

THE KOLPING CANADA NEWSLETTER

Fall 2011

MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL PRAESES

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Kolping,

With the first Sunday of Advent, the words at every mass are about to change. The mass will remain the same, but the sound will be different. Most of the words are English translations of texts first composed in Latin.

This revised translation pertains to the book we currently call the Sacramentary. It will not affect scripture readings, the Prayer of the Faithful, or your favorite hymns, but the melodies, which are sung by the priest alone from the Sacramentary, will be closer to the Gregorian chant and even the title of the Sacramentary will have a new translation; we will now refer to it as the Roman Missal.

The third edition of the Roman Missal in Latin mass was published in 2002. Our current translation dates to 1973, and some parts of the Mass first appeared in English as early as 1970. After a generation of usage, the translation we know well is being revised to reflect the current Latin edition.

**In the different Parishes in Canada, according to the wishes of their respective bishops, will be sermons, training sessions and publishings in preparation for the changes in the liturgy. Please, participate and keep informed!
With best wishes for a Christian life -- "Treu Kolping!"**

~ Father Karl Hoeppe, C.Ss.R

MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT

October 27th 2011 is the 20th anniversary the day our "Father of the Journeymen" was Beatified. Thousands of pilgrims from the International Kolping Society will gather in Rome to celebrate this day together as the Holy Father pays tribute to the merits of our Father of the Journeymen.

This year, the focus of our prayers is not a country, but our International Community. A number of our Canadian Kolping members will travel to Rome to take part in all the festivities. I was there twenty years ago, and I will never forget the experience. Also in Rome, they will elect a new General Praeses. Let us not neglect to say thank you to Msgr. Werner; he was a great friend to Canada, and we wish him all the best in the future.

Let us celebrate the World Day of Prayer in a big way. I know it is quite a lengthy document, but you can find a way around that. Have a great thanksgiving!

Treu Kolping - Steve Salb

MESSAGE FROM KOLPING EDMONTON

We have had an activity filled summer. The Jasper hike was beautiful as usual. Although rain prevented an outdoor Mass, we squeezed into one of the cabins for a close celebration.

At our Kolping house on Lake Isle we held a great BBQ and, later in the summer, a pot-luck afternoon. Both were very well attended and some welcome guests joined us for the fun.

September was of course our 50th Kolping Edmonton anniversary. A nice way to begin the festivities was the wine and cheese evening. Then we held our Mass on

Sunday followed by an evening program and banquet. It was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. We especially enjoyed the wonderful slide/music presentation by Reinhard Hochdorfer. It brought back such happy memories for many.

To our Kolping brothers and sisters across Canada and in Europe we say a big Thank You. Your cards and messages of congratulations were really appreciated. We want to say a heart felt Thank You to: Margret Littau [Winnipeg] Otto & Chantal Koppe [Vancouver] Karl & Hanni Wiker [Toronto] Alfred Piberhofer [Austria] and our dear friend Ludwig Pfaffenbichler [Austria], for travelling so far to celebrate this milestone with us. It was very special to have you here.

Now we begin our fall and winter meetings and hope to continue good Kolping works.

Treu Kolping - Donna Novak

MESSAGE FROM KOLPING HAMILTON

Just a brief update since the Easter News Letter.

After our General Meeting in January, no further meetings were scheduled for spring and summer except in August when we held our annual picnic in Klaas's backyard and pool with a relatively good attendance.

Unfortunately our annual Garage Sale at our local Mohawk College, originally scheduled for September, had to be cancelled due to a strike of their support staff.

In closing, we wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Treu Kolping, Win Klaas

MESSAGE FROM KOLPING TORONTO

(Please note: because of a glitch, Kolping Toronto's report did not get here in time to be published. The following is taken from Kolping Toronto's Program on the Internet, and was written by Werner Scheliga.)

I am happy to report, that we ended the last year on a high note. 77 persons attended our combined Nikolaus Christmas Celebration on Dec. 5th and we quickly had to add another table to accommodate everyone. Best of all was, that we initiated three new members, namely Father Mark Miller, as well as Linda and Eddy Urwalek. What made this really special is, that Father Miller agreed to be our new Praeses. At the Senior's meeting on November 24th, Father Miller surprised everybody during his presentation, by how well informed he is about our Kolping Organisation and we sincerely welcome him as our spiritual Leader.

Once again, our program focuses on the following activities: *our monthly Communion Breakfast meetings, *the Lenten Meal for the Parish on March 13th, *the Annual Retreat for Men in Marylake from April 8th to 10th, * the Annual picnic at the Wensing's June 26th and our Senior's meetings with Outing & Presentations.

From October 26th to 29th will be the 20th Anniversary Celebration of the Beatification of our Founder "Adolph Kolping" in Rome.

As we all know by now, the St. Patrick's German Parish will amalgamate with the English Parish, but we are free to continue all our traditional functions, meetings & celebrations. Changes are never easy and this task will require understanding and cooperation from all of us. On a positive note, it will also provide us new opportunities to contact others and perhaps gain new Members. I am confident, that Father Miller will assist us with this task in the future.

On a sad note, on August 11th, our Lord called Karl Peichl home and we will all miss him. Please include him in your Prayers.

Please support our Meetings to the best of your ability and I am looking forward to

seeing you.

Treu Kolping - Werner Scheliga

NEWS FROM KOLPING VANCOUVER

Our West Coast summer did not really start until the end of July, but since then we have enjoyed radiant blue skies and pleasant temperatures.

After calling Holy Family Parish our home since 1956, Kolping Vancouver is moving! Times have changed, our membership has aged and we are trying to find a way to a better chance of continuing our work. **The growth and survival of our Kolping Families seems to be a common concern across Canada.** We are very grateful to Father Anthony Boniface for inviting us to set up our base in St. Monica Parish in Richmond, where we can plan our events after Sunday Masses again. To add to our good fortune, he has also consented to be our Praeses. Many of us remember Father from the time he was the Praeses of the former Kolping Society of North Vancouver. He was part of a group attending the International Kolping Congress in Innsbruck, Austria in 1982 and is familiar with the Kolping Movement. We want to express our appreciation to Father Erik Deprey for doing his best to accommodate us at Holy Family.

On May 7th we honoured St. Joseph the Worker, patron saint of the Kolping Movement. Pope Pius XII instituted this feast, traditionally observed on May 1st, as a Christian alternative to the Socialist Labour Day. During the Mass, Father Deprey spoke inspiring words about St. Joseph, urging us to emulate this humble provider of the Holy Family. Delmy Romero, Leslie Michael and their helpers prepared and served the brunch afterwards.

Our Annual Picnic at the Paars' Aldergrove cabin served a double purpose this year. Before we were allowed to line up for the bratwurst, array of salads and tempting pastries, some very important business had to be attended to. A letter had been sent out to the membership, announcing the proposed move to St. Monica Parish. After our president Horst made his presentation, a vote was called for. All present, including several members who were unable to attend, were in unanimous support of the move. Our thanks to our very able convenors Inge Haenle and Erika Fahrman for taking charge in the kitchen, also to our barbeque chefs Horst and Günther, as well as Karl and Mathias for the music.

Our outing in Richmond's Garry Point Park drew a good crowd this year, thanks to beautiful, sunny skies. This was an informal get-together by the banks of the Fraser, where one could watch the vessels passing by, enjoy the kite-flying enthusiasts practice their skill with some pretty exotic kites, go shopping at the farmers' market, or just sit back and catch up on the latest news with friends.

Seven of our members will be joining the Kolping Family of Augsburg on a pilgrimage to Rome on the occasion of the 20th Anniversary of the Beatification of Adolph Kolping: Horst and Erika Zimmermann, Gustavo and Delmy Romero, Wolfgang and Sigi Araszewski, and Ernst Eckerlin. We wish them Godspeed and the blessings of this pilgrimage.

On July 11th, our member Patrick Buckley passed away suddenly. For years he had enriched many of our liturgical services with his music. Of Cree descent, Pat was physically handicapped and had to endure much pain, but this did not discourage him from serving in the music ministry all over the Archdiocese of Vancouver, including the First Nations people, always with that perpetual smile and unquestioning faith. Just last October he was one of a distinguished group of people who were honoured with the Papal Benemerenti Medal.

We hope you all had a good summer and returned from your travels safe and sound.

With warm Kolping Greetings, Rose Vetter

THE KOLPING SOCIETY OF CANADA, STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES
JULY 1st TO JUNE 30th, 2011

REVENUE:

Annual Membership Dues	\$3,537.00
Pins	45.50
Donations to Kolping International	<u>1,271.00</u>
	<u>\$4,853.50</u>

EXPENSES:

Bank charges	72.50
Office Expenses	10.70
International Dues	338.23
Copying and Printing	132.47
Dialogue 2010	355.15
Fr. Hoeppe's Birthday gift	150.00
International Donations	<u>3,271.00</u>
	<u>\$4,330.05</u>

Net Income (Net Loss)	\$523.45
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BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS:

Checking Account	\$7,670.80
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$7,670.80
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LIABILITIES:

Accounts Payable:	\$0.00
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Equity:

As of July 1 st , 2010	\$7,147.35
Net Income (Loss)	<u>523.45</u>

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$7,670.80
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The Books and Records of the National Kolping Society of Canada have been reviewed by Konrad Tucker and Anthony Blythe and they were found to be in good order.

Signatures

MESSAGE FROM KOLPING WINNIPEG

It's early October, and the first yellow leaves are starting to appear, a sure sign that Fall is on the way. We had a beautiful, hot summer here on the prairies; the best thing was that we had no mosquitoes! It was a pleasure to be able to sit outside in the evenings without bug spray and/or slapping non-stop.

The snow run-off and the spring rains were so substantial this year that the level of the rivers and lakes have been many feet above normal, but suddenly they are dropping drastically, almost overnight. The Assiniboine and Souris rivers, which drain a huge area all the way to the Rockies, were simply overwhelmed. In the Interlake, around Lake Manitoba, many farm properties and cottages are ruined completely, and thousands of evacuees are still living in various Winnipeg hotels, downtown. (For some, it's a big party!) Manitoba Hydro needs the Lake Winnipeg level to be as high as possible in order to generate as much electrical power as possible, and the people who have property nearby don't matter. Profit is everything, as we all know.

On May 3 we had our last meeting before the summer, with free pizza for everyone. It was decided to give a gift of \$200 to a newly ordained Priest, Father Mark Filips. He had assisted at St. Joseph's for a while and was ordained this summer. He is now the rector at St. Anthony of Padua parish.

At this meeting, Adolf Kussmann surprised us by handing Father Kevin \$ 700.00 from our St. Joseph's Skat group! What a great thing for them to do! They meet twice a week and play just for the fun (?) of it.

On May 5, we celebrated a Mass of Christian Burial for our Kolping brother Oskar Abendschoen, at St. Joseph's, with our Praeses Rev Fr. Kevin Smith as Celebrant. Our condolences go out to his wife Rose and their children and grandchildren, plus the extended family which include the Howald family in BC and the Knolls in Winnipeg. Oskar became a Kolping member as a boy in Kirchhausen, and stayed true to Kolping all of his life. Oskar was a union man. He loved his family, he never passed up a good argument, and he loved golf. We will miss him very much.

On July 31 we had our traditional summer picnic on beautiful lake Winnipeg at some of our Kolping members' cottages. As always, we started at 11 AM with an outdoor Mass celebrated by Father Kevin. The weather was super, and after Mass everybody headed for the Bratwurst BBQ. Rainer Ruf and his wife Wendy were behind the BBQs and did an excellent job. Some of our ladies had made Sauerkraut: delicious! Lots of tables were nicely arranged for all of us under the trees in the shade. The children had lots of fun with the games in the afternoon. At coffee-time the baking provided by our ladies looked and tasted wonderful with a good cup of coffee. After that we had a good time just sitting together and singing a few of our favourite songs. It was indeed a nice get-together on a perfect, sunny summer day!

Treu Kolping Hans Kessling