



WASHINGTON STATE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS "THE SECOND EDITION"

FROM THOMAS MERTON
(FATHER LOUIS)

THERE IS intoxication in the waters of contemplation, whose mystery fascinated and delighted the first Cistercians and whose image found its way into the names of so many of those valley monasteries that stood in forests, on the banks of clean streams, among rocks alive with springs.

These are the waters which the world does not know, because it prefers the water of bitterness and contradiction. These are the waters of peace, of which Christ said: "*He that shall drink of the water that I shall give him, shall not thirst for ever. But the water that I shall become in him a fountain of water, springing up into life everlasting.*"

These are the Waters of Siloe, that flow in silence.

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OUR JOURNEY IS JUST BEGINNING

CALLED TO SERVE AS CHRIST

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WORTHY BROTHERS,

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, St. Matthew Council 14852, one of the several ministries actively involved in the parish activities has pledged to support the **CALLED TO SERVE AS CHRIST** campaign in an approved motion last December 17, 2019. As of now, Council 14852 has initially paid \$600.00 for its 3 year commitment of \$1,800.00 to the long term retirement plan of priests, sisters and parishes in the Archdiocese of Seattle. Also, the council continues to support the **REFUND SUPPORT VOCATION PROGRAM- (RSVP)** for \$500.00 a year to a designated Seminarian in the Archdiocese. This is a featured service program of the Faith In Action model of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council for fraternal Year 2020. For more details on council and membership activities, please contact Bro. Luis P. Abad, Jr. Grand Knight @ Tel... No. 206-362-5268 or Bro. Walter Von Moos, Deputy GK @ 206-364-5056.

Fraternally,

Bro. Luis GK,
Seattle Council 14852

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Worthy State Officers, Worthy Masters, Conferring Officers, Wardens of Conferring Officers, Presenters of the Fraternal Charge, District Deputies, Formation Degree Staff Coordinators,

By now, many of you have already received the communication from Supreme concerning the New Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity.

This email contains a link to the new degree script and a FAQ sheet on questions and additional guidance about the degree.

Our Worthy State Deputy Pat has indicated that the new initiation ceremony will now become an option for DD's and GKs to implement. The older ceremonies will phase out over a yet to be specified time frame. WSD Pat will provide more specific guidance on this topic over the next few months.

In the interim, we will continue to support scheduling the existing Combined Formation-Knighthood and Knighthood degrees on an as needed basis while accommodating the implementation of the new exemplification

Anticipated changes in the schedule for planned degrees over the next few months will require a lot of timely and frequent communications between Host District Deputies and myself, Conferring Officers, and Formation Degree Staff Coordinators.

This timely communication and your patience will be very important for all involved in the coming transition period.

Should you have any comments or questions, please don't hesitate to contact by email or by phone at my number bellow.

Worthy Webmaster Tim, can you replace the letter with this email and information at the main ceremonial page? Also, can you add an additional tab with the other links entitled New Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity with links to the new script and FAQ sheet?

Yours in Christ

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FAMILY OF THE MONTH



"NOMINATE A FAMILY OF THE MONTH!"



STRONG VISIBLE PROGRAM



KEEP IT SIMPLE



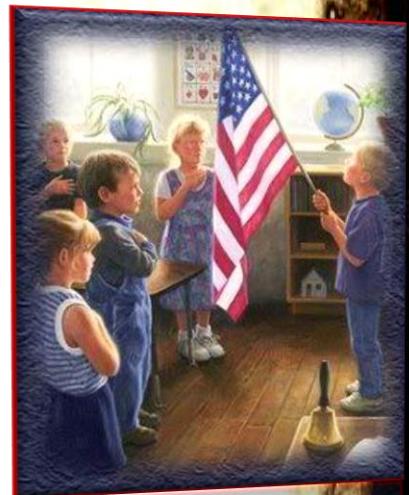
By STEVE SNELL

There is an old Shaker song that could be a motto for modern Knights:



*Tis the gift to be simple,
Tis the gift to be free,
Tis the gift to come down where we ought to be,
And when we are in the place just right,
We'll be in the valley of love and delight.*

*When true simplicity is gained
To bow and to bend we will not be ashamed
To turn, to turn "will be our delight"
Till by turning, turning we come round right.*



It is very easy to give in to the temptation to become complicated in our messaging. If complication is beginning to invade your messaging, it might be a sign that you are getting older, or wiser (*nah forget that*). **BUT.....Don't forget reaching your audience with a message they will take home with them is the goal. They will find it easy to....**

REMEMBER

Around
The curve
Lickety-split
It's a beautiful car
Wasn't it?



**Reach out with simple messages that everyone
Will Understand, & Remember.**

Two Sincere Holiday Tips for my Brothers



With the Holidays just behind us I would like to share a personal experience with my friends about drinking and driving.

(1) As you may know some of us have been known to have brushes with the authorities from time to time on the way home after a "social session" out with friends. Well, a few days ago I was out for an evening with friends and had several glasses of wine followed by an after dinner martini. Feeling jolly, I still had the sense to know that I may be slightly over the limit. That's when I did something that I've never done before - I took a cab home.

On the way home, there was a police road block, but since it was a cab they waved it past. I arrived home safely without incident. This was a real surprise as I had never driven a cab before....

I don't know where I got it, and now that it's in my garage
I don't know what to do with it.



"Whatever we neglected to do unto one of the least of these, we neglected to do unto the Lord!"

OLD SCHOOL WISDOM

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I was sitting around a camp fire in the mountains with a group of loud and proud young college men who had already solved most of the world's problems. Also there stretched out by the fire reading his bible was the camp cook. It wasn't long before one of mama's basement warriors started making fun of the older man and asked him why he was reading fairy tales? The old guy took the guff for a while before he stood up, adjusted his hat, grabbed a long iron poker, stirred the fire a while and then slowly turned around leaning on the red hot iron poker while standing in front of the now silent lads and quietly said;

I want to say something about your "fairy tale comment."
You don't believe in God?

FINE.

Why is it so important for many of you to mock those of us that do?
If we're wrong, what have we lost when we die?

NOTHING!

How does our believing in God bring you any harm?
You think it makes me stupid or gullible?

FINE.

How does that affect you?
If you're wrong, your consequence is far worse.

I would rather live my life believing in God and serving Him, and find out I was right, than not believe in Him, and find out I was wrong and it be too late.

It's your choice.....boys.



AS FOR ME, I'LL HANG OUT WITH GOD!!!

OKAY LITTLE SNOWFLAKES IT'S LATE - HIT THE SACK....**NOW!**

NOTE:

(One should not always so exhaust a subject that one leaves the reader with nothing to do. The point is not to make men read, but to make them think.)

Montesquieu, The Spirit of the Law



CHEVILLES THE COVENANT

COLUMBIA

Featured in the January Columbia Magazine
KENNEWICK ASSEMBLY 3385

CHALICES HONOR KNIGHTS

On a pilgrimage to Medjugorje in Bosnia and Herzegovina, members of Holy Spirit Assembly 3385 in Kennewick, Wash., donated two chalices to a local parish in memory of deceased Knights and brothers Bill and John Zilar. After presenting the engraved chalices, the pilgrims were given a tour of the church by the pastor.

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Trump makes Roe anniversary ‘Sanctity of Life Day’: ‘We will never tire of Defending innocent life’

'I ask every citizen of this great Nation to listen to the sound of silence caused by a generation lost to us, and then to raise their voices for all affected by abortion, both seen and unseen.'

By Paul Smeaton



WASHINGTON, D.C., January 22, 2020 ([LifeSiteNews](#)) – U.S. President Donald J. Trump has declared January 22, the anniversary of the 1973 Roe v. Wade decision imposing abortion on demand across the country, to be “**National Sanctity of Human Life Day**.”

In a [proclamation issued yesterday](#), Trump declared that “every person — the born and unborn, the poor, the downcast, the disabled, the infirm, and the elderly — has inherent value” and said that the U.S. “proudly and strongly reaffirms our commitment to protect the precious gift of life at every stage, from conception to natural death.”

He touted his administration’s pro-life achievements at home and abroad.

The proclamation referenced his administration’s efforts to build “an international coalition to dispel the concept of abortion as a fundamental human right” and said that his administration would “oppose any projects that attempt to assert a global right to taxpayer funded abortion on demand, up to the moment of delivery.”

“We will never tire of defending innocent life — at home or abroad,” he promised. The proclamation referenced the recent decline in the number and rate of abortions in America.



FIRST CANDIDATES USING NEW EXEMPLIFICATION PROGRAM

FIRST NEW EXEMPLIFICATION TEAM

**PRESIDING OFFICER, WAYNE HOGAN, PRESENTER ON CHARITY – PAUL SWORTZ,
PRESENTER ON UNITY – STEVE BULLIMORE AND PRESENTER ON FRATERNITY
– BRIAN WOOLERY, INVESTING OFFICER – GRAND KNIGHT EDDIE LILOC. THE
WARDEN WAS DONALD HAVENS FOR MICHAEL LY.**

FROM: Thomas McCaffrey - Vice President, Fraternal Excellence
RE: Exemplification of Charity, Unity & Fraternity

I asked permission to immediately begin using the new format from the SD.

With permission granted from the Worthy SD. It just happened Our District schedule showed a 1st degree hosted by Council 4322 and a 2nd hosted by the District 2 Nd degree team which is led by Brother Liloc GK of 4322. We talked and decided to move forward with the new degree immediately. We cancelled the 1st degree and focused on the new format. Brother Liloc selected his team and had less than 6 days to prepare.

I communicated to the other councils of the decision and collectively council leadership ran with it. The only thing we didn't change was the location St John Bosco. All councils were present during the ceremony. The thrown together Cabrini team performed well. With support from their Pastor 4 Th degree knight Fr. Paul Brunet.

Vivat Jesus Russ Cantonwine DD34



Council #4322 St Frances Cabrini, Lakewood, supplied the team for the joint district #34 first candidates to the new Supreme exemplification program on January 23, 2020. Brian Woolery, Trustee #4322

Trump Becomes First President to Attend March for Life

Trump boldly demonstrates his full support for the pro-life movement.

Jan. 24, 2020

President Donald Trump today became the first sitting president to attend and speak at the annual March for Life rally. Over its 47-year history, no Republican president (and obviously no Democrat) has made an appearance at the nation's largest pro-life rally. Though George W. Bush and Ronald Reagan did offer brief supportive remarks via phone and satellite to the marchers, they always maintained a degree of separation.

But Trump is unlike any previous Republican and is most in his element when speaking to a massive rally. While Trump's checkered personal history and his past support of abortion cause some to question his commitment, his impressive presidential actions in support of life simply cannot be ignored or deemed insignificant. While he and the previous Republican Congress failed to defund Planned Parenthood, Trump has followed through on other promises — nominating pro-life judges, signing a bill allowing states to block Title X funding from going to "family planning" organizations that perform abortions, and reinstating a federal policy preventing foreign aid from being used to provide or endorse abortions.

"From the first day in office," Trump said during his speech, "I've taken historic action to support America's families and protect the unborn." Moreover, he said, "All of us here today understand an eternal truth: Every child is a precious and sacred gift from God. When we see the image of a baby in the womb, we glimpse the majesty of God's creation."





REPORT ON RIGHT TO LIFE MARCH

Some info and photos from our Right to Life march on Olympia on Tuesday 21 Jan, 2020.

In conjunction with the St. Joseph's Respect Life Committee, Council 7907, Issaquah filled a bus to travel to Sacred Heart Church Lacy for a Mass for the Unborn celebrated by Archbishop Etienne. We then traveled to the State Capitol of Washington in Olympia along with three to five thousand other Right to Life protesters.

Although the weather did not cooperate, we filled the steps of the Congressional Building and the adjacent area to listen to speeches from Legislators and pro-life dignitaries. Kudos also to the Sacred Heart Knights who controlled the buses and traffic. They did a wonderful job. They had guys all over the lot keeping all the visitors and buses organized

The photo at the war memorial is our group including students from our 8th grade.

Peace, Ernie Linnemann, Trustee, St. Joseph's Knights 7907



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MARCH FOR LIFE

A Higher Purpose

Show public support for the right to life. Knights of Columbus councils are encouraged to participate in or sponsor local, state/province, regional or national Marches for Life. Councils that coordinate at least 50 participants or who organize a local March for Life will receive credit for this program.

Overview

The Knights of Columbus encourages others to choose life through public support of the pro-life cause. Knights can organize and participate in local/state/province/regional Marches for Life and/or organize participation of Knights/parishioners/students/etc., in bus trips to the national Marches in Washington, D.C., Ottawa, Mexico City, throughout the Philippines, or in other countries.

Featured Program Requirements

Councils are required to organize a minimum of 50 marchers to participate in a national, state, or local March for Life or councils must themselves organize a March for Life. Report activity using the [***March for Life Report Form \(#10697\)***](#).

EDITOR'S NOTE:

WHAT MAKES THE MARCH FOR LIFE UNIQUE IN TODAY'S ENVIRONMENT:
NOBODY IS MARCHING FOR THEMSELVES.

NOBODY IS DEMANDING RIGHTS OR PRIVILEGES FOR THEMSELVES.
EVERYONE IS MARCHING FOR THOSE WHO CANNOT MARCH.



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'Nope,' He Says, Body Isn't His

GALILEE, R. I., Sept. 24
(AP)—Charles Keville walked into a temporary morgue and looked at a body which had been identified as his.

"Nope," he said, "that ain't me," and walked out again.



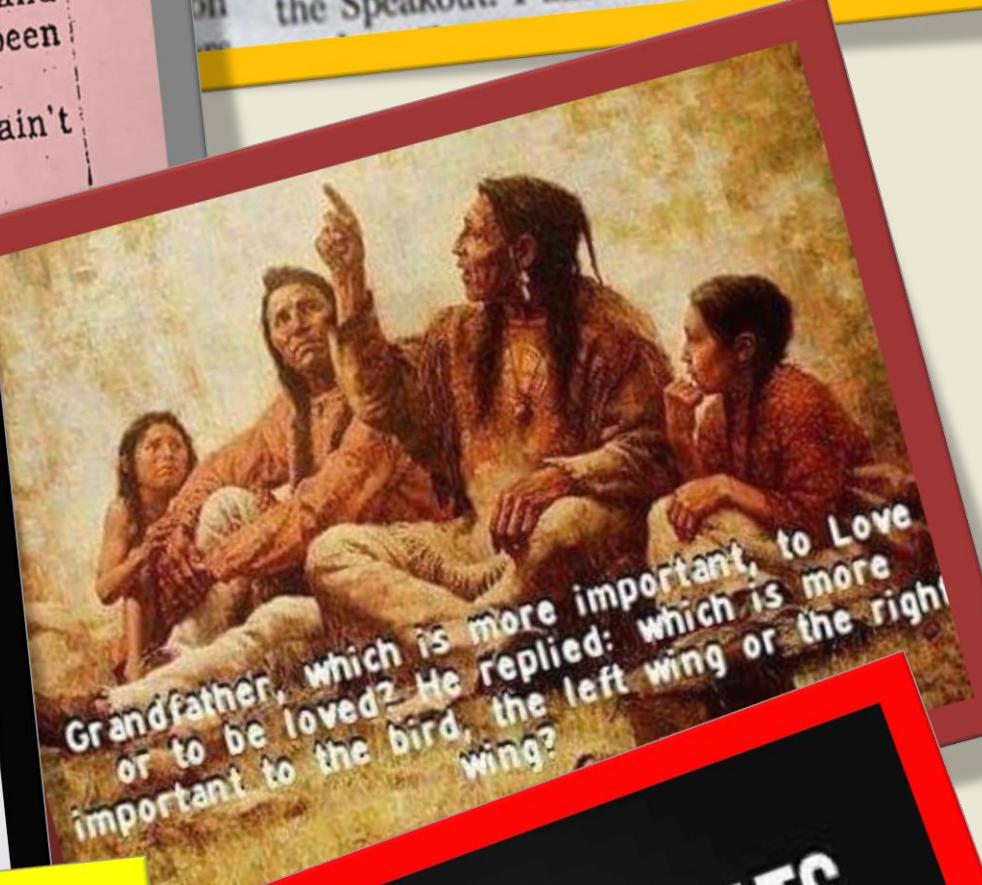
Of course
I talk to
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Sometimes
I need
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advice!



or the people that call in to this column.

To all you hunters who kill animals for food, shame on you; you ought to go to the store and buy the meat that was made there, where no animals were harmed.

I am calling in regard to the Speakout. I am an avid



Grandfather, which is more important, to Love or to be loved? He replied: which is more important to the bird, the left wing or the right wing?

"HARD WORK BEATS
TALENT WHEN TALENT
DOESN'T WORK HARD"

THE CATHOLIC FAITH OF KOBE BRYANT



Kobe Bryant and his daughter Gianna Bryant attend a basketball game between the Los Angeles Lakers and the Atlanta Hawks at Staples Center on November 17, 2019 in Los Angeles, California. (Photo by Allen Berezovsky/Getty Images)

Basketball superstar Kobe Bryant died Sunday, Jan. 26 in a helicopter crash in Southern California, along with his 13-year-old daughter, Gianna.

Bryant, the father of four, was Catholic. In all nine people were killed in the Jan. 26 crash.

Bryant, 41, is widely considered one of the greatest basketball players of all time. He retired in 2016 after a 20 year career with the Los Angeles Lakers, in which the shooting guard won five NBA championships, a league MVP award, two scoring championships, and myriad other distinctions.

Beyond basketball, Bryant was a husband and a father who in 2015 attributed his Catholic faith with helping him move past a challenging period in his own life and the life of his family.

Bryant was raised in a Catholic family, and spent much of his childhood living in Italy. He married in 2001 in a Southern California parish.

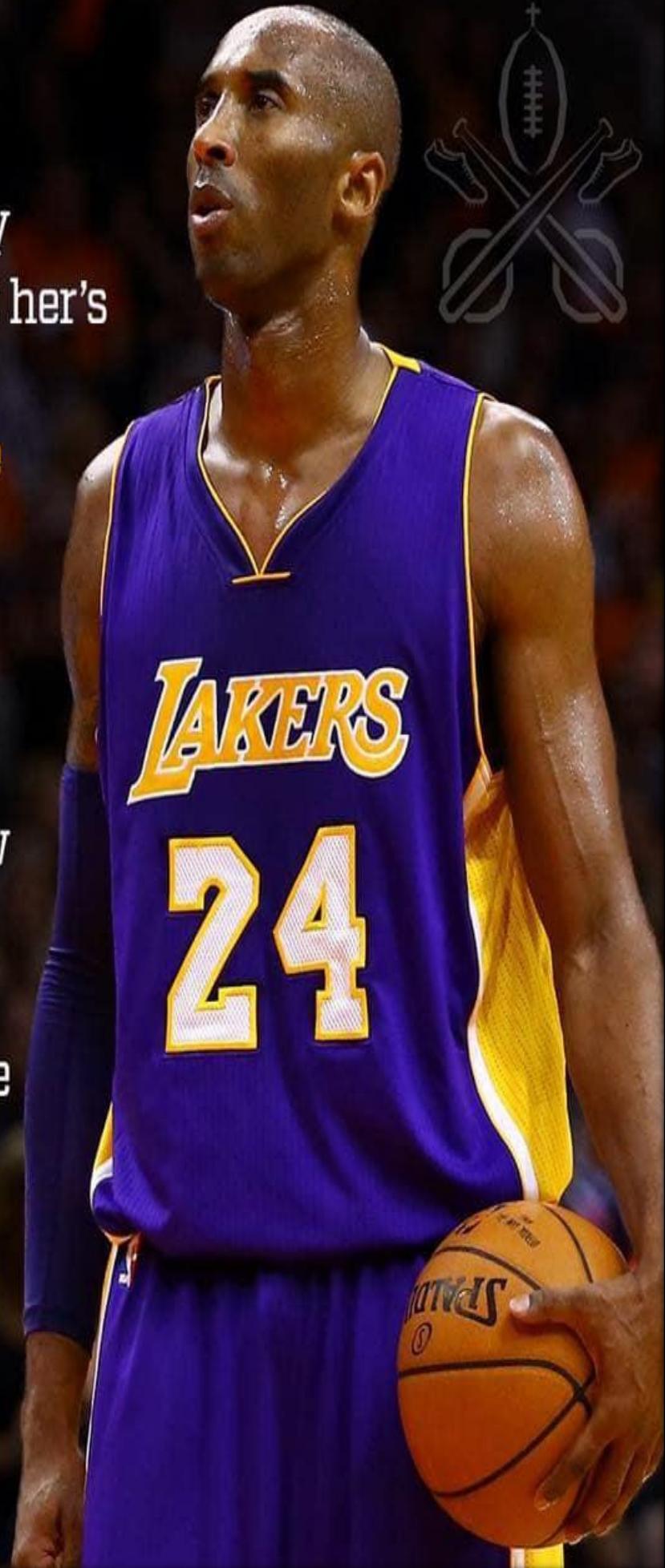




"A friend texted me today
to tell me that a friend of her's
attends the same
Catholic Church as **Kobe**
and **saw him**
this morning **at Mass**.

There can be **nothing**
more consoling to those
who mourn than to know
that **a loved one**
worshipped God right
before his death, because
worshipping God
is what **heaven** is."

- Fr. David Barnes



UPDATED FORM 450

(**NEW CEREMONIAL STUFF**)

Brother Knights,

Please be aware that the online Form 450, the form used for Degree Exemplification reports, has been updated to accommodate reports for not only Admission, Formation and Knighthood degrees but now includes the New Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. Link is provided below

https://www.kofc.org/un/en/forms/district/dd_degree_report450_p.pdf

Please use this updated form on all new evaluations of all degrees

Best Regards

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4 REASONS**

CHARITY UNITY FRATERNITY PATRIOTISM

DEFENSE OF THE MOST DEFENSELESS

DID YOU KNOW: One woman whose name is seldom mentioned...changed the mind of a president of the United States on one of the most contentious issues of the day. Her name was Dr. Mildred Fay Jefferson, (1927-2010). She said, "Abortion on demand is not merely 'the right to choose'. The demand is 'the right to choose' to kill an unborn child and pay some doctor to do it. In a sound society, there are choices which we must agree not to make and not to allow. I became a physician in order to save lives, not to destroy them. I will not accept the proposition that the doctor should relinquish the role of healer to become the new social executioner."

Governor Ronald Reagan of California: He wrote to Dr. Mildred Jefferson saying, "Several years ago, I was faced with the issue of whether to sign a California abortion bill...I must confess to never having given the matter of abortion any serious thought until hearing you. No other issue since I have been in office has caused me to do so much study and soul-searching...I wish I could have heard your views before our legislation was passed. You made it irrefutably clear that an abortion is the taking of a human life. I'm grateful to you." **U. S. Rep. Henry Hyde:** He spoke to his fellow lawmakers in June, 1976, with these words: "An innocent, defenseless human life, in a caring and humane society, deserves better than to be flushed down a toilet or burned in an incinerator. The promise of America is that life is not just for the privileged, the planned or the perfect." The Hyde amendment passed with strong bi-partisan support by a vote of 207 to 167. It was immediately challenged but eventually went into effect in 1980, after the Supreme Court confirmed that it did not violate Roe v. Wade. The Court also held that the amendment did not represent an "establishment of religion"

Eugenic Goals and Abortion: Last May, the U.S. Supreme Court issued a 7-2 decision in *Box v. Planned Parenthood of Indiana and Kentucky*, a two-part case involving an Indiana abortion law. The Court upheld the state's law regarding the disposal of aborted fetuses. Justice Clarence Thomas noted the law "prohibits...treating the bodies of aborted children as 'infectious waste' and incinerating them alongside...laboratory-animal carcasses, and surgical byproducts." The second question was whether the state could prohibit abortions based on the child's race, sex, diagnosis of Down syndrome, disability and related characteristics. The Court declined to consider that part of the law. Justice Thomas took the opportunity in his concurring opinion to address the topic of eugenics in relation to elective abortions. He said, "this case highlights the fact that abortion is an act rife with the potential for eugenic manipulation...which can be used to target specific children with unwanted characteristics...and, although the Court declines to wade into these issues today, we cannot avoid them forever."

Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson tells us, "Seek the Kingdom of God'. Our acts of charity; beginning with defense of the most defenseless, bear witness to the sacred dignity of every human life." "Charity is a matter of principle, not politics. In our pro-life efforts and in our acts of charity, we must resist the tendency to politicize every activity – a tendency that leaves everything prey to the partisan question. 'Who benefits politically?' We should not have to calculate the political costs in our acts of charity and defense of the vulnerable, for **as Catholics, we are called to apply a calculus different than politics.**" Columbia Magazine – January 2020

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40 DAYS OF RENEWAL



LENT BEGINS

ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2020
ENDS ON THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 2020

LENTEN REFLECTIONS



- Give up hatred; return good for evil**
- Give up negativism; be positive**
- Give up complaining; be grateful**
- Give up pessimism; be an optimist**
- Give up harsh judgments; think kindly thoughts**
- Give up worry; trust Divine Providence**
- Give up discouragement; be full of hope**
- Give up anger; be more patient**
- Give up pettiness; be more mature**
- Give up gloom; be more mature**
- Give up jealousy; pray for trust**
- Give up gossiping; control your thoughts**
- Give up sin; turn to virtue**



KNIGHTS IN ACTION

Brother Knight Mike Courtright of Council 8297 leads this firewood ministry for Fishline, supported by other members of the Council. Well Done, Brother Mike!

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How much wood would a woodchuck chuck if a woodchuck could chuck wood? The answer is A LOT!

The Fishline Woodchuckers started work this week to make sure we are well stocked with chopped and dried wood for our clients in need. This year marks the program's 5th anniversary! If you are interested in learning more about this volunteer opportunity and others, join us at our New Volunteer Orientation contact Lidia at voluteer@fishlinehelps.org. # fishline # fishlinehelps # woodchuckers # morethanafoodbank



The biggest concern for any organization should be when their most passionate people become quiet.

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KNIGHTS ON BIKES

UPDATE

Greetings Brothers KonB,

It's been a while since we introduced the TFMM patch rendering designed by 3307 KonB Mike Perkins.....well here is the first sew out. This patch is US made right here in my home town by a veteran owned family ran small business. Also shown is my council number and road name patch I run. And WA KonB Mike Rutland now has inventory of our Lady of Guadalupe patches for the ladies.... I believe these are about 12" tall and beautiful I add.

Side Note:

In an effort to support the 4th degree Chalice program I intend to purchase a chalice and donate it to an assembly in need with proceeds for the TFMM patch.

And in closing.....today is the reveal of the TCCW/WA KonB built 2020 raffle bike "Sweet Charity" proceeds from this bike will go to Combat Veteran's International for their works of charity of veteran's in need.

Will post bike pics on the Tri City Cycle Works FB page and email all the brothers who don't visit social media.

All for now...Blanco

WA Knights on Bikes Director/Pres.

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"IN GOD WE TRUST, AND RIDE"

"Vivat Christo Rey"



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THE UNVEILING

Here it is, the official unveiling of the 2020 Raffle bike. The teamwork of Bruce at Tri-city Cycle Vintage Restoration and Bones Art Custom Motorcycle Artistry has produced an eye popping, jaw dropping, and unforgettable WWII Aviation themed bike dedicated to all branches of the US Armed Forces and to our local Pasco Naval Air Museum. Remember folks, raffle tickets go on sale soon and you will see the gang from Combat Veterans International at various locations selling them.

Some amazing work by an amazing Brother Knight, Bruce Hines, also President of Washington State Knights on Bikes.. His heart is always in the right place! **Well Done Brother Bruce !**



SEAT T LE ARCHB BISHOP STOP EMER RIT TUS

ALEXANDER J. BRUNET T DIES

CREDIT NORTHWEST CATHOLIC

Archbishop Emeritus Alexander J. Brunett, who led the Archdiocese of Seattle through an era of dynamic growth and intense challenges from 1997 to 2010, ended his earthly pilgrimage January 31. He was 86.

Archbishop Brunett was installed as the eighth bishop and fourth archbishop of the Archdiocese of Seattle on December 18, 1997, succeeding Archbishop Thomas J. Murphy, who died June 26 that year.

During his 13-year tenure, Archbishop Brunett created an ambitious vision for the church in Western Washington — entitled “A Future Full of Hope” — and pursued it with the spirit of buoyant determination that characterized his multifaceted vocation as a priest, pastor and bishop over six decades.

Ordained to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Detroit on July 13, 1958, Archbishop Brunett was appointed bishop of Helena, Montana, by Pope John Paul II in 1994 at the age of 60, following a long and wide-ranging ministry. He submitted his letter of retirement to Pope Benedict XVI in 2009 at the age of 75 in accordance with canon law. He was succeeded as archbishop of Seattle by Archbishop J. Peter Sartain, who was installed on December 1, 2010.

Despite the economic downturns, financial contributions to the archdiocese by local Catholics nearly doubled under his leadership. As Western Washington’s general population grew 13 percent, to nearly 5 million, Archbishop Brunett responded by authorizing five new parishes: Holy Redeemer in Vancouver, Holy Cross in Lake Stevens, Holy Innocents in Duvall, Blessed Teresa of Calcutta in Woodinville and Christ Our Hope in Seattle.

But Pope Benedict XVI called Archbishop Brunett out of retirement to serve as apostolic administrator of the Diocese of Oakland, California, in 2012. After returning to Seattle, in 2013 he suffered a stroke that severely restricted his mobility. Despite his impairment, the emeritus archbishop was a fixture at major events around the archdiocese until he suffered a fall on April 26, 2019.



UPDATES

Worthy State Officers, District Masters, District Deputies, Conferring Officers, PFCs, Wardens, and Formation Degree Staff Coordinators.

The information on the attached Knighthood degree schedule over the remainder of the year has changed significantly since the last update on Jan. 03, 2020. The largest changes are due to the decisions made by a number of DDs and GKs to use the New Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity in their areas. So far, these decisions have resulted in the following cancellations of Knighthood degrees for the following locations and dates:

- Olympia - Feb. 15, 2020
- Walla Walla - Feb 22, 2020
- Colbert - March 7, 2020
- Kennewick - April 25, 2020
- Lakewood - May 2, 2020
- Pullman - May 9, 2020
- Covington - June 6, 2020

The following three degrees are still scheduled through the end of March 2020. The degree in Bellingham is not currently posted on the State Calendar but is expected to be shortly.

DATE	LOCATION	CO	PFC	DISTRICTS
2/22/2020*	Bellingham	Hogan	Wilson	9, 19 & 31
3/7/2020****	Gig Harbor	Devine	DeVos	2, 22 & 28
3/14/2020****	Kelso	Hogan	Roth	11, 25 & 35

* Denotes a Saturday degree

**** Denotes Combined Formation & Knighthood Degree



UPDATES CONTINUED

HDD

Worthy COs and PFC's, please let me know if I need to make changes for your proposed assignments for the remaining degrees.

All DDs, who are listed as the **Host DD in red** for these scheduled degrees, should already be arranging for a facility and should be posting the planned degree information as soon as possible on the state web-page per Knighthood Degree guidelines for DDs (<http://www.kofc-wa.org/Ceremonials/Third/DD%20Third%20Degree%20Guidelines.pdf>) . It is imperative that the degree information be posted on the state web-page and personally provided to all Co-Host DDs by the Host DD.

If another DD is your area has volunteered to be the HDD and/or you'd like to propose a new date for the degree you are hosting, please let me know as soon as possible.

Yours in Christ

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March for Life Group After a Successful Trip to Olympia

Back home after the trip to the Mass and March for Life, bus riders, including several knights, pose next to the bus

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Standing up for life

Bellingham Council's chartered bus got participants safely there and back to the annual Mass and March for Life January 21.

The Bellair bus left with 28 riders at 6am that morning prayed the Rosary and snoozed during the three and-a-half hour trip through thick traffic. The first stop was at Sacred Heart Church, Lacey, for the Mass for Life, which was celebrated by Archbishop Paul Etienne and concelebrated by many priests. Approximately 2,000 attend that Mass, either in Lacey or at St. Michael Church in Olympia.

Following the Mass, riders rode the bus to the state capitol in Olympia for the March for Life. Approximately 6,000 gathered, hunkered under umbrellas, on the steps of the capitol building to hear speeches by legislators and others. Due to the steady rain, the program was cut 15 minutes short. Some participants met with their district's senator or representatives.



*John Lee, Rik Dalvit, and Bob Grasher
Greet Brody Stewart*

Fr. Moore: Bellingham Council's new Chaplain

Fr. Jeffrey Moore, priest administrator of Church of the Assumption, has taken on the assignment of Chaplain of Bellingham Council. Grand Knight Preston Knutson met with Fr. Moore to make the request and he has agreed to do so.

Fr. Moore has asked council members to suggest topics on which he might speak at council meetings, as already he has gained the reputation of being a very erudite and informative homilist and speaker



New member Ron Carlson for Ferndale Council at first degree January 28

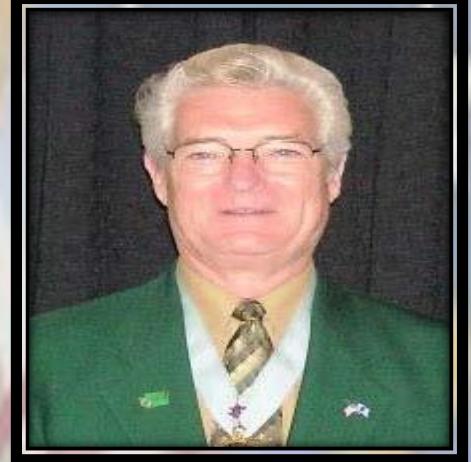


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AN EXPRESSION OF LOSS



JOHN WILL BE MISSED BUT NEVER FORGOTTEN

It is with great sadness that I report the loss of a very special Knight. John Walker, PSD, WSC Past Executive Director, passed away this morning. He was a friend to all of us, and I have to say, one of my best friends. He has contributed to our Order immeasurably. As a State Officer, I could count on him for anything. His knowledge of our Order, and our three corporations, is unsurpassed. I couldn't begin to express my gratitude for all he has done for us.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace my friend. Amen

God speed John.

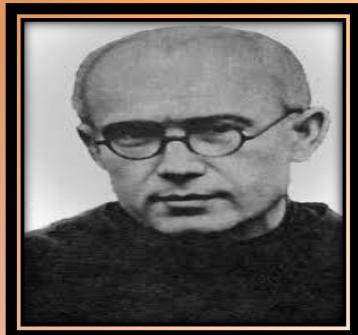
Kim Washburn
State Secretary



PSD John Walker's Funeral will be at St. Joseph's in Kennewick on Monday February 17th. A rosary at 10am will precede the funeral at 11am.

HE LOVES YOU

The Holy Bible tells us that ‘there is no greater love than that one lay down his life for a friend’. How many friends do you have that would do that for you, one or two maybe none that you know of?



None of us really stops very often to contemplate having to face that dilemma. History has revealed instances where this act has, in fact, occurred. **Maximillian Kolby** gave himself up in a concentration camp in place of another prisoner, that he didn't know, that he might live.

I'm sure there are many instances where someone has indeed ‘taken the bullet’ for someone else.

Are you one of those people? Would you take the place of someone who was condemned to die? Would that person have to be related to you or would you do it for just a friend or for a person unknown to you? What would be your motivation for doing it...Friendship, love, or gallantry? You, yourself, have already experienced that act that has been done for you, if you think about it.

Jesus died, yes DIED, so that you might LIVE. He did it for you and for everyone you know so that we all might be acceptable to God, our heavenly father who loves you with a love that goes beyond our imagination.

Have you thanked Him for that today?

**PTL,
Manny Aguilar**



WHAT HAPPENED???

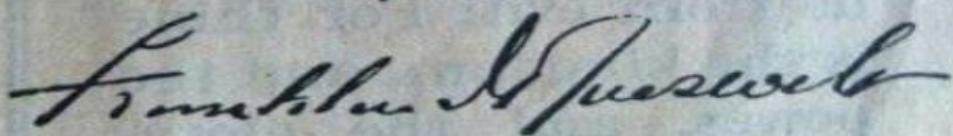
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 25, 1941

To the Armed Forces:

As Commander-in-Chief I take pleasure in commending the reading of the Bible to all who serve in the armed forces of the United States. Throughout the centuries men of many faiths and diverse origins have found in the Sacred Book words of wisdom, counsel and inspiration. It is a fountain of strength and now, as always, an aid in attaining the highest aspirations of the human soul.

Very sincerely yours,



Franklin D. Roosevelt.

WHO BLEW OUT THE CANDLE?

Don't it always seem to go
That you don't know what you've got
Till it's gone



GREAT WOMEN SAINTS!

MONTHLY QUIZ



BY KARL HADLEY PSD, FMFD, FVSM

Kyle and I went on a pilgrimage in September to visit Abbeys and Great Women Saints of France. See if you can identify who we saw and where we went in this monthly quiz:

In Western Europe, legends began to develop which claimed that this woman had travelled to southern France and died there. Starting in around 1050, the monks of the Benedictine and Cluniac monastery in Vézelay in northern Burgundy, France, claimed to have discovered her actual skeleton.. However, in 1279, an excavation ordered by Charles II, King of Naples, led to the discovery of a sarcophagus in the crypt of Saint-Maximin-la-Sainte-Baume, Provence, that was proclaimed to be her tomb. It even had an explanatory inscription stating why the relics had been hidden. The local Dominican monks soon recorded many miracles credited to her from those who sought her intercession. Charles II commissioned the building of a new Gothic basilica on the site. Saint-Maximin-la-Sainte-Baume gradually displaced Vézelay in popularity and acceptance.

WHO IS SHE?

ANSWER: Saint Mary Magdalene.



NOTE: The Benedictine abbey church in Vézelay, now the Basilica of Sainte-Marie-Madeleine (Saint Mary Magdalene), with its complicated imagery in sculpted capitals and portals, is one of the outstanding masterpieces of Burgundian Romanesque art and architecture. Sacked by the Huguenots in 1569, the building suffered neglect in the 17th and the 18th centuries and some further damage during the period of the French Revolution. The church and hill at Vézelay were added to the UNESCO list of World Heritage Sites in 1979. The claimed relics of Mary Magdalene can be seen inside the Basilica.



SEE YOU NEXT MONTH UNTIL THEN,

DON'T LET
ANYONE STEP ON
YOUR DREAMS.

NEVER GIVE UP!

