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Grand Knight's Message

Chuck Dinise, Grand Knight

My Brothers, We said goodbye to 2007 and ended the first half of our Columbian Year in a flurry of activities. We began December with the return of our monthly Steak Dinners on December 1st. We served over 80 dinners that night and reminisced about how great the Steak Dinners had been at our old Hall. This will now be a part of our new home as well. The Steak Dinners will be the 1st Sunday of every month beginning on January 6th at 5:30 p.m. at a cost of only \$8 per person. We will also have hamburger plates for the kids at only \$5 per child. Please join us for good food and great fun.

Speaking of Sundays, our monthly Pasta and Prayer for Pro-Life will be back on the 2nd Sundays of the month beginning on January 13th at 6:30 p.m. Please join us for dinner beginning at 6:30 p.m. followed by prayer time. Cost is \$7 per person with a maximum of \$35 per family. All proceeds go to Mary's Mercy Center and Veronica's House of Mercy.

December 7th was our Annual Christmas Luncheon for our local Chapter of AARP. We served dinner to almost 80 seniors and they had a great time dancing the afternoon away and giving out prizes to everyone.

Knight of the Month



Matthew Martin

Family of the Month



Manuel and Lucy Lucero

December 8th we celebrated our Annual Christmas Party for the families and guest of Council #3041. Eddie and Margie Moreno with great participation from our Brothers again put on a truly fun afternoon, including a visit from Santa Claus and toys for everyone. Ralph Segarra and his Knights Choir were a big hit, especially with their live rendition of the 12 Days of Christmas.

December 10th we held a 1st Degree and welcomed in three new Brothers to the Fontana Council and 11 new Brothers in total to the Order. Please come out and welcome Brothers, Eric, Jesus and Sergio to our Council.

Finally on December 16th St. Nicholas welcomed us to celebrate their Liturgy in the Byzantine Rite of our Catholic Church. Fr. Joe and his Parish are always most gracious hosts when we make our annual visit. We presented Fr. Joe with a check for \$250 and gave him another \$100 from the sale of our "Keep Christ in Christmas" Magnets. We will never fully be able to repay St. Nicholas who took us in for more than 2 years while our present Hall was under construction. My Brothers, as you can see Council #3041 is always active. January will be more of the same. Please join us, won't you?
Fraternally yours, Chuck Dinise, GK

Respect Life

In all its Stages

Planned Parenthood Strikes Again!

“How can anyone claim that this book is appropriate for 10 year olds?” asked Jim Sedlak, vice-president for American Life League. “First, pixilated images and excerpts of the book were rejected by a state prison, and now video-streaming sites are censoring the content of a video containing those pixilated images as well.”

Sedlak was referring to the Planned Parenthood endorsed book, *It's Perfectly Normal*, by Robie Harris. A few months ago, a Washington State Prison rejected a letter that included censored images from the book for being “sexually explicit” and “obscene.” Last week American Life League posted a video report on several streaming-video sites exposing the content of the book, which is aimed at 10 year old children. The video report was removed from vidilife.com, sharkle.com, and hi5.com for “inappropriate content,” and flagged on metacafe.com for viewers over 18.

“What an irony that censored content from a book intended for 10-year-old children is rejected by a prison, removed from video-streaming sites, and flagged for viewers over the age of 18,” said Sedlak. “We actually have no objection to the actions of the online sites and the prison. We agree that this is not appropriate content.”

“We are calling for libraries, schools and parents all across the country to take similar action,” Sedlak concluded, “Planned Parenthood should be denied access to our children at all times. The material it promotes is totally inappropriate and could be harmful.”

American Life League’s video report can be viewed [online](#).

What are you doing to promote life? If you have any ideas you would like to share we are always open.

10th Anniversary of Canonization Cause

The cause for canonization of the Servant of God Father Michael J. McGivney was formally opened 10 years ago on Dec. 18, 1997. Since that time, devotion to Father McGivney has grown worldwide, and membership in the McGivney Guild has surpassed 122,000. To mark this anniversary, past and current articles about the founder of the Knights of Columbus are available to help visitors learn about this model parish priest.

The Process of Becoming a Saint

The process of "saint making," more properly called the process for canonization, is normally long and complex. The candidate for sainthood must first be proposed to the local bishop. Once the bishop accepts and formally opens the "cause" for canonization, a thorough investigation into the person's life and work is begun. This entails an exhaustive study of the candidate's written works and, when possible, interviews with those who knew or worked with him. There is careful scrutiny of his life, virtues and weaknesses. The investigation aims at getting at the truth of the person's life and virtue. Only one who has lived the Christian life in an extraordinary manner, who has manifested "heroic virtue," can be seriously considered for canonization.

If the diocesan process is positive, all the information is forwarded to Rome where the Congregation for the Causes of Saints undertakes a new investigation under the supervision of professional historians and theologians. The arguments and proofs for the person's holiness of life are refined and focused. Once complete, the evidence is presented to the bishops and cardinals who make up the congregation, and their judgment is forwarded to the pope. Only the Holy Father makes the decision to beatify or canonize the candidate for sainthood. The Holy Father looks to a sign from God as confirmation of God's positive judgment concerning beatification or canonization. Miracles are a positive sign that God indeed confirms the decision of the Church.

Look for These Events in the Coming Months

February – 2008:

- 2nd: 4th Degree Exemplification – Ontario
- 3rd: Steak Dinner – KC Hall – 5:30 p.m.
- 10th: Pasta and Prayer – 6:30 p.m.
- 16th: Ladies Appreciation Night – 6:00 p.m.
- 26th: 2nd Degree – Tentative – Council Hall

March:

- 2nd: Steak Dinner – KC Hall – 5:30 p.m.
- 9th: Pasta and Prayer – 6:30 p.m.
- 16th: Palm Sunday Breakfast – St. Joseph
- 30th: Corporate Communion – St. Joseph 10:30

April:

- 6th: Steak Dinner – KC Hall – 5:30 p.m.
- 12th: Casino Night - Tentative
- 13th: Pasta and Prayer – 6:30 p.m.

May:

- 4th: Steak Dinner – KC Hall – 5:30 p.m.
- 12th: 2nd Degree – Tentative – Council Hall
- 15th-18th: State Convention – San Jose
- 18th: Pasta and Prayer – 6:30 p.m.
- 22nd: Council Elections

June:

- 1st: 3rd Degree Council Hall
- 8th: Steak Dinner – KC Hall – 5:30 p.m.
- 15th: Pasta and Prayer – 6:30 p.m.

Please put these events on your calendars now and plan to attend our Council Meetings which are always held on the 3rd Thursday of the month with the exception of May. This is due to the State Convention.

Become the Knight you pledged to be during your 1st Degree. Pray your Rosary often, get involved in our fundraisers and social events. It will be the best years of your life and those of your family's as well.

A particular thank you goes out to all of my Officers and Committee Men for their help this 1st six months. May God bless you all and your families.

How Well do You Know Your Faith?

Isn't the Rosary a kind of repetitious prayer condemned by Jesus in Mt. 6:7?

In Mt. 6:7, Jesus is not condemning all repeated prayers. He says, “do not babble *like the pagans*, who think that they will be heard because of their many words” (NAB). Jesus is teaching Christians that we are not to pray with the pagan attitude that the more we repeat a prayer the more likely we are to be heard (see 1 Kings 18:25-29 for an example of this pagan mentality).

A Christian who thinks he needs to repeat a prayer in order to be heard in heaven has a problem with faith. This is the error Jesus is correcting. Notice that Jesus repeats the same prayer three times in the Garden of Gethsemane (Mt 26:44). The publican who humbly repeated, “God be merciful to me a sinner” (Lk 18:13) went home justified. The four living creatures in heaven repeat day and night, “Holy. Holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come” (Rev. 4:8). Those verses show that prayer repeated with the proper attitude is very pleasing to God. The Rosary, recited devoutly, fulfills part of the biblical exhortation to “pray without ceasing” (1 Thess 5:17 NAB).

Why did the Catholic Church invent the dogmas of the Immaculate Conception in 1854 and the Bodily Assumption in 1950?

The Catholic Church officially defined the Doctrines in 1854 and 1950, respectively. She did not “invent” them at that time any more than she “invented” the doctrine of the Trinity when she officially defined it in 325 or “invented” the New Testament when she officially determined the canon in 393 and 397. The Catholic Church was merely codifying a belief which always existed in the Church, and was expressed in the writings of the early Church Fathers.

You can find answers like this and many others in the series of books known as: “Beginning Apologetics 1 – How to Explain and Defend the Catholic Faith” by Father Frank Chacon and Jim Burnham. These are produced by San Juan Catholic Seminars.

January 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Happy New Year	2	3 FONCO Meeting 7:00 p.m. Council Hall	4	5
6 Corp. Communion: St. George 9 a.m. Steak Dinner: 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. K of C Hall	7 Golf Tournament Meeting 7 p.m. Council Hall	8 4 th Degree Meeting Ontario 8:00 p.m.	9 Bingo Games Start at 6:00 p.m. Council Hall	10 Officers Meeting 7:00 p.m. Council Hall	11	12 Steak Dinner St. Joseph's 5:00 p.m. for World Youth Day
13 Pasta and Prayer for Pro-Life 6:30 p.m. start Council Hall	14	15	16 Bingo Games Start at 6:00 p.m. Council Hall	17 Council Meeting 7:00 p.m. Council Hall	18	19
20	21	22	23 Bingo Games Start at 6:00 p.m. Council Hall	24	25 Clergy Night Council #905 San Berdo 6:30 p.m. Start	26
27	28 Tentative 1 st Degree 7:30 p.m. start	29	30 Bingo Games Start at 6:00 p.m. Council Hall	31		

Special Notice from Your Financial Secretary

Dues notices for the 2008 calendar year went out the 15th of December. Dues are a mere \$36 per year. You will notice that an additional \$4.00 appears on your dues notice. This extra \$4.00 is optional, however you should know what that \$4.00 is applied to each year. This money goes to our Columbian Charities Foundation. Each year Brothers who are in desperate financial needs are granted help through a confidential process. This money has helped pay some medical bills, house payments and given relief to Brothers who lost their homes in fires these past few years. It is a one time donation to the Brother in severe need of help, when his Council can do no more. Some of the Brothers in our Council have received help in the past. I strongly urge you to attach the extra \$4.00 to your dues as you return them. In fact, you can just write one check for \$40.00.

Pay your dues before the 15th of January 2008 and be entered into a drawing to have your dues for 2008 returned to you. Only 1 winner and your dues must be postmarked before January 15, 2008. Get your dues in and win. Good Luck!

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