

KNIGHTLY NEWS

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Grand Knight's Message

Brothers

Many of you may have already heard, our Grand Knight Brother Bob Perrault, had a serious horse riding accident on Father's Day (also his 43rd wedding anniversary!). At this writing, he is still in Marion Hospital recovering from ten broken ribs and internal injuries. I visited with him June 24, along with other brothers and was most happy to find him in good spirits! Brother Bob asked me to pass on his heartfelt thanks for all the prayers, cards, and good wishes! He asked me to write this last article for Knightly News. He sends out his sincere thanks and appreciation for our 2014-2015 year under his leadership as our Grand Knight; an amazing year full of accomplishments and charitable contributions!

Bob, you have proven to be a most worthy and successful Grand Knight! We all salute you for a job well done & pray you will be back with us soon!! Please continue to remember him and his family in your daily prayers. We will provide updates to his progress in Knightly News!

Scholarships are coming up soon so remember to support our local students! All knights are still selling \$1 tickets for our K of C Raffle with prizes of two quarters of beef, a pick up load of Red Oak, and \$100 of groceries, all going to support our local scholarships! We are also sponsoring a Motorcycle Run on July 18, 2015 for our scholarship fund! Please spread the word to any and all riders/clubs you may know, and come out to eat our delicious Tri-tip sandwiches for lunch!

As Knights, we have all promised to serve our Lord and Savior. We are still in need of 2015-2016 officers, and I ask you to pray about this need, and sincerely ask God if this is in His plans for you! Brother Bob's recent accident is a reminder that each of us need to be ready to step up and be there for our fellow brothers. I truly look forward to serving you all, and pray I will be a worthy Grand Knight beginning with our upcoming Installation. I humbly ask for your help, so please be encouraged to share any ideas, positive input, & constructive criticism as well! It is only with your help, your hard work and dedication, along with the grace of God, that our lodge will continue to be a blessing in our parish & community!

Yours in Christ, Mel Ormonde, Deputy Grand Knight

Visit the website at:

www.stpaulspismobeach. com/knights





Don't forget about our Dinner Social the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

REMINDER TO JOIN US ON JULY 15:

Rosary will be recited at 6:45 p.m. before General Assembly Meetings.



District Deputy Message

Brothers,

I congratulate your elected officers for the new Columbian year. Welcome them and give your full support for a successful year. Thank you to outgoing officers for a job well done.

Next is the appointment of service personnel. Several of you will continue in the various programs. Consider being a chairman for one of the committees or at least a member of the committee. You are valuable to your council and your input and participation welcomed.

Installation of officers will be happening soon. I welcome all members and their families to attend this ceremony.

I'm Looking forward to another year. I sincerely enjoyed the last. Vivat Jesus - Dan Anderson DD 58



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE BY JULY 3

We are currently accepting applications for scholarship awards. The awards will be announced at the Annual Parish Picnic: August 9th. Applications and instructions can be downloaded via the Knights online newsletter via the parish bulletin:

http://www.stpaulspismobeach.com/kcalendar.html
If you have questions, please contact Brother Jason Walsh (805-556-8377) or jmatt.walsh@gmail.com



JULY			
3 rd	Scholarship Applications/Attachments Due		
8th	Dinner Social – 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM		
15 th	Officer's Meeting – 6:00 PM to 6:45 PM		
	Rosary - 6:45 PM to 7:00 PM		
	General Assembly Meeting – 7:00 PM		
18th	Motorcycle Rally / BBQ-This is a ride around the county. Mel		
	Ormonde is chair of the event. Posters are out.		
31st	People's Kitchen – 8:00AM - Noon		
AUGUST			
9th	Parish Picnic – Strother Park – Scholarships Announced		
12th	Dinner Social – 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM		
19th	Officer's Meeting – 6:00 PM to 6:45 PM		
	Rosary - 6:45 PM to 7:00 PM		
	General Assembly Meeting – 7:00 PM		
28th	People's Kitchen – 8:00AM - Noon		

COLUMBIA CORNER

With this month's cover of three Sisters (in full habits) on a boogie board, Columbia Magazine continues to connect us with Knights around the world. Be sure to read (and pray) for "Charity in the Land of the New Martyrs." The first sentence says it all:

"Since the Knights of Columbus Christian Relief Fund launched in August 2014 to those suffering persecution in Iraq and Syria, anti-Christian violence in the region has reached unimaginable dimensions."

The suffering and persecution of Christians is beyond belief. It would be difficult to find this information in the popular press.

KNIGHTS are never at a loss to help. Read this month as they are always having dinners (often spaghetti), luaus, processions, work days, constructing, repairing and remodeling (sometimes after destructing), planting trees and bushes, sponsoring bingo events, bike rides, buying statues, Bibles, furniture, (and installing) signs, hauling away trash, painting, washing cars, pouring concrete,

DAN ANDERSON, District Deputy, received an award at last month's State Convention as every Council in our District participated in the annual Intellectual Disability Drive distributing Tootsie Rolls.

Council Officers 2015-2016

Grand Knight Mel Ormonde

Chaplain Fr. Alphonse Van Guilder

Dep. Grand Knight

Financial Secretary Joe Rouleau Chancellor Jason Walsh Recorder Tom Anderson Warden Andy Nunez Treasurer Frank Mackie Advocate Daniel Beck, Jr. Inside Guard Joe Hidalgo Outside Guard Rick Surbeck Trustee 3 yr Dan Anderson Wayne Toscas Trustee 2 yr Trustee 1 yr Fausto Regusci Lector Gary Benevedo



Fr. Michael McGivney

WHAT'S UP???

We want to hear from you to join in celebrating memorable moments in your life: have an anniversary? a newcomer into your family? win the lottery? Someone graduate from school (a grandchild, great-grand, great-great grand!!)? Deadline for the next month's newsletter is the 25th. LET'S HEAR FROM EVERYONE!! Send to kofcjac@gmail.com

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

United States of America: July 4

Mendoza, Roberto C: July 25 Moreno, Ricardo V: July 1 Reed, Robert A: July 10 Regusci, Fausto P: July 3 Shiffrar, Leo J: July 19 Souza, Jeff A: July 9 Stanavige, William L: July 5 Valine Christopher D: July 17 Villalba, David B: July 31



LIBRARY

St. Paul's has a very nice collection of books in the rear of the Hall. We'd like to hear about some you've read. Here's one worth the read:

Walsh, Jason M: July 16

The Art of Praying - By Msgr. Romano Guardino

Are you recollected enough for productive prayer? (What does that word mean anyway?) Msgr. Guardino provides some splendid answers in this short "nuts and bolts" book originally written in German in the 1950s but as contemporary as any written today.

How and when to pray? How to think about God? How to deal with the contradictions in prayer and many other questions are artfully, spiritually and practically addressed. The nearness and remoteness, the simplicity and incomprehensible, the spontaneous and the repetitiveness, the contrition, adoration, and thanksgiving aspects of prayer are presented in beautiful, well-written prose. A book written for Christians of a wide variety of personalities, opinions, experiences, needs and stages of life by a great theologian.



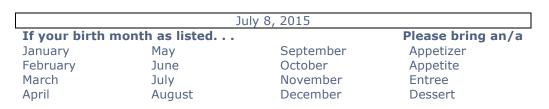
The latest newsletter from the Guild announces a new addition to the Pontifical North American College in Rome includes a new stained glass window dedicated to the Venerable Michael McGivney. His is one of two dedicated to an American priest. The other is for Venerable Fulton J. Sheen. The Knights have been consistent supporters of College scholarships.



More information: fathermcgivney.org

Potluck" Social Schedule

Held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Dates may be changed to accommodate special events when required. Please come a little early to help set up and stay afterwards to help clean up.



August 12, 2015				
If your birth	Please bring an/a			
January	May	September	Appetite	
February	June	October	Entree	
March	July	November	Dessert	
April	August	December	Appetizer	

Saints of the Month

Saints inspire us on our adventure. Here are a few we celebrate in July:

<u>July 1</u>: Blessed (soon to be Saint) Junipero Serra: A Franciscan friar who is detailed in the April issue of Columbia magazine. Be sure to obtain a prayer card that praises our Gracious Father: "We thank you for the exemplary life, missionary zeal and loving kindness of your servant, Father Junipero Serra."

<u>July 6</u>: Saint Maria Goretti: murdered at 12 years old, Maria is considered a martyr because she not only fought against her assailant's attempts at sexual assault but forgave her attacker who repented and attended her canonization. She is the patroness of youth and for the victims of rape.

<u>July 7</u>: Blessed Ralph Milner: an English convert and martyr who was arrested the day he received his First Communion. He was executed by being hanged, drawn, and quartered for giving assistance to Blessed Roger Dickenson. He was beatified in 1929.

<u>July 15</u>: St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (1221-1274): nearby Ventura and the last mission founded by Blessed Serra remembers this great Franciscan saint. Known as "the seraphic doctor," he is one of only 36 Doctors of the Church. This exclusive honor goes to men and women of renowned holiness and contributions to the teachings of the Church.

July 29: St. Martha who with her sister, Mary, and their brother, Lazarus, were close friends of Jesus. He came to their home simply as a welcomed guest, and the sisters felt free to call on Jesus at their brother's death. One of the most famous of Bible passages was her complaint that she was preparing the meal and doing all the work and Mary wasn't helping. Of course, Jesus had the perfect answer throughout his ministry: "seek first the kingdom [of God] and his righteousness."



HELP!

HELP!! In the vestibule of the church, under the cabinet to the right, parishioners place nonperishable food items for the Five Cities Food Bank. Every Monday, donations are delivered to Santa Maria to replenish the pantry. Please consider leaving some nonperishable items.



IMAGINE the good if every Knight left just 1 item every week!!

In accord

with Pope Francis' latest encyclical Laudato Si (Praise Be To You) that addresses the earth and its environment in a profound document, remember: "We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors, we borrow it from

our children."

Knights Care

IN 2014.....

The Knights of Columbus set a new all-time record for giving, for the 15th consecutive year:

***** \$173,550,680 in donations and

***** 71.5 million hours plus of service.

This is more than a 1,000,000 hours over the 2013 and is an average of EACH member donating one work week!

Major donations (among many):

- \$1.4 million to support athletes of this summer's Special Olympics World Games
- A unique initiative is the Christian Refugee Relief Fund which has contributed \$2.6 million for humanitarian assistance to those suffering persecution and dislocation in Iraq and the surrounding region. Knights support various efforts to provide a little relief.
- \$200,000 each to the Byzantine and Latin Rite Catholic communities of war-torn Ukraine for humanitarian relief, feeding and aiding homeless children and refugees.
- Other programs include the Black Friday Coats for Kids event, Food for Families and blood drives. Knights also gave assistance to such organizations as Habitat for Humanity and the American Wheelchair Mission.

During the past decade the Knights have donated nearly \$1.55 billion to charity and 691 million hours of volunteer service in support of charitable initiatives.

AT THE MEETING

During June's Council meeting, Fr. Alphonse expressed his appreciation for the nomination and award at last month's State Convention of the Father Perez Award. He also spoke of the continued secular incursions into American life and the obligation to resist seeming to agree with gross violations of Catholic beliefs. While there is an obligation to always pray for and accept every sinner, this does not include accepting the sin. His recommendation was not to argue but say simply: "My religious beliefs are not in concert" with whatever is being said or proposed.



Your Shield of Strength

As the economy begins to shake off a half-decade of turbulent times, the Knights of Columbus is celebrating 14 consecutive years of insurance business growth.

We've weathered the storm when others haven't, because it's not our first. We've weathered the storm when others couldn't, because we know how to navigate. We've weathered the storm when others made costly mistakes, because we don't take on unnecessary risk. Our strength is undeniable. More members than ever before see it, and are using our shield to protect their families. Are you?

If you need life insurance – and chances are you do – why would you look anywhere else? Let us be your shield. Did you know that the Knights of Columbus is one of the largest life insurers in North America?

The Knights has surpassed \$96 billion of insurance in force, and is a member of the Fortune 1000 and consistently earns the highest possible ratings for its ethical business practices and sound investment strategies? A.M. Best, a global leader in the rating and analysis of insurance companies, has given the Knights of Columbus their highest financial strength rating (A++, Superior) for 39 consecutive years. There is simply no more highly rated insurance company in North American than your Knights of Columbus. And, last year, the Knights of Columbus was named a "World's Most Ethical Company" by the Ethisphere Institute.

Did you know that providing financial benefits for members was the reason that Venerable Father Michael McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus? Our founding charter from 1882 makes it clear, the Knights' primary goal is "to render financial aid to its members and the beneficiaries of members."

Did you know that the Knights of Columbus offers a full, top-quality product line of life insurance, disability income insurance, long-term care insurance, and retirement annuities? We have products and solutions to fit your family's needs and budgets.

Did you know that there are a number of products and services that you may be eligible for, just for being a Knight? Whether it's our family fraternal benefits program, our survivor benefits, or our Personal Planning workbook, there are a lot of ways that the Knights of Columbus Insurance program can benefit you and your family.

There might be quite a bit that you don't know about Knights of Columbus Insurance and about the fraternal and financial benefits of your membership. Join the hundreds of thousands of your brother knights who use our shield as their protection.

I am available to provide a complementary, comprehensive analysis to assess your situation.

Contact me today to find out more.

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