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Grand Knight's Message



Dear Brother Knights, Family Members,
and Honored Clergy,

Over the holiday break, I've begun reading a book that was given to me by our Worthy District Deputy, Dick D'Auteuil, titled "Rediscover Catholicism" by Matthew Kelly. Having only read the Part One (Chapters 1 – 5) up to this point, I'm finding that this is certainly a worthwhile read. The first part clearly defines the clash between our church and the prevalent culture.

The book points out three prevailing philosophies totally permeating our culture today. 1) Individualism, 2) Hedonism, and 3) Minimalism. All of these are in

dichotomy with the self-giving, sacrificial love that Jesus and His church has constantly been teaching us in over two millennium.

Individualism – This is basically summed up by the statement "What's in it for me?" We have a culture that puts the individual's wants/desires/rights over the good of the rest of society. Now special interest groups have hoisted upon us such things as the re-definition of "marriage", the removal of Christian objects, phrases, etc. from public view simply because a minority are offended or deemed that it is in the few's best interest that the rest of the majority change their views. All of this in the name of "freedom" - this false notion that anyone can do what they, whenever they want, irregardless of who is offended or gets hurt. The fruits of this philosophy are greed, selfishness, and exploitation, which are the exact opposite of the charity (agape) that Jesus preaches.

Hedonism – The statement "If it feels good, do it!" captures this philosophy. It's ultimate goal is pleasure. Unfortunately when pleasure is the end, everything/everyone else is THE means –

including those close to you, who are simply being used to get that to that end. The ideology only promotes lust, laziness, and gluttony. It is a sure path to the enslavement to addictions and cravings eventually leading to despair. Unfortunately, our culture has been very successful in misleading everyone that achieving pleasure, however temporary, equates to “happiness”.

Minimalism - “What is the least I can do?” sums up this idea. Someone with this philosophy is always looking for the least effort that produces the maximum reward. This way of thinking is the enemy of being the best that we can be and eventually leads to mediocrity.

If our society continues on this path of following these philosophies, we will simply be repeating history and marching our society, and our church, into destruction and oblivion. These are not new ideas or ways of thought. Due to our tendencies, brought on by Original Sin, it is our constant struggle to overcome these today, as other Christians have fought to conquer them in times past.

What is the answer? Jesus. And the laity taking a forceful role in authentically living, and standing up for our faith, by strong example (preferably non-verbal) of what Our Lord has taught us. This requires the maturity of discipline. Discipline allows us to be truly free of our natural destructive tendencies.

The challenge for us today is to be able to do this in a way that charitably engages those around us in this current culture. More on that in upcoming messages.

Oremus Pro Inviciem
Sebastian Mauricio

Our next business meeting starts at 7:00 pm on Wednesday February 5, 2014 at St Paul’s in the Room 2 in the lower level of the Church. Please give PGK Kevin O’Connor (614-523-3892, koconnor@gci2000.com) any written articles by the end of the month so they can be included in next month’s newsletter.



Sat February 1 *Pro-Life Prayer*

Join our Council and many others as we mobilize for pro-life on Saturday February 1. We will gather after the 8:30 am Mass to pray outside of the Complete Healthcare for Women at 5888 Cleveland Avenue. Contact GK Sebastian Mauricio for information(SebMauricio@gmail.com)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW TOURNAMENT



The Council winners were
Girls

10 yr old Bridget Javitch

11 yr old Samantha Kaczmarek

12 yr old Ashley Kraker

13 yr old Julia Bosco
 14 yr old Kayla Orzechowski
 Boys
 10 yr old Sam Smith
 11 yr old Cody Moore
 12 yr old Mike Chellis
 13 yr old Vince Giannotti
 14 yr old Jansen Bennett



Sunday February 16
“Cooking for Vocations”

The next breakfast of this Fraternal year will be on Sunday February 16. We will be serving after the 7:30, 9:00, and 10:30 masses. Many hands make light work. Simply show up to help or call PGK Gary Koonce for details. *We especially need help with clean up after the 10:30 mass* (614-898-3823, email:GKoonce@aol.com).



Sat-Sun Feb 1-2
“Super Subs for Super Bowl”

What better way to enjoy the Super Bowl than feasting on tasty Knights of Columbus submarine sandwiches! As you

may have heard, our Council will be selling sub sandwiches this year to coincide with the upcoming NFL Super Bowl. The profits earned from this fundraiser will be used for the St Paul Building Fund.

Volunteers are needed to help make and sell submarine sandwiches on Sat Feb 1 and Sunday Feb 2. We will meet in Miller Hall on Sat Feb 1 at 10am. If you are available to make subs, please let Bruce Jackson know (bjwesterville@aol.com or 614-882-8994).



Saturday February 22
Give the Gift of Life
Blood Drive

The Council will be sponsoring a blood drive at St. Paul’s Miller Hall on February 22 from 8am to 1pm. Please help with registration and refreshments during the blood drive. Contact Curtis Smith (curtis.smith@gmail.com) to volunteer and for information.

KofC Insurance
Insurance check-up for 2014

Where did 2013 go? It seems like it was summer yesterday and Easter was last week.

I hope you and your family had a great finish to 2013. Now, the first quarter of 2014 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.

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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Meals on Wheels

Brother Knight Paul LeCorgne has taken over responsibility for Meals on Wheels. This is a main fundraiser for the Council, and requires but a little time on Saturday or Sunday. **Nobody is scheduled every weekend. If you can help or want more information, please contact Paul (614-794-0071, paul.s.lecorgne@chase.com)**



Council February Birthdays

*Tyler M. Brunetti
Thomas N. Calhoun
Thomas M. Crotty
Joseph Dittmar
W. Jerome Eschenbach
Paul A. Fisher
Christopher T. Granata
Donald R. Gray
Todd M. Gummer
Paul D. Hanly
Gerald A. Kuhlman
Albert L. Lang Jr
Brian T. Legree
George Mackinaw*

Gregory E. Madsen
 James M. Malinowski
 Thomas J. Obringer
 Curtis Smith
 Richard Stalter
 Thomas E. Stock



In Support of Priests and Religious Vocations

Pray for Pope Francis
 Pray for Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
 Pray for Bishop Frederick Campbell
 Pray for Pastor, Fr. Charlie Klinger
 Pray for Fr. Michael Hinterschied
 Pray for Fr. Raymond Lavelle
 Pray for Fr. Dave Gwinner
 Pray for Fr. Dan Drury
 Pray for Fr. Joseph Murphy
 Pray for Deacon Mickey Hawkins
 Pray for Deacon Tom Barford
 Pray for Seminarian Adam Pasternack
 Pray for Deacon Joe Ciaciura
 Pray for Deacon Carl Jerzyk



Pennies from Heaven

Be sure to drop your pennies in the milk jug at every Council meeting, Breakfast, and Fish Fry. These funds are collected

for retired priests and religious. This is simply our way of returning the favor for all they have done for us.



Council Shirts Available

Shawn Minke has shirts (M, L, XL, and XXL) available for immediate purchase. Polo Shirts are \$22 and T-shirts are \$10. They provide a wonderful medium for emphasizing unity and fraternity. They make us look good too!!



Keep Them in Your Prayers

SEND REQUESTS TO
prayerrequest@kofc5776.org

Pray for Scott Muehlbauer, stationed overseas
 Pray for Brother Knight Dick Marflak and his son, Richard
 Pray for Paul Guevin
 Pray for Domininc Oravec
 Pray for Bruce Jackson's daughter, Rachel
 Pray for Raymond Michalski

Pray for the residents of Moore, Oklahoma and Washington, Illinois
 Pray for Tom Augustus and his wife, Jean
 Pray for Tony Riveralli
 Pray for Tony Lloyd
 Pray for Fr. Augustine
 Pray for Fr. Snoke
 Pray for Fr. Richart
 Pray for Rick Schomo
 Pray for Brother Knight Mike Habing
 Pray for Brother Knight Keith Meyers
 Pray for Brother Knight Al Surette
 Pray for Charles Kramer's wife, Doris
 Pray for Frank Nachtman, per request of Brother Knight Scott Bastian
 Pray for Darrel Freeman
 Pray for Brother Knight Tom Nann and his parents
 Pray for Joe Drury, father of Fr. Dan
 Pray for Brother Knight Ron Folian, his wife, Carol, and his brother-in-law, Mark Collins
 Pray for PGK Barney Sweeney and his wife, Jacqueline
 Pray for Brother Knight Paul Fisher
 Pray for Brother Knight Dave Brown
 Pray for the grandchild of Art Sullivan
 Pray for Sir Knight Mark Steele
 Pray for Virginia Jones, wife of Dave Jones
 Pray for Janice Peltomaa
 Pray for PGK Bill Sedor
 Pray for Past State Deputy Gary Eckstein
 Pray for Brother Knight John Marzec
 Pray for Brother Knight Don Gray and his daughter-in-law, Pam Gray
 Pray for Doris Kramer
 Pray for Marie Mansour, mother of Brother Knight Al Mansour
 Pray for Robert Laube
 Pray for Jason and Angela Wiegand, niece and nephew-in-law of Dave Dauer
 Pray for Halina Barford, wife of Tom
 Pray for William Grubb
 Pray for Ariana Rose Hankins (Elmer Cabotage's granddaughter)

Pay for Leroy Piekenbrock, father of Mark Piekenbrock

Pray for Lindy Dzikowski, father in law of Carl Haaser

Pray for Peter Chlore, Anthony Kinslow, Jacob Spann, Dustin Derga, Ryan Miller, Samuel Pearson, and others who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country.



Thought for the Month
“Gratitude”

 Gratitude is not only the greatest of virtues
but the parent of all others.

Cicero (106-43 BC)





Council Calendar

Sat February 1
Prayer at Abortion Clinic

Sat-Sun February 1-2
Super Subs

Wed February 5
6:30 PM **Rosary**
7:00 PM **Business Meeting**
Room 2
Lower Level of Church

Wed February 5
KofC Free Throw Contest
District Level

Wed February 12
Bethesda Healing Ministry Benefit
St Charles Prep

Thur February 13
1st Degree at St. Paul

Sun February 16
Breakfast after Mass
Miller Hall

Wed February 19 - 7:00 PM
Officers Meeting
St. Peter Room
Upper Level of Church

Sat February 22
Blood Drive
Miller Hall

Sat March 1
Catholic Men's Conference
www.ColumbusCatholicMen.com

Fri March 7 – 5:00 pm
Fish Fry in Miller Hall

Fri March 14 – 5:00 pm
Fish Fry in Miller Hall

Fri March 21 – 5:00 pm
Fish Fry in Miller Hall

Fri March 28 – 5:00 pm
Fish Fry in Miller Hall

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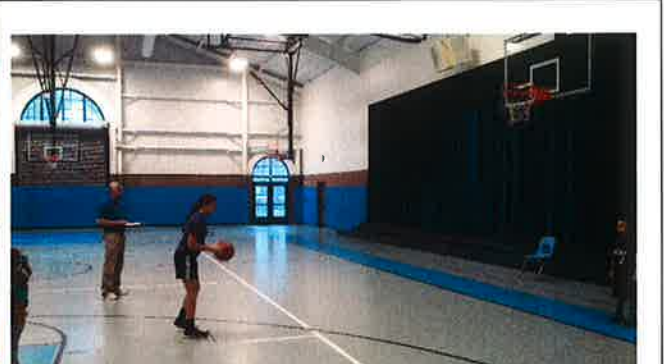
Tony Lloyd was selected Knight of the Month for December



The Koonce family was Family of the Month for December



Once again, there was good shooting at the Free Throw Contest



It's amazing to watch girls and boys sink free throw after free throw



Super Subs were assembled at a fevered pitch



The level of enthusiasm was contagious