

St. John Vianney Council #11772

Knightline News



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From The Grand Knight



Brothers,

I hope you are enjoying the summer with family and friends. I know this is a tough time, with all of our vacation plans to spend time reading a newsletter or writing one in that case. So this will be short.

We have a couple of big weekends coming up, preparing for the new Pastor. The Parish has asked us to paint Father Tim's house and we have accepted. The more guys we get to come out, the faster we will be

finished. Let's try to get more than the same 15 guys who help with everything. We all joined for a reason. It's time to step up and help out.

We will be cooking for MCREST this year. We will need about 10 guys on Sunday August 1st, and the same on Saturday August 7th, to work the grills; looks like chicken on Sunday and burgers and hotdogs on Saturday.

We have the Tigers game this month and have a few tickets left; also the golf outing tickets are available.

I would like to congratulate Paul Leidal for being Knight of the Month.

I would also like to congratulate Andrew & Elaine Snider for being family of the month.

We still have a few brothers who have not paid their dues for 2010. You all need to know it is a time consuming and costly process to send out multiple billings. If you would like to be a member, please send in your payment ASAP. The longer you wait the more it costs the Council and the fewer funds we have to support those in need. If you no longer wish to be part of our organization at this time let us know. That way we can get you off our books and not continue to pay the per capita tax on those who do not wish to be members.

Enjoy your summer. Hope to see all of you at the Family BBQ and Awards night after the August 19th business meeting. Keep a look out for the info from DGK Tom Weisner.

Vivat Jesus

Matthew J. Meagher
 Grand Knight #11772

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Upcoming Events

JULY

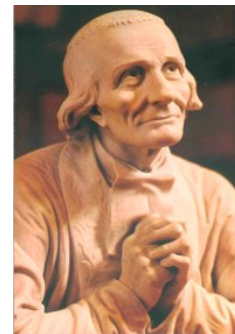
- 7/1 Council Planning Meeting
- 7/10-7/11 Paint Father Tim's House
- 7/13 4th Degree @ St. Isidore 7:30p
- 7/15 Council Business Meeting 7:30p
Semi-Annual Council Audit
- 7/17-7/18 Paint Father Tim's House
- 7/25 KofC Tigers Baseball Game 1:05p

AUGUST

- 8/1-8/8 MCREST Week
- 8/5 Council Planning Meeting 7:30p
- 8/10 4th Degree @ St. Isidore 7:30p
- 8/12 Fr. Michael J. McGivney born 1852
- 8/19 **Council Business Meeting 7:00p
- 8/19 Family BBQ & Awards 7:30p
- 8/28 Phil Tetreault Golf Outing

SEPTEMBER

- 9/2 Council Planning Meeting 7:30p
- 9/11-9/12 Monthly Bagel Sales - Team A
- 9/12 DAVL Golf Outing Crackle Wood
- 9/12 St John Vianney Parish Picnic
- 9/14 4th Degree @ St. Isidore 7:30p
- 9/16 Council Business Meeting 7:30p



St. John Vianney, Pray For Us

Tour De Cure



Team Tour de Cure: Paul Leidal (leader), Gary Kopp, and George Stump

CONGRATULATIONS!

Knight Of The Month

Paul Leidal

Family Of The Month

Andy and Elaine Snider

COME TO MEETINGS YOU MIGHT WIN!

50/50 Winner

Richard Loewen

Attendance Winner

Patrick Tuscany

RESOLUTIONS

No resolutions to report this month

Isn't It Funny

Funny how a \$20.00 bill looks so big when you take it to church, but so small when you take it to the mall.

Funny how big an hour serving God looks and how small 60 minutes are when spent watching television, playing sports, sleeping or taking a lunch break.

Funny how long a couple of hours spent at church are but how short they are when watching a good movie.

Funny how we get thrilled when a football game goes into overtime, but we complain when a sermon is longer than the regular time.

Funny how laborious it is to read a chapter in the Bible and how easy it is to read 200-300 pages of a best selling novel.

Funny how we believe what newspapers say, but question what the Bible says.

Funny how people scramble to get a front seat at a concert, but scramble to get a back seat at the church service.

Funny how we look forward to that big date on Friday night, but complain about getting

up for church on Sunday morning.

Funny how we are rarely late to work, but always late to church.

Funny how we call God our Father and Jesus our brother, but find it hard to introduce them to our family.

Funny how small our sins seem, but how big their sins are.

Funny how we demand justice for others, but expect mercy from God.

Funny how we are so quick to take directions from a total stranger when we are lost, but are hesitant to take God's direction for our lives.

Funny how people want God to answer their prayers, but refuse to listen to His counsel.

Funny how we sing about heaven, but live only for today.

Funny how when something goes wrong, we cry, "Lord, why me?" but when something goes right, we think, "Hey, it must be me!"

Or wait...maybe all this isn't so "funny" after all.

- Contributed by LMMyers

PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Brothers,

We have been asked to paint Father Tim's house over two weekends, July 10 and 11 and July 17 and 18. If we get enough volunteers, we should be able to finish the painting over the first weekend but we have the following weekend if we need it. I have heard back from a few of you but I know there are hundreds more out there.

You have an opportunity to meet brother Knights you may not

know or spend time with some you already do know. Either way you will have fun and make a difference.

Please email me at tomweisner@yahoo.com if you wish to help.

Thanks,

DGK Tom Weisner

2010 Phil Tetreault Memorial Golf Outing

Brother Knights,

Our council is once again hosting our annual charity golf outing named in honor of our council's founder Phil Tetreault. Proceeds from this event are donated to various non-profit charities along with helping to support individuals who seek vocations in the Catholic faith. This year's outing will be held on Saturday August 28, 2010 at the Cracklewood Golf Club (www.cracklewood.com).

We are hopeful you will be able to help support this charitable effort. Here are just a few ways you can help,

Come join us at this year's event. For only \$75.00 each golfer participates in an 18-hole men and women best ball scramble with a cart, continental breakfast, hot dog & chips at the turn and a buffet lunch.

For a charitable donation of only \$50.00 become a hole-sponsor. You will receive a professionally created personalized 18" X 24" sign which will be displayed at one of the tee boxes the day of the event.

We are in need of items to raffle to help raise money. We appreciate any items you are able to donate.

Cash donations are welcome.

We recognize times are tough and sincerely appreciate your consideration. If you are able to help, please contact Doug Black at (586) 709-7544.

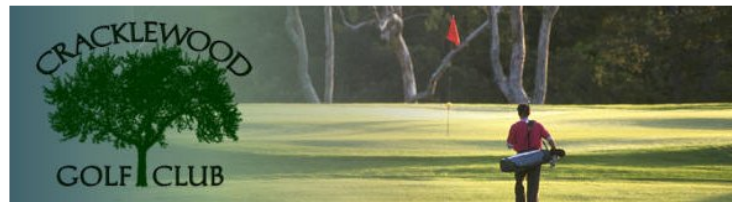
Thanks in advance for your generosity.

Sincerely,

Douglas Black

Recorder

St. John Vianney Knights of Columbus



K OF C DAY AT COMERICA PARK **TIGERS GAME**

Detroit vs. Toronto Blue Jays

Sunday, July 25th at 1:05pm

Tickets are \$25 each

Section 141 Lower Baseline Box

Rows 16,17,18

Enjoy the game with your family and brother Knights!

Contact BK Len Kujawa (586-677-3711 or lkujo@comcast.net) for tickets or more info.



CHANCELLOR'S PAGE

Brother Knights

July is the month we celebrate the commemoration of the Independence of our country. God authored us with the freedom of our will to chose the pathways of our life that brings forth the course of our eternal existence. Our faith and beliefs give persuasion to our actions. Our family life, church life and community life offers opportunities to use our unique talents to bring glory to God's name. Examples for any family member to participate in the life of our church would include:

Parish Council

Liturgy

Worship Commission
Lector
Usher
Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister
Sacristan/Sacristan Aide
Altar Linen Care

Religious Education

Catechist
Catechist Helper
Retreat Chaperone

Youth Ministry

Music

Choir

Outreach Ministry

St. Vincent de Paul
Senior Outreach
Funeral Luncheon Cooking/Serving
Homeless Shelter / MCREST

Family Life Ministry

Boys Scouts/Cub Scouts
Girl Scouts / Brownies

Parish Activities

Knights of Columbus
K of C Lady's Auxiliary
Youth Group
Altar Rosary Society (start)
RCIA
Respect Life Committee (start)
Bible Study
Respect Life Committee (start)
Prayer
Divine Mercy Prayer Group (start)
Rosary Prayer Groups (start)
Maintenance (volunteering)
Gardening / Clean-up
Window Washing
Painting

Your Chancellor, Michael Chopp

POPE BENEDICT XVI'S June 2010 Prayer Intentions

Justice in Elections. That elections in every nation may be carried out with justice, transparency, and honesty, respecting the free decisions of citizens.

Urban Culture. That Christians may strive to promote everywhere, but especially in our cities, education, justice, solidarity, and peace.

* Expanded information at <http://www.apostleshipofprayer.org/reflectionsMonthly.html>

US Bishops Launch Initiative To Teach About Unique Place Of Marriage

Seeking to help catechize and educate Catholics on the meaning of marriage as the union of a man and a woman, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Ad Hoc Committee for the Defense of Marriage has launched an initiative titled "Marriage: Unique for a Reason."

* Expanded information at <http://www.ewtn.com/vnews/getstory.asp?number=102545>

Crossroads Pregnancy Center

Assists women and men who are involved in a crisis pregnancy

<http://crossroadspregnancy.org/cpc/index.html>

Abigayle Ministries

Offer hope and a future to homeless single pregnant women.

<http://www.abigayleministries.org/>

Priests For Life

Adoptions information.

<http://www.priestsforlife.org/testimony/adoptionworksforeveryone.html>



Knights of Columbus Prayer for Vocations

O God, who wishes all people to be saved,
touch with grace the hearts of many young men and women,
moving them to offer themselves as candidates
for the priesthood and religious life.

Inspire fathers and mothers and all members of Christian families
to become aware of the great need for religious vocations.

Endow all people with reverence for these sacred callings
that they may encourage many to serve God and mankind
in the ranks of religion.

These blessings we ask through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Sponsored Seminarians:

Our council is sponsoring the following seminarians:

- Christopher Beran
- Peter Bernadich
- Patrick Gonyeau
- Salvatore Palazzolo
- Paul Snyder



SACRED HEART
MAJOR SEMINARY

St. John Vianney, Curé of Ars, pray God to bless all
priests, and to bless our seminarians now preparing for the
sacred priesthood; grant them success in their studies and
perseverance in their efforts. Amen.

Let Us Offer Prayers For Our Brothers, Family And Friends:

Brother Jim Breen who has been diagnosed with a type of dementia

Jason Breeze

Ron Burke, Brother-in-law of PGK / Advocate Mike J. Mejia, who has been diagnosed with 4th stage cancer

Jeanne Connelly, who had breast surgery

Paul Dalka, friend of BK Marty Hildreth, who has pancreatic cancer that has spread

Alan Diegel, son of Brother Earl Diegel who was injured in a fall

Donna, sister-in-law of Brother John Pray

Joanie Dunkelberg, friend of GK Matt Meagher, who is suffering with medical issues

Terry Gery, wife of Brother Jim Gery

Janice Grewe, Sister-in-law of PGK Carl Grewe, who suffered a brain aneurysm

Kay Hart, friend of BK George Stump, who has cancer

Kim Joseph, friend of PGK Cliff Wasmund, who has cancer

Eliza Kain, daughter of BK Dale Kain

Parker Lamendola (1 year old) family friend of BK Mike Chopp, who has brain cancer

Ken Machala, friend of PGK Carl Grew, who has lung cancer

Jim McPeek, relative of BK Ted Miarka, who is suffering from liver cancer

Brother Gerald Meagher, who had emergency by-pass heart surgery

Ed Murphy, who has Stage III Colon Cancer, friend of Brother Mike Flaker

Conner O'Donnell, friend of the Matt Meagher Family, is a child with learning and other developmental issues

Olivia Opiola

Raymond Opiola, brother of BK Thad Opiola, who has medical issues

Brother Jesus Plaza who is experiencing medical issues

Dennis Porter, friend of BK Mike Flaker

Margaret Russo

Bob Soule, friend of PGK Carl Grew, who has lewy body dementia

Jackie Stapels, daughter of Brother Lou Stapels

Nicole Sulkowski, daughter of BK Brian Sulkowski

Brother Jim Szandzik and his family

Fr. Jim Thoman of St. Paul Retreat who has cancer

Gerald Tuscany, father of Brother Pat Tuscany who is fighting cancer

Brother Eugene Ureel, who is having health problems

Brother Renato Villanueva, who is having health problems

Robert Ward, friend of BK George, who is recovering from foot surgery

Ernie Wasmund, uncle of Brother Cliff Wasmund

Irma Werthman, mother of Brother Dave Werthman who has health problems

**Prayer List:**

If you have someone that you would like to add
to our Prayer List, please email or call our GK
Matt Meagher at grandknight@stjohnkofc.com
or (586)786-7260.

Deceased Brother Knights:

Please keep the following deceased Brother Knights and their families in your prayers:

Mark Armstrong

Fr. John B. Baggarly

Fr. John E. Beez

Carl F. Cory

Dennis R Dezio

Earl L. Diegel

Maxwell J. Dranberg

William V. Evans

John Harrida

Chester Kata

Walter R. Krygowski

David Mattingly

George Pastorek

James Prain

Fr Francis D. Rabaut

Daniel Roguz

John Sinshack

Leroy Slawick

Phillip A. Tetreault

Teddy Witkos

NEW HAVEN, Conn. - BUSINESS WIRE

June 24, 2010

Two of the world's largest rating agencies, Standard & Poor's and A.M. Best, have affirmed their top financial strength ratings for the Knights of Columbus.

Standard & Poor's reaffirmed its top rating of AAA (Extremely Strong) for the 18th consecutive year, and A.M. Best reaffirmed its top rating of A++ (Superior) for the 35th consecutive year.

Standard & Poor's said that its rating of the financial strength of the Knights of Columbus is "based on its extremely strong capital, very strong competitive position because of its unique strategic advantage in the Catholic market, historically strong profitability, and extremely strong liquidity." S&P called Knights of Columbus operating performance "very strong," reflecting "an asset portfolio that consists primarily of high-quality, investment-grade bonds." S&P also said that the Knights of Columbus "is achieving its primary objective of providing members and their families with high-quality, low-cost insurance products."

A.M. Best said that "The ratings of the Order reflect its strong fraternal and insurance presence within the Catholic communities in the United States and Canada, its superior risk-adjusted capitalization as measured by Best's Capital Adequacy Ratio and the Order's consistently positive operating results." A.M. Best also declared that the Knights of Columbus "has a strong affinity with its large membership base through its charitable programs and competitive portfolio of life insurance

and annuity products."

Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson welcomed the announcements, saying that they represent "a clear vote of confidence in our combination of a very strong sales and marketing team with exceptionally skillful management of our investments. The fact that we've earned these ratings for 18 consecutive years and 35 consecutive years, respectively, through good times and bad, demonstrates a clear recognition of our success in managing our assets for the benefit of all the Knights and their families who rely on Knights of Columbus life insurance to help secure their financial futures."

Knights of Columbus products include term and whole life insurance, annuities and long-term care insurance.

The Knights of Columbus is the world's largest lay Catholic organization with more than 1.8 million members on three continents. Its insurance products are available in the U.S., Canada and Mexico, while a separate program serves members in the Philippines. Last year, Knights of Columbus donated more than \$151 million and 69 million hours of volunteer time to charity.

Ted Czarny F.I.C.F.
Knights of Columbus
Field Agent
586 286-6026

2009-2010 Officers:			Committee Chairmen and Directors:		
District Deputy	Jeff Gapczynski	263-5942	Program Director	Tom Weisner	677-0886
Grand Knight	Matthew Meagher	786-7260	Council Chaplain	Fr. Robert Dressman SJ	248-620-2540
Deputy Grand Knight	Tom Weisner	677-0886	Church Director	Joe Cirrione	677-7418
Financial Secretary	George Stump	786-0938	Council Directors	Pat Tuscany	786-1685
Treasurer	Gerald Meagher	781-0391	Community Director	Jesus Plaza	677-5772
Chancellor	Mike Chopp	786-1163		Dave Werthmann	677-2066
Recorder	Doug Black	781-4118	Family Director	Fred Polega	786-3999
Advocate	Michael Mejia PGK	948-3073		Ray Pierce	677-5675
3yr. Trustee	Ron DeVriendt	255-5488	Youth Directors	John Pray	566-3820
2yr. Trustee	Ted Miarka	263-4353		Ed Hughes	566-8476
1yr. Trustee	Dick Loewen	677-7418		Chuck Gietzen	677-2505
Warden	Marty Hildreth	248-413-9554	Right to Life Couple	George and Susan Papagni	677-1116
Inside Guard	Earl Brown	731-3789		Dave and Carol Roland	781-5631
Outside Guard	George Barthel	786-1789	Membership Director	Thad Opiola	510-0702
Outside Guard	Bruce Randall	677-9296	Insurance Field Agent	Ted Czarny	286-6026
			Parish Council Liaison	Need Help	
			Newsletter/Web/Photo	Marty Hildreth	248-413-9554
			Admin. Comm. Liaison	Gary Kopp	873-6906
			Publicity Director	Vito Pianello	532-8859
			Bagel Committee	Matt Meagher (Team A)	786-7260
				Thad Opiola (Team B)	510-0702
				Paul Leidal (Team C)	677-0197
			Charity and Donations	Al Woznicki	786-5397
				Doug Black	781-4118
				Marty Hildreth	248-413-9554
			Degree Team	Cliff Wasmund	781-4729
			Widows Web	Bruce Randall	677-9296
				George Stump	786-0938
			Knights Daughters	Need Help	



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