



# The Cross and Compass

St. Joseph Council #7528

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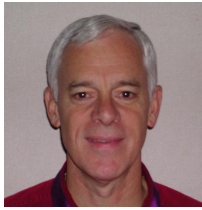
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## A Message from the Grand Knight



The season of Advent begins Sunday Dec 3. Advent is a season anticipating the Coming of the Savior. Let us be mindful of this season as we prepare and wait for the joy of Christmas Day.

The month of November started with the council hosting coffee & donuts after masses on Nov 5. I understand that John Holter and crew ended up selling 18 dozen donuts along with a few dozen muffins. There must have been many fasting parishioners that day.

At the general membership meeting on Nov 7, coinciding with Election Day, Eric and Angie Vogt gave a presentation about the upcoming parish Marriage Renewal Weekend. To all couples – if you haven't attended a MRW weekend, I encourage you to do so. Treat your wife to a weekend where all the meals are provided, you will experience a chore free weekend, and you can sleep at home each night.

The turnout for the Kailynn Hyde and family benefit dinner on Nov 11 was a resounding success. Meals served exceeded 450. Sincere thanks to all the knights who volunteered their time preparing, serving, and cleaning up that made this evening very memorable for the Hyde family.

On Sunday Nov 19 the knights of Council #7528 were supporting the Thanksgiving food baskets distribution that is organized each year by the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Society president and fellow knight, Tony Robinson, is very thankful for all the support from the knights and parishioners.

Congratulations to the newest members of Council #7528 that participated in the first-degree

exemplification on Nov 21. The new knights are Allan Garcia and Karlo Leonor.

Mark your calendars for the upcoming events in December. Hopefully you can plan time to support the events with your time and talents.

The annual Christmas family potluck is scheduled for Saturday Dec 16th in the parish hall following the 5 pm Mass. Eddie Cooper (253-946-9067) and Dan Reeb (253-941-3535) are organizing the potluck.

Have you made contact with a prospective Catholic gentleman this fall? Recruitment is an ongoing effort and all members are encouraged to bring in a new member this year. Contact Kevin Buck, membership director, for information and assistance.

May the joys and blessings of Christmas extend to you and your family.

Vivat Jesus!

**Mike Fay, GK**

### Council Goals for 2006-2007

	Goals for 2006-2007	YTD
New members	12	6
New Insurance members	6	4
Pennies for Heaven (PFH)	\$950.00	\$137.00

## From the Deputy Grand Knight

By Ken Baune, DGK



Merry Christmas! It is nice to hear the major retailers putting Christ back into the Holiday Season. This could be the turning point towards peace on earth, yeah right, but maybe! Optimism is a good thing.

As we begin our celebration of the birth of Jesus, we need to complete our list of Knights birthdays and anniversaries. Several brothers have mentioned to me their birthdays and anniversaries are not listed in the Cross and Compass. As Deputy Grand Knight, I will add this to my duties. I will take your information and be sure we get your special days published along with all others. Please call me at 253.632.6811, e-mail me at ken@baunemail.com, or give me the information at one of the general meetings.

This Christmas season let us all pray for one another to live in peace and happiness.

### Family of the Month

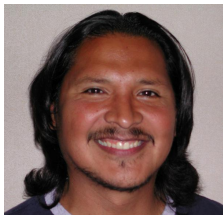
**October** - the Roy Nelson Family

### Knight of the Month

**October** - Glen Martin

## From the Council Youth Director

By Leo Herrera, Youth Chairman



Christmas is a time of joy. We celebrate the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ. For many families it's also a time of sadness. Some families are less fortunate, and feel they have less to rejoice over. As Knights, our first order is Charity. We have the opportunity to make a difference for some of these families. Here is a couple of ways. Our parish Christmas tree is up with all its doves on it. Take a dove for a child, boy or girl. If you have children, have them choose for you. Explain to them what the doves are there for. Take your child with you to buy the gift for the dove. Who knows better what a child wants than them. And as a family, place it under the tree with your dove attached.

The second way to help these families is to work on the Christmas Baskets. This is one of our greatest acts of Charity. On December 17 (Sun) after the 11am mass around 1pm, we will be putting together all the donated items and delivering them to these families. This is an event for the whole family. If you are new

to the council and have never attended this event, it is a great way to meet your Brothers and fellow parishioners. Briefly what happens here is we're assigned a family to go shopping for. It can be a small family or a large one. Again, here is where your kids can help. Help your child pick the toys for your chosen family. Once done, if there are more families, you may choose another. Once all the baskets are together, you have the opportunity to deliver them to the families (optional). This is a great way to teach our children Acts of Charity. So please mark your calendar and join us.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!

## Membership

By Kevin Buck, Membership Chairman



Please join our Grand Knight, Mike Fay, in welcoming the newest members to the council. Rolando (he goes by Allan) Garcia and Karlo Leonor. Both became First Degree Knights on November

21st. Let's continue the momentum!

It is time for you to give the gift of membership in the Knights of Columbus. Share the "Experience of a Lifetime" by recruiting "a Knight before Christmas." I challenge each of you to recruit at least one new member in the next two months. We can have a large crowd at every exemplification if each of us will actively recruit new members. In fact, I would love to have to report to our Grand Knight that we will need to schedule more First Degree Exemplifications!

Start by making a list of all the eligible men you know. Eligible men are all practical Catholic men over the age of 18. Contact these gentlemen, one at a time, and tell them about the Knights of Columbus. Tell them about the benefits of membership in our order and about the good that we do for the Church and our community. And don't forget to tell them how much fun we have and the camaraderie we experience while on our journey of faith. Be sure to invite them to join us. Ask them to fill out an application. Then, bring me the completed Form 100 with the candidate's signature.

The next scheduled 1st degree exemplification is December 19th. Let's make it a full house.

Please contact me and tell me about your potential candidate. If you would like some assistance talking to a qualified man, call me at (253) 874-1370 or email me at kbuck55@comcast.net.

## Council Website News

By Kevin Buck, PGK, Assistant Webmaster



If you have not been to the Council's Web Site in a while, it is time to take a look! There have been big changes and it has a new look and feel. All members are encouraged to follow the instructions which are given on the "Before you try to login" page. The address is: <http://www.kofc7528.org> and link to the

"Before you try to login" page is at the upper left. You will need your membership number to create your account and log in, but once you do, there will be additional material available to you.

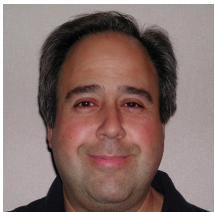
Among these is the council roster that will provide you the names, addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses of all your brother Knights in the council. Check this information and make sure that yours is correct and send any corrections to Tim Philomeno at [tphilomeno@sparling.com](mailto:tphilomeno@sparling.com). In fact, anytime this information changes, please send the new information to Tim so that he can keep the council records up to date.

There are also links to forms that you may find useful, such as the "Service Hour" report. We report our service hours to the Program Chairman each month. He in turn, compiles a report from the council to send to the State Deputy each month. This information is also used each January to complete our "Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity" which is sent to the Supreme Council. This information is used in many ways, but it is the primary method of collecting and tracking some of the data used in the Order's Annual Report, which is published in the October issue of the Columbia Magazine.

Feel free to explore the site and come back often to see what has changed. The information will be updated as quickly as we can get to it, and new items will be added as fast as we can think them up and create them. Feedback and suggestions are welcome. Just send an email with your ideas to: [webmaster@kofc7528.org](mailto:webmaster@kofc7528.org).

## Pro-Life

By Nestor Fernandez, Pro-Life Chairman



No article submitted this month :-)

## Council Programs

By Jeff Markwith, Program Chairman



No article submitted this month :-)

## Community

By John Holter, Community Chairman



No article submitted this month :-)

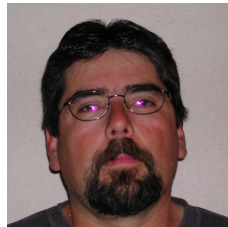
## Council

By Dave Toby, Council Chairman

No article submitted this month :-)

## Family

By Vince Mansanarez, Family Chairman



Hello Brother Knights,

We have a great family night planned for Friday, January 26th. Join us for an NBA game - Seattle Sonics vs. Minnesota Timberwolves. Game time is 7:30 pm. We are able to get \$24.00 seats at a reduced rate of \$20.00. This would make a great Christmas gift for your family. Reservations and payment must be received by Tuesday, December 19th (you can give them to me at the meeting that night). If you have any questions, call me at 253.719.0202 or email [jvmta-coma@comcast.net](mailto:jvmta-coma@comcast.net).

(p.s. This was originally planned for Saturday, February 10th - but it was a conflict with the Lover's Celebration. This was the only other available night.)

## Vocations

By Juan Lezcano, Vocations Chairman

No article submitted this month :-)

## Insurance News

By Ron Scholz, Council Agent



No article submitted this month :-(

## Christmas Potluck Dinner

December 16, 2006  
After 5:00 p.m. Mass

The Christmas Potluck Dinner will take place after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Once again this year, Dan Reeb and I will cook our world famous fried turkeys along with a few other dishes. Please bring your dish according to the following guide:

Last names A-D: Vegetable dishes  
Last names E-I: Salad and Pasta dishes  
Last names J-N: Breads  
Last names O-S: Desserts  
Last names T-Z: Meat dishes

I will need a hand or two in the kitchen. If you are interested in helping, please contact me @ 253-946-9067. Thanks, Eddie Cooper

## Thank You Again Brothers of Council 7528

Once again Brother Knights stepped up and showed that Charity is in action not just words. Through your help and participation The St. Vincent de Paul Society was able to provide Thanksgiving for 54 families in need. Your generous gift of time and support in making up and delivering the baskets truly is our First Degree Principal in action.

I am always amazed, proud and humbled by your generosity. A prayer in the Society is that may we always see the face of Our Lord in those that we serve. It also reminds us that those who help us complete our work are the hand of the Lord in action.

May His Blessings continue to be showered upon you and your family and may you feel good knowing that so many will have a Thanksgiving because you saw Our Lord's face in those you served.

Thank you again and hope to see you at the Christmas Baskets on December 17th.

Tony Robinson

### Good of the Order

Listed are all of the those Brother Knights or family members who are Sick or in Distress

### Deceased

Jeff Markwith's brother Jim	Mike and Vince Mansanarez sister-in-law Kathy
Maurice Tessier - Aldea	Roy Nelson's friend Vaughn Wilson

### Sick

Gilson Neil	Dave Green
Alex Plys	John Pinney
Kailynn Hyde	Ted Gimlin's mother
Taylor Fryberg	Tom Beyke's niece
Pat van Gaver, Jim Bianchi's sister-in-law	Ralph Horner's mother

Please keep these Knights and family members in your prayers.  
Thanks!

NOTE: Please contact Joe Penwell if you have knowledge of anyone sick or in distress.

## THE 365 CLUB BY MAIL

Supporting Vocations is simple! All you have to do is join The Pennies For Heaven Crusade. The best way to do this is by becoming a member of The 365 Club. Donate a penny-a-day for a year (\$3.65 or more if you can) and offer a prayer a day for a year for Vocations! Pennies add up quickly and the prayers help. For Brothers who cannot always join us at our meetings, here is your chance to stand up and be counted as a supporter.

### CLIP AND MAIL

To: Ken Baune, 365 Chairman

Yes, count me in as a Member of The 365 Club! I want to do my part to support Vocations.

Here is my contribution of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail your check to:

The 365 Club  
Knights of Columbus, Council #7528  
PO Box 24763  
Federal Way, WA 98093-1763





## Council Calendar of Events

### December 2006

2nd	Spaghetti Dinner	After 5:00 mass in Parish Hall
<b>5th</b>	<b>General Meeting</b>	<b>7:30pm Narthex and Rosary 7:00pm Chapel</b>
7th	Blood Drive	Parish Hall
16th	Council Potluck	After 5:00 mass in Parish Hall
17th	Christmas Basket/Gift Delivery (St. Vincent de Paul Society)	After 11:00 mass in Parish Hall (1:00pm)
<b>19th</b>	<b>Planning Meeting</b>	<b>7:30pm in Room "A" - 1st Degree at 7:00pm</b>
24th	Tree Decorating at St. Vincent's	TBD, watch for an email
25th	Merry Christmas	

### January 2007

<b>2nd</b>	<b>General Meeting</b>	<b>7:30pm Narthex and Rosary 7:00pm Chapel</b>
<b>16th</b>	<b>Planning Meeting</b>	<b>7:30pm in Room "A" - 1st Degree at 7:00pm</b>
20th	Crab Feed	After 5:00 mass in Parish Hall
26th	NBA game - Seattle Sonics vs. Minnesota Timberwolves.	Game time is 7:30 pm.
27th	Council Freethrow Contest	Parish Activity Center, time TBA

Check out our website at <http://www.kc7528.org> for all of these events and more!

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