



Knights of Columbus

St. Jude Council 1043
112 E. Lexington Avenue
Elkhart, IN 46514



News Summary By Joe Tinervia

- Thanks to all who supported the Right to Life Rally held last Saturday at the Lerner Theater.
- Our Council is hosting a blood drive on Tuesday, February 5, from 2-6 p.m. Please make a concerted effort to donate blood and bring a friend to donate as well.
- Dues are still trickling in. Second notices will be sent. Please send dues in promptly if you have not already done so. You will receive your new membership card after your dues are processed. If you need financial assistance, please contact Joe Tinervia via contact information found on the back side of your current card.
- Our Council hosted another pancake breakfast on Sunday, January 13. Thank you to those who attended and to those who volunteered.
- January's spaghetti dinner benefitted Elkhart County Right to Life. February's dinner on February 6 from 5-7 p.m. will benefit St. Thomas School. We'll be treated to the sounds of Concord Jazz during the dinner.
- We will need some volunteers to help TJ on February 9 to strip and wax the floors at the hall. Contact Scott Chris if you can help.
- Thank you to all who helped to make this another successful year with our Christmas food baskets. Over 650 baskets were delivered to families throughout Elkhart County.
- We collected \$109 for the vocation fund during the January meeting. Thank you.
- Keep an eye out for Catholic text messaging during Lent. Details to come next month.
- Hope you were one of the 600 who bought tickets for the chicken and mojos dinner on Saturday, January 26. Tickets are sold out. Thank you to the Eppers family for cooking and to all the volunteers who are working to make this event a success.
- Remember to support our monthly fish fry. The next one is scheduled for Friday, January 18.
- Keep tabs on what is happening by liking our Council on Facebook.

Insurance Check-Up for 2013

Where did 2012 go? It seems like it was summer yesterday and Easter was last week. I hope you and your family had a great finish to 2012. Now, the first quarter of 2013 is speeding by. Hopefully, you've established a few goals for this year. I've learned a great tip regarding resolutions. First, write them down. It's not too late if you haven't already done this. Commit your goals to paper and post it someplace you will see it often. Writing down a goal is the first step towards achieving it. I don't know exactly how this works, but I've heard stories of the success this simple task can bring. Whether your goal is to exercise more, give more to charity, read more or watch less television, you're more likely to accomplish it if you write it down.

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Condolences

Please remember the family of Shorty Murphy in your prayers as he passed away on December 21.

January 2013



Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights,
We've had another GREAT start to a new year! Our January business meeting, while not as well attended as we would like, was very enthusiastic about the potential for 2013. Our first spaghetti dinner of the year to benefit the Elkhart County Right to Life group was a success and raised over \$600 for them. Given the current political policies on this issue, I am sure they can use all the funding they can get. As Catholics, we need to do everything we can to not only protect our rights and freedoms, but also protect the rights of unborn children.
One event we will be having soon at the hall is a free showing of "October's Baby," a pro-life film out now on the market. We hope to show this film between now and the end of Lent and will announce the day and time in the near future. Last year we were able to present Father Barron's series, "Catholicism," and it was very well received. Anybody who would like to show a film or present a speaker at the hall to promote our faith should please see Steve Riikonen or any of the other officers to make arrangements. We want to hear your ideas!
I want to extend a very SPECIAL "thank you" to everyone who donated to and participated in the 2012 Christmas Food Basket Drive. In less than two months the committee organized, collected food, and provided 650 food baskets on December 13 for those in need in Elkhart County. I can't begin to describe all the special acts of love and faith I witnessed during those two months. Dick Scheve, who heads the committee, absolutely ROCKS! His direction and organization, coupled with the generosity of our membership and many, many folks in the local community, resulted in doing the "undoable." Steve Riikonen really summed it up for us when he said, "Food baskets for 650 families in Elkhart County? Success! Collect enough food and funds to accomplish this? Success!" Thank you to all for another great year doing what our Lord has asked us to do!
We are now entering a very busy time of year. We have our plates really full, but I know we, as Catholic gentlemen, will step up. Saturday, January 12, was the Elkhart County Right to Life rally at the Lerner Theater. Thanks to all who showed their support by attending this event. We are especially grateful to the 4th Degree Knights who wore their Regalia and participated at the rally.
January continues with other important activities that need your support and involvement. January 18 is our fish fry from 5-7 p.m. Help is needed beginning around 4 p.m. January 26 will be the Chicken and Mojo's Dinner from 1-7 p.m. We will need all the help we can get as we have sold out of the 600-ticket limit for this event already. Please come down to the hall beginning at 9 a.m. to help with the pre-prep work needed to have the chicken and mojo's ready for serving time.
February continues with a number of activities. February 9 is the Rekindle the Fire Men's Retreat at the Century Center in South Bend. This will be a fantastic day of fellowship and reflection. I have attended the last two

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January Meeting

Members at the meeting on January 8 were as follows: Steve Riikonen, Lee Evers, Jon Fish, Phil Kile, Joe Tinervia, James J. Knopick, Larry Scalise, Charles Fortino, George Kalil, Phillip Stackowicz, Fr. Bill Sullivan, Jim Gallagher, Harry Palmer, Shane Blotkamp, Dick Scheve, Jim Smith, Vince DelPrete, Kevin Doroh, Richard Kavanagh, Kevin O'Connor, Larry Kruse, Nick Seidl, and John Tierney.

Calendar of Coming Events

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| January 18—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. |
| January 26—Chicken & mojo's 1-7 p.m. |
| February 1—Rosary at St. Vincent's 7:30 |
| February 5—Blood Drive 2-6 p.m. at hall |
| February 6—Spaghetti Dinner 5-7 p.m. |
| February 7—4th Degree Meeting 7 p.m. |
| February 10—Breakfast 7:30-10:30 a.m. |
| February 12—K of C Meeting 7 p.m. |
| February 15—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. |
| February 22—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. |

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retreats and have certainly left with much more than I brought to it. Bishop Rhoades is asking for our support this day, and I hope you will be able to attend. Matthew Kelly is just one of this year's speakers, so I know you will not leave disappointed. I know that we get busy with our families, parishes, and jobs, but I hope you will take time for a day of camaraderie and spiritual growth. See you there!
Your Brother in Christ, Phil Kile

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| Birthdays for February | | | | | | |
| Date | Member | Saint | | Date | Member | Saint |
| 1 | Michael J. Wargo | St. Brigid | | 17 | Ryan Chris | St. Alexis Falconieri |
| 2 | Michael B. Rody | St. Joan | | 18 | Lawrence J. Krazit | St. Simeon |
| 3 | Max L. Overton | St. Blaise | | 20 | John S. Uryga | St. Wulfric |
| 8 | Travis Mahoney | St. Dionysius | | 22 | Chuck D. Bueter | St. Margaret |
| 8 | Richard Scheve | St. Jerome | | 23 | James H Gallagher | St. Polycarp |
| 9 | Francis Vite | St. Alexander | | 26 | Msg. Joseph Caterino | St. Iasbel of France |
| 10 | Timothy D. Dibley | St. Scholastica | | 26 | James Mann | St. Alexander |
| 10 | Herman Kruis | St. Alexander | | 27 | Brian Dickerson | St. Leander |
| 13 | Matthew Frye | St. Catherine | | 27 | Jonathan DuBois | St. Anne Line |
| 14 | Alex J. Nagy 3rd | St.Valentine | | 27 | Thomas D. Hartnett | St. Augustus |
| 15 | Michael I. Kloska | St. Walfrid | | 28 | Ron Desimone | St. Hilary |
| 15 | Brian Turco | St. Agape | | | | |

Spiritual Growth Corner by George Kalil

“Happy New Year,” or should I say “Happy (secular) New Year?” If you ever wish Fr. Glenn “Happy New Year” on January 1, he will tell you that the new year began five weeks ago on the first Sunday in Advent. Oh well.... If, like many, you are one that makes resolutions for the new year, hopefully you haven’t failed yet in keeping them. Fortunately, most of the Christmas cookies are gone at home so one of my resolutions will be a little easier to keep. In addition, I hope you made some resolutions that will help your spiritual life. If you did, I have great news for you. The month of February is just full of ways to help you.

First comes the Diocesan Men’s Conference on February 9. It is an all-day event that will be held this year in South Bend, unlike the other two that were in Ft. Wayne. There will be four great speakers: Matthew Kelly; Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers; Fr. David Mary Engo; and Bishop Rhoades. If you have never attended a men’s conference, I encourage you to do so. It is a wonderful spiritual day spent with 1,100-1,300 other Catholic men, and I promise you will find at least one way to improve your spiritual life during the day. You can register online at www.rekindlethefire.net.

The very next day gives you another opportunity for growth as it is the beginning of the second session of ARISE in the Diocese. If you were part of the first session, hopefully, you will continue on this journey. If you weren’t involved, no problem. I am sure your parish will be offering the chance for new members to join groups. This six-week session will focus on “Changing our Hearts.” Take the opportunity to sign up when your parish holds its sign up weekend.

February 13 is Ash Wednesday, which begins the season of Lent and is the third way to help you keep your spiritual resolution. Take this period of 40 days to work on just one sinful habit and one virtue. If you can devoid yourself of the first and strengthen the second, you will truly be able to rejoice on Easter.

In addition, remember you can begin the month of February by praying our 358th consecutive Rosary at St. Vincent on Friday, February 1, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. What better spiritual resolution could there be than to plan to join us each first Friday to pray the Rosary? See you there. God Bless.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Mark your calendar as a reminder that the Red Cross will be conducting a blood drive at our Council on Tuesday, February 5, from 2-6 p.m.

Insurance check-up for 2013 continued—

Second, resolve to have an expert look at your finances. I recommend that you have a team of experts help you, and I should be among the first you sit with. Schedule some time to visit with me, your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, and I’ll provide an “insurance check-up” (at no cost!) that will quickly identify any gaps in your family’s life insurance program. And you’ll want to fill those gaps now, not later. Unlike many other products, you don’t just need money to obtain life insurance; you also need good health, and no one knows when your health could change.

Did I mention my check-up is free of charge? When was the last time you received something for free that could be providing value to you and your family for generations? Call me today.

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News Summary

—There was a 1st Degree held on February 18. Have you invited someone to become a member of the Knights?
—About 100 people attended the January breakfast at the Hall. There will be no breakfast served again until after Lent.
—Raffle tickets for Gibault are available in the lounge.
—Scholarship application are available for download at the Knights’ website. Applications are due by April 1.
—Some members will be contacted again regarding dues.
—George gave a report on the Right to Life rally.
—Shane spoke about the “Rekindle the Fire” conference in South Bend. It was well-attended and the speakers were outstanding. The conference next year will be held in February, 2014 in Ft. Wayne.
—The Religious Fund collection at the meeting was \$129.
—Larry reported on charity donations in 2012.

February 2013



Grand Knight’s Message

Dear Brother Knights,
Here we are again....Lent. For those of you who went to the Rekindle the Fire Retreat, we were given some great ideas for Lent by some of the most dynamic Christians among us. What fantastic timing for those speakers to share with us the wisdom they have been granted by our Father in Heaven. I know that we, as Catholics, have been richly blessed by the written Word, our fantastic Religious, and also the insight of the Holy Father in Rome. But some of the best advice we have received has been passed down to us by Tradition through the Saints and the most Holy among us, who bring our Lord’s Passion to us from when He walked the earth until our generation today. How rich our Catholic Faith is for us! The speakers at the retreat humbly told us about the trials and tribulations that they, and we, face as Catholics in our own country. You cannot pick up a newspaper, turn on the TV, or see any of the other media right here in the United States and not realize that we, as Catholics, and our Faith is under constant attack from those who follow another god in this lifetime. Whenever you are living your Faith and following our Lord, EXPECT persecution. You will receive it.
The awesome part of the retreat was when these same speakers shared the spiritual tools they use on a daily basis to follow our Lord Jesus and “finish the race” successfully. We can emerge from one of the most trying times Christians have faced, as Catholics and Knights, and come face to face with Jesus at those gates, unafraid and full of Love, Hope and Charity, as we receive our reward in the next life. We do not have to fear physical death or anything else on this earth when we do our very best to live a holy life, filled with the Holy Spirit.
As with anything else in this life, it is really our choice. While our culture today is all about getting everything they think is owed to them and blaming everyone else for their shortcomings, we, as Catholics, know that our personal choices are what shapes our lives and our destinies. I challenge each one of you ,as Brother Knights and Catholic gentlemen, to not look at Lent as something to be endured or some kind of sacrifice but as a focused part of our journey to conversion. If, after prayer and meditation (preferably in Adoration in front of the Blessed Host), you decide that you need to eliminate something from your life, please follow the Spirit’s lead. But also remember that you can **add** something to your life that was possibly missing. I shared this idea at the meeting Tuesday night, but I think it is worth repeating for everyone. I heard it years ago but was reminded of it by someone on the radio recently. If you are looking for a “game changer” in your life, this was one that I guarantee will work for you. It is very simple but very hard to do. For the forty days of Lent, do something nice for someone every day. The catch is, if they or someone else finds out about it, it doesn’t count. That doesn’t mean it won’t work for

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Calendar of Coming Events

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| February 22—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. |
| March 1—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. |
| March 1—Rosary at St. Vincent’s 7:30 |
| March 6—Spaghetti Dinner 5-7 p.m. |
| March 7—4th Degree Meeting 7 p.m. |
| March 8—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. |
| March 12—K of C Meeting 7 p.m. |
| March 15—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. |
| March 22—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. |

Condolences

Please remember in your prayers the families of Daniel Crosbie who passed away on January 23, and Joseph Koscielny, who died February 11.

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Lent; it just means you have to do some kindness for someone else that day until you complete your action without anyone else but you knowing about it.
I did this at an earlier time in my life when I wasn’t particularly making any effort at a Holy life. I don’t know about you, but for someone like me who has had my share of problems with ego and arrogance and was plagued by knowing what was “mine” in life, this was very difficult! Sacrificing something would have been a lot easier. I wish you the best with Lent this year!
Now for the good news! We had fantastic results with the chicken and mojos at the Hall. Thank you so much to the Eppers family for sharing this treasure with us. Thank you to all the people who gave up their Saturday to come down and help us pull this off. Thank you to all the Knights and their spouses and children who worked so hard that day. Thank you to the St. Vincent’s Confirmation class who went above and beyond what was asked of them. Thank you to the staff at Bashor Home, without whom we never would have had the food prepared on time. I hope I’m not leaving anyone out. There was so much help from so many people and organizations that helped us be successful with this huge undertaking. This came at such a fantastic time for our financial well-being that I know Our Father was really directing it. Thank you, Father, for all the people you put in our lives!
Weekly fish fries are on for the remainder of Lent, and then Dyngus Day will be here. As always, we need as much help as we can get for these events. Please come down and join us to serve the dinner and to bring your families, friends and neighbors to enjoy it. Please, new members, come down and be a part of our Knight family. We look forward to meeting and getting to know each one of you.
We had a great turnout for the meeting last Tuesday, but if you know me, you will realize that I believe we can never have too many in attendance. Come join us and be a part of a GREAT group of Knights!
Your Brother in Christ, Phil Kile

Help Wanted

We are in need of someone who would submit a brief summary of council news for the newsletter each month. Please contact Joe Tinervia if you can help.

Birthdays for March

| Date | Member | Saint |
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| 1 | J. Richard Milroy | St. David |
| 2 | James Petit | St. Charles |
| 3 | Elias Garcia | St. Anslem |
| 4 | Scott Samuels | St. Casimir |
| 6 | Robert E. Letherman | St. Colette |
| 7 | Zackary DuBois | St. Paul |
| 7 | James W. Linn | St. Ardo |
| 9 | Andrew Kloss | St. Frances |
| 13 | Todd Kankel | St. Agnello |
| 17 | Drew Billings | St. Ambrose |
| 17 | Phillip D. Stillson | St. Patrick |
| 19 | Rick W. Koerting | St. Joseph |
| 19 | Samuel J. Rodino | St. Adrian |

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| 21 | Michael Dadosky | St. Philemon |
| 21 | Dennis Griffen | St. Benedicta |
| 21 | Salvadore Plaia | St. Arcangelo |
| 21 | Paul A. Roell | St. Birillus |
| 23 | Adam Bujalski | St. Toribio |
| 23 | Malcolm O. Koons | St. Benedict |
| 25 | Joe Foy | St. Dismas |
| 25 | Francis M. Lima | St. Alfwold |
| 26 | Larry Kijak | St. Margaret Clitherow |
| 27 | Sean Asoera | St. Rupert |
| 29 | Dennis K. Lyon | St. Berthold |
| 31 | Joseph Morthorst | St. Benjamin |

Spiritual Growth Corner by George Kalil

Lent has officially begun. I know because I had the ashes on my forehead to prove it last Wednesday. You don’t usually think of getting gifts during Lent; that is for Christmas when the Baby Jesus is brand new and not making His way to Jerusalem and His death on a cross. Nevertheless, a gift is exactly what we have gotten this year. Now some of us may not look at this as a gift; after all, the Pope recently announced he was retiring from the papacy. But a gift it is, and it is given during the perfect time of the liturgical year.

Over the next 40 days, you are going to have plenty of opportunities to evangelize, which is what we are all called to do because we have been baptized. Both Pope John Paul II and Benedict XVI have talked to us extensively about this mission of ours. We will have many chances to tell people about our faith in these next 40 days. There will be plenty of misunderstanding about the process of choosing a new pope. The secular press will be talking about moving the church into the 21st century, hoping to find someone that will change the teachings on contraception, women priests, abortion, and any other teaching that they think we, as Catholics, have all wrong. They will look at this like a political election, which it isn’t. They don’t understand that the Holy Spirit is who picks the new pope, if the Cardinals step aside and allow Him to do it. This is where our gifts come in. It is our responsibility to speak up, in a charitable and loving way, and let them know that they are wrong, that there are truths of the Church that cannot be changed because they were taught by Jesus and then entrusted to the Catholic Church, the one He established, to be protected and passed on. To do this, we need to understand what we believe and why.

Part two of the gift: Pope Benedict XVI has proclaimed this the Year of Faith. What better way is there to strengthen our faith than to learn more about it so we can explain it to others? If you don’t understand, find out. There are many opportunities: Catholic TV and radio; the Bishop’s website; and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. We aren’t called “Knights” because we are afraid to talk about and explain our faith to others, both Catholics and non-Catholics. We are called Knights because we are unafraid to battle the secularism that is undermining what we believe. Take heart and prepare for those evangelism opportunities. Remember that some gifts shouldn’t or can’t be returned. This is one of them.

In addition, remember to join us in praying our 359th consecutive Rosary at St. Vincent on Friday, March 1, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross in English begin at 6:30, a bilingual Mass at 7 p.m. and the Rosary will follow at 7:30. You are welcome to join us for any or all of these special opportunities to grow in your faith this Lent.

God Bless.

Annuities: More flexible than you might think

Annuities are easily misunderstood, in part because of their name. When you “annuitize” the money you’ve paid into an annuity (plus the interest it has earned), you’ve chosen to receive monthly payments for life or for a fixed period.

However, annuitizing this money isn’t your only option. You may also treat an annuity like a Certificate of Deposit (CD). That is, you use the annuity as a way to accumulate savings and earn a steady interest rate. You can make withdrawals from the annuity for any reason, although you may then owe income tax on some or the entire withdrawal amount. If you do choose to annuitize, you also have several payout options. The point is these products are flexible enough to serve a variety of needs.

Contact me if you’re interested in setting up an annuity as an IRA, spousal IRA, ROTH, a non-QUALIFIED account, or a SEP account.

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- We need a person who regularly attends our monthly meetings to step up and write what you are reading here—a basic summary of the meeting. It's important to keep those unable to attend abreast of the happenings in our Council. Please contact Joe Tinervia to accept this offer to help.
- April 5 will mark 30 years of consecutive First Friday Rosaries at St. Vincent's, started by deceased member, Benny Wiercioch. It would be fabulous to have a strong showing of Knights and their families at this Rosary. It begins at 7:30 p.m. at St. Vincent's. I remember the 25th anniversary Rosary five years ago as if it were yesterday.
- A slate of officers is being developed for the new fraternal year. If you are considering an officer position, please let an existing officer know. There will be readings of the slate of officers at our next two meetings. To be an officer, you must be a 3rd Degree member. There will be a 2nd and 3rd degree exemplification in May. Details will be forthcoming.
- Officer positions up for election are: Grand Knight; Deputy Grand Knight; Chancellor; Advocate; Treasurer; Recording Secretary; Warden; Inside Guard and Outside Guard; and Trustee.
- If you have a high school senior going to college next year, please make sure you get our Council scholarship application returned to the hall before April 7. A transcript is required and can take time to acquire, depending on your school. You can pick up an application from the bulletin board at the council or by downloading it from: <http://www.koc1043.org/Activities.php#Scholarship>
- There are 51 members with 2013 dues in arrears. They will be contacted in the next week, if they have not been already, by the retention committee. Please contact Joe Tinervia at joe@koc1043.org if you need assistance with dues.
- The March spaghetti dinner for St. Vincent de Paul Society was successful. April's spaghetti dinner will benefit Heart Reach Michiana.
- St. Patrick's Day dinner at the Lounge will have drinks starting at 4 p.m. and dinner at 5:30 p.m. The cost is \$12 or \$20 for couples. Call 574-293-0341 for reservations.
- We collected \$65.50 for the vocation fund during this month's meeting.
- The Council approved funding a spaghetti dinner for Church Community Services up to \$250 for their annual event.
- We need volunteers for our events at the hall for set up, serving, and clean up. We have over 350 men, and yet, we have wives and non-members cleaning. There's something wrong with that picture. Please come lend a hand at our events.

March Meeting

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March 2013



Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

The season of Lent brings us a chance to reflect on our personal relationship with Christ and also how we interact with the world. Each year I get through Advent and begin to believe that I am right with the world and that I have made progress the previous year. What a rude awakening to get to Lent, begin to reflect, and discover how much work I need to do just to get back to an even keel in my faith, my parish, in relationships with my family and friends, and even with the Knights of Columbus.

Today, I am really seeing that if God allows me to wake up this side of the grass that it will take a monumental effort on my part to remove myself from the spotlight and put God and others ahead of ME. I love my Father, and I have every intention of living the way He wants me to and doing what He asks of me, and then comes the problem: my intentions don't always translate into action. I have a huge reservoir of excuses for why I don't act. I was taught as a youngster to be self-sufficient, pull myself up by my bootstraps, and make something of myself. I am surrounded by a society that is convinced that it is all about me, and I should take every chance I can to promote and enhance myself; however, this attitude is just another excuse not to do what He asks of me.

LENT! It is the season of our faith designed to get me back to being good with Christ and the world around me. Pray for me that I will be able to take every opportunity to get myself back into God's perspective of what He expects of me. I love God, the Holy Catholic Church, and I have a special love for the Knights of Columbus and all we do for those less fortunate than ourselves. Please pray that my life will in some way reflect all of that.

Remember the fish fries every Friday night during Lent. We are in desperate need of the service of our membership for these events. Set up of the hall takes place on Thursday nights. Please contact Scott Chris, Jon Fish, or Shane Blotkamp to volunteer for this activity. Some heavy lifting of tables and chairs is involved. There are opportunities to be of service in the serving line, kitchen help, and takeout sections. Please come about 4:30 p.m. on Friday to be part of this project.

For our St. Patrick's Day event, we still need help with food, service, and clean up. Please contact Scott Chris to find out how you can help. There will be a cocktail hour before the dinner, which will be very beneficial for new members to meet and become more involved with the Knights.

Dyngus Day is a huge event for our Hall. We will need help in the kitchen, on the serving line, and also for cleanup afterwards on April 1. Please contact Scott Chris and Steve Riikonen to work this day.

The next spaghetti dinner will be April 3. It is to benefit Heart Reach Michiana. This is the group that has provided over 100 heart defibrillators to the Michiana area. This is a very dedicated group that works selflessly for others. Set up for the dinner will be on Tuesday night, and we can use help at all the positions for this dinner. *Continued in column 3—*

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Our next business meeting, April 9, we will be forming a slate of officers to guide and direct Council 1043. All positions except Financial Secretary and Lectern will need to be filled. If you would like to run for one of these positions, or know someone you think would do a good job for the Council, please make that known at the next meeting. We will read the list at the end of the meeting. In May, we will read the list again and vote. The new officers will be installed at the Appreciation Dinner in June. Now is your time to be involved in the Knights!

I appreciate the chance to have been the Grand Knight for Council 1043 for the past two years and the opportunity to meet so many wonderful people with whom I have formed relationships during that time. Thanks to each of you who have stepped up and made Council 1043 one of the best Councils in the state of Indiana! You guys are the best!

Your Brother in Christ,
Phil Kile

Calendar of Coming Events

March 22—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m.

March 29—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m.

April 1—Dyngus Day

April 3—Spaghetti Dinner 5-7 p.m.

April 4—4th Degree Meeting 7 p.m.-Elkhart

April 5—360th consecutive First Friday Rosary at St. Vincent's 7:30

April 9—K of C Meeting 7 p.m.

April 19—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m.

Birthdays for April

| Date | Member | Saint |
|------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | James W. Noffsinger | St. Hugh |
| 2 | David A. Jozwiak | St. Francis |
| 6 | Joseph Bozzoto | St. Marcellinus |
| 6 | Daniel Wozniak | St. William |
| 7 | William J. Nye | St John Baptist de la Salle |
| 8 | David J. Towner | St. Julia Billiard |
| 10 | Gary L. Covey | St. Fulbert |
| 13 | Steven M Revelli | St Martin |
| 15 | Robert A. Petersen | St. Paternus |

| Date | Member | Saint |
|------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 16 | Gordon Scott | St. Benedict |
| 17 | Rob Hoffer | St. Stephen Harding |
| 18 | Zachary Eppers | St. Appolonius |
| 19 | James P. Mauck, Jr. | St. Alphege |
| 19 | Mariano Tirado | St. Ursmar |
| 24 | Mitchell Wirt | St. Fidelis |
| 29 | Eugene W. Hungate | St. Catherine |
| 30 | Charles Girtin | St. Pius V |

Spiritual Growth Corner by George Kalil

Habemus Papam!!! Let’s all pray for Pope Francis and the Catholic Church as a whole as we welcome our new successor to St. Peter.

We are now half way through Lent. How are you doing on fasting, praying, and almsgiving? If you have failed, don’t worry. You still have time to start over and finish strong.

40 Days for Life is also half over. So far there have been 245 known babies saved during Lent. Have you helped achieve this number by fasting and praying? If not, once again, it isn’t too late to start. Take a day a week and fast and pray for life.

On April 5, 2013, we will be praying our 360th consecutive First Friday Rosary at 7:30 p.m. at St. Vincent. That means it has been 30 years since Brother Benny started this Rosary devotion. It would be good to see many of you there to help pray for the sick and homebound who can use our prayers. This is a great family event. Bring your wives and children. If you don’t know how to pray the Rosary, don’t worry. This will be a great place to learn among friends and family that love you. We, as a group, do many wonderful things in this Council. We mustn’t ignore our spiritual side. Remember: everything we do must be rooted in prayer. This is what separates us from other fraternal organizations. There is plenty of room in St. Vincent Church for all. See you there! God Bless.

Ask Eligible Men to Join

Today, I want to address the growth of the Order. Membership growth is the fuel that keeps this great fraternal engine running. All of our charitable works in the council, state, national and international level are thanks to our hard-working members.

We also recognize that the membership blitz is a tried and true way for councils to increase their numbers. We see these pushes often in March, in celebration of Founder’s Day, and again in October. These drives are successful because Brother Knights are more visible than normal, during and after Masses and at special events. We must remember to ask each and every Catholic gentleman to join our ranks for the good of the Church, the community and the Order.

During the rest of the year, we often “forget” to ask men to join our ranks and bring their families into the Knights of Columbus family. You probably know an eligible Catholic man you could ask today. Chances are that the only reason he hasn’t joined already is because no one asked him.

When telling a prospect about the strengths of the Order, don’t forget our greatest fraternal benefit: our insurance program. This is often an interesting “selling point” to a potential member who is on the fence. Many members come into the Knighthood simply to be able to buy coverage for their family. Soon after, they realize the good our charitable works do for their community and they are proud to be members.

As your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, I look forward to helping us grow in fraternity in any way that I can.

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News Summary

- There are several reminders of upcoming degree opportunities:
April 14—1st Degree in Mishawaka. Contact Brad Soule for more information (bradley.soule@comcast.net)
April 14—2nd & 3rd Degree in Rochester (unconfirmed so keep checking at http://www.indianakofc.org/degree/major_degree.htm for updates)
April 22—1st Degree in Elkhart at 7 p.m. If you know someone wanting to become a member, that would be a perfect time. Contact Joe Tinervia (joe@koc1043.org or cell: 574-276-5805)
April 25—2nd and 3rd Degree in Portage, IN., with registration at 6:15 CST and degree exemplification beginning with 2nd Degree at 7 p.m. Contact GK Luke Weinman III for more information (219-617-3766 or l.weinman@comcast.net)
May 5—2nd and 3rd Degree in Mishawaka starting at 12:30. Contact Joe Tinervia or Brad Soule. Contact info for each is shown above.
More information about any of these degree opportunities can also be obtained by contacting Shane Blotkamp. (Home: 574-875-4680 or cell: 574-276-4485)
- There will be a reception honoring Fr. Len Banas' 60th anniversary as a Holy Cross priest on Sunday, May 5, from 11:30-1 p.m. at St. Thomas. If you wish to send him a card, it can be mailed to: Fr. Len Banas, CSC, University of Notre Dame, 124 Corby Hall, Notre Dame, IN 46556.
- Be sure to come to the May meeting to be involved in the election of officers for next year. Nominations will still be open at this meeting before the election takes place. The installation of new officers will be held in June.



He is Risen!
Alleluia!

April Meeting

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April 2013



Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

Springtime in Indiana? As I watch the snow fly outside my window, it sure doesn't seem like spring. Since we have been so busy at Council 1043, it's probably a miracle I even noticed the weather though.

The April spaghetti dinner for Heartreach was well-attended, and everyone seemed to enjoy the food and warmth inside the hall. We could still use more people for cooking, serving and cleanup at this monthly event. Please come down and join in the fun. I am really hoping for a good turnout for the April fish fry on Friday, April 19. We only have this one and the one in May to finish the season. Please come and help us, and send anyone you can to enjoy the meal.

My term for being Grand Knight is over in June, and like I said last month, it has been a great experience for me. I really appreciate everyone who has helped me with this job and have met a lot of really great people during my time in this position. It is one experience I will never forget. It has been a very uplifting time in my life, and I want to thank all of you for the opportunity. We came up with a good slate of new officers at this month's meeting, but remember: there is always room for more people to be involved. We will be voting on this slate in May and will still give everyone a chance to add nominations before we vote. Please feel free to come with additional suggestions.

I was given an opportunity at this month's meeting to head a new committee for Media and Public Relations for our Council. I am looking for help on this committee whose function it will be to let the community know who we are and what we do at the Knights of Columbus. If you would like to help me present the Knights of Columbus from Elkhart to the rest of the world, I could use your help. It will involve putting out a schedule of our events and looking for opportunities to let publications know who we are and that we are here to help others. Let me know if you are interested and able to help. Thank you all for giving me this chance to continue to serve the Knights.

One last item that needs to be discussed is the hall itself. We are coming to the season for family reunions, weddings, anniversaries, and just plain summer fun. Please talk with your family members about any events that are just too large for your homes. We have a beautiful facility, and we need to use it as much as possible.

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As members, we get a huge break on the rentals for the hall, and it would be a shame to waste it. It is fully equipped, and if there is something special you require for your event, please let us know, and we will try to accommodate you. We will do anything we can to help you enjoy that special time! See Steve Riikonen or Jon Fish for your needs.

Thank you again to all for your support of Council 1043, and I hope to see you at one of our great meals and also at the May meeting.

Your Brother in Christ,
Phil Kile

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Birthdays for May

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| 3 | Matthew Pletcher | St. James |
| 4 | Stuart Broderick | St. Florian |
| 9 | Daniel T. Corpe | St. Beatus |
| 13 | Doug Ryback | St. John the Silent |
| 14 | Rod Hale | St. Michael Garicoits |
| 14 | Frank Lucchese Jr. | St. Matthias |
| 14 | Reverend Bill Sullivan | St. Boniface |
| 17 | Frederick D. Birzele | St. Cathan |
| 17 | Brian Kalil | St. Heradius |

| Date | Member | Saint |
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| 17 | Aaron Schade | St. Thethmar |
| 25 | Christopher Eppers | St. Urban |
| 25 | John Rice | St. Aldhelm |
| 25 | Salvatore Staltari | St. Genistus |
| 27 | Patrick Mauck | St. Augustine |
| 29 | Victor Arko | St. Cyrl |
| 30 | Ron Cittadine | St. Hubert |
| 30 | Michael Petersen | St. Ferdinand III |

Spiritual Growth Corner by George Kalil

He is Risen! Truly, He is Risen!! Happy Easter to all. We are well into our 50-day celebration of Easter. I hope all of you are still concentrating and meditating on the Resurrection of our Lord. I was listening to a Christian radio station the other day and the DJ was talking about how quickly the 3-day weekend of Easter came and went. I thought it rather strange that a Christian community, non-Catholic, that is all about the Resurrection and can't figure out why we Catholics have crucifixes rather than crosses in our churches, would only celebrate Easter for one day when we celebrate it for 50 days. Today's society has such a short attention span that it is hard for us to concentrate on anything for more than a few minutes, unless it is a 90-minute movie with a lot of action scenes. The church gives us this wonderful opportunity to meditate, think about and pray about the redeeming nature of the Resurrection of our Lord. What does that truly mean for each one of us? It means that Jesus conquered death. If He, as a man, could conquer death, then we can also. We can do it with His help. If we can conquer death, we can also conquer our sinfulness, that one private thing in our lives about which we wouldn't want anyone else to know. All we have to do is ask God for His help and then open ourselves up to the Holy Spirit and let Him lead us where we need to go. My prayer for all of us today is that each of us can do just that during this Easter celebration.

I want to thank all of you who attended the 360th Rosary at St. Vincent's on the first Friday in April. We didn't fill the church, but we did have more people there than usual. I am sure Benny was happy about the turnout. If you couldn't make it in April, we would love to see you at our 361st consecutive Rosary on May 3, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Vincent's. See you all there.

God bless.

Have you insured your most valuable asset?

Is your income protected if you become sick or injured and cannot work? Your ability to work and earn an income is your most valuable asset. Yet a disability could prevent you from earning that income. Just one year of a disability could eliminate your savings.

I would like to show you that Income Armor, an individual disability income insurance product from the Knights of Columbus, should be a key part of your overall financial plan and family's protection.

If you are ill or injured, Income Armor provides monthly benefits to help you meet living expenses and maintain your standard of living. Your monthly benefits help you pay your mortgage and other monthly bills, while your savings and retirement assets remain intact.

In short, if you have a job and don't have a way to protect that paycheck, you should seriously consider Income Armor today. I look forward to meeting with you.

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News Summary By Bob Earley

- Congratulations to the newly-elected officers, who include: Grand Knight, Jon Fish; Financial Secretary, Joe Tinervia; Deputy Grand Knight, Richard Frye; Chaplain, Fr. Bill Sullivan; Chancellor, Steve Revelli; Recorder, Harry Palmer; Treasurer, Larry Scalise; Advocate, Matthew Yeakey; Warden, John Tierney; Inside Guard, Sean Asoera; Outside Guard, Andrew Fry; 1st year Trustee, Steve Riikonen; 2nd year Trustee, Richard Scheve; 3rd year Trustee, Shane Blotkamp
- Spaghetti dinners and fish fries will be taking the summer off and will resume in September. Thanks to all who have so faithfully supported these fund raisers.
- At the recent State Convention, \$60,000 was raised for Gibault. In addition, a new goal from the convention was proposed: one new council member per month. Let's have our Council set the standard for recruiting!!
- On September 14, there will be a 4th Degree ceremony conducted in South Bend. We look forward to having a strong representation from our Council. This is a great time for those who are not already 4th Degree to attain this level.
- Remember to "like" us on Facebook!
- Finally, remember to continue praying for all babies, born and unborn. You can also consider adopting a baby who is in danger of being aborted. Simply go to www.hearts4life.org to learn more.

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In the past we have not had specific people notifying everyone about dates and times of our activities. While everyone has tried hard to do their jobs and also let others know what is needed to accomplish the mission, the smaller details are sometimes lost between the cracks. Please help me to plug the cracks! When I have enough people for the committee, we will meet, plan our attack, and try to cover whatever media is needed to alert members. Please let me know if you are interested in helping. I believe the majority of the job can be done from our phones and personal computers, so we will not have a lot of meetings with this committee. I look forward to hearing from you!

Thank you all once again for everything you do to further the message of Salvation through the Knights of Columbus!
Your Brother in Christ,
Phil Kile



Annual Golf Tournament Coming Soon!

The 57th Annual Vincent Terlep Father and Son Memorial Golf Tournament will be held on Sunday morning, July 21, 2013. Sign up at the club by June 1.

May 2013



Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

Summer and the end of my time as Grand Knight are arriving at the same time. In the summer, our activities slow down some, and people get busy with their families, vacations, reunions, etc. But this is also the time of year that when we have something going on, we will need help. Please keep an eye on the Hall and our schedule, and try to help out when you can. We will have the Jazz Festival, which is pretty huge, the Appreciation Dinner, and several other events through the summer that will require some hands on attention. I guess what I am saying is, "DON'T FORGET ABOUT US THIS SUMMER." As Gentlemen Catholics and Knights of Columbus, please remember your individual parishes. Fr. Bill and Fr. Glen will have their hands full as they always do!

It would take ten of these letters to thank everyone just at the Knights for my most memorable experience as Grand Knight. I feel like I know myself pretty well, and I am not the easiest person to work with. The officers of the Club and the Council have had their work cut out for them helping to keep me on track and fulfilling my obligation. I do wish my health would have been a little better during my time of trying to live up to my position as Grand Knight. At my age, you begin to realize that things in life are what they are. I know I did my best, even if it didn't always turn out the best. I will always remember everyone I met and had the pleasure to work with when I was Grand Knight.

You could study the Word of God as a full-time job all of your life and barely scratch the surface of everything He has told us. But for someone like me, who has to keep it simple, the main thing He wants us to accomplish in this life is to love the person next to us, and make sure that they are okay. It is so simple and yet so difficult to do. So many times during each day, I have to stop and ask myself, "Are you treating this child of God the way you wish to be treated? Does this person deserve everything that God is providing for me?" Often this works, but when it doesn't, God has given us the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We know what works, when coupled with some effort on our part, to make amends. Please enjoy this summer with your friends and families, and take everything we do as Christians and Knights with you wherever you are. It will give you the best summer of your life.

The Council has entrusted me with a new job starting next month. I will chair a committee for PR and Media at St. Jude's. If you enjoy writing about our different activities at the Knight's, or if you feel you would be good working with newspaper, radio or television people, I would love to have you on the team.

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Silver Hawks Game—July 27—7 p.m.

Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Assembly 2035 is sponsoring an outing at the Silver Hawks Stadium in South Bend that is open to all Knights, family and friends. For tickets, which are \$7, contact Kevin O'Connor (Home: 848-0999 or Cell: 333-9798)

Calendar of Coming Events

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| May 27—Memorial Mass at St. Vincent's Cemetery 9 a.m. |
| No spaghetti dinner until September |
| June 6—4th Degree Meeting 7 p.m.-Bristol |
| June 7—Rosary at St. Vincent's 7:30 |
| June 11—K of C Meeting 7 p.m. |
| June 24—Installation of new officers |

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| 5 | Maynard L. McClintic | St. Boniface | | 15 | Kirt Lochmandy | St. Germaine Cousin |
| 6 | James L. Letherman | St. Norbert | | 15 | Michael Ruszkowski | St. Vitus |
| 7 | Richard E. Dyer | St. John of Beverley | | 16 | Dominick A. Ambrose | St. Simon Stock |
| 9 | Jorge Delgado | St. Ephrem | | 17 | Vito Palumbo | St. Albert |
| 9 | Jason Dyer | St. Columba | | 18 | Richard Martinczak | St. Gregory Barbarigo |
| 10 | Edward P. Klose | St. Landericus | | 21 | Gerald Kruzel | St. Aloysius Gonsaga |
| 10 | Charles R. Ornduff | St. Getulius | | 22 | Austin Carpenter | St. Thomas More |
| 10 | Michael Person | St. Maximus | | 23 | Michael Koons | St. Joseph Cafasso |
| 10 | Angelo Rossi | St. Aloysius | | 26 | Vincent Vonder Vellen | St. Philip Neri |
| 11 | Richard Buenger | St. Barnabus | | 27 | James D. Stroup | St. Augustine |
| 12 | Shane Blotkamp | St. Leo | | 28 | John A. Fisher | St. Irenaeus |

Spiritual Growth Corner by George Kalil

Happy Birthday!! As I write this, we have just returned from Mass on Pentecost. This is traditionally known as the birthday of the Church. The 12, actually 11 at this point, hand-picked Apostles (actually God-picked) have been hiding in the upper room. They know what happened to Jesus. He was put to death. They are afraid. Sure, He rose from the dead. They don’t quite understand all of that. Yes, they watched Him ascend to Heaven. That was probably even more confusing. He told them to wait, and being true followers of Jesus, they obeyed. They waited. I wonder if they understood what they were waiting for. The Blessed Mother was there with them, and I can imagine she was the calming influence for those ten days as they tried to figure this all out. And then...a wind rushes through the window and tongues of fire appear above them. All of a sudden, they understand. ...everything. And not only do they understand, but they have the courage, wisdom, knowledge and fortitude to leave that room and go out to preach Jesus Christ to the whole city. They had received the gifts of the Holy Spirit, the Advocate that Jesus promised them and us.

You see, He promised the Spirit to the church. We are the Church. All of this was promised to us as well. I think we take the Holy Spirit for granted. We kind of have an idea that He is the embodiment of the love between the Father and the Son. What does that mean? This Church to which we belong, the Catholic Church, doesn’t have a chance of getting started without the Holy Spirit. Remember that upper room. Where did the Apostles get what they needed to evangelize the world? From the Holy Spirit. We need to rely on Him more now than ever. Do we think we can get through the challenges we face in this world without His help? Jesus didn't think so, and I find in my reflections that He is always right, and sometimes I am not. Let us make an effort to start praying and listening to the Holy Spirit. Let’s understand Him for what He is: the Advocate that the Father sent to the Church that His Son established on earth so we could all get to Heaven and live where we are intended to be. Happy Birthday!!

Remember we will be praying our 362nd consecutive Rosary on June 5 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Vincent’s. I hope to see more of you there. Remember the effect that Mary had in the lives of the Apostles during trying times. She can do that for us, also; we just have to ask.

God bless.

Don't assume you can't afford Disability Income Insurance

One of the biggest mistakes you can make regarding disability insurance is to assume you can't afford it or you won't qualify. Before you make that assumption, do some basic research and apply for coverage through the Knights of Columbus. The Order’s Income Armor product gives you options that can help you fit this critical protection into your risk management budget.

For example, here are two ways you can reduce your premium:

1. Choose a two-year or five-year maximum benefit period.
Depending on your age, the best option is probably a policy that pays benefits until you reach age 67. But a two-year or five-year maximum benefit period would cover many types of partial or total disabilities you might encounter in your working life.
2. Choose a longer elimination period.
An elimination period is the number of days a total disability must exist before benefits begin to accrue. Typical elimination periods are 30, 90, or 180 days. Choosing a longer elimination period lowers the policy’s premium. But be sure you have enough set aside in your business's contingency fund to account for the longer gap.

As your professional insurance agent, running a small business and the challenges of risk management are two of my specialties. Let’s talk about how to protect your business income, your retirement needs, and your family's financial future.

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News Summary By Bob Earley

- Phil Kile thanked everyone in our Council for supporting him over his term as Grand Knight. Phil has enjoyed his term and is looking forward to his new role as chair of the newly-formed media communications committee.
- Installation of officers and Appreciation Dinner was held on June 24.
- Unfortunately, the delicious spaghetti and fish fry dinners are done until September. So, please work up your appetite for the fall. One way to do that is to volunteer some time by helping with prep, cooking, or clean up at these worthwhile fund raisers. We can always use extra hands ("Many hands make light work!")
- July 27 there will be a trip to a Silver Hawks game. For more information on tickets, please contact Kevin O'Connor. According to Steve, a good time should be had by all.
- Our annual Father/Son golf outing will be July 21 at Raber Golf Course. For only \$45 per person, you'll enjoy a great golf course, good food, and chances to win great prizes. Please contact Steve Spretnjak for more details.
- Need a hall to rent? Know someone who does? Please consider our lounge and hall. They are affordable, conveniently located, and available to host whatever kind of party or event you may be planning. Please contact Steve Riikonen for more details.
- Finally, don't forget to continue praying for all babies, born and unborn. You can also consider adopting a baby who is in danger of being aborted. Simply go to www.hearts4life.org to learn more and take action.
- Reminder: "Like" us on Facebook!

Spiritual Growth Corner by George Kalil

Sin!! I know it isn't something we talk much about these days. The nuns sure seemed to talk a lot about it when I was in grade school. It seemed like everything was a sin. Today, it seems like nothing is a sin anymore. What has changed? Has the Church finally moved into the 21st century and recognized that we just aren't that bad? Maybe we have come to believe that God is a forgiving God, and He won't let anyone go to Hell. Hell....that is another thing we don't talk about much anymore. Maybe if we ignore it, we can convince ourselves that it doesn't exist. Let me tell you, Jesus talked about it a lot.

The daily Gospel readings over several days not long ago were from Matthew Chapter 5. Homework assignment: read verses 17-37. A lot of time, we examine our conscience and decide we haven't done anything that bad. We haven't killed anybody or stolen or coveted. Read what Jesus said. These verses will give you an idea of what He thinks is a sin.

Have you ever heard of Fr. Larry Richards? He has written a couple of books: Be a Man and Surrender. I recommend both of these books to every Catholic male over the age of 14. Chapter 3 in Surrender talks about sin. Read it and then see what you think about whether or not you are a sinner. You will realize how even little sins mean a lot.

The Psalm from a recent daily mass was Psalm 103. More homework. Read that, too. It talks about God's goodness. It will give you hope. You will find that the thing that has changed today is us. We have allowed ourselves to be fooled by the devil into thinking that we don't sin anymore. We all do. We are sinners. Jesus knew that and gave us the Sacrament of Reconciliation. When was the last time you afforded yourself the Grace that comes from that Sacrament?

Remember that we will be praying the 363rd consecutive Rosary at St. Vincent's at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, July 5. See you there. God bless.

(Editor's note: Due to the transition in Grand Knights during the month of June, the letter from the Grand Knight will resume in this space in July.)

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June Meeting

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Silver Hawks Game—July 27—7 p.m.

Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Assembly 2035 is sponsoring an outing at the Silver Hawks Stadium in South Bend that is open to all Knights, family and friends. For tickets, which are \$7, contact Kevin O'Connor (Home: 848-0999 or Cell: 333-9798)

Calendar of Coming Events

No spaghetti dinner until September
July 5—Rosary at St. Vincent's 7:30
July 9—K of C Meeting 7 p.m.
July 21—Golf Outing
July 27—Silver Hawks game

Condolences

Please keep in your prayers the family of Malcolm Koons, a lifetime Knight, who passed away on May 18, 2013.

Birthdays for July

| Date | Member | Saint |
|------|----------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | John E. Calvert | St. Gall |
| 1 | Irvin L. Kloska | St. Arnulf |
| 2 | Marek Serwatka | St. Bernardino Realino |
| 7 | Craig S. Lochmandy | St. Pantaenus |
| 7 | Timothy Roberts | St. Apollonius |
| 8 | Kevin Doroh | St. Grimbald |
| 9 | Robert C. Mauck | St. Veronica Giuliani |
| 12 | Frederick J. Thomson | St. John Gaulbert |
| 13 | Eugene R. Damalas | St. Silas |
| 13 | Joel Munoz | St. Francis Soalano |
| 13 | Richard Walag | St. Henry II |
| 14 | Jeff Robertson | St. Camillus |
| 15 | Leonard Antonelli | St. Boniventure |
| 15 | Ralph F. Miller | St. Swithun |
| 15 | Bryan Simmons | St. Vladimir of Kiev |

| Date | Member | Saint |
|------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 16 | James Mauck III | St. Carmen |
| 18 | William M. Wain | St. Frederick |
| 19 | Steven A. Gonsoski | St. Arsenius |
| 22 | James Smith | St. Theopholis |
| 22 | William J. Swaller | St. Mary Magdalen |
| 24 | Peter A. Letherman | St. John Boste |
| 25 | Timothy Farwig | St. Christopher |
| 26 | Craig M. Gonsoski | St. Joachim |
| 26 | Mitchell Nihart | St. Erastus |
| 29 | Christopher Stackowicz | St. Martha |
| 30 | Adan Alvarez | St. Abdon |
| 30 | Earl J. Ottman, Sr. | St. Peter Chrysologus |
| 31 | Donald L. Peterson | St. Ignatius |
| 31 | Joe Tinervia | St. Justin De Jacobis |

A founding notion: protecting the breadwinner’s income

While jobs are safer in 2013, accidents, injuries, and illnesses that can impact your ability to work still happen. Most, in fact, do not happen on the jobsite or place of employment. Did you know that a 2011 study revealed that more than 95 percent of the long-term disability claims on file were not work related?

The “loss” of the breadwinner does not have to mean that person’s death; it can also mean the loss of the breadwinner’s income. Consider that loss for a moment. How would your family fare if a source of income suddenly stopped? Could a dual-income family manage on one income stream? What about young families with a working father and a mother who cares for the children? What if his income halted due to an accident or illness?

I’ve heard some people say they have coverage at work, but too many aren’t sure what this coverage entails, how much income it would provide or for how long. Having this protection counts for something, certainly, but it isn’t “yours”; it’s provided by the company for which you work at their discretion. It could be eliminated tomorrow.

That’s where a personally-owned disability income insurance product, like Income Armor, comes into play. It can offer valuable income replacement in the event of an injury or illness. While Father McGivney likely never imagined such a product in 1882, I’m sure he would wholeheartedly endorse the protection it can provide to a family. If you have a job, you must know about this coverage.

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News Summary

By Joe Tinervia

- Please send 4th Degree application forms back to the Council, “ATT: Joe Tinervia,” ASAP because we need to get signatures from multiple individuals prior to the August deadline.
- Congratulations to Steve Revelli on being named Knight of the Year by Past Grand Knight, Phil Kile.
- Congratulations to Becky Yeakey and Matt Eppers for being this year’s scholarship recipients.
- The golf outing is Sunday, July 21. Sign up at the board.
- Our Chaplain, Fr. Bill Sullivan, will be moving on to a new parish at the end of the month. There will be a picnic at St. Thomas on Sunday, July 28, from 12-3 p.m. Knights will have a grill there and will be cooking food for those present.
- We will have food available to meeting attendees after next month’s regular meeting. Be there!
- We collected \$47 for the Vocation Fund from this month’s meeting attendees.
- Sunday breakfasts will be starting back up in September, along with the spaghetti dinners and our fish fries. Come with your appetites!

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July 2013



Grand Knight’s Message

Dear Brother Knights,
I feel truly blessed to be your new Grand Knight. I look forward to the next year as we continue with our old programs and try out some new ones. Some of the new committees I would like to start include the media committee, that will promote and report on our Council to the local newspapers, radio, and television stations and Catholic Parishes. I would like to restart the Squires and Knight-of-the-Month committees. We should put a lot of our energy into the Squires program because I feel that bringing young people into the Knights will eventually lead to more First Degree Knights. Selecting a Knight of the Month is a great way to show appreciation to different Knights for going above and beyond what is expected.

I invite all of our members to get more involved with our Council by helping with any program they choose. We need more members, and we all can help by bringing in new people. Also, we need to get more members to our monthly meetings. We are asking that attending members bring another member that has not been to a meeting in some time to our next monthly meeting. That would double the number of Knights at our next meeting. We will help in that effort by restarting the after-meeting snacks in the lounge. Next month we will serve kielbasa sausage for a donation. So please plan on staying after the meeting and enjoying the food and fellowship of your fellow Knights.

Steve Riikonen is taking inventory of all building keys. If any member has a key to the hall and has not spoken to Steve, then please contact him as soon as possible with your key number.

The appreciation dinner was fantastic so thanks to Scott Chris and his committee. Congratulations to Steve Revelli for being named Knight of the Year. Steve has been elected as our new Chancellor and has been appointed as our Program Director. I look forward to working with him on all of our Council’s programs and activities.

As you may know by now, we are losing our Chaplain. Fr. Bill Sullivan has been reassigned to New Haven, IN. We will miss him, and we thank him for everything he has done for our Council. We will celebrate with him by helping with a party on July 28 at St. Thomas, starting at noon. It would be fantastic if all Knights would attend and thank him for his time spent at St. Thomas and with our Council.

The list of officers has changed in that we are now listing emails, and Joe and I have also included our telephone numbers. I invite all members to contact me by phone or email with any situations you see or need help with.

Have a great month and, as always, I am your Brother in Christ.
Jon

Next meeting

August 13, 2013 at 7 p.m.

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Why Did I Become A Knight?

It was ten years ago that I moved from NYC with Jenny when she was eight-months pregnant. I was doubting myself and wondering if I had made the right move. But I knew that I couldn’t raise a family the way I envisioned in the environment of NYC. I did grow up there, but even I recognized that it was a “different time.”

To appreciate the story, I feel I need to tell about when I moved from NYC to go to MSU for grad school, knowing no one there and doubting my decisions on moving there. Back then, I started going to St. John’s parish and became involved with the church there, leading retreats and meeting my wife at one. I firmly believe that it was God guiding me and comforting me in my homesickness by leading me down the path of involvement at St. John’s and meeting Jenny.

So, fast forward five years. I am in a new environment called Elkhart, knowing no one locally except co-workers at the job I landed. Talk about a fish out of water, my nearest family was over two hours away in Lansing. The same feeling I experienced at MSU was creeping back. We baptized Emily at St. Thomas, and I was looking for a way to get involved, basically to give me something to do aside from going to work. In looking at the booklet containing all the organizations/activities associated with St. Thomas, I noted the Knights of Columbus. I put that down as something about which I wanted more information. I got a call from Tom Pawlak inviting me to a meeting.

I became a Knight without really knowing much about what our Council did. I soon found myself volunteering at a fish fry, helping Larry pack the to-go containers. I then found myself helping out at a food basket drive and was blown away by how many lives the Knights were touching. That’s when I knew I wanted to help; the organization as much as I could and found Benny to be an inspiration—what one man can do, not only with food baskets but with the Tootsie Roll drive benefitting ADEC. It was through the Knights I met Shane and that led to my working at a different job where I was much happier. It was through the Knights that our family made true friends in a strange town that I now call home.

Continued in column 2—

Calendar of Coming Events

- July 21—Golf Outing
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August 1—4th Degree Meeting-Goshen
August 2—Rosary at St. Vincent’s 7:30
August 13—K of C Meeting 7 p.m.

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Why did I become a Knight? Was it God steering me like He did while I was at MSU? Yes, I believe so. Thank you Lord. Share your story on why you became a Knight. We will publish one story a month.
Joe Tinervia

Birthdays for August

| August | Member | Saints Feast Day | | August | Member | Saints Feast Day |
|--------|-------------------|------------------|--|--------|-------------------|------------------|
| 2 | Steve Riikonen | St. Alfreda | | 15 | Steven L. Erwin | St. Tarcisius |
| 2 | David M. Towner | St. Eusebius | | 15 | Rick Roberts | St. Alfrid |
| 3 | Charles Brown | St. Lydia | | 16 | Gary Delucenay | St. Roch |
| 3 | Mel Taylor | St. Dalmatius | | 20 | J. L. Scalise | St. Bernard |
| 5 | T.J.Repaich | St. Addal | | 22 | Michael Weldy | St. Sigfrid |
| 6 | Gabriel Alvarez | St. Hormisdas | | 24 | Ron Delucenay | St. Bartholomew |
| 6 | Larry Kruse | St. Agapithus | | 26 | Ryan Wiltfong | St. Martha |
| 9 | Curt Davis | St. Julian | | 27 | Thomas Borger | St. Caesarius |
| 10 | John Hock | St. Aredius | | 28 | Shawn Kohn | St. Edmund |
| 10 | Robert Navarro | St. Asteria | | 30 | Scott Chris | St. Rumon |
| 11 | Marc West | St. Clare | | 30 | Michael Dibley | St. Agilus |
| 12 | Lawrence Reverman | St. Michael My | | 30 | Christopher Meyer | St. Bononius |
| 14 | Thomas Hosler | St. Maximilian | | 31 | Richard Chakan | St. Aristedes |

Spiritual Growth Corner by George Kalil

Faith. Pope Benedict declared a Year of Faith starting in October 2012 and ending in November 2013. We are better than half way through it. Have you been focusing on it as he suggested? When it started, Vicki and I decided that we would pray the Apostle’s Creed together everyday. Well, we started out fine, but somewhere along the way, we kind of lost it. We got too busy and didn’t take the time or whatever. Isn’t that how it usually goes?

I was reading a reflection the other morning titled “Living as We Believe.” It was a challenge. It talked about the mission we were given by Jesus to “Proclaim the Kingdom of Heaven.” It is about proclaiming that Jesus is love. It asked how we did this without appearing to be a “couple of fries short of a Happy Meal.” It went on to say that we do it by “living as if we believe that loving God and neighbor is really what it is all about.” That is what Jesus taught us. Do we believe it? Do we live it? It is not a very easy thing to do in our daily lives. Sometimes it is even hard to love ourselves much less our neighbors. I know I could make a list of people that I find hard to love. I wonder how many lists of people that are hard to love **I** would be on....probably more than a few.

As we finish out this last few months of the Year of Faith, let’s challenge ourselves to do more reading of the Bible and finding out how Jesus wants us to live our lives. Once we know it, let’s try to live it. I am going to start by praying the Creed with Vicki again every day until the end of the Year of Faith. I would probably be in trouble with Fr. Glen if I didn’t suggest you read the new Encyclical on Faith just released by Pope Francis. No, I haven’t read it yet, much to Fr. Glenn’s dismay, but he says it is very short and very good.

Hope to see more of you at our 364th First Friday Rosary at St. Vincent’s at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, August 2.

God Bless

We Stand Strong on Ethical Ground

Some people believe that ethics in business is a contradiction in terms. They think that in order to be profitable, a company and its leaders must abandon morality and embrace the dark, greedy side of capitalism.

At the Knights of Columbus, we know this business model is incorrect. As a Catholic organization, we understand the value and importance of our core beliefs and the original mission of Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney. In fact, much of the strength and financial security we provide to members and their families can be attributed to our ethical, moral standards.

More than 96 percent of Knights who buy our life insurance keep it, year in and year out. The Order takes this commitment to our members very seriously. This means carefully planning when it comes time to invest. Our professional staff researches all transactions to insure that they fall in line with Catholic values. If a transaction makes them uncomfortable, they don’t make it.

“We exclude any company engaged in activity that conflicts with Catholic moral teaching: companies directly involved in abortion, contraception, human cloning, embryonic stem cell research, for-profit health care that pays for any of these, or pornography,” said the Supreme Knight. “There are many companies in the pharmaceutical and communications industries that would undoubtedly provide excellent returns for us, but which are not in our portfolio because they engage in research and development or programming in ways that violate the sanctity or dignity of human life.”

In the end, the Knights of Columbus investment strategy is motivated by morality and not money-making. Yet, each year we remain profitable, increase our assets and stay dedicated to this vision that will keep the Order sound financially for generations to come.

“Faithful Catholics have choices when buying life insurance,” said the Supreme Knight. “But they know that at the Knights of Columbus their policy is supplied by an insurer that shares their moral and ethical values and is guided in all of its investment and sales practices by those values.”

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News Summary By Joe Tinervia

- Fr. Bill's send-off went great, and he expressed this thanks to the Knights for all the work we do (see his note in column 2)
- Family of the Month programs will start up again in the coming months at both parishes. Contact Jim Gallagher or Bill Method to nominate parish families.
- We had 25 golfers for the annual golf outing and raised approximately \$600.
- A couple of Knights took Fr. Jason out to lunch and welcomed him to Elkhart and St. Thomas parish. You'll be happy to know that he is a 3rd Degree Knight and will become our new chaplain.
- There is a Second and Third Degree scheduled for Sunday, August 25, at our Council. Candidates wanting to take these degrees are asked to report at 11:30 a.m.
- Joe Tinervia has not yet received any paperwork back from anyone interested in becoming a 4th Degree Knight. The 4th degree exemplification is scheduled for Saturday, September 14, in South Bend. The deadline for applications is the end of the month; however, several signatures are required from different individuals for that deadline. Let Joe know by August 23 if you are wanting to participate in the 4th degree exemplification.
- There is a Red Cross Blood Drive scheduled at our Council for Thursday, September 5, from 2-6 p.m. Walk-ins are welcome, but those who have appointments are given priority.
- Spaghetti dinners start up on Wednesday, September 4, from 5-7 p.m. We need volunteers to help Nick Seidle in the kitchen and in serving food. Thanks, Nick, for taking over Shane's apron. Dinners are now \$8 per person. The proceeds from September's dinner will go to United Cancer Services of Elkhart County. Fish fries also start back up in September. Mark your calendars for September 20, 5-7 p.m. Scott Chris is always looking for volunteers and will greatly appreciate more hands with the cleanup afterwards.
- A steak dinner is set for Saturday, September 14, at a cost of \$15 per individual or \$25 per couple. You are invited to watch the Notre Dame vs. Purdue game that evening as well.
- A committee will be meeting to start up the pancake breakfasts again, as early as September. The breakfasts may be held at the parishes with us splitting the proceeds with the parishes. We will keep you posted.
- We collected \$105 for the vocation fund during the August meeting.
- Have you met with Phil Stackowicz lately? He's here to help you not only with your life insurance needs but also with savings and estate planning as well. Contact him at Phillip.Stackowicz@KOCF.ORG or cell: 574-514-4941. Office: 574-282-1082
- Congratulations to Dennis Lyon, Charles Ornduff, and Lee Evers for becoming Honorary Life members recently. Honorary LIFE members are those who are at least 70 years of age and have 25 consecutive years of membership or have 50 years of membership, regardless of age. Honorary members are members who are at least 65 years of age and have 25 years of membership.

August 2013



Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

We have had a great summer, but now it's time to get back to work. The Council will start serving the spaghetti dinners and fish fries at the hall, and we possibly will start serving a pancake breakfast at the parishes.

We will be hosting a 2nd and 3rd degree at our Council, and there will be a 4th degree in South Bend. In September the Council will have a steak dinner during the Notre Dame vs. Purdue football game. As we host all of these events, we are asking for more volunteers. Part of our duties as Knights is to get involved with council activities and volunteer our time for charity. So please get in touch with me or one of the Council officers and let us know what you would like to volunteer to do. Of course, you and other Brother Knights could start your own program; just let us know what you're doing. Rick Frye has replaced me as the co-chair of the breakfast committee and joins Dick Scheve in preparing and serving the breakfasts.

We have been asked by the Supreme Council to get more involved in Church activities and to show our presence there. Jim Gallagher suggested that the name tags that we wear to our meeting are a good way to identify us as Knights in our parishes. I would like to ask all of you to please wear your name tags to all church and Knight activities so we can become more visible.

Jon

Farewell from Fr. Bill

I would like to extend a hearty word of thanks to all the Knights for their participation in the liturgy on Sunday, July 28, as well as for their most generous gift during the "send off" celebration. May the Lord bless the Knights with His peace. It was a privilege to be with the Council for the past few years. Their commitment to the parish communities of St. Thomas and St. Vincent is exemplary. I know that the local community is most appreciative of your service as well.

Fr. Bill Sullivan

Condolences

We extend our condolences to the family of Thomas Dustimer, who passed away in July.

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| September 4—Spaghetti Dinner 5-7 p.m. |
| September 5—4 th Degree Meeting |
| September 5—Blood Drive 2-6 p.m. at Hall |
| September 6—Rosary at St. Vincent's 7:30 |
| September 10—K of C Meeting 7 p.m. |
| September 14—4th Degree in South Bend |
| September 14—Steak dinner at Hall 6 p.m. |
| September 20—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. |

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| 5 | James J. Knopick | St. Bertin | | 18 | Timothy Sovine | St. Basilides |
| 9 | George Kieffer | St. Peter Claver | | 20 | Timothy O'Connell | St. Andrew |
| 10 | Thomas J. Patterson | St. Ambrose Barlow | | 22 | Fr. Dave Carkenord | St. Philip of Heraclea |
| 11 | Lee Evers | St. Paphnutius | | 22 | Alex Strati, Jr. | St. Thomas of Villanova |
| 13 | Joseph Gross | St. John Chrysostom | | 23 | Edward Parr | St. Adamnan |
| 14 | Angle Martinez | St. Caerealis | | 23 | Matthew Yeakey | St. Martha of Persia |
| 14 | D. Gregory Wilkerson | St. Cormac | | 24 | Matthew Casey | St. Anathalon |
| 15 | Robert Giel | St. Maximus | | 24 | James Deboni | St. Bercthun |
| 15 | Jose Tirado | St. Valerian | | 24 | Michael Froelich | St. Andochius |
| 16 | Wilbur Peak | St. Cornelius | | 27 | Charles Fortino | St. Vincent de Paul |
| 17 | David Britzke | St. Robert Bellarmine | | 29 | John Tierney | St. Michael |

Spiritual Growth Corner by George Kalil

I have always told the Everses that this column gets written when the Holy Spirit inspires me. They can attest to the fact that sometimes it takes more than a while for this to happen. Well, this was one of the times when I was getting nothing. So what would a good Catholic do? I prayed to the Holy Spirit and asked for help. In doing this, I got my column.

I have found that I really have a difficult time praying to the Holy Spirit. I have to make myself do it. Why is this? I don't have a problem praying to God or Jesus, but the Holy Spirit is different. I think that, in my case, I can't visualize the Holy Spirit. I am a visual person with a short attention span. It's no problem praying to God the Father. I know what a father looks like. If nothing else, I have Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel version—an old man with a beard. I can talk to that person; I can pray to Him. Jesus is no problem. He was a man. I know what men look like. I have many paintings showing Him as a fair-skinned, fair-haired man in his mid-thirties to refer to. I prefer to picture Him as a dark-skinned, dark-haired man (can't do anything else given my ethnic background). Once again, this is no problem.

But who is the Holy Spirit? He is the embodiment of the love between God the Father and Jesus His Son. What does that look like? How do I pray to that? We have pictured Him as a dove or tongues of fire. What good is praying to either of those going to do me? Well, you know what? Jesus entrusted His Church and its people to the care of the Holy Spirit when He ascended into Heaven. He knew we were going to need help, so He gave us the Holy Spirit. How can we **not** pray to Him? For me, I need to get past the "what does He look like?" question and just trust that Jesus knows a whole lot more than I do as to what I need. I need to do my part for His Church and pray often and hard to the Holy Spirit for His help. ("P.S. This will not guarantee columns on time," says George, but the editors feel that George and the Holy Sprit have been doing a fine job of coming up with some very inspirational thoughts in this column for quite a while!)

Don't forget to join us for our 365th consecutive First Friday Rosary at St. Vincent's at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, September 6. See you there.

God Bless

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Only Having “Through Work” Insurance Doesn’t Work

Do you know anyone whose life or career has been drastically changed during these years of economic downturn? It's very likely that someone in your immediate or extended family or group of friends is facing financial uncertainty now. Maybe there's a possibility that you (or your spouse) could lose your job or change employers.

Too many people have often relied on group term life insurance as their only safety net. Often, this insurance is an employee benefit provided at low or no cost. The existence of this coverage might convince someone that personally-owned life insurance is not necessary.

Only having "through work" insurance can leave you and your family vulnerable. Most group life insurance policies are limited in amount, which may be tied to salary or some other benchmark. These numbers are often capped, and this cap may be dangerously low when compared to your family's actual needs. In fact, without a detailed needs analysis, any employer-provided coverage will likely cause a shortfall at the insured's death.

In addition, the amount of group insurance offered is almost always reduced, sometimes dramatically, when you retire. You could one day find yourself without coverage, and if your health has changed (which it will as you age), you might also find yourself unable to secure individual protection. It will definitely be more expensive.

While group life insurance can help, it does not replace the need for individually-owned life insurance. I'll be happy to meet with you and provide a no-cost needs analysis, so you'll know exactly where you stand.

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News Summary

By Bob Earley

- Fish fries are in season again! Come join us for fun, entertainment, and great fish every 3rd Friday of the month. We could always use more help setting up, cooking, and cleaning. It sure would be great if we had some new faces helping those “veterans” who seem to be there every time.
- More food will be available at our next spaghetti dinner, which will be held on Wednesday, October 2, to benefit Kids Care International.
- With all of this great food, we will have enough energy to muster up some new members, right? If you know anyone who has thought about joining the Knights, please reach out to them. We welcome new members. If you need more applications, please see Joe Tinervia. Remember, one of our goals that came out of a district meeting was to increase our membership. Let’s work together to do so. There’s more to our membership than just meetings. It is both spiritually and mentally rewarding, knowing that we make a difference in other people’s lives.
- Jim Gallagher talked about implementing a Family of the Month and Family of the Year program at each of the parishes. Look for more details coming soon.
- Fr. Bill Sullivan is getting settled in his new parish. If you wish to send him an email, he can be reached at Frillsullivan@live.com.
- If you haven’t seen the new Life Center located at 2018 Ironwood Court, just off of Ironwood Drive, you need to go visit. It’s next door to the South Bend abortion clinic. The Center is beautiful, and it’s a great place to help us drive home one of our most fundamental beliefs: giving liberty and justice to all, born and unborn. The Center has the Apostolate of Divine Mercy in the Service of Human Life, Chapel of Divine Mercy, post-abortive healing ministries, and natural family planning.
- September 22nd at 2:45 p.m. the Divine Mercy Chapel will be blessed by Fr. Thomas Shoemaker. Dr. Allan Keys will give a keynote speech at 4 p.m. at the Life Center as well.
- St. Vincent DePaul Church is having a golf outing at Elcona on September 29 with an entrance fee of only \$60 per person. See the yellow registration forms located at both entrances of the church for more information or to register.
- October 6 at 2:30 p.m. the Elkhart County Life Chain will form at SR 33 in front of Concord Intermediate School. Please stand as part of the chain and pray for an end to abortion.
- On October 10, St. Joseph County’s Right to Life will have a dinner. Contact Abby Johnson at 232-5433 for tickets and additional information.
- Remember to “Like” us on Facebook!

Condolences

We extend our condolences to the families of William Swartout, who passed away August 30, and Robert Warren and Victor Arko, who both died on September 10. Please remember all of them in your prayers.

September 2013



Grand Knight’s Message

Dear Brother Knights,

I was not able to attend this month’s Council meeting due to a health issue. Please have a blessed month. And read the other reports in this month’s newsletter to see what is going on. I hope to see everyone at next month’s meeting.

YBIC
Jon

Our Lady of Sorrows

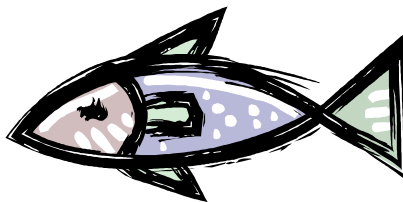
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Elkhart County Right to Life Rally for Life

Mark your calendar for January 11, 2014, at 12 noon, for the Elkhart County Rally for Life and March at the Lerner Theater. Also, January 20-23 is the March for Life, Washington, D.C., K of C trip. Call 219-663-0509 for more information.



Fish Fry

Council 1043 “All you care to eat” fish fries will return beginning Friday, September 20, 5-7 p.m. Adults: \$8.00 and children: 6-12: \$4.00 with those 5 and under eating for free. See you there!

Congratulations!

Congratulations to our new 3rd Degree Knights: Adam Bujalski; Thomas Hines; and Thomas Rife, who obtained the rank of Third Degree on August 25th at our Council.

Next meeting

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| September 22—Pancake breakfast St. Vincent’s |
| October 2—Spaghetti Dinner 5-7 p.m. |
| October 3—4 th Degree Meeting in Bristol |
| October 4—Rosary at St. Vincent’s 7:30 |
| October 6—National Life Chain 2:30 in front of Concord Middle School |
| October 8—K of C Meeting 7 p.m. |
| October 18—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. |

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| 6 | Adam Snyder | St. Ceollach | | 22 | Brad Billings | St Alix Le Clereq |
| 7 | Rev. Glen Kohrman | St. Artaldus | | 22 | Joseph Eppers | St. Alexander |
| 7 | Brian Ortiz | St. Augustus | | 23 | Alexander Jansen | St. John of Capistrano |
| 8 | James Hiles | St. Keyne | | 23 | Greg Stone | St. Allucio |
| 8 | Mike Spurgeon | At. Benedicta | | 24 | Cornell James | St. Anthony Claret |
| 8 | Weston Ward | St. Pelagia | | 25 | James Byron | St. Crispin |
| 9 | Joseph Weidner | St. Denis | | 25 | Robert Crothers | St. Chrysanthus |
| 10 | Tony Dibley | St. Ghislain | | 25 | Matthew Kuzmicz | St. Gaudentius |
| 11 | William DeShone | St. Firminus | | 26 | Stephen Fledderman | St. Demetrius |
| 13 | David Manderfeld | St. Agilbert | | 26 | Jeffery Glanders | St. Evaristus |
| 13 | Antal Szucs | St. Berthoald | | 26 | James Shreiner | St. Alfred |
| 15 | Jesus Mujica | St. Teresa of Avila | | 27 | Albert Arko | St. Emilina |
| 16 | Zachary Lucchese | St Gerard | | 29 | Pietro DeMauro | St. Narcissus |
| 18 | Phillip Kolski | St. Luke | | 29 | Rigoberto Perez | St. Anne |

Spiritual Growth Corner by George Kalil

“Then God said: ’Let us make man in our image, after our likeness.’” (Gen. 1:26) We have heard all of our lives that we are made in the image and likeness of God. Now you know where that comes from, but what does it mean for us? Does it mean He looks like me, or my wife, or my best friend? Is He black or white or red or yellow? Does He look like a Scandinavian with long, blonde hair or an Arab with short, dark hair (personally, I like this one better)? As an aside, if you go to St. John, IN, and visit the Shrine of the Passion of Christ (and if you haven’t, you should), make sure to visit the church at the top of the hill if possible. The statues are beautiful, and Joseph, Mary, and Jesus look more Mediterranean than most you see.

We could discuss this all day, but I think we might be missing the point. It isn’t what we look like on the *outside* that makes us in His image but what we look like on the *inside*. How do I love others? How do I forgive others? How do I treat others? Is it the way God does? Jesus came to Earth and took on our humanity so He could show us how to live in His image. God could have saved mankind with a single word, but He chose not to. He sent His only Son to live with us and show us how to live in His image. If you want to know how to do this, read the Bible. Read the four Gospels and the accounts of Jesus’ life. See how He treated His enemies and His friends. See how He prayed and lived and then try to follow that example.

“Okay, I have done that,” you say. How do I know if I am being successful? You have a simple report card. When others encounter you, do they see you or Jesus? When we become like John the Baptist and become small so Christ can become great, we have passed. When others see Jesus through us more often than they see us, we are passing the test. As Fr. Glen likes to say, “That isn’t natural; it is supernatural.” We can only do it with God’s help. We need to pray, but I will save that for another time.

I encourage all of you to sign up for the upcoming season of ARISE if you haven’t already done so. It will help you with your “image” and yield many spiritual blessings. Also, remember to join us on October 4 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Vincent’s for our 366th consecutive Rosary.

God Bless

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News Summary By Bob Earley

- Fall is here and the trees are turning colors. Now may be the time to change some things in our lives, such as donating our time and talent to Knights' projects. We can certainly use help spreading the great benefits of being a member of the K of C. Each of us is being challenged to bring in at least one new member during this year. If we do that, then we'll grow our Council, bringing in fresh ideas and increasing the pool of volunteers to assist with events like fish fries and spaghetti dinners.
- Fish Frys! Come join us every 3rd Friday of the month. Bring your family and some friends. The food is delicious and the event is a great time to talk with your Brother Knights. October 18's fry is next.
- Want more food or don't like fish? Join us for spaghetti dinners the first Wednesday of the month. November 6 is next.
- Our next 4th Degree meeting is November 7 from 7-8 p.m. at our Council. If you're not a 4th Degree, we encourage you to become one. Contact Joe Tinervia.
- Remember Fr. Bill Sullivan. He is getting settled in his new parish, and I'm sure he'd enjoy a note or phone call. You can reach him by email at: Frsullivan@live.com
- If you haven't seen the new Life Center at 2018 Ironwood Court, just off Ironwood Drive, you need to go visit. Next to the South Bend abortion clinic, the center is a beautiful place to help drive home one of our most fundamental beliefs: giving liberty and justice to all, born and unborn. The Center has the Apostolate of Divine Mercy in Service of Human Life, Chapel of Divine Mercy, post-abortive healing ministries, and natural family planning.
- Please consider joining the Fr. McGivney Guild. Go to: www.fathermcgivney.org
- Remember to "like" us on Facebook!

Coming to the Lerner.....

Our Council will be sponsoring a screening of the new film "Mary of Nazareth" on Thursday, December 19, at the Lerner Theater. You can see the movie trailer at www.maryfilm.com. It would be great to have your help in some of the following ways:

- Joe Tinervia is forming a committee that will meet regularly at the lounge. Contact him at 574-276-5805 if you want to help. We will be discussing details on the groundwork needed to make this a successful event. Whatever skill and ideas you bring to the table will be appreciated.
- Another way to help is by buying tickets, once they become available, for yourself and your family. They can be purchased directly from the Lerner or through us at the Council. Tickets are first-come, first-served, general admission-type seating that is open to the public.
- In addition, you or the company you work for can become a sponsor. You will be recognized in the program and possibly in other ways. Levels of sponsorship and recognition are being determined, and we will keep you posted.
- Finally, you can help by starting to talk this event up with your friends, families, your neighbors, and co-workers. Please help us to fill every seat in the 1500-seat auditorium of the newly-restored Lerner Theater in the heart of Elkhart!

October 2013



Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

We had a wonderful October Council meeting. A lot of Knights came out to offer suggestions and vote to help us and the people of our community.

The Christmas food basket drive is underway, and Dick Scheve had his first meeting immediately after our Council meeting. I would like to ask all Knights to get involved in this effort by volunteering your time, money, or food.

Steve Riikonen informed us that the next chicken and mojos day will be January 25, 2014, from noon to 6 p.m. Since we are doubling the number of tickets available this year, man volunteers are needed for that project.

The Knights will be hosting a chili and cornbread supper on October 19 during the Notre Dame game.

Our Council has been asked to help supply security for the Confirmation Rally on October 26 at Marian High School in Mishawaka from 8 a.m. until after the 5 p.m. Mass, which will be officiated by the Bishop. This rally is for the young people going through confirmation this year. The Diocese expects 800-900 8th and 9th grade students. I need as many volunteers as possible. Please email me at fjsih3051@comcast.net to register to help.

All volunteers will have to go through a background check and will be given a lunch and event t-shirt. We have been told that the Knights should **not** wear the event t-shirt that day, but we should wear a shirt with the KOC emblem or a regular shirt with a name badge with the KOC emblem on it. Khaki pants are approved but blue jeans are not appropriate. Please try to make time to spend with these kids at this worthwhile event.

Have a wonderful and blessed month.
As always, Your Brother in Christ,
Jon

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Belated birthday wishes go out to Craig Kelm, whose birthday on October 7 was omitted accidentally from the list in last month's newsletter.

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| 5 | Roger Howard | St. Bertilia | 21 | Nicholas Bayer | St. Glasius |
| 5 | Ronald Rudin | St. Fibitius | 23 | Rico Ivagnilio | St. Columban |
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| 6 | Matthew Eppers | St. Leonard | 27 | George Kalil | St. James Intercisus |
| 8 | Carlos Campos | St. Wiomad | 28 | Brian Lochmandy | St. Valerian |
| 8 | Thomas Hines | St. Tysilio | 28 | Mitch Mawhorter | St. Fionnchu |
| 10 | William Mellen | St. Leo the Great | 29 | Jonathon Krider | St. James |
| 11 | Philip Kile | St. Theodore | 29 | Steve Spretnjak | St. Saturninus |
| 13 | Michael Brewers | St. Francis Xavier Cabrini | 30 | Wayne Campbell | St. Andrew |
| 14 | Richard Kavanagh | St. Lawrence O'Toole | | | |

Life insurance as a gift?

The initial reaction for many people when you mention life insurance as a gift is a quick step back and a questioning stare. “How morbid,” they may think quietly or aloud. While it may seem that way when you first mention it, life insurance is a really thoughtful gift that can be a financial life preserver in tough times.

The problem with life insurance is the general perception. Many think of life insurance only in cases where someone dies. Life insurance should, in fact, be thought of as a precautionary protective measure for a family unit. The purchase of this product can mean saving your home, sending your children to college, and preserving your spouse’s quality of life in the event of your death.

One of the times you may want to purchase life insurance for someone is when a family has a new baby. It’s a great, low-cost way to set money aside for the future (i.e. college tuition, housing, business start-up, etc.). Of greater importance, it ensures these children will have insurance as adults, in case an illness later in life makes him or her uninsurable.

Newlyweds are also ideal recipients for life insurance. As they join their lives and financial responsibilities, young couples need to make sure that their early investments are fully protected. If something were to happen to one of them, the other may be faced with serious financial hardship. A life insurance policy is an ideal way to ensure their future and protect their assets.

As nontraditional as it may be, life insurance is a wise and caring gift to purchase for many people.

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Spiritual Growth Corner by George Kalil

Auto-pilot is a wonderful invention used in the airline industry. It allows the pilots to not have to be “on” during what would be called the normal part of the trip. Personally, I want my pilot to be “on” during take offs and landings. You really appreciate a rested and alert pilot when you are landing at night in a thunderstorm (that and having a Rosary handy really helps). While we don’t have auto-pilot in cars yet, they are testing driverless cars (welcome to the world of George Jetson!). We do have cruise control and what a blessing that is. Those 7-hour drives to Grammas with the kids were a whole lot easier when we had a car with that option. Both of these inventions are great and things that we can’t imagine living without.

Neither of them is at all useful, however, when it comes to worshipping God. Most of us have been attending Sunday Mass for all of our lives and since the mid-sixties, worship has been in English. A lot of the prayers we say are the same each week. We may pay a bit more attention to the ones that are different. But how often are we just on auto-pilot or cruise control during Mass on Sunday? If you are like me, more times than we want to admit.

Habits are hard to break so I am going to suggest just a couple of things to work on. Start with the Creed. The next time you say the Creed, think about what you are saying. You are stating the church’s and our beliefs in this one prayer. Do we really *believe* what we are saying? Do we say it with the conviction we have when we are defending our beloved football team to a non-fan or a “hater?” Tell someone from this area that you don’t like Notre Dame football, and you will get an idea of what I mean. Next, think about the words of the “Our Father” when you say it. Are we actually living what we say? Are we forgiving the way we want God to forgive us? We need to truly pray these prayers and not just recite them on auto-pilot.

The most disheartening is our response to the prayers at the Consecration. Do we truly listen to what the priest is saying? Do we tune out everything else and pay attention? Do we realize what is happening on that altar every Sunday? The God of the Universe is becoming present in the form of a host to be with us, the ones that He loves. He comes to feed us with His own Body and Blood. We want to be “on” for this, not on auto-pilot. Give these things a try next week and see if it makes a difference. As Fr. Larry Richards would say, “Get it, got it, do it!”

Join us for our 367th consecutive Rosary on Friday, November 1, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Vincent’s. God bless.



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News Summary By Bob Earley

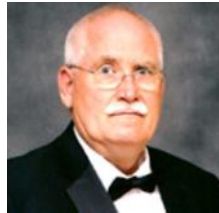
- The movie “Mary of Nazareth” is coming to The Lerner Theatre. Join your fellow nights and others from the community to watch what is being hailed as a movie of a lifetime and a “must see.” See the special box below with information as to how to buy tickets. Bring your family. Bring a friend. This movie has sold out in Fort Wayne and South Bend already, so get your tickets now!
- Last call to place an ad in the program for the “Mary of Nazareth” playbill that will be distributed to those in attendance at the movie. Contact Joe Tinervia at 574-276-5805 or joe@koc1043.org.
- Please consider joining us for our next spaghetti dinner to be held on December 5. It will benefit St. Vincent’s School. We could use more help in setting up, serving and cleaning. It is a good volunteer opportunity for our young people as well. Maybe some young men might even inquire about joining the squires.
- Fish Frys! Come join us every 3rd Friday of the month for all the fish you care to eat. Bring your family and some friends. The food is delicious and the event is a great time to talk with your Brother Knights. Our next fry is December 20.
- Are you interested in life insurance? Are you unsure whether you have enough insurance? Maybe you need an annuity or long-term care policy. Whatever your needs, just give Phil Stackowicz a call at 574-514-4941. He’ll provide a free review of your current situation.
- Just a reminder that if you haven’t seen the new Life Center located at 2018 Ironwood Court, just off of Ironwood Drive, you need to go visit. It’s next door to the South Bend abortion clinic. The center is beautiful, and it’s a great place to help us drive home one of our most fundamental beliefs: giving liberty and justice to all, born and unborn. The center has the Apostolate of Divine Mercy in the Service of Human Life, the Chapel of Divine Mercy, post-abortive healing ministries, and natural family planning.
- Please consider joining the Fr. Michael McGivney Guild. You can do this by visiting: www.fathermcgivney.org.
- Don’t forget to “like” us on Facebook.
- This year’s food basket program is well underway. We will still be accepting food and money donations at the Council. Please note “Food basket” in the memo line if you write a check.

Christmas Food Baskets

Assembly of 1000 boxes of food to be distributed to 500 families in Elkhart and Goshen as part of the Knights of Columbus Christmas food basket program will take place on Friday, December 13, beginning at 6 p.m. at the Administration Building of the Elkhart Airport. Families will also receive a 5# ham from Troyer Foods, a loaf of bread from Bimbo Bakery, as well as a bag of Essenhause noodles from the Essenhause.

Distribution of baskets will take place on Saturday, December 14. Baskets will still be delivered to families who have no transportation to pick up the boxes. For those who can do so, they may pick up their boxes at the Administration Building at the airport on Saturday morning.

November 2013



Grand Knight’s Message

Dear Brother Knights,

We had a great meeting this month with about 30 Brother Knights attending. We were told how the work is progressing on the “Mary of Nazareth” movie, Christmas food baskets, chicken and mojos meal, spaghetti dinners, and fish frys. Our Council is very active, and I invite all Knights to get involved with one of the projects, or, better yet, start one of your own. Just make sure to come to the board and let us know what you want to do. We will see what we can do to help you get your project moving.

I would like to ask all of my Brothers to try to recruit new members. We had a goal of one new member per month, and since we have lost some members this year, our goal is now adjusted to two new members per month. If you need help with forms or printed media on our organization, please let me or Phil Stackowicz know, and we’ll help.

Our Council is sponsoring a showing of the movie, “Mary of Nazareth,” on December 19, at 6:30 p.m., at the Lerner Theater in downtown Elkhart. Tickets are \$9 with any profits going to our charity fund. Please show support for this project by attending so we can “pack the house.”

I hope to see everyone at next month’s meeting. Until then, I stay Your Brother in Christ.
Jon

Coming to the Lerner.....

Our Council will be sponsoring a screening of the new film “Mary of Nazareth” on Thursday, December 19, at the Lerner Theater. You can see the movie trailer at www.maryfilm.com.

Ticket purchase options include:

1. Purchase tickets in the lounge at the Council (limited tickets available).
2. Click the “Buy Now” button to order tickets online through us using Paypal on our website at www.koc1043.org A \$1 mailing fee is charged per order (limited tickets available).
3. Purchase tickets directly from The Lerner Theater via their box office (least fees). Note you can also purchase online through www.theLerner.com; however, there are fees associated with such purchase above the ticket price.

Please pass this along to your friends, families, and colleagues.

Next meeting December 10, 2013 at 7 p.m.

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In Our Prayers

Brothers and their family members who are in need of our prayers are remembered at the meetings. We would like you to also remember them in your prayers. They include: Pope Francis, Pope Emeritus Benedict, all Bishops, Priests, Deacons, and Religious, Leonard Antonelli, Mike Arnold, Asoera family, Jean Balyeat, Dave Buzalski, Gene Caravez, Don Ciano, Gary Delucenay, Sheila Dibley, Dubash family, Dick & Esther Dyer, Jon Fish, Gia Gallagher, Ron Gerstbauer, Jerry Goddard, Rex Greenawalt, Gabrielle Hernandez, Kevin Hickson, Tom Hutkins, Mike Jay, Tim Johnson, Phil Kile, Kolakovich family, Jim Linn, Angel Martinez, Miguel Mendoza family, Mitch Nihart, Kevin O’Connor, Mark O’Connor, Vito Palumbo, Bob and Ericka Reese, Jackie Revelli, Chuck Rodino, Mike Russo, Dan Scalise, Gene Terabek, Fred Thomson, John Tierney’s mother, and Fire Fighters/First Responders.

November Meeting

Members at the meeting on November 12 were as follows: Larry Scalise, Richard Scheve, Rick Frye, Joe Tinervia, James J. Knopick, Matt Yeakey, Phil Kile, Miguel Mendoza, Andrew Fry, Bob Earley, Earl Huxhold, Rob Jackson, Harry Palmer, Jon Fish, Bill Method, Nick Campanello, Steve Revelli, Thomas Hutkins, Phillip Stackowicz, Steve Gonsoski, Nick Seidl, Kyle Peter, Greg Wilkerson, Mike Coy, Larry Kruse, Tom Pawlak, and Jose Luis Rodriguez.

Calendar of Coming Events

December 4—Spaghetti Dinner 5-7 p.m.
December 5—4th Degree Meeting in Elkhart
December 6—Rosary at St. Vincent’s 7:30
December 10—K of C Meeting 7 p.m.
December 19—Mary of Nazareth-Lerner Th.
December 20—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m.

Birthdays for December

| Dec. | Member | Saint |
|------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Jason Butts | St. Eligius |
| 1 | Jeffrey Kruis | St. Ananias |
| 3 | Andrew Fry | St. Lucius |
| 3 | Richard D. Mackey | St. Francis Xavier |
| 3 | Nelson J. Nix | St. John |
| 6 | Michael Coy | St. Nicholas |
| 7 | Edward J. Chomer | St. Victor |
| 7 | Richard E. Frye | St. Servus |
| 8 | Mariano Fernandez | St. Macarius |
| 8 | Gregory Lakner | St. Romaric |
| 8 | Travis Mahoney | St. Eucharis |
| 9 | Robert Zahm | St. Juan Diego |
| 11 | Joseph H. Stevens | St. Barsabas |
| 12 | Dr. Gerald Broderick | St. Alexander |
| 12 | Anthony Fiorentino | St. Jane Frances |
| 13 | Donald J. Quinn | St. Jodic |
| 13 | Jerry Smith | St Autbert |

| Dec. | Member | Saint |
|------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 14 | Allan J. Ludwig | St. John of the Cross |
| 15 | Arturo Herrera | St. Adalberto |
| 17 | Matthew Stackowicz | St. Bibiana |
| 18 | Anthony Cunnane | St. Rufus |
| 21 | Todd Nusbaum | S. Adrian |
| 23 | Luke A. Sandefur | St. John of Kanti |
| 23 | Terry Stewart | St. Vintila |
| 24 | Bob Earley | St. Adele |
| 26 | Rafael Garcia | St. Stephen |
| 26 | Daniel Stackowicz | St. Pope Dionysius |
| 28 | Carl J. Nabicht | St. Anthony of Lerins |
| 29 | Robert R. Meehan | St. Thomas Becket |
| 30 | Lewis M. Arnold | St. Anysius |
| 30 | William Method | St. Eugene |
| 30 | John Stackowicz | St. John Alcober |
| 30 | Max A. Yeakey | St. Egwin |

Spiritual Growth Corner by George Kalil

We have three wonderful opportunities for reflection coming up in the next 30 days. First, we have the *Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*. How great is that? We know the One that is the Ruler of everything. We talk to Him in prayer. We can have an “audience” with Him whenever we want. No need to make lavish arrangements, we just need to walk into any church or Adoration Chapel. Wouldn’t we feel privileged to have the king of any country plan a visit to the United States and decide to spend his time here staying in our house? The King of the Universe does better than that. He comes to *live* inside us. We receive Him in the Eucharist, and we can do this every day for the rest of our lives, not just for a short visit. Do we truly allow Him to be the King of our universe? We should. He should be the Ruler of our lives, the big and small things. I know I don’t always do that. Instead, I let myself be the king of my life, and I find that those are the times when I mess up the most. So on this Feast, let’s ask the Holy Spirit to give us the gifts we need to allow Jesus to be the King and Ruler of our lives.

Second, we have the holiday of Thanksgiving. We live in the greatest country in the world. Even with the problems we have and with all our nation’s faults, there is none better. Sometimes I think we forget we had nothing to do with that. For most of us, we didn't decide to live here; we were born here. In other words, God put us here. One day a year, the secular world has set aside in this country a day of thanksgiving. And now they have even messed that up. “Black Friday” has now become “Black Thursday.” We can’t even spend one day being with family and friends and just be thankful. I always start my day at Mass. I don’t tell you this because I want to show how much better I am than anyone but because that is the way I choose to start it. I go and thank the One that is responsible for all the things in this world I am thankful for. It just seems to be the right thing to do. I will tell you the Church isn’t full; there is plenty of room for more. Maybe I will see you there this year.

Third, the start of Advent and the new Church year is near. Remember that Christ the King “guy” from earlier? During Advent, we are to prepare ourselves for His birth into our world. Take some time this year to do something extra: fasting; daily Mass; extra prayer time; or something else spiritual. Let us truly be prepared to receive the king of the Universe this year. Don’t forget to get your tickets to see the movie *Mary of Nazareth*. This will be a wonderful way to help prepare us all for Christmas.

Hope to see you at the 368th consecutive Rosary on Friday, December 6, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Vincent’s. God bless.

LTC is an important piece of the puzzle

There are many financial consultants and retirement authorities who emphasize the need for a long-term care (LTC) product for estate preservation and family protection as you near or attain the age of 60.

While many commercial life insurance companies have gotten out of the long-term care business, the Knights of Columbus considers LTC a very important piece of the family protection puzzle. The Order has been actively offering our members this product for nearly 15 years without a single premium increase on current policyholders. Members who wisely purchased a LTC plan from the Knights in 2000 are still paying the same premiums today. Even better, our LTC coverage is backed by the full strength of the Order, which remains rooted in our strong Catholic values. Talk about stability when it counts.

If we have not spoken about your need for LTC coverage in your family portfolio, please take some time out of your schedule to meet with me. Remember, long-term care policies are purchased based on your health, and you most likely will never be any healthier than you are today.

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News Summary by Joe Tinervia

- It is with much sadness that we report the passing of Brother Jim Gallagher on December 8.
- Please keep Tommy Hutkins in your prayers as he is in serious condition at St. Joseph Hospital in Ft. Wayne.
- Keep an eye on your mail as dues notices will be mailed out soon. There will be a survey included, and we kindly are requesting that you return that survey with your dues payment. If you need assistance with dues, please contact either Jon Fish or Joe Tinervia.
- Our Council's screening of the film "Mary of Nazareth" is December 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the Lerner Theater. Thanks to the committee for the work they did in preparation for the showing.
- Food baskets were distributed to over 500 families this past weekend in Elkhart! A special thank you goes to the City of Elkhart for allowing us to use the airport hangar for a staging area this year. Also, thanks to the many people serving on the food basket committee this year.
- There will be a First Degree held at our Council on Monday, January 20, 2014, at 7 p.m. with candidates to report by 6:30 p.m. If you know a gentleman who is interested in becoming a Knight, let Joe Tinervia know, and he will get him a Form 100 to fill out and read at the January meeting.
- There will not be a spaghetti dinner in January. Our next spaghetti dinner will be in February for St. Thomas School.
- A chicken and mojos dinner will be held on Saturday, January 25 from 12-6 p.m. by ticket only. Tickets are available now at a cost of \$10 each for an all-you-can-eat dinner. Get your tickets before we sell out. Tickets can be purchased from the lounge Tuesday-Friday from 4-7 p.m.
- Merry Christmas to you and your families. May you all have a healthy and prosperous New Year!



May you have a Blessed
Christmas
and 2014!

December 2013



Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

By the time you receive this newsletter, the food drive will have concluded. For the first time as a Knight, I participated in the packing and distribution of the baskets. I do not know how to express my feelings about the people that put this event together and about the hundreds of people who make it happen. We have made this Christmas a better celebration because of our program and the gifts of the community members who helped us. Many thanks to Richard Scheve and Phil Kile for the leadership, to all the people on the committee doing the set up and coordination, to all of the volunteers who packed the boxes, and to the vendors who provided products that were distributed.

At the meeting last Tuesday, we discussed other programs that are presently going on. The "Mary of Nazareth" movie will be presented on Thursday, December 19, at 6:30 p.m. at the Lerner Theater. Tickets are still available and may be bought at the Lerner box office. We would like to see every Knight attend if at all possible. Please try to arrange your schedule to join us for a movie about the Mother of Our Lord, Jesus Christ.

We will have another chicken and mojo potato dinner on January 25. Tickets for this event will go very fast so please do not delay in getting yours purchased. Since St. Thomas has an event at the same time, we will be preparing and selling our product during their event.

We will be having a membership drive in the near future. Please help our Council achieve its goals. We should always be on the lookout for new members, and we all probably know at least one person whom we can ask to join. Let's each set a goal of getting one new member for the upcoming drive.

One of my mentors, Jim Gallagher, passed away recently. Jim helped me as a new Knight and was always someone to whom I could go for answers to my questions. I pray that God will grant him eternal rest.

Merry Christmas to all Knights and their loved ones. I pray that all people have a great Christmas season. Also, have a Happy New Year and stay safe. I want to see all of you at the next meeting.

Please try to arrange your schedule to attend our meeting on the second Tuesday of January so you can hear about all the good things that your Council is doing.

Your Brother in Christ,
Jon

Condolences

We were deeply saddened at the death of 4th Degree Brother Knight Jim Gallagher on December 8. Please keep his family in your prayers.

Next meeting January 14 at 7 p.m.

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Calendar of Coming Events

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| January 1—NO Spaghetti Dinner |
| January 2—4 th Degree Meeting in Elkhart |
| January 3—Rosary at St. Vincent's 7:30 |
| January 11—Right to Life Rally at the Lerner |
| January 14—K of C Meeting 7 p.m. |
| January 14—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. |
| January 25—Chicken & mojos 12-6 p.m. |
| February 5—Spaghetti Dinner 5-7 p.m. |

Birthdays for January

| Date | Member | Saint |
|------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| 2 | Tim James | St. Adelard |
| 3 | Terrance E. Chmiel | St. Genevieve |
| 3 | Jon Fish | St. Daniel |
| 3 | Jeffrey Fullhart | St. Genevieve |
| 4 | Timothy Johnson | St. Hermer |
| 4 | Dan Wierzbicki | St. Elizabeth Ann Seton |
| 7 | Miguel Mendoza | St. Raymond |
| 7 | Michael Reverman | St Anastasius |
| 8 | Jesus Zagal | St. Basal |
| 9 | Robert Lowman | St. Adrian |
| 11 | Robert S. Schmidt | St. Paulinus |
| 12 | Joseph A. Bickel | St. Marguerite |
| 12 | Daniel Mauck | St.Tatiana |
| 13 | James DuBois | St. Elian |
| 16 | William A. Dolan | St. Fursey |
| 18 | Vincent DelPrete | St. Volusian |

| Date | Member | Saint |
|------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 19 | Rev. Kevin Bauman | St. Henry |
| 19 | Joseph O. Eppers | St. Fillian |
| 19 | Bernard Hartogh | St. Pontainus |
| 21 | Anthony J. Iemma | St. Alban Bartholomew |
| 22 | Andrew Hicks | St. Vincent |
| 22 | Thad Naquin | St. Birthwald |
| 23 | John Acosta | St. Ildephonsus |
| 23 | Nicholas Campanello | St. Abakah |
| 23 | Thomas Durham | St. Bernard |
| 23 | Brent Kulp | St. Ildephonsus |
| 23 | Rev. Jason Freiburger | St. Ormond |
| 27 | Leonardo Bumbaca | St. Marius |
| 27 | Dave Buzalski | St. Angela |
| 30 | Sherman W. Hansen | St. Matthias |
| 30 | Harry L. Palmer | St. Aldegundis |

Spiritual Growth Corner by George Kalil

As I sit down to write this column, I am not sure exactly what it will be about. I do know one thing for sure: I know how it will end. I will wish all of you a Merry Christmas, not a “Happy Holiday” or “Season’s Greetings.”

It is hard to believe that another year is coming to a close. The kids and grandkids are getting older, and I guess I have to admit, so am I. Another of my birthdays has past and I am another year closer to retirement. As we get to the end of the year, it is easy to think back on all of the things we wanted to accomplish but didn’t quite get done: the trip we were going to take that didn’t happen because the money was needed somewhere else; the 10 pounds we were going to lose and the promise to work out more regularly that turned into an extra 3 pounds by the end of the year; the goal to pray the Rosary every day that didn’t last until march; or the commitment to read the whole Bible that didn’t get past Leviticus. You all know what I mean, and it is different for all of us. So what does God and His Church do at the end of the year? He gives us Christmas, the birth of His Beloved Son, and a reason for Hope, Joy, and Peace. It doesn’t come at the beginning of the calendar year when we have all of these positive thoughts about what we are going to do but at the end, when we are looking back at what we tried to and intended to do but maybe failed to accomplish. It is His way of saying, “I know you tried, and I know you didn’t make it, but I will send you help. I will send you my Son.” Take this wonderful gift of Christmas and start your new year with Hope, Joy, and Peace. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you and all of your families!

I hope to see you at the 369th consecutive Rosary on Friday, January 3, 2014, , at 7:30 p.m. at St. Vincent’s. God bless.

The Pitfalls of Replacing Coverage

We all know the old adage, “The grass seems greener on the other side of the fence.” When it comes to replacing your existing Knights of Columbus life insurance with coverage offered by another company, the adage holds true. Perceptions are deceiving. A move to *the other side of the fence* might seem like a good one, but it can leave you with less *green* in your wallet — in some cases, a lot less. That’s why it pays to remember another old saying, “Read the fine print.”

There are many reasons to keep your existing coverage in force, whether that coverage is with the Knights of Columbus or with another company. I’ll focus on the potential pitfalls of replacing coverage here — pitfalls that an agent trying to convince you that the grass actually is greener might neglect to mention.

First, all life insurance contracts contain a *contestability period*, which allows the insurer to contest claims made for a period — typically two years — after the contract is issued. Chances are this is no longer an issue with your current coverage.

Second, it’s unlikely that you can obtain the same amount of coverage, for the same premium, that you were able to obtain with your existing contract. The two factors that determine how much you’ll need to pay for life insurance coverage are age and health. Certainly, you’re older now than you were when you took out your current coverage. There’s no way around that one. And you have to ask yourself, “Has my health changed during that time?” Is your blood pressure the same? Your cholesterol? Have you gained weight? All these factors can affect the amount of coverage you’ll get for your premium dollar.

If someone encourages you to replace — or worse, drop — your existing coverage, please call me. I’ll show you how your existing coverage is working for you and why replacement is rarely in your best interest.

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