Grand Knight’s Message

Brothers,

We are into a new year. This past year flew by yet we accomplished many things together. I hope that your holiday time with your family was fulfilling as was mine.

As we embark on the New Year, many of us will set new goals to accomplish. I look with happiness to the vast possibilities which await us. I hope that your new goals help bring you closer to God and our fellow brothers and sisters.

We are busy preparing for our upcoming Crab Feed which will be on March 4th in the parish hall. I am giving lots of notice so you can set aside the date and join us.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you know of any fellow Brother Knight or family in need. And keep in your prayers the sick and those in need.

Vivat Jesu,
Thomas Anderson

District Deputy Message

Brothers,

Happy New Year! I hope the last ended as a joyous year with many blessings and many more in the coming year. It is a time for starting our new year resolutions, and I hope success on all of your resolutions.

Let us take a moment to review our past year and how we could do better as Knights. Could we be better examples, offer help to those in need, or offer membership to a brother Catholic in our order?

Take a minute to think about the future also and how our insurances may benefit you and your loved ones and consider meeting with our insurance agent. Let us make our Knightly resolutions for the year and continue to keep the Knights of Columbus great.

God Bless You
Dan Anderson, DD 61

GOOD OF THE ORDER

As a Knight’s first duty is to pray, let us continue to pray for peace and justice in our world and an end to the destructive hate and violence surrounding us each day and for Joe/Mona Adami, Mel Ormonde, Joe Hidalgo, and Jennie Casale (Brother Bob Perrault’s mother-in-law), George Mahoney and the continued healing of Fr. Victor. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Brother Bruce Springer who died last week. May his soul and the soul of all the faithfully departed rest in peace. Amen

Please do not forget to include in your prayers those listed in the Parish Bulletin who are ill.
Please let us know if you have any prayer requests.
ANNUAL DUES

Be sure to check your mail for the notice of annual dues. The funds not only support the Council’s efforts but provide us with correct information especially EMAIL ADDRESSES. Please be sure to include one as this is our major means of communicating with you.

You can see what God thinks of money when you see the people he gives it to. --Abraham Lincoln

CALENDAR 2017

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Plan Ahead

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Please plan to attend and/or help with the various activities!

MARCH 4th: CRAB FEED

DON’T FORGET: Monthly "Potluck" Social Schedule 6:00 p.m.

The second Wednesday of every month is for families and friends to join together in the hall at St. Paul’s to share a potluck, camaraderie and the energy generated when Knights (and their families) gather together. Please try to join us as often as possible in having a great time. Salads always appreciated.

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THE CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY
To Feed the Hungry
To Clothe the Naked
To Give Drink to the Thirsty
To Shelter the Homeless
To Visit the Imprisoned
To Visit the Sick
To Bury the Dead with Dignity

THE SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY
To instruct the ignorant
To counsel the doubtful
To admonish sinners
To bear wrongs patiently
To forgive offenses willingly
To comfort the afflicted
To pray for the living and the dead
Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson reflects on the recent election as affording Catholic men and women another opportunity to engage in the life of our Nation. In a must-read article, Knights are in a unique position to continue in this leadership role.

Anderson provides some guidelines including:

- Renewal of parishes as true Eucharistic communities
- Evangelization of the Catholic family as a domestic church
- Renewed devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Commitment to Catholic Education

The point is greater unity among Catholics provides a “road map” for greater unity in the Nation. Thus, the “Catholic vote” would include more than Catholics and endure beyond any election.

**KNIGHT AWARDS**

On behalf of all Knights, Supreme Knight Anderson accepted two awards from:

- Path to Peace Foundation for Knights’ “life-saving work in the Middle East” as well as “worldwide humanitarian efforts.” Archbishop Bernardito Auza, apostolic nuncio to the United nations (to Anderson’s right) presented the honor.
- Great Defender of Life Award from Human Life Review, a journal devoted to issues related to the right to life.

**WAS SHAKESPEARE CATHOLIC?**

For those of a literary bent, *Columbia* Magazine provides an interesting look at the spiritual life of one of the world’s greatest playwrights, William Shakespeare. In a well-research essay, Shakespearean scholar, Joseph Pearce, traces the Catholic presence in several of the Bard’s plays. This is remarkable for at the time, there was a determined attack on Catholicism and Catholics in England including being executed for one’s beliefs.

**A Knight the First Casualty of World War II**

*Columbia* Magazine reports Ensign William I. Halloran perished aboard the USS Arizona on the attack at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941 - “the day that will live in infamy.” His bother Larry – now 92 – recalls the death of the 26-year-old Knight as a life-long memory of the sacrifice of the young man still entombed in the ship at Pearl Harbor. Besides posthumously awarded medals, Halloran is remembered today by a park in his hometown of Cleveland. His death was also his mother’s birthday and she never celebrated it again. “It’s Bill’s day now,” she told the family. In fact, she became a leader of an enormous war bond drive supported by the local Knights and 3 years later christened the USS Halloran named after her son.
FLY THE FLAG

JANUARY 1: New Year’s Day
JANUARY 16: Martin Luther King, Jr.
JANUARY 20: Inauguration day

THE POWER OF ONE

Laboure is an organization that raises funds to help future religious to pay-off education loans for those who would be unable to pursue a vocation as most religious communities cannot assume the aspirant’s debt. In their latest newsletter, there is a summary of what just one priest will do in his religious life:

• Distribute Holy Communion: 27,000 times per year
• Baptize a lifetime total of 1,050
• Offer reconciliation of nearly 18,000 confessions
• Celebrate Mass: 18,250
• Anoint the sick: 10 times per year
• Preside over 4 marriages a year

All this in addition to the countless good works of mercy present in all lives. Of course, these figures vary by individual but the summary highlights God’s sacramental love in our lives by just one vocation.

PRO-LIFE

Macy’s Department Store announced it will no longer contribute to Planned Parenthood.

Additionally, the Family Research Council provided a list of some other major corporations that still support Planned Parenthood:


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