murray Mallee: 2nd Tuesday — 2.00pm
Church Hall, Tailem Bend

Para Region: 1st Monday — 7.30pm
St Ann's Parish Church Supper Room
Midway Road Elizabeth East

Penola: 2nd Wednesday — 7.30pm — Parish Centre

Port Augusta: 3rd Thursday — 7.00pm — Parish Centre

Port Pirie | Crystal Brook: 2nd Tuesday — 7.30pm
Pt Pirie Diocesan Centre, odd months
Crystal Brook Parish Centre, even months

Southern Fleurieu: 3rd Thursday — 4.00pm
St John the Apostle, Gardiner St, Goolwa — odd months
St Joan's Annex, Seaview Rd, Victor Harbor — even months

Whyalla: 1st Wednesday — 7.30pm
Knights Meeting Room in Church Grounds

Woodville / West Torrens: 1st Tuesday — 7.30pm
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Copper Coast (Kadina) — Frank Camporeale

Welcome all to another 'round up' from our Branch – not that we have much to report as we are somewhat restricted. But before the update ...

We all know and have experienced over the last few weeks, the very cold mornings but quite pleasant days. They reminded me of Eskimos — you do know how Eskimos dress all year round? *As quickly as possible!*

Personally, travelling has improved for us but only to Adelaide, Crystal Brook, and Ardrossan. People are overall still doing the correct thing with distancing, and most businesses are looking after us with having things in place for our support and health needs. So, 'coffees' at venues farther away are being tried and enjoyed.

I was surprised by my Scouting friends for a belated birthday gathering as a picnic lunch recently which my daughter knew about, and was part of coordinating but very good at keeping me in the dark. (Did I feel like a mushroom? No, as I had no idea!) However, for me, the love of God shows itself in many discreet but beautiful ways through the thoughtfulness of friends and family — Frank.

During the first few years of my involvement in various groups and organisations, with a name like 'Camporeale' I was often asked if I was Italian or Greek. My reply was simple — *'I am of Italian heritage but was born in Australia.'* Next question — 'Oh? Which part?' My ready reply — *'All of me!'* (I'm making up for two months' worth!!!)

Back to the more serious events — a small group of us, who try to get together about once a month, recently shared a lunch at a local restaurant celebrating Fr Matthew's birthday — yes he was

there too. (It is almost the same day as my own, although I believe I'm a 'little' older.)

Fr Matthew has arranged for Masses at our churches at Kadina and now at Moonta to be closer to 'normal'. (Wallaroo is still off-limits due to the close proximity to the elderly in the Star of the Sea Homes.) Those attending are still being asked to remember physical distancing and are limited to the number allowed according to the size of the church. Many of us have looked forward to Masses returning to some normality at the various churches in our parish. *Thank you Fr Matthew.*

Our May and June meetings using Zoom allowed Members who were available to participate. We did keep these short to any business arising. (Meetings attended to in less than forty minutes have been surprising us, well me anyway.) One item, which was discussed and eventually decided upon, was our end of year 'Phantom Melbourne Cup Dinner'. Looking ahead and considering the slow, but we believe, the correct way restrictions are being lifted, we agreed to NOT hold our dinner as a fund raiser this year. Lookout 2021!!!

We managed a few donations to Clearview/Kilburn Branch, Bishop Greg at Pt Pirie which he is using to support two of our seminarians, and to the Passionist Community at Glen Osmond to help with the maintenance of their Stations of the Cross and the grounds in which they stand. We also ordered a box of Rosary Beads from ***Aid to the Church in Need.***

All Members are asked to continue to pray for past Members of the Knights and their families, and for those not in the best of health. Our parishioners are constantly included in our prayers.

Recently we learned of the passing of a past parishioner and also of Mgr Arthur Hackett who was our parish priest quite some years ago now.

And so to conclude, some food for thought —
*Never go to work on an empty stomach.
Go on the bus instead!*

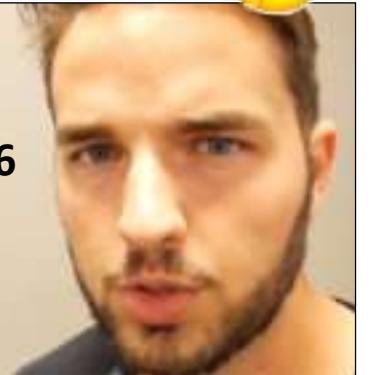
And remember this each day (*from Pause and Ponder*),
*'Prayers of thanks and praise
are the best ones for us.
They help us gradually be convinced
and feel God loves us.
And a smile is a good way
of becoming loved.'*

So, this month *'May we all feel God's love for us.'*
AND share it with others with our friendly smiles and greetings.



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**A father is neither
an anchor to hold us back,
nor a sail to take us there,
but a guiding light
whose love shows us the way —Anon**

Meetings were not held in April and May. With the easing of restrictions, we were pleased to be able to meet again on June 9. Eight Members attended the June meeting in Crystal Brook.

The first item on the agenda was to induct new Members Simon Hayes and Craig Shearer. It is great to have new men joining us. We have inducted three men now in the last two meetings. Wouldn't it be great if we could maintain that!

Correspondence was received from Bishop Greg O'Kelly to say that he appreciated our donation of \$1,000 towards the training of a seminarian. There are significant costs in training new priests for our diocese and KSC is very happy to support this. Our Charitable Projects raffle brought in over \$1,000 and we agreed to use it for this purpose. We also received a thank you from Merridy Hollitt whom we are supporting in the Youth Mission Team.

Unfortunately, we were not able to celebrate a KSC Mass in May as planned. At this June meeting we also decided not to conduct the Northern Conference in July and to cancel our International Luncheon in August. The continuing COVID19 restrictions are limiting our usual activities, including visiting the men in the local aged care facilities.

Eight Members attended the July meeting on July 14th in Port Pirie. As usual we used the Knight Life Formation Program Session for our prayer, and this helped us to reflect on our faith and share it in discussion. It is a real feature of our meetings and something we all look forward to.

With the reduction in our usual activities the meeting was shorter than usual, and we were able to have a glass of port to warm us up on a cold night.

Well it didn't take long for June to come around and we were still in lockdown, so this will be a very short report. No meeting was held in June so there is nothing to report for that month. With the COVID-19 restrictions easing a little in July, we did manage to organise a meeting (July 1) with seven Members attending and one apology. Members were reminded that the **People's Choice Lottery** books have been ordered and will arrive soon.

Next item of interest was a discussion about the future distribution of our magazine "*Knight Life*" which will be sent via Digital Mode and just by the looks on their screwed up faces I must say that most of them were not very happy about this idea??? So we'll wait and see what happens down the track.

The **Bottle Team** is still running around collecting the 'goods' and handed in a total of \$97 (thanks to Bros Jim, Otto and Mike P). Treasury reported that money-wise we are a bit low at the moment (compared to last year) but at least we are still in the black.

Sausage Sizzles are still cancelled at the moment — however we are hoping that restrictions will ease a bit more during the next couple of months in South Australia which means we may be able to resume this money raising activity in late August or September this year.

Also, another money raising activity (and very successful in the past but postponed) was the **Ladies Luncheon** (normally held early in September). But, once again, depending on any restrictions in place later this year, we are looking at having it in mid-October (fingers crossed)?

Chairman (Bro M Boyle) has already booked our Annual Christmas Dinner at the Kensi Hotel for Thurs, Dec 10 @ 6:30pm.

Lastly Mike also gave us a brief chat about his '**Membership ad Branch Development Portfolio**' drive to raise awareness of the future of our Order — a meeting will be held on Thurs, July 23 at Head Office. Well that's all from me for now; hopefully things will improve soon.

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Branch Reports

Southern Fleurieu — Bro Paul Kennelly

Since my last article at long last things have improved with social distancing rules, and we have been permitted to attend Mass again. Starting off, just 20 people able to attend. Last week 75 were permitted. This requires supervision of space between those attending and observation of hygiene rules. Members of our Order have assisted in making sure everything is above board. Bro John Baker and his wife Wendy have been taking care of recording people attending, which is an essential requirement in case of an outbreak (*please no!*).

While in isolation, I could not help thinking of our priests especially, of course, our own Fr Vinh. Like us, they all were isolated, and are used to seeing people attending Mass every day or visiting or carrying out support work. Suddenly all this was taken from them, which must have been a real shock. I know many in our parish rang or sent messages to Fr Vinh to make sure he was going ok, which was a lovely gesture. When things lifted a little, many sent him frozen food, but one thing I can vouch for is that Fr Vinh is an excellent cook, but I am sure he appreciated the variety.

Our first face to face meeting was in June, after 2 meetings conducted on Zoom. Our fundraising is all on hold with our BBQ at Bunnings coming up soon hopefully, and our annual luncheon hopefully in September. We have 3 wine raffles every year, and our first this year was bravely conducted while the church was closed and naturally took longer to sell. We were going very well at the start, but with about 7 tickets to go it all came to a halt. Then, when on the first Sunday Masses reopened all those tickets were snapped up. For the third time a member of the Goolwa community was the lucky winner, and very kindly gave a number of us at the Mass a sample of his prize. Not many left of the 15 bottle carton I would think!

Our branch also recognised the services of **Bro Ron Harris** as a Knight. Bro Ron joined in Salisbury in 1975, and when he retired to the South Coast, he was a leader in setting up the new branch in our parish. He held leadership positions in both branches, and also was one who organised with a group to make sure the ethos of the Knights was carried out by Southern Cross Care. Bro Ron is not seen at our meetings these days, but he has given great service to our Order, and we sent a letter of thanks to him to make sure his efforts were being recognised.

Finally a humorous story that goes back to the 1961 SANFL grand final as told by Allen Killigrew, who in his life was a devout Catholic. For the second time in a row he was coaching Norward to a grand final, after losing to North in the 1960 final by 7 points. His opponent this time was my beloved Bloods, who had great pace right through the side. The Redlegs did not have such pace so Killigrew was looking for a wet windy cold day to slow Westies down a bit. So on the Monday before the match he went to the Cathedral in the city, and placed 10 shillings in the candle box in front of the statue of Our Lady, and prayed for the weather he wanted on the big day. Allen said that part of the story is perfectly true; the rest he will leave up to the reader. Apparently, a West supporter was in the Cathedral at that time and realised what Allen was up to. He went straight down to Richmond Oval where coach Neil Kerley was chatting to a leading money donor at Westies. When he told them what Allen was up to, the money man gave him 10 pounds and told him to light every candle in the church. The result was the game was played in the mid-nineties. and became known as the Turkish bath grand final!

And, of course, the Bloods had a 36 point win.



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ABORIGINAL ISSUES

I read Frank Brogan's article on Aboriginal problems in the June-July issue with some interest. Frank made a valid point when he said that 'Truth Telling' initially did not get a guernsey in the Hindmarsh Island dispute. Unfortunately, Aboriginal issues have often been confused by half-truths, distortions and falsities from Aboriginal radicals and sections of the media.

I have not been impressed by the tactics of the recent USA importation, the *Black Lives Matter* movement. To me it is ridiculous to pressurise sportsmen and sportswomen to kneel before the commencement of sporting events.

Much more sinister is the smashing and defacement of statues and monuments — hardly a way to promote racial harmony.

I note that Cardinal Napier of Durban South Africa — himself a black man — has strongly criticised the tactics of *Black Lives Matter*.

One of the leaders of a recent Adelaide protest march said that Aborigines wanted equality. I would certainly not deny them this, but equality does bring with it certain responsibilities — one of which is to obey the laws of the Land.

In 1967 there was a Referendum on whether Aboriginal persons should be included in the Federal — Census. This proposal was approved by an overwhelming **Yes** vote. I remember standing outside a polling booth

and handing out 'Yes' how-to-vote cards for several hours.

Over the years I have had many contacts with Aboriginal people.

In the 1980s as part of my employment I made numerous visits to the settlement of Raukkan which was then known as Point McLeay. I found the Aboriginals there pleasant to deal with and remember some of the older people who had a special dignity.

I have also prepared many taxation returns for Aboriginal people — some in my local area — others as far away as Wadeye.

Today I am secretary of an indoor bowls club and almost half of our members are people of Aboriginal descent and everybody gets on well.

To get a better understanding of the issues connected with Aboriginal sovereignty I would recommend a book 'The Breaking-Up of Australia' by Keith Windschuttle. I found this book very informative.

I also recommend reading the story of the popular AFL footballer Anthony McDonald Tipung-Wuti. This can be accessed by googling his name on the internet. Anthony's story illustrates some of the problems that exist in Aboriginal communities.

Terry Critchley

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⁸Although the first Assembly of Bishops scheduled for October, 2020 has been cancelled, the new date is still unknown. Maybe this is an opportune time to advance a discussion and recommendation on the subject of Science and Technology with their influence on Church.

8.2 Revelations and Science has been varied and a bit of a rough ride — my Apologies.

— *FB, June 19, 2020*

Note 1: Bibles did exist before 'printing' got underway during the early 1500's when the King James version was printed; it was translated into English by Catholic scholars, the Dou'ay-Reims Resions — 1582 for the New and 1610 for the Old Testament according to my resources and then several more translations/revisions up to to 20th century.

The Biblical Commission was established in 1902 by Pope Leo and the Biblical Institute in 1908 in Rome by Pope Pius X. New translations in 1937 and a version by Mgr Ronald Knox in 1950 followed.

Around early 1940, the Americans published a new translation of the Dou'ay-Reims New Testament and started on the Old Testament. However, that was abandoned when the Old and New Testaments began to be translated directly from the original languages by the Confraternity established by Pope Pius X11 around 1943, during WW11.

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