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CHAPLAIN'S COUNSEL

Dear Brother Knights,

November is a special month of prayer. We begin with invoking the intercession of the saints and next we pray for the souls in purgatory. At the end of the month we stress thanksgiving to God for all the gifts he has given us. The Church offers us, through her saints, wonderful models of spirituality and faith. Here are some of their works which we might find beneficial:

- STORY OF A SOUL - Terese of Lisieux
- OF THE IMITATION OF CHRIST - Thomas a Kempis
- WAY OF PERFECTION - Teresa of Avila
- INTERIOR CASTLE - Teresa of Avila
- DARK NIGHT OF THE SOUL - John of the Cross
- INTRODUCTION TO THE DEVOUT LIFE - Francis de Sales
- THE SPIRITUAL EXERCISES - Ignatius Loyola
- THE PRACTICE OF THE PRESENCE OF GOD - Brother Lawrence
- CONFESSIONS - Augustine of Hippo
- CITY OF GOD - Augustine of Hippo
- THE CLOUD OF UNKNOWING - (Unknown)
- THE DIALOGUE - Catherine of Siena
- THE LIFE OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI - Bonaventure
- SHORTER SUMMA - Thomas Aquinas
- ASCENT OF MOUNT CARMEL - John of the Cross
- TREATISE ON THE LOVE OF GOD - Francis de Sales
- THE SECRET OF THE ROSARY - Louis de Montfort
- TRUE DEVOTION TO MARY - Louis de Montfort
- THE GLORIES OF MARY - Alphonsus Liguori
- THE PRACTICE OF THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST - Alphonsus Liguori

God bless you all!—*Father Joe Jenkins*

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Thanks to Andres Padilla and James Moore, our Tootsie Roll Campaign was a huge success at our four venues, two Safeways and two Giants. Andres Padilla, James Moore, Geony Provido, Bill Kaczor, Nino Forondo, Dick Mewshaw, Jerry Clark, Seth Doherty, Diego Dy-Cok, Alan Robinson, Mark Manapul, Mervyn Byer, Barry Hickey, Manny Lim, Jim Marosy, Ramon Evasco, Andy & Alex Padilla, George Johnson and yours truly volunteered nearly 100 hours. Many thanks go out to all who assisted in October and who will help in November.

The Columbus Day Ball was a wonderful event with a great turnout. It appeared there were over 800 brothers in attendance. The food was fantastic and the band was perfect for the occasion. I hope next year our Council can reserve an entire table.

There are important events coming up this month. I hope you support the Council on November 11 when we present a Flag Day promotion; on November 14 there is a prayer vigil outside the Waldorf Planned Parenthood offices from 8 AM to noon. Please come and pray with other Pro-Life supporters. Our Soccer shoot-out is scheduled for the 14th also. I hope we have a good turnout. Please remember those less fortunate and contribute whatever food you can to Holy Family's Food Drive and volunteer as delivery drivers or packagers in the Hall to help assemble food baskets.

Our Council is please to host a Third Degree ceremony at 7:30 PM on Friday February 26, 2010. Please mark this date and show your support for our council. Let's have a good turnout. If we meet our budget goals this year we may be able to wear our colors [jackets] next time.

The Council breathed a big sigh of relief and saw the power of prayer when Father Joe received good news from his cardiac catheterization on October 13.

I hope each activity director [Church, Council, Pro-Life, Community, Youth and Family] remembers to submit a recap of each activity within 24 hours of the conclusion of your activity so the newsletter and surge reports are less onerous to prepare.—*Terry Reinhart, GK*

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DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT

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I congratulate each council in the district that has recruited new members so far this fraternal year. You have gotten off to a great start. Keep up the good work. Remember to use the "Shining Armor" progress sheet to qualify all of your new members for the Shining Armor Pin. This has proven to be an excellent incentive for keeping your new members active, insuring that they complete their 2nd and 3rd degrees and increasing their participation in activities within the council.

I commend each council in the District for all the hard work and effort their members expended during October's "Tootsie Roll Drive." Helping God's Special People is one of the most publicly visible programs the Knights run and is certainly one most near and dear to every Knight's heart.

The Annual Maryland State Council Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, November 15, 2009 at St. Mary's Seminary, 5400 Roland Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21210. Mass begins at 3 PM. This annual State Memorial Mass provides us with an opportunity to recognize and pay homage to our brother Knights and their wives who passed away during the last year, whose hard work and dedication contributed so much to the great success of our councils here in the Maryland jurisdiction. Each council is asked to prepare a list of the names of all Brother Knights from their council, along with wives of brother Knights, who passed away since October 31, 2008. These brothers and ladies will be remembered and honored at the Memorial Mass. Please submit the list to: H Bernard Classon, 1304-H Scottsdale Drive, Bel Air, MD 21015-4949. There will be a Wine and Cheese reception immediately following the Mass. The cost of the reception is \$10 per person. All councils are urged to invite, offer transportation and cover the cost of the reception for the widows who will be attending from their councils.

Are you ready for a little "Shuffleboard", "Pool", "Poker" and much more? The District #6, Annual "Ed Walsh Shuffleboard and Pool Challenge" will be held on Friday, November 13th at Sacred Heart Council, starting promptly at 6:30 P.M. Bring the entire family. There will be fun, games, prizes, and food galore for one and all. The Contest of Champions will commence at 7 P.M.

Bob, Pat, and I wish you all a Happy, Healthy and Blessed Thanksgiving.

MEMBERSHIP

James Murry

Our Council is now up to 84 members. Good work men, keep up the good recruitment efforts!

We have the following birthdays in November: Hubert Salcedo, Fritz Ernest Esteban, Craig Hebron and Akinbode Akinola.

Spousal birthdays in November are as follows: Edith Obejero, Romana Manzano, Mary Hebron, Novilen Capadngan, Sheila Esteban and Justina Okereh,

We also had some November wedding anniversaries: Robert & Peg Worthington, Dave & Mary Jane Thomas and George & Bettie Johnson.

Father Michael C. Kidd Council #14455 has volunteered to host the Third Degree on Friday, February 26, 2010. The degree will start at 7:30 PM and run about 2 hours. The Council is expected to provide a meal for the Degree Team at 6:00 PM. It is also expected that we would provide something for the candidates after the exemplification. There is a \$100 fee which can be prorated among the District councils. The Degree Team will have all the equipment except for an American Flag. The Ceremonials Chairman Andrew C. Bauer, P.S.D. will send us a diagram for the ceremonial so that we can properly set things up. This is a great honor and another first for our Council.

See Calendar for pending degrees dates.

CHANCELLOR

James Murry

Prayers for the Sick & Distressed

November is a special month for praying on behalf of the dead. There are envelopes in Holy Family Church which we can fill out for deceased family members and friends. Remember to pray for the poor souls in Purgatory.

If you know of anyone who should be included in our prayers and Masses, please do not delay in contacting me. Brother Knight Edward Kopczak is getting to Mass but is still recuperating from a stroke. Theodore C. Haaser (Collington Nursing) should also be remembered. Our Advocate and co-chairman for Church Activities, John McInerney is still limping along. Father Jenkins our chaplain got a good report from his heart/artery procedure. He asks that we pray for his mother who can no longer speak. Manny Rodriguez has had a long hard struggle with illness, and is a candidate for our order. Please keep Father Levester Jones of St.

Joseph's Church and Fletcher Council in your prayers. He was rushed to the hospital on Sunday, October 25 with shortness of breath. The last report we heard was that he had pneumonia and fluid in the lungs. At the time of this writing, he was in Intensive Care at Doctor's Hospital.

Keep our sponsored vocation, Deacon Rodolfo Salinas in your daily prayer intentions, too.

Men's Discernment Dinner – If you are a single man in your 20's or 30's and a practicing Catholic, consider attending the annual Mass and dinner with Archbishop Wuerl for men open to the priesthood. We will meet on Sunday, Sunday, Nov. 8, 4 PM-7:30 PM at St. Peter Catholic Church, Washington, DC. Contact Msgr. Rob Panke, Vocations Director (see below).

Men's Vocation Retreat – Archbishop Wuerl is sponsoring a retreat at Theological College for men in their 20's-40's who are considering a call to the priesthood. It extends from Friday evening, Feb. 5 to Sunday, Feb. 7 at Noon. It is free. Contact Msgr. Rob Panke at 301-853-4580 or vocations@adw.org.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR/DGK

Geony Provido, DGK

Installation of officers, 2009

*Installation...*images of screws and wrenches, manuals, software programs and plug-in devices

sometimes I forget edifices are not always made of concrete sitting upon rock bellies, that they can be abstract creations and human

resolve can bind as strong as cement mortar as here an assembly of elected brothers prove-a human cross before the altar

renewing a vow of fraternity and service moving closer to the Eucharist as one by one names are called from the pulpit

spouses, sons and daughters proudly watch in silence, knowing that honor is a garnish to shared responsibilities

the jewels are blessed and from the silver tray ribbon wings take them to havens of acceptance under white sleeves

they'll nestle there in the year ahead when oaths now taken unzip into 'must-do's' and deadlines that will test

the limits of commitment ... but that will for later....now, at least, as worthies, the brothers deserve the canopy of crossed

swords at the reception hall where servings of pot roast make the requisite program last till nightfall.

CHURCH

John McInerney/Vincent Hubbard



Parish Lenten Outreach – Lent is the season that we are called to reflect on what the Gospel message means in our lives and how we put into action God's call to serve others. The Archdiocesan office for Evangelization will offer a workshop in three locations to help parishes reach out to their friends and family who have become inactive in the faith. Whether you want to do a presentation for the parish council or start a door-to-door campaign at your parish this workshop will provide you with the understanding and skills necessary to have a successful Lenten evangelization outreach at your parish. Topics to help prepare the parish included: the art of invitation and hospitality; the power of prayer; identifying the inactive and the searching; ideas for liturgical events; follow up ideas for parish outreach.

Knights and parishioners are invited to attend. Workshops will be offered from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM.

Nov. 7

St. Michael the Archangel/Williamsburg Room
805 Wayne Avenue Silver Spring, MD 20910

Nov. 14

St. Rose of Lima/Duggan Room
11701 Clopper Road Gaithersburg MD 20878

Nov. 21

St. John Vianney/Vianney Room
105 Vianney Lane, Prince Frederick, MD 20678

To register email mgutierrez@adw.org or call 301-853-5337.

Conversational Spanish for Parish Ministry – Education-Parish-Service (EPS) will present Conversational Spanish for Parish Ministry for English speakers who want to speak enough Spanish to be effective greeters, ministers to the homebound, bulletin editors and participants in bilingual liturgy and prayer. The course will be offered in two six-week sessions at

EPS on the campus of Trinity (Washington) University, 125 Michigan Ave., NE, Washington, DC. The fall introductory session runs days, Mondays, Oct. 19-Nov. 30, 10:00 a.m.-noon, and evenings, Wednesdays, Oct. 21-Dec. 2, 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. The winter session for students who have completed the introductory session will begin in mid-January. The course will be taught by Sr. Joan Mary Hill, SND, Trinity professor emeritus. EPS relies solely on donations and requests a donation of \$150 for each six-week session. To register, contact Ann Kitterman, 202-884-9030 or kittermana@trinitydc.edu or visit <http://eps.trinitydc.edu>.

National Black Catholic History Month – All are invited to attend a special Mass for National Black Catholic History Month on Sunday, November 8, 2009, 4:30 p.m. at St. Catherine Laboure Church, 11801 Claridge Rd., Wheaton, MD 20902. Fr. Patrick Smith, pastor of St. Augustine Church, will be the celebrant and homilist, joined by the internationally-renowned St. Augustine Gospel Choir. Although this is a special month for Black Catholics, this afternoon liturgy is for anyone who would like to attend and be ministered to through sung worship in the African American genre. Call 301-946-3636 for more information.

Barry Hickey & Run for Vocations Team – Congratulations to Barry for raising money and helping to bring attention to the cause of priestly vocations! Here is a copy of the message last month to members:

Dear Friends and Family:

Once again I am participating in the Marine Corps Marathon on October 25, 2009. I will be running the half-marathon and am asking for your help by way of donations.

I am a part of the Run for Vocations Team which uses the funds we collect support Catholic Vocations through the Archdiocese of Washington, DC. How will your donation help? The Archdiocese of Washington provides each seminarian with an education, housing and food. Yet, other unexpected expenses occur and that's where donations made in the name of the Run for Vocations Team come in. In the past, funds have covered seminarian medical costs, travel expenses in the event of a family emergency, spiritual opportunity such as participation in World Youth Day and more.

Thank you for your support and I ask for your continued prayers.

Sincerely—Barry Hickey

COMMUNITY

Andres Padilla

Veteran's Day Celebration – The Fr. Michael C. Kidd Council of the Knights of Columbus will commemorate the military service of our fellow Holy Family Church parishioners and their family members in a special ceremony on Wednesday, November 11, 2009 as part of a 7:30 PM Communion Service. (All priests, including our pastor will be at an Archdiocesan Convocation on the Eastern Shore.) We will thank our veterans for their sacrifice by reading each of their names aloud. Those who are present will rise and be recognized for their service. Cake and refreshments will be served in the hall after the ceremony. Forms will be available in the back of the church to nominate a veteran for recognition. This holiday presents the perfect opportunity to do something to help veterans, which make up a disproportionate number of the homeless in our nation. Parishioners are asked to bring used winter coats in good condition to be donated to a homeless organization in the Washington DC area. Let's show our gratitude to the veterans in the Holy Family Church community for their service to the nation by attending this special program.

Tootsie Roll Campaign – The Tootsie Roll campaign is in full swing. Over \$600 has been collected so far in three different locations. Many thanks to several brothers who have gladly given of their time to this important fundraising activity in support of intellectually challenged individuals in the local community. The campaign will continue at Holy Family with the weekend Masses on October 31 and November 1. The last planned collection will be on Saturday, November 7 at the Safeway store (12410 Fairwood Parkway) in Bowie. A signup sheet has been distributed via e-mail requesting brothers to participate after the Masses on the October 31/November 1 weekend and on November 7 at Safeway in 2-hour shifts between 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. You can also ask family and friends to help as well. There is no selling involved. The job is simple. All you have to do is stand outside holding a can to collect monetary donations that passersby will voluntarily make for this cause. In turn, you'll give away Tootsie Rolls as a token of appreciation. The previous campaign for the Intellectually Challenged was very successful. Last year, the council collected and donated over \$1,200 to The Arc of Prince George's County and the Kettering Middle School Community Reference Instruction Program to support programs for helping individuals with special needs. Thanks for your support.

SHARE – Brothers Kevin Renze, James Mewshaw , and Andres Padilla assisted in goods distribution at SHARE Food Warehouse in Hyattsville from 7:00 AM to 11:30 AM. SHARE is a self-help, non-profit food network made up of community partnerships. SHARE opened in the Washington metropolitan area in 1990 to serve residents in Maryland, Northern Virginia and the District of Columbia save money on groceries while helping the community through volunteer service.

The next service day at SHARE will be on Saturday November 21 during the hours of 7:00 – 11:30 AM. We'll gather in the church parking lot at 6:00 AM for pastries and coffee. To sign up, please contact Andres Padilla at 301-336-3524 or via e-mail (Padilla.A@verizon.net).

Thanksgiving Baskets – As it is a tradition at Holy Family, the Social Concerns committee collects non-perishable food items throughout the month of November to make baskets for distribution to poor families in our neighboring communities. Volunteers are needed to arrange the baskets and sign-up sheets are posted in the back of the church for drivers to deliver these baskets, usually the Sunday before Thanksgiving. Look for more details in the church bulletin during upcoming weeks.

Thanks for Giving Celebration – From the Archdiocese of Washington, Department of Charity and Justice: "Exploring *Caritas in Veritate* – Thoughts for Social Ministry Volunteers." Speaker: Sr. Katherine Feely, SND, Director, Education for Justice Project, Center of Concern. Saturday, November 7, 2009. Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 5001 Eastern Avenue, Hyattsville, MD 20782. Time: 10:00 AM to Noon. Further information and reservations: *Anthony Bosnick*, 301-853-5340. This is a cost-free event for attendees.

Fannie Mae 2009 Help the Homeless Walkathon – Saturday, November 21, 2009. National Mall, Washington, DC. Registration opens at 7:00 AM; Pre-Walkathon Program begins at 8:30 AM; Walkathon begins at 9:00 AM. Pre-Register Cost: Youth \$15; Adults \$25 (\$30 walk-ins). For further information:

Website Pre-Registration and Information:

www.helpthehomelessdc.org

Phone Contact

1-877-WALK HTH (877-925-5484)

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Lending a Hand for the Philippines – The floodwaters came in quickly. By early afternoon, most of Metro Manila was underwater. Hardest hit was Marikina City, after the river that bears its name broke off its banks and transformed streets into rivers. The spillways of the dams were likewise opened, adding a deluge of water to the torrential rains incessantly pouring.



Knowing that the disaster has affected large areas of Luzon, many of which have active Knights of Columbus councils, Fr. Michael C. Kidd Council unanimously approved a resolution donating \$500 for the flood relief effort. The resolution was approved during the last regular meeting of the Council held last October 4, 2009.

The \$500 contribution is to be taken out of the Council's share from the Redskins concession stands. Father Jenkins, our chaplain, offered to give the poor box collection on the weekend of October 24-25 to the relief effort. Poor box donations amounted to \$250.13.

A Council member, who is currently deployed by the military in the disaster area, sent this appraisal to members:

This is Robert Hartwell, I am currently deployed here in the Philippines. I was able to assist some families and provided some relief. Thousands of people have been affected by the floods. If you go to youtube.com, you can search on Philippine Typhoons to see the destruction and chaos. I contacted friends at different U.S bases and they will be sending clothes and relief goods/money addressed to me at the U.S. embassy so I

can distribute relief to the folks affected by this calamity. I tried to take pictures but could not get a chance because it got so hectic. Later, Brother Rob.

We decided to funnel money through Supreme and the Bishops' Conference in the Philippines. Others are making private donations.

Health Care Reform and our Catholic Faith -- Did you know that the Catholic Church is one of the largest private providers of health care services nationwide, including this area? As Congress debates health care reform, it is important to get the facts and to have a voice. This means encouraging legislation that reflects the needs we see daily in our Catholic hospitals and clinics, protects all life, expands affordable access and maintains existing conscience protections for health workers, among other moral and ethical principles.

Your voice is important at this critical time while legislation is being written. To get accurate information on health care reform from a Catholic perspective, visit www.usccb.org, the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. To receive legislative action alerts, sign up with the MD Catholic Conference

(www.mdcathcon.org/healthcarereform)

or DC Catholic Conference

(www.adw.org/service/dccc.asp),

Check the Catholic Standard and El Pregonero regularly for updates.

COUNCIL

Daniel Njineh

The 112th Annual Convention of the Maryland State Council, Knights of Columbus, will be held at the Princess Royale Oceanfront Resort, Ocean City, Maryland, the weekend of May 14, 15, & 16, 2010.

Reservations may be made beginning 9 AM on November 2, 2009.

Suite rates are as follows:

- Ocean View Suite \$114.00 per night
- Ocean Front Suite \$159.00 per night
- 2 Bedroom / 2 Bath Condo \$229.00 per night
- 3 Bedroom / 3 Bath Condo \$249.00 per night

(PLUS 10.5% TAX PER NIGHT)

Rates are based on single or double occupancy. Children under 17 years of age stay free in parents' room. Additional Adults will be charged \$15.00 per person.

Ocean View Suites have a view of the ocean but are not directly oceanfront. To request a room overlooking the atrium make sure you state that you want a "POOL VIEW" room.

To make reservations Call 1-800-476-9253, identify yourself as a Knight of Columbus attending the convention in May 2009, you will then receive the above rates. A credit card will be necessary to reserve your room and they will charge the first night including all taxes to your card. Be sure to examine the confirmation very carefully to avoid any confusion when you arrive. If you don't receive a confirmation, call the Princess to follow up.

Reservation attempts made prior to 9 AM November 2, 2009 will not be honored.

All reservations at the Princess Royale must be made by APRIL 15, 2010.

Late reservations will be charged the prevailing rates normal for that time of year.

Bowling in Autumn – The chill may be creeping in, but there is no stopping the Council from writing a sequel to its highly successful inaugural summer sports fest. This autumn the Council will be holding its Bowling Tournament. This tournament is expected to be attended by not just the Knights but also their family members as well. A gold trophy is at stake for Highest Individual Pinfalls, In addition the winner will bear the title Best Bowler of the year which he will relinquish during next year Bowling tournament. Another one for next year? Yes, our sports fest is in for a long haul, so tighten those belts and get that early morning exercise!

Remember, a drop of sweat a day, keeps the doctor at bay. Or so we believe.

FedEx Concession Stand Update – Football season has long been underway. We have also seen a couple of full house concerts, one by Sir Paul McCartney and the other by U2.. The last of the training sessions for concession stand workers was held in the month of October. Thanks to the members who participated in the trainings. Thanks especially to those who had worked in the concession stands for one or several events.

Our guys are encouraged by Fedex Concession Stand Team Leader Kevin Renze to commit in advance to any particular game schedule they prefer to volunteer. This would help ensure adequate coverage in any one game. Hereunder are the remaining games of the season:

- Nov 15 Denver 1:00 PM Sunday
- Dec 06 New Orleans 1:00 PM Sunday
- Dec 21 NY Giants 8:30 PM Monday
- Dec 27 Dallas 8:20 PM Sunday

FAMILY

Barry Hickey

Family of the Month – The family for September is that of our Chancellor, James Murry. Congratulations!

Marriage Encounter – Prepare for Advent by reenergizing your marital relationship. Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. It will be on November 6-8, 2009 in Rockville, MD. Register now! These weekends fill quickly. Download a registration form at <http://dc.wmme.org>, call 410-414-9667 or e-mail gordon4514@aol.com.

A Catholic Perspective on Overcoming Infertility – Dr. John Bruchalski, founder of the Tepeyac Family Center, will address ways to overcome infertility using effective medical means supported by Church teaching. The talk and discussion of an ongoing support group will be held Saturday, November 21, 10:00 AM-Noon at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 5001 Eastern Ave., Hyattsville, MD 20782. For more information or to register, please contact the Archdiocesan Office of Family Life at flm@adw.org or 301-853-5337.

Retrouvaille – A Lifeline for Marriage - Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) - helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It offers the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. This program has helped thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulty. For more (confidential) information or to register for a program contact 301-468-6764 or 410-647-0350, TomnCarol@comcast.net or visit at www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

Retreat for Children from Separated and Divorced Families – A one-day healing retreat for children (in grades 3-8) from separated and divorced families will be held Saturday, November 7 at Saint Elizabeth School in Rockville. It will include small group discussions, individual reflection and fun activities. Registration is required. Contact the Archdiocesan Office of Family Life at flm@adw.org or 301-853-5337.

Marriage Matters But Do You Know Why?

Find out what the Catholic Church teaches about marriage and why it's important, including articles addressing marriage, scriptural passages and reflections on marriage and family life, marriage preparation information, resources for enriching your marriage and more. The Archdiocese of Washington's educational initiative called Marriage Matters is online at www.MarriageMattersDC.org.

Halloween Party – Many thanks to those who helped with the party for kids and their families. Here is a message from our faithful lady, Peg Marosy:

Sorry the party didn't have a good turnout. Hope the ones that came had a good time. When I'm in the kitchen, I miss all that's going on in the hall.

God bless my helpers— Joan Kaczor, Connie Hugya, Mary Jane Thomas and Kevin Renze. Jim Murry helped for a little while, then he went to the wedding. (Our own Perry Concepcion married off his daughter Mary Grace that Saturday!) Kevin Renze gets a gold star. I think he helped with everything— kitchen and hall. Moe (Jim Marosy), my Knight in shining armor, wore himself out serving and getting the hall cleaned up. I think Bill Kaczor and Dick Mewshaw helped with clean up and Dick did double duty and helped serve along with Moe and my sister. I don't know who else helped out in the hall and Moe doesn't remember too many names.

Love, Peggy

YOUTH

Ramon Evasco

The District SIX Soccer Shootout Finals will be on Sat., Oct. 31, 2009 from 10 AM-Noon at Mother Seton Council 5381, St. Matthias Church and School located at 9475 Annapolis Road, Lanham, Maryland 20706.

Young Adult Works of Mercy – Each month, young adults from the Archdiocese of Washington come together to serve those in need. Join us for a morning of service at the Missionaries of Charity on Sunday, November 8, 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. at 3310 Wheeler Rd. SE, Washington, DC. Volunteers will help prepare and serve meals for the homeless and coordinate clean up. Experience the joy of serving others and the beautiful charism of Mother Teresa's nuns. Afterwards, we will meet in downtown DC for lunch and fellowship. Parking is available at the Missionaries of Charity. For more information on archdiocesan and parish young adult opportunities, e-mail Laura Ferstl at yam@adw.org.

PRO-LIFE

Paul Batson

House Democrats Likely Won't Allow Vote to Cut Abortion from Health Care Bill

It appears House Democrats will likely not allow a vote on an amendment that would strip abortion funding from HR 3200, the legislation that will meld the three health care "reform" bills into one. Although a coalition of pro-life Democrats is hoping for a vote, it appears none is forthcoming.



Rep. Bart Stupak, a pro-life Democrat from Michigan, has been leading the way in an attempt to get an amendment that would remove the massive abortion funding and subsidies from the bill.

Should the House Rules Committee and House Democratic leaders follow through on this and not allow a vote, it will be the second time pro-life advocates have been denied a vote on an amendment to stop taxpayer-financed abortions.

In June, they prevented a vote on an amendment from Rep. Chris Smith to limit President Barack Obama's international abortion agenda.

In August, pro-abortion Rep. Louise Slaughter, who chairs the House Rules Committee, said there would not likely be an allowance for the Stupak amendment on the floor. A House panel defeated Stupak's first attempt to limit abortion funding.

ACTION:

Contact Rep. Louise Slaughter on her webpage:

<http://www.louise.house.gov/>.

Go to the following webpage for members of the House rules Committee and ask them to allow a vote on the Stupak-Pitts amendment to stop abortion funding in health care:

http://www.rules.house.gov/rules_members.htm

You can also call any member of Congress at 202-224-3121.

US Bishops: Current Health Bills Violate Core Values; Will Oppose Them If They

Three chairmen of the US bishops' committees working for health care legislation have urged Congress to improve current proposals, expressing their "disappointment that progress has not been made on the three priority criteria for health care reform" that they cited in previous letters.

The October 8 message from Bishop William Murphy, Justin Cardinal Rigali and Bishop John Wester reiterated the bishops' main concerns: that no one should be forced to pay for or take part in an abortion, that health care should be affordable and available to the poor and vulnerable, and that the needs of legal immigrants would be met.

The prelates chair the US bishops' committees on Domestic Justice and Human Development, Pro-Life Activities and Immigration, respectively. The bishops reaffirmed their commitment to working with Congress and the White House for genuine health care changes, but stated, "If final legislation does not meet our principles, we will have no choice but to oppose the bill".

"We sincerely hope that the legislation will not fall short of our criteria", they wrote. "However, we remain apprehensive when amendments protecting freedom of conscience and ensuring no taxpayer money for abortion are defeated in committee votes".

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has advocated health care changes for decades. USCCB.

I am 71 Percent at the White House – Oct. 31!

<http://iam71.org>

Are you one of the 71 percent of Americans who doesn't want to pay for abortions? Do you live in the D.C. area or will you be here on October 31st? If your answer to either is yes, then you need to join us in a human I Am 71 display in front of the White House!

On October 31st at 11:30 AM, Pro-Life Unity will be joining Operation Rescue, the Christian Defense Coalition and others in an "I AM 71 Percent" human display in front of the White House in Washington D.C.. People will lie down on the ground in the shape of the

number 71, signifying the percentage of Americans who refuse to pay for taxpayer funded abortions.

If you want to join this public, visible message to President Obama and America then fill out the form now to let us know!

Sheltering/Hosting Pro-Life Marchers – Although plans are still tentative, we are in communication with Meredith Riley who is coordinating the March for Life for Marian University in Indianapolis. They are looking for a place to sleep for the night prior to the January march. Dr. Kevin Schemenauer (married to our former DRE Fran) recommended them to us. They usually have a full charter buss of students from Marian and a few from Purdue and Butler Universities.

We informed her that we have a parish hall that holds upwards of 300 people; that it has a full kitchen; and 2 separate bathrooms (3 stalls+ in each). However, we explained, it does not have any type of shower facility.

We told her that we would be happy to host her group and have suggested that the Knights might make arrangements to provide them with breakfast the morning of the march and maybe dinner upon their return. If it works out, more details will follow.

Youth Rally and Mass for Life: Jan. 22, 2010

The Department of Life Issues already has begun planning for the 2010 Youth Rally and Mass for Life at the Verizon Center and would like to alert you to some very important changes.

Parishes and school groups should be aware that, unlike previous years, this year's event will be ticketed. Groups from the Archdiocese of Washington will be able to begin registering for seats on November 2, while outside groups may begin two weeks later. More information about how to register has been mailed to your parish. Please get this information to your group leaders so they can begin gathering their youth for this outstanding event! For more information, please contact Michelle Carper at 301-853-4555 or mcarper@adw.org.

NEWS FROM SUPREME *Supreme Knight Karl A. Anderson*

Knights Mobilize to Help Flood Victims – The Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus has sent an emergency donation of \$50,000 to the Philippines to help in efforts to recover from record flooding caused by Tropical Storm Ketsana (known locally as Typhoon Ondoy).

At least 140 people died in flooding in the capital of Manila, where more than 80 percent of the city was under water at the height of the storm, which affected 27 provinces in seven regions of the country. Hundreds of thousands have been displaced, and are without electricity or clean drinking water.

State and local councils are encouraged to contribute money for Philippine disaster relief as well. The Supreme Council will forward the funds to the Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines (CBCP), which is coordinating Catholic relief efforts. There are more than 250,000 Knights in the Philippines, nearly all of whom have been adversely affected by the flooding. The president of the Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines, Archbishop Angel Lagdameo, issued a statement Sept. 29 that expressed his "profound gratitude to the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council and the U.S. Bishops' Conference - Catholic Relief Services. They were among the first to respond."

STATE COUNCIL REPORT

State Deputy Richard V. Siejack

The Maryland Catholic Conference led by our Bishops is once again seeking our help in support of "The Church's Voice in the Public Square." We are asked to support our Pastors and Parishes as we participate in the In-Pew Registration Drive between mid-September and late October. This drive will ask Parishioners to join the Catholic Advocacy Network by providing their name, address, phone and email address, and parish/school information. This will allow the M.C.C. to build a larger data base as well as send e-mail alerts on Four Key Issues and Legislative Positions.

I ask you to avail yourself to your Pastors to help facilitate and support them in any way you can. Remember, this is The Year for our Priests! In addition, as part of the outreach to Parishes located in districts of key legislators, M.C.C. is asking Pastors to identify at least two or three Parishioners who can be effective in meeting personally with legislators and communicating with them on issues of importance to the Catholic Community. If you believe you qualify, please don't hesitate to make yourself available to your Pastor. A special thank you for your role and participation in spreading the Gospel message on these Moral and Pro-Life activities as we promote "The Culture of Life."

FRATERNAL BENEFITS

Roger L. Doucette, PGK

John Canter

There are many fine life insurance companies in the marketplace today. So why should you entrust your life insurance needs, and those of your family, to the Knights of Columbus?

In their rating report on the Knights of Columbus, Standard & Poor's states that it's 'AAA' rating is based on the following strengths: extremely strong capital, very strong competitive position, extremely strong liquidity and historically strong profitability.

I would suggest that a principal reason that we were able to achieve those accolades, along with what S&P described as 'a distinct competitive advantage, a loyal customer base and a unique rapport with clients' is because we remain steadfastly committed to the vision of Father Michael J. McGivney, 'Protecting Families for Generations' by means of 'life insurance by brother Knights for brother Knights.'

That commitment is an essential core value of the Knights of Columbus, and our core values permeate all levels of our marketing program. Our 'Marketing Code of Ethics' is modeled after the Ten Commandments and includes statements such as 'Thou shall present honestly and accurately, all facts necessary to enable a member to make an informed decision.'

Our ethical principles for marketing are summed up by our Golden Rule: 'In all my professional relationships, I pledge myself to the following rule of conduct: I shall, in light of all conditions surrounding those I serve, render that service which, under the same circumstances, I would apply to myself.'

That's what you can expect from me, your professional Knights of Columbus field agent. I welcome the opportunity to present to you and your wife, honestly and accurately, all facts necessary for you to make a sound life insurance decision. I will render that service which, under the same circumstances, I would apply to myself. Call me – let's talk.—RD

CHAPTER NEWS

The next meeting of the Bishop McNamara Chapter will be on November 18 at Prince Georges Council #4076 in College Park, MD. We will have our Memorial Mass & Silent Auction.

FOURTH DEGREE

The Bishop Walsh Assembly invited our local priests and chaplains to the 39th Anniversary Dinner with the theme of honoring OUR PRIESTS. Tickets were sent out to the Grand Knights for purchase my members. The dinner was held on Sunday, October 25, 2009 from 3:00 to 6:00 PM at Sarto Hall, 3611 Steward Road, Forestville, MD. The event featured a premium open bar, a deluxe dinner, and relaxing music. The cost of the Dinner was \$15 per person, \$25 per couple and \$30 immediate family of 3 or more members.

The Faithful Friar spoke for our many priests in saying that they were very appreciative of the support given to priests from the Knights. He also reminded everyone that vocations are strong when marriages and families are healthy and happy. One vocation of love fuels the other. Father Levester Jones, pastor of St. Joseph in Largo, MD, was supposed to attend, but was rushed that morning to Doctor's Hospital. All were asked to pray for his swift recovery. Msgr. Richard Hughes came from the anniversary dinner celebrating his brother's ordination as a priest. He wanted to make an appearance because of his appreciation and respect for the Knights. October 25 was celebrated throughout the United States as PRIEST SUNDAY. This is the special YEAR OF THE PRIEST, declared by Pope Benedict XVI. The dinner featured magic, comedy, music, and of course, speeches and prayer. State Secretary Peter Davio was our guest speaker. The evening ended with the Prayer for Priests circulated by the Knights of Columbus.

Members from Father Kidd Council in attendance included Terry Reinhart, GK, Geony Provideo, DGK, James Murry, Chancellor, and Gorge Johnson, PGK.

Get Your Signature Apparel! – The Bishop Walsh Assembly is encouraging all 4tyh degree knights to buy either short-sleeve and long-sleeve shirts with the Bishop Wash Assembly logo on it, The members pay extra if they want their names embroidered on it. This project is a fund raising drive of the Assembly. For details please contact Faithful Navigator Harold Sanders or Faithful Captain Robert Sistare.



LADIES AUXILIARY

The call is going to the women of Holy Family Parish and all the wives, girlfriends, sisters or daughters of Knights of Columbus members!

Consider joining the Ladies Auxiliary of the Father Michael C. Kidd Knights of Columbus Council here at Holy Family Church.

This will be a special opportunity for you to work with other women in the Church and to support a strong Catholic fraternal organization.

Join us and say that you were there at the start. This will be our first year!

Ladies Auxiliaries support the Knights but also have their own activities. They can also win awards at the annual convention in Ocean City. Traditional Auxiliaries meet once a month, officers are installed and there is something small in the way of dues.

Posts usually include:

- President
- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Recording Secretary

For additional information contact Bettie Johnson (301) 249-9520, Geneva Murry (301) 925-2122 or K of C Council Director Geony Provideo (240) 441-2673.

The State is putting together the Directory for the Ladies Auxiliaries for the 2009-2010 fraternal year. Pat Padgett must be contacted as soon as possible at

ejp-pjp@att.net or 12850 Owens Drive, Waldorf, MD 20602-3000.



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November 2009

- 01 All Saints Day – Tootsie Roll Campaign after Masses
- 02 All Souls Day
- 02 Council Business Meeting 7:30 PM
- 06-08 State Retreat TBD
- 07 First Saturday Eucharistic Adoration 9:30-5 PM
- 07 Tootsie Roll Effort at Safeway in Bowie
- 09 Walsh Assembly Meeting at SPX at 8 PM
- 11 Veteran's Day 7:30 PM Prayer Service – Flag Promotion
- 13 District #6 Shuffleboard & Pool Challenge at SH Council 6:30 PM
- 15 Family of the Month Due (September)
- 15 Washington Redskins Concessions/Broncos
- 15 State Memorial Mass at St Mary's Seminary, Baltimore 3 PM
- 16 Council Social Meeting 7:30 PM
- 18 McNamara Chapter at PG Council, College Park 8 PM
- 19 First Degree at Fletcher Council, Largo 7:30 PM
- 21 SHARE 7 AM-11:30 AM
- 25 Council & Parish Memorial Mass 7:30 PM
- 25 Executive Meeting 8 PM
- 26 Thanksgiving Day 10:00 AM Mass

December 2009

- 01 First Degree at Mother Seton Council, Lanham 8 PM
- 05 First Saturday Eucharistic Adoration 9:30-5 PM
- 06 Washington Redskins Concessions/Saints
- 07 Council Business Meeting 7:30 PM
- 08 Feast of the Immaculate Conception
- 12 Lunch with Santa 11 AM-2 PM
- 12 State Christmas Party at Card Gibbons, Baltimore 6-11 PM
- 14 Walsh Assembly Meeting at SPX at 8 PM
- 15 Family of the Month Due (November)
- 15 Simbang Gabi Masses Begin
- 20 McNamara Christmas Party at SPX, Forestville 8 PM
- 21 Council Social Meeting 7:30 PM
- 21 Washington Redskins Concessions/Giants
- 23 Simbang Gabi Masses End (reception in hall)
- 23 Executive Meeting (after Mass)
- 25 Christmas
- 27 Feast of the Holy Family
- 27 Washington Redskins Concessions/Cowboys
- 31 Vigil for Mother of God 7:30 PM