

WASHINGTON STATE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

"THE SECOND EDITION"

**APRIL
2017**

"THE FIRST DUTY OF LOVE IS TO LISTEN"

"Knowledge speaks, but wisdom listens."

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"Build It Behind Your Eyes"

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I followed a number of musical artists throughout their careers as I'm sure you all have. One of my favorite artists is James Taylor. Not Jimmy Taylor who played for the Packers in the sixties, but the strung-out guy from the seventies who darn-near died of a drug overdose and managed to get past his troubled years to become one of the most talented song-writers and performers of our time.

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I grew up without a father. He died when I was ten years old. Not having his direction, I turned to music in my troubled years to try to figure out what life was all about. Funny how hungry I was back then to latch on to any small piece of wisdom that I could use to "set my course".

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I came across this phrase "Build It Behind Your Eyes" from a James Taylor song he wrote for a friend who had passed on. What an interesting way to view your existence, I thought.

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God gives us all a shell and we spend the rest of our lives making choices and doing things to become the person God wants us to be. These are the bricks. I envisioned building a wall out of bricks, straight and strong, behind my eyeballs that defines who I am. Then someday when I die, my wall will be exposed like an epitaph that's read at a funeral. That's not to say that every choice I have made in life was a good one. Some choices needed to removed from the wall and that part of the wall rebuilt, but many choices did became part of the wall. The decision to go to school. The decision to do the work that I do. The decision to go into the service. The decision to marry my wife. You know. The wall that makes up who we are. We all have our walls, but one of the bricks that we all have in common is our choice to be a Knight of Columbus.

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Without doubt, one of the best bricks in our wall. First, because we instantly became part of a network of like-minded brothers with the same mission. And second, because of the doors that it opens for all of us to HELP GOD HELP OTHERS. How else could we feed the hungry, cloth the naked, visit the sick and all of those things God calls us to do without this brick?

If you like somebody. If you care for them. If you want to give them a gift that will last them a life-time. Then ask them to join us. Offer them a brick. It might prove to be the best one in their wall.

Brothers, I'm crazy excited about the next two years and the prospect of being your State Deputy. It's an honor beyond my wildest dreams.

LETS GO BUILD SOME WALLS TOGETHER!



FATHER AND SON'S TRIP TO MARKET



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There was once a young man who, with his father, farmed a little piece of land. Several times a year they'd load up the ox-cart with vegetables and drive to the nearest city. Except for their name and the patch of ground, father and son had little in common. the old man believed in taking it easy....and the son was the go-getter type.

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One morning, they loaded the cart, hitched up the oxen and set out. the young fellow figured that if they kept going all day and night, they'd get to the market by next morning. He walked alongside the oxen and kept prodding them with a stick. *"Take it easy," said the old man. "you'll last longer."* "If we get to market ahead of others,' said his son, 'we have a better chance of getting good prices.'

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The old man pulled his hat down over his eyes and went to sleep on the seat. Four miles and four hours down the road, they came to a little house. 'Here's your uncle's place,' said the father, waking up. "Let's stop in and say hello!" "We've lost an hour already,' complained the go-getter. "then a few minutes more won't matter," said his father, "My brother and I live so close, yet we see each other so seldom." The young man fidgeted while the two old men gossiped away an hour.

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On the move again, the father took his turn leading the oxen. By and by, they came to a fork in the road. The old man directed the oxen to the right. The left is a shorter way, said the boy. I know it, said the old man, but this way is prettier.

Have you no respect for time? asked the impatient man.

'I respect it very much, said the old fellow.

That's why I like to use it for looking at pretty things.

The right-hand path led us through woodland and wild flowers.

The young man was so busy watching the sun sink he didn't notice how lovely the sunset was.

Twilight found them in what looked like one big garden.

Let's sleep here, said the old man.

This is the last trip I take with you, snapped his son.

You're more interested in flowers than in making money.

"That's the nicest thing you've said in a long time," smiled the old man.

A minute later he was asleep.

A little before sunrise, he young man shook his father awake. They hitched up and went on. A mile and an hour away they came upon a farmer trying to pull his cart out of a ditch. Let's give him a hand, said he father.



"And lose more time?" exploded the son"

"Relax," said the old man.

"You might be in a ditch some time yourself."

"By the time the other cart was back on the road, it was almost eight o'clock.

Suddenly a great flash of lightning split the sky.

Then there was thunder.

Beyond the hills, the heavens grew dark.

"Looks like a big rain in the city," said the old man.

"If we had been on time, we'd be sold out by now," grumbled his son.

"Take it easy," said the old gentleman, "you'll last longer."

It wasn't until late in the afternoon that they got to the top of the hill overlooking the town.

They looked down at it for a long time.

Neither of them spoke.



*Finally the young man who had been in such a hurry said,
"I see what you mean, father."*

*They turned their cart around and drove away from what
had once been the city of Hiroshima.*

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A glass of wine

To my friends who enjoy a glass of wine,
and those who don't and are always
seen with a bottle of water in their hand.

As Ben Franklin said:
In wine there is wisdom,
in beer there is freedom,
in water there is bacteria.



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In a number of carefully controlled trials, Scientists have demonstrated
that if we drink a liter of water each day,
at the end of the year we would have absorbed more than 1 kilo of
Escherichia coli, (E. Coli) - bacteria found in feces.
In other words, we are consuming 1 kilo of poop.

However,

We do **NOT** run that risk when drinking wine & beer (or tequila,
rum, whiskey or other liquor) because alcohol has to go through a
purification process of boiling, filtering and/or fermenting.

Remember:

Water = Poop,
Wine = Health

Therefore, it's better to drink wine and talk stupid, Than to drink
water and be full of...well you know!

It's begining, people are getting ready for.....

THE WASHINGTON STATE CONVENTION

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**OUR BACKBONE IS
"FAMILY POWER"**



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EXPLANATION OF THE VARIOUS REGALIA COLORS TO THE NEW 4TH DEGREES.

Here is what the colors mean:

Dark Blue - Current or Former Supreme Master

Light Blue - Current or Former Vice Supreme Master

Gold - Current or Former District Master

Green - District Marshal

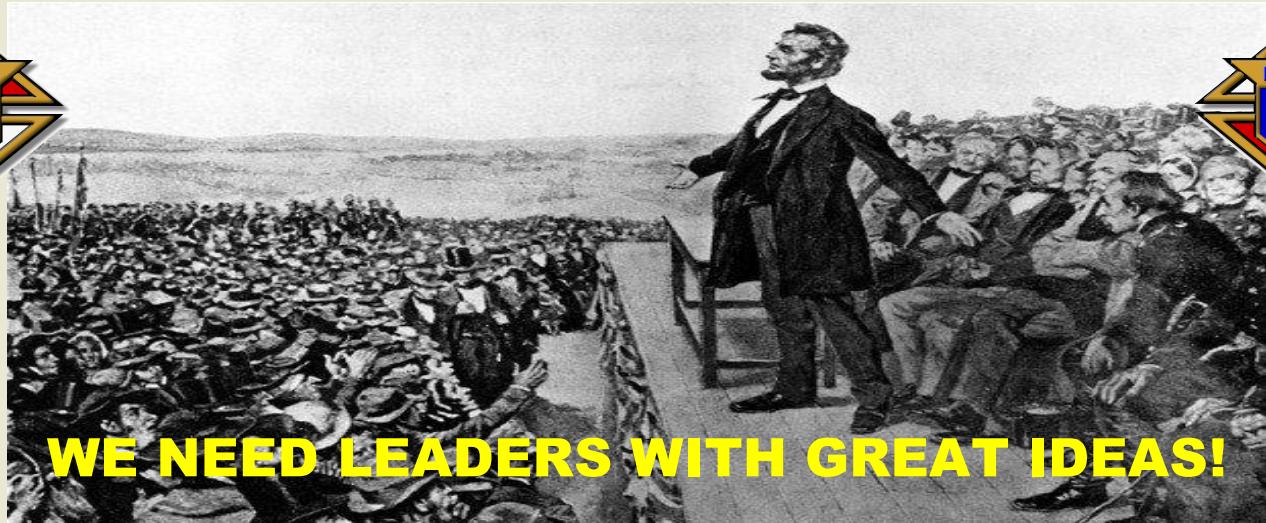
White - Current or Past Faithful Navigator

Purple - Color Corps Commander

Red - Member

A member holding certain offices of authority has a different color cape (and sometimes their chapeau is different in color too). They are entitled to continue wearing that color when their term of office is complete. This is noted above with the use of the words Former and Past.





WE NEED LEADERS WITH GREAT IDEAS!

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Leaders are often writers or orators, great writing and great speaking are very potent forms of leadership; that can and has heightened our consciousness, outraged us and encouraged us to tear down the walls of injustice and prejudice. Writing and speaking have always been an effective means of communicating, persuading, and changing how people think, dream, and behave. Jefferson, Madison, Thomas Merton, George Orwell, Martin Luther King Jr., & Father Michael J. McGivney provide excellent examples of what I'm talking about.

Make no mistake about it. Writing, rewriting, and editing is hard work, even for a professional. No matter how much they love it, they can find it lonely and often painful. Personally I've found that writing is easy; all you do is sit staring in front of your keyboard or a blank sheet of paper until little drops of blood begin to appear as tears and your left arm "twitches". Ernest Hemingway emphasized that writing, at its best, is exacting and often frustrating, in part because it is something you can never do as well as it can be done. Hemingway rewrote his ending of *Farewell to Arms* 39 times before he was satisfied.

Writing matters. But as Knights what matters even more is the power of productive ideas. We must be brave. Writing about "new ideas" is invariably an act of courage. As Knights we must use our words to teach, to persuade, to lead, to improve and to tell stories to powerfully illustrate those ideas, sound familiar (*Jesus used this technique.....parables,*) this is just one of the many ways we can learn.

Today the need is for more than recycled programs and repeating tired old refurbished rhetoric. People are looking for creative leadership. They need more than "boiler plate," put me to sleep tongue wagging.

WE are the new ideas WE are waiting for. WE are the ones who must save unborn lives and change lives!

"Then the Walls will come Crumbling Down"



FAMILY OF THE MONTH

The following Washington families are the winners for the month of February 2017 "the Family of the Month" contest, obtained through a random drawing held at the Supreme Council office from among many nominees submitted by councils throughout the Order.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

ERIC APPEL
COUNCIL 1488

AARON THERIOT
COUNCIL 3611

DAN MARTINEZ
COUNCIL 7863

RYAN NORDHUS
COUNCIL 8201

JOHN FORREST
COUNCIL 11762

ALLEN MYERS
COUNCIL 11780

Remember the faces of the Brothers in our councils, that have stood with us, they may have become so familiar that they may be taken for granted?

**TAKE THE PAINS TO.... Recognize them and say THANKS!
Unless we take pains we often forget to thank them.....**

FAMILY OF THE MONTH IS A

STRONG VISIBLE PROGRAM !



Council 8102 Participation Redmond Special Olympics Polar Plunge

The St Jude Council 8102, Redmond participated in the Redmond Special Olympics Polar Plunge for the 4th year.. Our team raised \$3900, with some company matching funds remaining to be included. Once again we had a grand time, in spite of the rain. We had a booth, gave away some swag, and once again the KC logo was on the back of the T-shirt. Photos attached.



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NEVER GIVE UP ON GOD



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If you are standing alone at the edge of despair or up to your neck in debt or deep in physical pain, **never, never give up on God.**

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If you are standing alone like David before the Goliaths of this world with nothing in your hand but one sling-shot and a few smooth stones, you must believe in yourself and **never give up on God.**

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If like Jonah, you find yourself in the belly of a great fish sitting on the floor of the ocean, all dressed up with no place to go, even then, **never give up on God.**

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If like Daniel, you are standing in the middle of a den of lions, stand firm with strength and honor; you must **never give up on God.**

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If you have been to the hospital and the doctors have turned their backs and walked away, remember the promise of birth and the potential of life, you must endure and never give up on yourself, **never ever give up on God.**

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If you are not sure where tomorrow's meal is coming from and you feel that your values and yes, maybe even your freedom and country are slipping away, **I rise to tell you one more time, NEVER GIVE UP ON GOD!!!**

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When Big Brother and Big Government have gathered around to tell you what you cannot do, and how you cannot grow, look to the Knights who by their example will keep on showing you through their unity and faith that we are truly one and that today's challenge is just another opportunity, another part of our destiny. **Remember our God and our Destiny my Brothers.**

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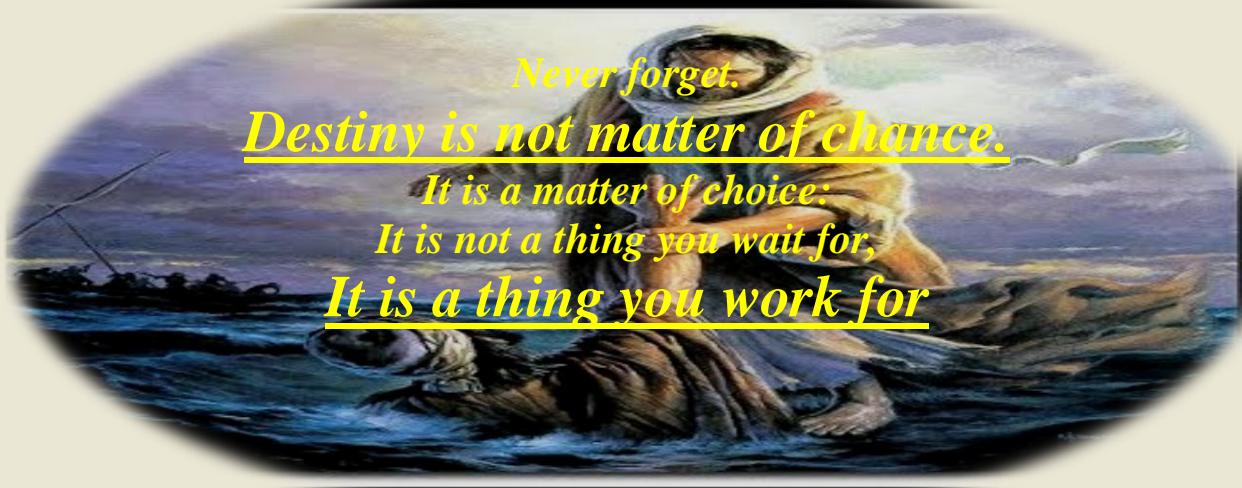
Never forget.

Destiny is not matter of chance.

It is a matter of choice:

It is not a thing you wait for,

It is a thing you work for





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Question: What World War do we celebrate this April 6, 2017?

Answer: As many of us surely learned in our elementary school history lessons or at the knee of our grandfathers, the United States declared war against the Central Powers - Germany, Austrian-Hungarian Empire, Ottoman Empire and Bulgaria on April 6, 1917, joining the Allied Powers comprised of Great Britain, France, Russia and Italy.

The U.S. entered the War on June 14, 1917, when 12 steel-gray transports filled with four regiments of volunteer American soldiers weighed anchor at their berth in Hoboken, N.J., and sailed to France. The transports were escorted by destroyers for a two-week voyage across the U-boat patrolled Atlantic. They carried the U.S. First Expeditionary Division composed of four infantry regiments hand-picked by the newly promoted commander of the American Expeditionary Forces, General John Pershing.

While the national draft was still being debated by lawmakers, the ranks of this first contingent were Regular Army – veterans of the recent “punitive expeditions” for Pancho Villa in Mexico, a few who had fought in the Philippines against the Moro rebels, and a handful who had seen combat in the Spanish-American War. By mid-July, 1917, the first national draft began. The veterans were augmented by a few thousand young men who had flooded enlistment offices in the previous two months - the division infantry numbered more than 12,000 soldiers – “doughboys,” as they were affectionately called - and represented each of the 48 states.

As the troops formed up on the waterfront at Saint-Nazaire, France, the First Expeditionary Division was soon to earn the title the “Fighting First” and destined to be called the “Big Red One” – stood as one for the first time. Of the more than 2 million men the United States would send to Europe before war’s end, these were the first, and their division became the face of American military might on the global stage.

The American forces joining the Allied Powers turned the tide in the war and would go down in American history with victories at Cantigny, Chateau Thierry, and marines at Belleau Wood; Soissons, and the first all American victory at Saint-Mihiel; and, the greatest Allied victory of the war - and still the largest American battle ever fought - the Meuse-Argonne, which led finally to the November 11, 1918, Armistice that we celebrate in the U.S. on Veterans Day.

WE HONOR THESE MEN, WOMEN AND THEIR FAMILIES ON THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY - NOVEMBER 11, 2017!



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| Mrs. Brill, Penguin | JOHN McELYEA |
| Ellen..... | ALAN ALVARADO |
| Katie Nanna/Group Member..... | DON BALDWIN |
| Mrs. Banks..... | PETE LINEBERGER |
| Mr. Banks..... | DOUG WEYER |
| Constable/Mr. Dawes..... | SCOTT CHARLEBOIX |
| Jane Banks..... | RICK GUMKE |
| Michael Banks..... | ERIC HYMAN |
| Fly Away Nannie/penguin/reporter.... | CHUCK MEEKS |
| Marry Poppins..... | ART SMALLEY |
| Andrew the Dog..... | JESUS ORDAZ |
| Bert..... | JEF LANT |
| Penguin/Chimney Sweep..... | JIM KESTELL |
| Penguin/Chimney Sweep..... | JOE SCHROEDER |
| Penguin/Chimney Sweep..... | GREG WOODARD |
| Huntsmen..... | DWANE BERENS |
| Huntsmen/Mr. Dawes, Sr..... | DENNY BUNKERS |
| Photographer..... | GREG LOBERG |
| Group Member..... | JOSH HAXTON |
| Bird Women..... | MARDEN RODOKOSKI |
| Bank Teller..... | MARK SIEVERTSON |
| Pianist..... | JEWEL SMALLEY |
| Narrator..... | LARRY KNUTSON |
| Stage Crew/Ushers..... | DAN RAHN-CHAIRMAN |
| Scenery & Props..... | ALAN ALVARADO-CHAIRMAN |
| Stage Assembly..... | ERIC HYMAN-CHAIRMAN |
| Lighting & Sound..... | DOUG WEYER-CHAIRMAN |
| Refreshments..... | CONNIE & MIKE SCHMIDT-CO-CHAIRS |
| Room Set-up..... | BILL STEFFENS-CHAIRMAN |





WITH A SPOONFULL OF SUGAR

FOR THE BENEFIT OF
THE MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY

are located on the St.. Pat's Parish grounds. These sisters, from the Order of St. Mother Theresa, have been serving the Spokane area for the past 10 years with their Charitable works, feeding the hungry, clothing the needy and providing immediate support for displaced women.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES RISING STRONG PROGRAM

is a joint venture between Catholic Charities & Empire Health. It encompasses the conversion of the Holy Name convent into a home where those adults who are struggling with addiction can remain with their children while going through treatment programs rather than have the children turned over to foster care.

Colbert, WA.

March 25, 2017

Second Edition-Review

By Steve Snell

(This is supposed to be a review of the play Mary Poppins, but it's more than that, it is a "tip of the hat" to a Council that creatively puts the needs of their community & parish as its top priority. I'm sure their priest and parish realize the awesome time, treasure and talent these knights and their families contribute. God Bless you my Brothers.)

This was Council 8872's Sixth Annual play and in a word it was

SUPERCALIFRAGILISTICEXPIALIDOCIOUS

It's high point was entertainment with a barrel of laughs!

Hilariously entertaining musical adaptation with an excellent quality of humor... It is clear that everyone on stage loved every second of their time in the show.

In Marry Poppins (*Colbert's version,*) Art Smalley leads the way as the magical Mary Poppins displaying pure grace and captivating elegance with a never fading smile. A convincing Banker/English Father (*Doug Weyer*) traditionally proper as a stern workaholic, and

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there is a well-intended but distant mother (*Pete Lineberger*). After chasing away yet another nanny, the children, Jane Banks (*Rick Gumke*) and Michael Banks (*Eric Hyman*) make a list of qualities an ideal governess would possess – and as if by magic, Mary Poppins (*Art Smalley*) shows up on their doorstep. With a love for tidiness and a low tolerance for tomfoolery, Mary introduces the children to life's simple pleasures – but can this super nanny fix what's really wrong with the Banks family? You betcha Red Rider, in the end she brings about a wind of change over Mr. Banks, I can't move on without mentioning that Father Banks (*Doug*) can sing, also Bert (*Jef Lant*) can carry a tune. Pavarotti no, but still....well done guys.

The rest of cast shined as well, I think the Penguin's "Snappy" dance choreography certainly was memorable and came close to stealing the show. There are too many stand-out moments to pick a favourite.....except maybe.....Andrew the lovable dog (*Jesus Ordaz*) should receive honorable mention, no one should pick a bone with me about that. Oh, one last thing, everyone including those of us who are musically challenged, loved the sing-a-longs.

The pianist and narrator contributed greatly to the production. The scenery & stage crew were first class, as were the support staff on duty in the lobby throughout the evening. All in all a fun evening in Colbert!!!



TWO NEW COUNCILS

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Brothers All,

When you get a Chance, please reach out to (DD22) Abundeo Reponte and congratulate him on bringing in our first new council (16667) of this fraternal year.

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The new council was instituted in Tacoma at Holy Cross parish.

Great job to any that assisted on formation of

this council! Can't wait to meet these new

Brothers at our Convention,

Vivat Jesus

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Ed Parazoo, Washington State Deputy



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Brothers All,
Have been notified that Supreme has assigned a number to another new council in Washington (16690!!) This makes 2 this Fraternal year!

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The new council was formed in St. Peter's parish in Seattle. It will be in District 15 as DD Stephen Schweyen brought this new one in!! Of the 27 members that make up this council, 16 or so are new Knights!!

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Please take a few minutes to offer Steve congratulations! Vivat Jesus

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Ed Parazoo, Washington State Deputy



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Message from Knights on Bikes State President

Brother Knights,

KonB founder Raymond Medina posted on Facebook today the loss of a brother knight and his wife in a single vehicle accident while riding their bike. I posted comment of **prayers sent from Washington State Knights on Bikes.....**

Please remember Brother Mike Valdez and his wife Mary in your prayers today. Mike was from San Antonio and law enforcement with FWPD.



In God We Trust and Ride.....

Washington State President

Knights on Bikes

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May they Rest in Peace



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2nd Annual 'Blessing of the Bikes'

'Blessing of the Bikes' is a tradition in which motorcycle riders & their bikes are blessed in the hope that it brings safety to all riders for the upcoming season. It is non-denominational and is typically hosted by a local church. Be there for the excitement when the engines 'rev up' for their first journey of the riding season...

Sponsored by:

C.V.I. (Combat Veterans Int'l)

Chapter 2, Wenatchee, WA

Date of Event:

Saturday, April 22, 2017

Time:

10:00 a.m. (Riders should assemble in the parking lot by 9:15 a.m.)

Coffee and donuts will be provided.

10:45 a.m. 'KSU' (with full tank of gas)

Location:

HOLY APOSTLES CATHOLIC

CHURCH 1315 NE 8th St, East

Wenatchee, WA 9880



All motorcycle groups, individual riders, spouses, family members and friends are welcome!

Please let us know if you (or your group) would like to join us for this special event. Contact any of the following C.V.I. members for more information:

Mike 'Straight Pipe' (509) 670-7305
Jim 'Hablo' (206) 390-7242

Wendell 'Tin Man' (509) 881-5155
Milt 'Flop' (509) 881-1677

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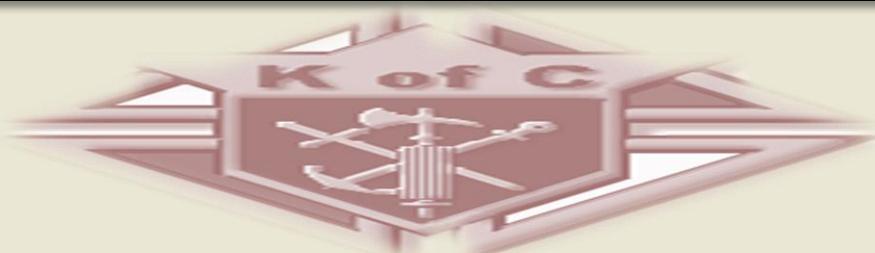


By David Foley, DD 27

Brother Knights,

Last night I had the pleasure of attending the Council meeting at St. Stephan the Martyr in Renton and learned of a project that was taken on by individual Knights in the council. One of the programs that they have been involved in is to purchase **"Keep Christ in Christmas"** cards to send free of charge to military members deployed to Afghanistan and Iraq. The troops can then use those cards to send back to friends and loved ones at Christmas.

Their military contact recently asked if they could buy formula to **Support the War Babies of Mosul, Iraq.** The council then contacted Wal-Mart to see if they could help in this effort and individual contributions were made by many of the council members. This money then went to Wal-Mart and they packaged and shipped the product to Mosul. The product was shipped to a Navy Seal Medic that is the in-country contact. He in-turn sent the council pictures of some very happy young (and less hungry) Iraqi kids.



WHAT A GREAT EFFORT!!! Congratulations to GK Larry Frampton, Brother Matt Cloren and all the great brothers of Council 13374.

The Council 13374 point of contact is Brother Matt Cloren at
matthewcloren@gmail.com

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WASHINGTON, D.C. — Pope Francis has named Monsignor Daniel H. Mueggenborg, a priest of the Diocese of Tulsa, as an auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of Seattle. Msgr. Mueggenborg currently serves as pastor of Christ the King Church in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He fills the position left open when Bishop Joseph Tyson was installed as the seventh Bishop of Yakima May 31, 2011. **Msgr. Mueggenborg's ordination is scheduled for Wednesday, May 31 at St. James Cathedral in Seattle.** The appointment was publicized in Washington, April 6, by Archbishop Christophe Pierre, apostolic nuncio to the United States.

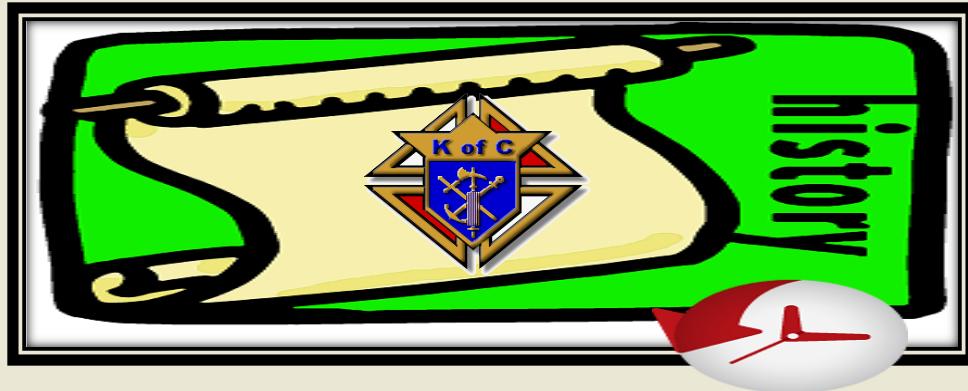
Msgr. Mueggenborg was born April 15, 1962 and raised in rural Oklahoma where his family was involved in the farming and ranching industry. He has climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro and hiked a substantial portion of the Camino de Santiago. He recently authored a three-volume series of reflections on the Sunday Gospel readings entitled, "Come Follow Me" (Gracewing, London).

Msgr. Mueggenborg attended Oklahoma State University, where he received a bachelor of science degree in geology in 1984, and pursued seminary studies at the Pontifical North American College, 1985-1989. He holds a bachelor degree in sacred theology from the Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome, 1989, where he also earned a licentiate in sacred theology (S.T.L.) in biblical theology, 1990. He was ordained a priest of the Diocese of Tulsa in 1989.

Assignments after ordination included: associate pastor at Church of St. Mary, Tulsa, 1989, and at St. John Church, Bartlesville, 1990-1991; chaplain, Bishop Kelley High School, and associate pastor, Saint Pius X Church, Tulsa, 1991-1995; administrator pro-tempore, Saint Cecilia Church, Claremont, 1994-1996; pastor at Church of the Magdalene, Tulsa, 1996-2001, and St. Clement Church, Bixby, 2001-2005; assistant director of formation advising and formation advisor, Pontifical North American College, Rome, 2005-2006. In 2004, Pope John Paul II named him a "Chaplain of His Holiness," carrying the title of "monsignor."

The Archdiocese of Seattle comprises 28,731 square miles in the state of Washington and it has a total population of 5,501,540 people of which 583,000 or 11 percent, are Catholic. Archbishop J. Peter Sartain has been the archbishop of Seattle since 2010. The archdiocese currently has one active auxiliary bishop, Bishop Eusebio Elizondo.

Bring Your Council History to the 2017 State Convention



The State Council has a collection of the histories of nearly all subordinate councils in the state. But there are 25 councils that have no history or minimal history in the collection. The histories have been published in two books, one in 1990 and a second one in 2007. Others have been added since then.

IS YOUR COUNCIL'S HISTORY INCLUDED?

By Joe St.Hilaire, State Historian

The following councils have no histories in the state council collection: 9721, 9833, 11611, 11948, 15684, 15838, 15968, 16184, 16361, and 16667.

The following councils have submitted partial histories but are lacking substantial parts of what would be considered a complete history: 9910, 11085, 11217, 11252, 11253, 11948, 12175, 12483, 13761, 14046, 14689, 14852, 14922, 15143, 15338, 15462, 15721, 15730.

Even if your council's history is included in the book, you can always update it.

It's easy to assemble your council's history. It doesn't have to be elaborate; just a few facts are needed: charter members, charter officers, a few words about the council's founding, and honors and activities of the council since its founding.

Assemble those facts and then email them to me, historian@kofc-wa.org. I can write it up in a formal manner if you'd rather not do it yourself.

CONTACT ME FOR MORE INFORMATION.

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GOD IS LIFE ITSELF



To my friend, Steve Snell:

Greetings Steve, if this article makes even a little difference in someone's life, then God will smile.

By Mike Calderon, Former/State Hispanic Membership Chairman

We all have read many books about numerous subjects, that cover someone's life, an interesting adventure story or maybe the oldest book known, the bible, which brings us the story of the Passion.

During lent we fast or if you are of age like many of us, we just try to be a better human being making a difference in someone's life. Archbishop Sartain's has an article in the Northwest Catholic edition of April which made a profound impression upon me.

The article reads like this, "we must be on guard not to treat God as just another pain reliever, withdrawing to him only in times of trouble. God is not an analgesic or a Band-Aid. His grace does not kick in when the pain begins. He does not take up where our strength leaves off. He does not fill the gaps we are unable to cover."

God is life itself, and giving ourselves to him we find not temporary relief, but healing and peace, even in the midst of suffering.

By the time this is read, it maybe Easter has come and gone, let's not stop living Archbishop Sartains's words, let us live them each day and in silent prayer feel God's graces sharing them with your loved ones.



**(THIS IS AN ACTUAL ESSAY WRITTEN BY A COLLEGE APPLICANT.
THE AUTHOR, WAS ADMITTED TO COLLEGE!!)**

Essay: In order for the admissions staff of our college to get to know you, the applicant, better, we ask that you answer the following question: Are there any significant experiences you have had, or accomplishments you have realized ,that have helped to define you as a person?



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I am a dynamic figure, often seen scaling walls and crushing ice. I have been known to remodel train stations on my lunch breaks, making them more efficient in the area of heat retention. I translate ethnic slurs for Cuban refugees, I write award-winning operas, I manage time efficiently. Occasionally, I tread water for three days in a row.

I woo women with my sensuous and godlike trombone playing, I can pilot bicycles up severe inclines with unflagging speed, and I cook Thirty-Minute Brownies in twenty minutes. I am an expert in stucco, a veteran in love, and an outlaw in Peru.

Using only a hoe and a large glass of water, I once single-handedly defended a small village in the Amazon Basin from a horde of ferocious army ants. I play bluegrass cello, I was scouted by the Mets, I am the subject of numerous documentaries. When I'm bored, I build large suspension bridges in my yard. I enjoy urban hang gliding. On Wednesdays, after school, I repair electrical appliances free of charge.

I am an abstract artist, a concrete analyst, and a ruthless bookie. Critics worldwide swoon over my original line of corduroy evening wear. I don't perspire. I am a private citizen, yet I receive fan mail. I have been caller number nine and have won the weekend passes. Last summer, I toured New Jersey with a traveling centrifugal-force demonstration. I bat .400. My deft floral arrangements have earned me fame in international botany circles. Children trust me. I can hurl tennis rackets at small moving objects with deadly accuracy. I once read Paradise Lost, Moby Dick, and David Copperfield in one day and still had time to refurbish an

entire dining room that evening. I know the exact location of every food item in the supermarket. I have performed several covert operations for the CIA. I sleep once a week; when I do sleep, I sleep in a chair. While on vacation in Canada, I successfully negotiated with a group of terrorists who had seized a small bakery. The laws of physics do not apply to me.

I balance, I weave, I dodge, I frolic, and my bills are all paid. On weekends, to let off steam, I participate in full-contact origami. Years ago, I discovered the meaning of life but forgot to write it down. I have made extraordinary four course meals using only a mouli and a toaster oven. I breed prizewinning clams. I have won bullfights in San Juan, cliff-diving competitions in Sri Lanka, and spelling bees at the Kremlin. I have played Hamlet, I have performed open-heart surgery, and I have spoken with Elvis.

BUT I HAVE NOT YET GONE TO COLLEGE.

St. Thomas More's Prayer for Good Humor

During his address to the Roman Curia on the occasion of the presentation of Christmas greetings, Pope Francis affirmed, “A bit of good humor is very good for us! It will do us much good to pray St. Thomas More’s prayer frequently: I pray it every day, and it helps me.”

Here is the text of the prayer:

**Prayer for Good Humor
by St. Thomas More**



Grant me, O Lord, good digestion, and also something to digest.
Grant me a healthy body, and the necessary good humor to maintain it.
Grant me a simple soul that knows to treasure all that is good
and that doesn’t frighten easily at the sight of evil,
but rather finds the means to put things back in their place.
Give me a soul that knows not boredom, grumblings, sighs and laments,
nor excess of stress, because of that obstructing thing called “I.”
Grant me, O Lord, a sense of good humor.
Allow me the grace to be able to take a joke to discover in life a bit of joy,
and to be able to share it with others.

NOT EVERYONE GOES HOME FOR EASTER



DON'T FORGET THOSE THAT CAN'T GO HOME



The Fourth Degree

We as members of the “Patriotic Degree” are an important part of our Order by serving our Brother Knights by conducting various educational programs, honoring knights and their families during times of tragedies and loss. We encourage active participation in the programs of our Order. Those of us who participate in the Color Corps are a visible reminder of our service to church and community, the sword we carry symbolizing Christian Knighthood signifies reverence of Church, the Eucharist, Country and freedom. We are very proud to represent the fraternalism that is so embedded in the Knights of Columbus.

The last exemplification for this fraternal year will be held in Spokane, May 6, 2017 at St Mary's Catholic School Gym. The fee for this degree will be \$50.00 (see announcement and schedule.) There is still time to join us as a member of the “Patriotic Degree”. Form 4's and exemplification should be sent to me no later than May 1, 2017.

The dates and locations of the districts exemplifications have been set they are as follows:

**October 14, 2017 Walla Walla,
January 20, 2018 Kennewick,
March 10, 2018 Spokane,
May 6, 2018 Wenatchee.**

PATRIOTICALLY PROUD

DARRELL HENN
EASTERN WASHINGTON MASTER



FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

Saturday, May 6 2017,

at St. Mary's Catholic School Gym 304 S Adams Rd, Spokane Valley, WA 99216

The host assembly is **John J Mertens Assembly 2414**

District Master Darrell R Henn 509-528-4157 or email drhenn1@frontier.com

The host **Faithful Navigator** is Sir Knight Frank Owens (509-858-2413)

The **Faithful Comptroller** is Sir Knight Victor Vera (509-995-5981)

The degree team is the Eastern Washington Fourth Degree Team

EXEMPLIFICATION HONOREE

The **Honoree** for this Fourth Degree Exemplification is **TBD**

EVENT TIME SCHEDULE

| ACTIVITY | | TIME | LOCATION |
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| Exemplification Set-up/Rehearsal | Saturday | 12:00noon - 2:00 pm | School Gym 304 S Adams Rd |
| Color Corps Rehearsal | Saturday | 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm | School Gym 304 S Adams Rd |
| Registration | Saturday | 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm | School Gym 304 S Adams Rd |
| Degree Team Rehearsal | Saturday | 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm | School Gym 304 S Adams Rd |
| 4 th Degree Exemplification | Saturday | 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm | School Gym 304 S Adams Rd |
| Public Knighting/picture taking | Saturday | 4:30 pm- 5:15 pm | School Gym 304 S Adams Rd |
| Mass | Saturday | 5:30 pm | St. Mary' Church |

The exemplification fee for each candidate, except priests, is \$50.00.

The fee includes a social baldric and Fourth Degree lapel pins. There is no exemplification fee for priests or religious brothers; however,

their assembly will pay \$20.00 to cover the cost of the social baldric and Fourth Degree pin. The candidate's or the assembly's check is to be made payable to the Masters, Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree.

Important Note: The exemplification fee does not change if the candidate does not attend dinner. Nor does the exemplification fee pay for the candidate's name tag or annual assembly dues or fees relating to the assembly in accordance with Article XIII, Section 24(k). The exemplification is set forth by the Board of Directors under Article IX, Membership, Section 26.

ATTIRE

ARTICLE XI OFFICIAL DRESS

Section 38. Official Dress. The official dress for the Fourth Degree shall be: (a) black bow tie, plain white tuxedo shirt, black cummerbund, black footwear, black tuxedo and social

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baldric worn under the coat, from right shoulder to left hip. (b) A member serving in the armed forces of his country, fulltime police and firefighters shall be considered in proper attire when dressed in a Class A dress uniform. **LADIES:** As men are dressed formally, most ladies prefer dressy attire.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

The sponsor will ensure that all information is legibly printed on the Form 4. The applicant, his sponsor, and the applicant's Council FS will sign the Form 4. Ensure the candidates 3rd degree is updated with Supreme, so the Form 4 does not get kicked back. After the assembly's Admission Committee's action, the FN and FC will sign the Form 4. The FC will forward the signed Form 4 (all copies) and the applicant's check to the District Master. After the degree, the District Master will sign and send the Form 4 to Supreme with copies to councils and assemblies.

***** MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS *****

ARTICLE IX MEMBERSHIP

Section 25. Eligibility for Membership. (a) Applications for membership in the Fourth Degree may be made to any Assembly provided the applicant is: (i) Over eighteen years of age. (ii) A citizen of the country in which he resides, or with permission of the Master of the District over the area where he claims citizenship, with the understanding that if permission is granted the pledge of allegiance will be to the country of citizenship. (iii) A Third Degree member in good standing in his council. (iv) A former member whose membership was terminated for failure to pay dues or by a withdrawal card if he has been readmitted to good standing in his council. (v) A practical Catholic in union with the Holy See.

SUPPORTING LOCAL DEGREES

Knighthood Degree Exemplification - Spokane District 5, 8, 18, 20, 28, & 33

Related Web Sites

- KofC Regalia & Supplies (**Lynch & Kelly**): <http://www.lynchkelly.com>
- KofC Regalia & Supplies (**The English Company**): <http://www.kofcsupplies.com>
- Inexpensive Tuxedo Purchase (**Chilbert & Co.**): <http://www.chilbert.com>

(There are many others, of course, but Chilbert & Co., along with the others above, advertises in the Columbia Magazine)

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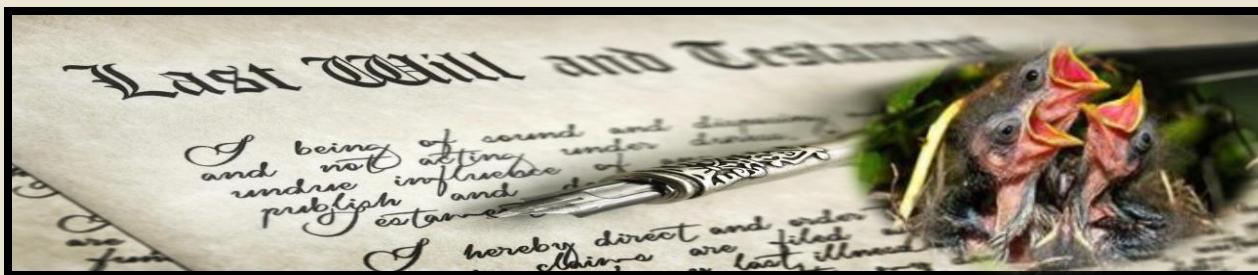
There he was standing in a bowling alley surrounded by people in rented shoes. Watching the family "princes" throwing balls at some pins at the other end of the alley. After each effort the family in their well rehearsed chorus of barking and clapping approval showed their allegiance to the pampered, overcompensated, well spoiled offspring: will it never end? No it never did, mommies skirts and Grandma's money saw to that. Time passes and.....

GRANDMA'S BOYS: (*Whatever you have, their entitled to and their waiting*)

Got her airplane miles, loving smiles and someone to lean on.....

There they go with a pocket full of horses, young men riding their skate boards on their way to a good time. It was of course out of the question to expect them to think of earning their own credentials independently. It had become a family tradition by that time, firmly embedded in the cement of their family habits.

The older generation had always taken care of them, they saw no way out, and with unsurprised resignation bent their shoulders to carry on as human crutches. So before any other plans could be made, grandma's boys had to be thought of. The more childish their antics the more Grandma loved them and expected everyone else to do the same. Everything they did was the best, after all they were all "*so smart,*" whether it was a girl friend or a car (*that always seemed to have its hood raised.*) Sadly as time moves on they become much like baby birds in the "safe place" of their nest..... as they **wait** for her passing with open mouths.



Consider leaving something different, like a taboo-shattering old fashion faith-filled family life style built on hard work, the gift of time & love to each other as the prime legacy we leave to our children and grandchildren. With the help of our faith and the spirit of our forefathers lets teach what values are truly important. Let's teach the work ethic that built this nation & to have pride in a job well done.

Let's leave strong men and women who find "a safe place" in our faith and family values. May our legacy be the memories of the time and love we gave them and with God's help may they pass this self reliance on to their children.

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So often we don't "step up" to a challenge or a position because we think we are not "qualified" to do it right and thereby subject ourselves to embarrassment or failure. At this time of the year, when councils are going through the selection process of finding men who will place their names in a position to be nominated for office, we hear more negatives than positives.

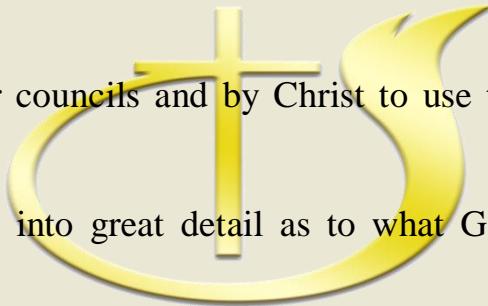
(When was the last time your council had more than one candidate nominated for a particular council-officer's position?)

Submitted By Manny Aguilar, PFS, PGK, FDD, FDDM, FHC

KNOW THIS!

We all have gifts, both physical and spiritual. Yes, some have more than others but, still, we all have them. Our job as Knights and as followers of Christ is to discern just what gifts we do have, work on improving those gifts, and look to where we might develop new gifts to help us as men and as Knights. The gifts we have, have been given to us by God, each according to His will, and for His purposes.

Next, we are called by our councils and by Christ to use those gifts to help our fellow man in need.



1 Cor. Chapters 12-16 go into great detail as to what God expects of us with regard to His spiritual gifts.

The last thing that He expects from us is to do NOTHING! And, that all we do with and for the Knights should be motivated by love. Love is the lubricant of all good works. 1 Cor. 14:26 says "...everything should be done for building up (the body)".

Don't be satisfied with always being "in the middle". Consider what each of you can do and what you might learn by "stepping up to the plate" at this selection/election time.

You might surprise yourself by just what unknown talents you have that you might contribute to the betterment of your council.

Also, remember that, if you do get elected, all the other members will be there to help you along the way.

YOU COULD BE THE DIFFERENCE!



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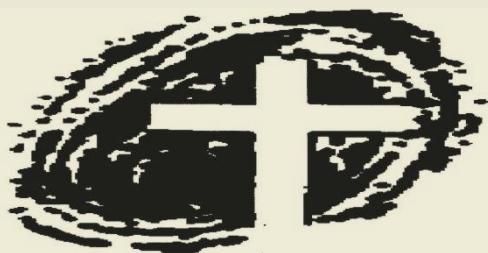
By
Tommy LaCour

As we close the door on yet another Lenten Season I hope you have taken the time to reflect on your life with God and your family. Have you made the changes in your family's life to live closer to God??? Have you directed your day to day living to include time for Family pray or doing something for the church or parish as a Family. God...Family and Prayer a threesome we all need in our lives to make us closer to God. Finding ways to be closer to God especially as a family is what lent is all about.

So Lent then is a time when we are reminded of the intrinsic value that God places on every human life. It is because of this that He entered the world in the person of Jesus Christ. From the incarnation (God becoming flesh in Jesus) to the crucifixion and resurrection, God places a high value on each of our lives because He loves us and cares desperately about us. Just as He feeds the sparrows which do not sow or gather into barns and paints the beauty on the lilies of the field, so He takes care of us by creating a world in which there is everything for every single human being to live a joyful, wholesome, productive and healthy life. He does this because He views each one of us as valuable. I hope you have taken this lent seriously and found the way to bring you and your family closer to living in God's Grace.

God Bless you all

Tommy LaCour
Washington State
Family Chairman





WIFE'S CORNER

The Chaplet of The Divine Mercy

The Chaplet of Mercy is recited using ordinary rosary beads of five decades. The Chaplet is preceded by two opening prayers from the Diary of Saint Faustina and followed by a closing

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Submitted By Sharon Anne Czerwonka
(Wife of Immediate Past State Deputy George Czerwonka.)

How to Recite the Chaplet

1. Make the Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

2. Optional Opening Prayers

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

(Repeat three times)

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of Mercy for us, I trust in You!

3. Our Father

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, Amen.

4. Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death, Amen.

5. The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

6. The Eternal Father

Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

7. On the Ten Small Beads of Each Decade

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

8. Repeat for the remaining decades

Saying the "Eternal Father" (6) on the "Our Father" bead and then 10 "For the sake of His sorrowful Passion" (7) on the following "Hail Mary" beads.

9. Conclude with Holy God (Repeat three times)

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

10. Optional Closing Prayer

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion — inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.

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