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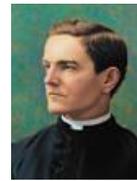
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**Chaplain
Father Paul Sparklin**

All disciples of Jesus Christ are called to be missionaries of hope. We follow wherever Jesus may lead us in order to carry this message of hope in the name of the Lord. Carrying out this message of hope can be a difficult journey. And Jesus tells us about the difficulties up front. There is no soft sell here; Jesus is forthright about what it means to be sent by him and move through the world like lambs among the wolves.

The actions of our lives are like a written record. When we are sent out by Jesus, we boldly proclaim our hope that God will provide for all that we need. There is no need for money bags, sacks, or sandals. Regardless of how our family, loved ones, friends, or even society at

large accept us, our vindicator lives. This belief in our vindicator allows us to be sent out with the message of the Gospel. The Gospel is not simply a collection of stories to give us consolation. The Gospel is the proclamation of hope that when time comes to an end, our vindicator will be standing for us.

In the life of St. Francis of Assisi whom the Church honors on October 4th, we see all of this being lived out. He was willing to walk away from great wealth and security in order to place all of his hope in the name of the Lord. But he never did this alone. Just as in the Gospel for Mass that day, the Lord sent St. Francis and his brothers joyfully to proclaim the hope of all Christians: Out of love for us Jesus came into our world, died, and rose on Easter morning.



**THANK YOU LORD FOR ALL YOUR
GRACES AND BLESSING**

Deputy Grand Knight's Report Matt Warehime



Grand Knight's Report Bill Sapero

When we joined the Knights of Columbus we committed to form a fraternal bond with other Catholic men. We joined to help with charitable projects for our church or community. No man is too busy to be an active Knight of Columbus. In fact all one has to do is spend a few hours a year to be active in the Knights. Being a Knight is more than just bowling and playing golf in the Council's activities. Why not spend some time working with the Council on charitable projects for your Parish or the community. Take some time to enjoy other Council events such as a dinner, or other Council social functions. One of our next functions is the Children's Halloween Party on October 27th. More details are available by contacting our Youth Director Romeo Paternoster and his wife Sharon. Bring your children, grandchildren, and children of neighbors and friends.

A new event out this year is FOOTBALL. Watching football with family and friends on our big screen in the Knight's Room. The bar will be open, food and drink will be served for a bargain price. However we need help behind the bar and in the Kitchen. Please contact me or the hall if you want to help or if you have a special game you would like to see at the hall.

Most importantly spend time attending Council meetings. If you attend one meeting a month, that's only 12 hours out of the year of your time. Come to a meeting to help plan future Council activities. Regardless of your schedule or other commitments, whether you are 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th Degree you should find some time to come to a meeting. Are you a member of the Young Old Retired Knights? If so, did your commitment to the Council stop when you became a YORKY? As Knights we have a commitment to our Catholic faith, to our families and then to our Council. We cannot keep this Council doing well if we don't have the commitment from all Brothers. Coming to a meeting could add something significant to your lives and the lives other Knights,

I look forward to seeing more Brothers at our meetings.

If you being an officer doesn't interest you, we are always looking for Brothers to be active in our Council family. Every contribution, whether it be physical or financial, small or large, working an event or even attending an event, your participation will be greatly appreciated. We currently have a need for volunteers for our Bingo program. If you can work either as a team member, or as a substitute volunteer filling in for a team member please call Joe Massimini.

All teams have a need for volunteers. You can look at the calendar to determine which week you would like to participate. You will only have to volunteer once every five weeks for only about 4 hours.

We are also in the need for volunteers to help with our committees. Please feel free to contact me if you are interested.

Sick or Recovering Brothers

Wally Hobart, HLM
Roger Jamison
Bruno "Rocky" Seppi
Bill Sheehan, HLM, PGK
Frank Rose, HLM
Frank Evans, PFN
Robert Simpson

Sick or Recovering Relatives

Barry Hobart, Son of Wally Hobart, HLM
Martha Seppi, Wife of Bruno Seppi, HLM and
Mother of Bruno "Rocky" Seppi
Lorraine Sotack, Wife of Steve Sotack
Marlene Rocca, Wife of Al Rocca, HLM
Kitty Vaughan, Widow of Dudley Vaughan

We ask that these Brothers and Relatives be kept in your prayers.

If you know of a Brother Knight or his family who is sick or recently deceased,

Please e-mail [Webmaster kofc 2577](mailto:webmaster@kofc2577) so that we may include them in our prayers.

Also, we need your help managing the sick and recovering list.

So when someone has recovered or you wish to remove his or her name, please give George Vincent a call at (301) 249-6399 or e-mail [webmaster@ kofc 2577](mailto:webmaster@kofc2577)

Pro-Life (Culture of Life) Committee Chairman Rob Van Rite, PGK, FN

I can't believe the summer is over! Still, there was some time for quiet reflection. I had been putting off my CPR re-certification; but, eventually decided it was time. I could no longer delude myself into believing that I would know exactly what to do when the chips were down. Such a life-giving skill can be handy when the need for it is totally unexpected. The same is true for another type of life-giving skill: one that comes into play when unexpectedly drawn into a situation whereby a friend, co-worker, or some other vulnerable person consults you about getting an abortion. Will you know what do? Statistics bear out the fact that the reaction of the first person she tells tends to set the tone for making a decision regarding her crisis pregnancy. The L.O.V.E. Approach developed by Heartbeat International, Inc., was developed to respond to women considering an abortion. As might be assumed, it is an acronym meaning:

- ♥ L: Listen & Learn—prioritize listening over speaking and don't worry about saying something wrong. Pay close attention to body language. Listen for clues expressing her needs.
- ♥ O: Open Options—after the story is fully shared, provide factual information in a loving and caring way. Research indicates that it is best not to associate adoption with abortion as it is likely to be perceived negatively.
- ♥ V: Vision & Value—awaken in her a vision of a healthier life beyond her pregnancy. Encourage her to value herself differently.
- ♥ E: Extend & Empower—offer practical help and support. This could take the form of providing information regarding a local pregnancy help center such as the Gabriel Network (www.gabrielnetwork.org). Be the person offering the shoulder and strong right arm of support. Pray with her knowing that in the words of the prophet Isaiah: Do not fear . . . for I, the Lord, am with always.

In the vast panoply of human endeavor, there is nothing more important than saving a life! Will you be ready to act?

Vivat Jesus!

District Deputy Report George T. Riddle, PGK, DD

We got off to a pretty good start in our District, but as always we need to step it up a notch. We had two Admission Degrees and added 5 new Knights to our ranks, two from our District, and three from out of District. We have a chance to add to that with a Admission Degree coming up September 17th at Fr. Kidd Council. Let's get out there and find those men who haven't been asked yet.

We as a District have been slow to get paperwork in. Please DO NOT wait until the last minute to get forms in to the State or Supreme.

October will be a busy month with all of the Columbus Day activities planned including the Ball and the parade. Please see the State website for details. These activities give us all a chance to meet Knights from other Councils and Districts and bring us closer together, so please attend as many of these events as you can.

October 7th will be our District #1 Soccer Shootout. It will be at St. Edwards Church in Bowie following the 11:30 mass. It will be held in conjunction with the St. Edwards Family Fun Day, so bring your kids for a fun day. We need volunteers from each Council to help chase down balls so please come down. Please have this activity announced in your parishes to bring more youth out to participate. Winners in each age group move on to the State Soccer Shootout.

Fraternal Benefits Report

Since its addition to the Order's product portfolio in 2000, long-term care insurance has provided the Order with an excellent opportunity to further serve Knights and their families. And every Knights of Columbus long-term care policy comes with an added value. That added value is in the form of a service called "Provider Pathway," a program offering access to a network of long-term care providers at discounted rates. The network covers: home health care, personal emergency response systems, adult day care, assisted living, skilled nursing facilities and durable medical equipment.

**Community Activities
Committee Chairman
Duayne Driscoll**

**Bingo Report
Committee Chairman
Joe Massimini**

Brother Knights, Bingo has been a great fundraiser since the Council moved into Boswell Hall. It has provided a great base for the charitable giving done by Sacred Heart Council #2577.

We can use help with all aspects of Bingo. We need good floor people, cashiers, and kitchen people. We can use anyone to help who has some relationship to the Knights of Columbus. This includes Knights, their ladies and members of their families.

As the years have progressed we have made some changes to Bingo to keep up with the times. During the last year we started selling sign-up games. This has increased our revenue significantly.

Until now the signup selling has been done by a few people who show up nearly every week. We thank Jonathan Tallmadge, Dave Williams, Mike Mitchell, Dufour Woolfley, Jerome Lee, Bill Cartney, and Loretto Cartney, who have given their time on many Tuesday evenings to help raise money through selling signups.

It is time for us to make selling signups a permanent part of the Tuesday Bingo. We need to have teams show up each week to do the sales. The signup sellers show up at 6 and usually leave at halftime, around 9 PM. We will provide training to anyone who comes and sells sign ups. If you are interested, please contact Joe Massimini, joemassi@comcast.net or 240-997-0402.

**Calendar of Sacred Heart Council
Activities
And
Upcoming Events
www.kofc2577.org**

**Mass Times for Local Catholic
Churches in Sacred Heart Council
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Fourth Degree News
St. John Neumann Assembly #1763
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It was a time of celebration and remembrance. The September 20th meeting of the St John Neumann Assembly had plenty of surprises. Though the Faithful Navigator was just a young boy at the time, Fr John Barry was already fully ensconced in his role of Faithful Friar for the Assembly. Also, Andy Nosacek, long-time deacon for St Pius X parish, was embarking on his multi-year journey as Associate Faithful Friar. Many stories were shared by Sir Knights whose lives had been touched . . . and changed by their ministries. While Bishop Barry Knestout, a seminarian classmate of Fr Barry was unable to attend, an email from his secretary was read congratulating him. On hand to witness the proceedings and offer his thanks for years of faithful service was present State Warden and Former Master of the 4th Degree John Winfrey accompanied by Lady Gloria. Adding to the celebration was the profusion of potluck "good eats" and desserts including PFN Luther Holley's world famous banana puddin' (don't ask me why, but that's the way they spell it in West Virginia). FN Rob Van Rite presented both Fr Barry and Deacon Nosacek with a Certificate of Appreciation, in addition to an official 4th Degree ball cap and \$100 gift card. Fr Barry also received an official 4th Degree jacket. All in all, it was a fabulous evening of food, fun, and fellowship.

Vivat Jesus!



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Serving US Today**

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