



# The Cross and Compass

St. Joseph Council #7528

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## A Message from the Grand Knight

The time has arrived when we can start lighting our Advent wreath candles. These wreaths are an excellent way to help us keep in mind the meaning of Christmas. Lighting a candle before the evening meal reminds us of the light Christ brought into the world. The traditional purple colored candles represent the three Kings. The rose colored candle represents the third Sunday of Advent signaling the coming of Christ. As Knights, when we light the candles, we can remember four lessons by which to live our lives; integrity, purity, unity, charity.

The Motion Picture "Bella"

The Knights of Columbus has been a major supporter of Bella, whose star and producers are Knights. The movie's strong pro-life and pro-family message is attracting audiences. Carl A. Anderson our Supreme Knight joined Bella star Eduardo Verastegui and singer Tony Bennett at the New York premiere. Bella is currently playing at local theaters.

Merry Christmas!

Vivat Jesus!

**Ken Baune, GK**

## Council Goals for 2007-2008

	Goals for 2007 - 2008	YTD	% of goal
New members	12	8	67%
New insurance members			
Pennies for Heaven	\$	\$	

## From the Deputy Grand Knight

By Jeff Markwith, DGK



Seasons Greetings Brother Knights, What a great and magical time the holidays hold for us Catholics. As knights of Columbus we see how our magic is needed more than ever as we look into the eyes of someone that is in true need of the feast of the Holy Spirit. We spread ourselves thin especially during the holidays. Our commitment to our parish and our community shines brighter during this time.

**"Feeding the hungry is not simply a logistical and economic challenge, it is a moral obligation", Pope Benedict XVI said.**

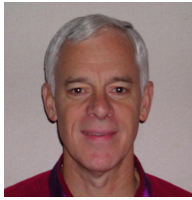
I know being a member of this council we don't look at the holiday baskets as a logistical or economic challenge as much as it is just something that we do. I know that there are many families that look forward to these ministries. It gives them not only food in there stomachs, but hope in the future and faith in others. I also like to think the baskets that we give out are full of the Holy Spirit. I see that this ministry not only is a moral obligation that Pope Benedict speaks about, but a true miracle that one person can do for another.

Now here is a little present from me to you.

*Little known facts about the Catholic Church in Las Vegas --There are more churches in Las Vegas than casinos. During Sunday services at the offertory, some worshippers contribute casino chips as opposed to cash. Some are sharing their winnings - some are hoping to win. Since they get chips from so many different casinos, and they are worth money, the Catholic churches are required to send all the chips into the diocese for sorting. Once sorted into the respective casino chips, one junior priest takes the chips and makes the rounds to the casinos turning chips into cash. And he is known as .....The Chip Monk*

God's blessings to you and your family.

## Membership



By Mike Fay, Membership Chairman

We are almost at the halfway mark of the 2007-2008 fraternal year and the council has welcomed eight new members. This is 67% of our goal. Congratulations to these new members. Please get involved in the council activities.

In the Nov 6, 2007 issue of KnightLine, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson states, "This month and next present us with opportunities to focus on Father McGivney's legacy in special ways and introduce more Catholic men to our Order." The Supreme Knight is referring to the seasonal food baskets that we support at Thanksgiving and Christmas. He continues by saying that we should "consider making these programs "open invitations" to the eligible Catholic men in our community to experience firsthand what Columbian charity is all about."

I want to encourage all members, new and old, to continue recruiting Catholic gentlemen to become members of the Knights of Columbus.

The next first degree is scheduled for Dec 18 in the Willenborg Center Room 'A'.

My wife, Maureen, and I extend to you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

### Family of the Month

**October** - the Mike Hemmer Family

### Knight of the Month

**October** - Joe Penwell

### Welcome to our newest members

Mike Marvin, Bob Gonzalez, and Derrick Sanders. These gentlemen attended the 1st degree ceremony on Tuesday, November 20th honoring Frank Hogan. Welcome gentlemen!

## Blood Drive News

By Dave Caton, Blood Drive Chairman

Please support our Council's next blood Drive from 2-8 PM on Thursday, December 27th. As you know, our blood supply is always critical at this time of year with people too busy to donate. PLEASE give the Gift of Life-the best gift you can give during this busy holiday season.

### Council Potluck

Please join us for our Knights of Columbus Family Potluck dinner on Sunday, December 9th after the 5:00pm mass. We will meet in the Gym since the parish hall has another function. Bring your favorite dish by last name:

(A-F) Vegetable/Salad

(G-L) Pasta/Side Dish

(M-R) Bread

(S-Z) Desert

There will be delicious deep fried turkeys, activities for all ages including a visit from Santa!

### Good of the Order

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

### Sick

Jeanne Hitchcock and family	Taylor Freybert and family
Jim Miles and family	Jim Slawson (Tony Robinson's father-in-law)
Samantha Slawson (Tony Robinson's neice)	Jake Slawson (Tony Robinson's cousin)
Tony and Pam Frificioni	Alex Plys
Dave Green	Gilson Neill
Lowell Larson	

### Deceased

Shane Philomeno and family

All those were sick and ailing this year

All those who have joined Our Lord in Heaven this year

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: Jeff Markwith, 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:

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### Birthdays and Anniversaries

<i>December Birthdays</i>							
2	Jose Irizarry	9	Edward Novak	23	David Myers	12	Tina Gonzalez
3	Ryan Clemens	10	Edward Ross	27	Franz Hernandez	14	Elinore Alvarado
4	Tim Pinney	11	Brian Cummings	31	Nicholas Callahan	16	Ngoc D'Souza
4	Joseph Langlois	11	Gary Fuller			21	Jenny Rossetto
6	James Ellingson	11	Joseph Phillips	1	Anna Patrick	24	Carol Robinson
6	Juan Lezcano	14	Todd Hauge	3	Rita Yokum	25	Mary Bolanos
6	Gerald DeLaFontaine	15	Joseph McQuiston	7	Pam Ross	28	Christine Andersen
7	Charles Lasher	15	David Toby	10	Angie Vogt	30	Teresa Duhamel
8	Clarence Jones	18	Duane Parker	12	Mary Ann Arens	31	Peggy Novak
9	Boyd Wilton	20	J. Vince Mansanarez	12	Linette Lasher		
<i>December Anniversaries</i>							
	5	Gary and Jeannie Best		19	John and Joyce McMahon		
	6	Richard and Tina Gonzalez		23	Gary and Laura Fuller		
	6	Dave and Mary Caton		27	Melvin and Vicki Studley		
	18	Steve and Sue Drake		27	Jerry and Stella Nnanabu		
	19	Dennis and Ann Huss		31	Pete and Dail Anderson		

## Council Calendar of Events

### December 2007

4th	<b>General Meeting</b>	<b>7:30pm Narthex and Rosary 7:00pm Chapel</b>
9th	Potluck	After the 5:00 life teen mass
16th	Christmas Basket Delivery	After the 11:30am mass (about 1:00 in the hall)
18th	<b>Planning Meeting</b>	<b>7:30pm in Room "A" - 1st Degree at 7:00pm</b>
25th	<b>Merry Christmas</b>	
27th	Blood Drive	Parish Hall 2:00pm to 8:00pm

### January 2008

8th	<b>General Meeting</b>	<b>7:30pm Narthex and Rosary 7:00pm Chapel</b>
13th	Regional Meeting	Chehalis
18th-20th	Marriage Renewal	Friday, Saturday, and Sunday
22nd	<b>Planning Meeting</b>	<b>7:30pm in Room "A" - 1st Degree at 7:00pm</b>
26th	Crab Feed	6:00 social and 7:00 dinner
26th	Council Free-throw Competition	2:00pm to 4:00pm in the gym

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

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