

The Cross and Compass

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Letter from The Grand Knight

That Place You'd Rather Be

You know the feeling, right! It might occur while you're at work, that anticipation of knowing that soon you'll be on your way to *that place you'd rather be* - home with the kids and wife, off to a vacation, fishing trip or round of golf. Or maybe it's looking forward to that great feeling of hanging out with your Brother Knights. No matter the endeavor, those who have experienced it know the awesome reward and blessing that we receive. Whether as husbands, dads, single or priest, we know that the bone-tired feeling after a long service event is completely masked by the fellowship we share and the camaraderie that goes along with working together to do God's work. *It's that place we'd rather be.*



MATT TAVARES GRAND KNIGHT

For some folks, when they find out that a Knight has been serving week-in and week-out for many years, they wonder, "why is he *Still* doing that?" Why doesn't he take a break and do something different - let someone else do it. Even as young Knights, we have all asked that same question. We just didn't understand then that *it's that place he'd rather be.*

Learning of the great rewards that are possible in our lives through active service in the Knights of Columbus is a blessing, and like God's Love, it's Pure Gift. We may have stumbled into the Knights of Columbus for any variety of reasons, but usually it's only after deciding to jump in alongside our Brother Knights or taking on a position that it becomes *that place we'd rather be*, where we learn about the true secrets available to us through service in the Knights of Columbus.

At first glance, "changing lives and saving lives" seemed like just another slogan. We did not all necessarily believe that some things in our lives could change or even how to do that, or that we could be that tool God used to change someone else's life. Reading this today, you may still be wondering that very thought. If so, don't worry, it's just that you may not yet have had the chance to know about *that place you'd rather be.*

I have come to learn through my years of service that there are two great misconceptions keeping men from becoming active in the Knights of Columbus. The first misconception is that you have to have certain skills or qualifications - that you have to be good at leadership or social events and the like. This misconception couldn't be farther from the truth. In the Knights of Columbus, we build up each other through participation in the many activities and events, and growth positions that are not only available to us, but which are specifically structured to provide personal growth from within a trusting and supportive group of like-minded men. I was reminded of an important truth the other day when listening to the story of someone whom, like you and I, felt unworthy of holding a certain position or answering the call. And that truth is that *God does not call the equipped, He equips the called.*

The other great misconception that affects participation in the Knights is that you have to be "good enough" to be a Knight. Well, I've got news for you pal, we all do have sin in our lives, every one of us, and it's in this struggle against sin which is common to all of us that hopefully we discover the real secret of what Christ taught us, *that it is through service to others by which we are saved.* How does that actually take place you ask? I can only say that you have to experience it for yourself. You'll just have to trust me that that active Knight who you see and admire, who like you may have many busy activities going on in life, that he does it because he chooses to prioritize the Knights in his life, because *it's that place he'd rather be.*

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Whether you're already a member in the Knights or you are thinking about becoming a member, I would like to personally invite you this year to become an active Knight and share in the work that we do for each other, our families and all of our brothers and sisters in the parish, and therefore share in the not-so-secret reward that Christ has taught us, and which you see in that Brother Knight who is having the time of his life. In the Knights, you will find we have an incredible fraternity of experienced leaders and veterans that will make sure that your experience is a positive and successful one, and it is my hope that you will feel like taking a chance of learning how to lean on and trust in your Brother Knights to that end this year.

I am therefore opening the fraternal year for St. Joseph's Council #7528 with the invitation to all current and potential members to seek that special reward, through Knights of Columbus active service, the reward of learning about *That Place You'd Rather Be*.

Feel free to contact me directly if you would like to answer the call.

Vivat Jesus! (Jesus Lives!)

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Council Website

The address is: <http://www.kofc7528.org>. While you are browsing through the public pages, take a moment to create your account. All members of our council are encouraged to create an account at the council's website. If you haven't already done so, just click on the link at the upper right hand corner, "Create an Account" and fill in the blanks. You will need your membership number to create your account and log in, but once you do, you will have access to the "members only" pages. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact us at webmaster@kofc7528.org.

Some of the pages available to you once you log in include the membership roster, so you can contact your brothers in the council. Also we have the meeting minutes and the council budget.

On the subject of email, we have council email aliases setup to allow you to contact almost any officer or chairman in our council. There is a page listing these aliases and you can get to it by clicking on "Contact Us" in the left hand menu. There you will find a link to the alias page and each alias is a link to compose an email to that person.

Please keep in mind that a website is never a finished product, but is always growing and being updated. Please give us feedback and assist us in making our council website the best in the Knights of Columbus.

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Fr. Clarence Jones' Moving Party

St. Vincent de Paul Parish recently gained a new Parochial Vicar, and gained back an old friend in the way of Fr. Clarence Jones. Brother Knights gathered on Saturday June 21st at 8AM to trek to Seattle with the U-Haul moving van to gather up our new priest and his prized possessions, guitars and all, and bring him back home to our neck of the woods. Much fun and service was had by all including (thankfully) two very large and strong boy scouts from Troop #342 thanks to Brother Knight Robert Butzerin. As the old saying goes, many hands make for light work. But more than that, everyone finished the move in good time (1:30PM) and I believe that I can speak for everyone present that we all went home on a high note that day.



Fr. Clarence and The Moving Crew at His Old House In Seattle, Our Lady Of Mt. Virgin

Front Row L-R: Matt Tavares, Mike Rutland, Back Row: scout Kyle Butzerin, Don Miller, Jordan Zimmerman, Robert Butzerin, Allen Engel, Paul Savino, Secret Knight and Fr. Clarence Jones

What's even more notable is that our council actually pulled off two events that day with Brother Knight Ted Colby-Sanchez leading the Nativity House breakfast with the Mission Trek youth and several other Knights that morning (Knight Mark Czeplewski and son Paul, Ted's wife Heidi and children Alanis and Donovan, Knight Eric Hemmer and all around wonder-woman Megan Smith). Ted and some of the others then met up with us to un-pack at Fr. Clarence's new home after they were finished with the Nativity House breakfast. What a great example of how to have fun doing service and allowing God to work through us!

Suffice it to say, I'm so very proud of my parish, my brother Knights and their families, and what a great way to kick off the summer with such an awesome demonstration of service and fraternity.

If you feel called to help plan service and other social events next year, please contact Matt Tavares at GK@KofC7528.org, or cell: (253) 347-2965
Vivat Jesus!



Brother Knight Jim Roten Re-Assembling the Furniture at Fr. Clarence's New Home - We Knights Really Enjoy Our Service!

Find the Secret Knight bonus game

Brother knights,

In addition to the next two pages, we are having trouble identifying the knight standing between Father Clarence and Paul Savino in the top picture of this page.

The first person to contact Grand Knight Matt Tavares with the correct name will win a prize.



Let's See if It Will Fit Through The Back Door!
R-L: scout Kyle Butzerin, Jim Roten, Paul Savino, Mike Rutland (not shown Ted Colby-Sanchez)



Arranging The Front Room Furniture in Fr. Clarence's New Home
R-L Foreground: Paul Savino, Donovan Colby-Sanchez, Don Miller behind Robert Butzerin, Heidi Colby Sanchez, Fr. Clarence, Mike Rutland; Allen Engel and scout Jordan Zimmerman in Background



Almost Done - One Piano To Go!

R-L: Donovan and Sister Alanis with Megan Smith in Moving Van, Allen Engel and Paul Savino in Foreground

DON'T MISS MEN'S NIGHT! CHAMPIONS OF FAITH CATHOLIC

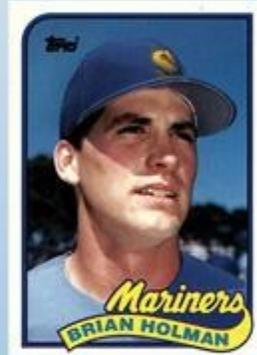
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Mike Sweeney
Former Mariner &
5 Time All-Star



Fr. Burke Masters
Drafted to MLB,
Called to Priesthood



Brian Holman
Former Mariners Pitcher

FREE FOR
**PRIESTS &
DEACONS**

Tuesday, July 22, 6pm to 9pm

St. Monica Catholic Parish
4320 87th Ave SE, Mercer Island



Tickets \$10 (includes burgers, hot dogs & soda)

For info or to buy tickets,
e-mail Tom.Ritter@axiahomeloans.com

This event is supported by the Knights of Columbus

Fellow Brother Knights and Men of Faith,

Please RSVP Matt Tavares (253) 347-2965 matti.tavares@hotmail.com if you intend to go.

The evening includes a barbecue and inspirational talks from all-star major league baseball players. We invite fathers, sons, grandfathers and men of all ages to attend, be inspired and get to know the Knights of Columbus. The Knights of Columbus, of St Monica's Parish Council # 11642 are proud to be assisting in the "Champions of Faith" men's night event being held on Tuesday 22 July 2014 at St. Monica's Parish, Mercer Island to be a success. Please see the website: www.championsofffaith.yolasite.com

The following is a link to an article in Catholic NW online magazine. <http://www.nwcatholic.org/local-news/860-catholic-baseball-camp>

Tickets are only \$ 10.00 per person.

Speakers will include:

Mike Sweeney

Former Mariner & 5 Time All-Star

Fr. Burke Masters

Drafted to MLB, Called to Priesthood

Brian Holman

Former Mariners Pitcher

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Nativity House

Brother Knights,

Come help feed the homeless Saturday July 19th!! Everyone will be meeting in the church parking lot at 7:45 and leaving promptly at 8AM. From there everyone will be heading to the Tacoma Nativity House to feed the homeless pancakes and sausage! This is a great opportunity to help those in need! Contact Ted Colby for any additional information.

Contact Ted Colby at nhb@kofc7528.org

Meeting Raffle

Brother knights, No one won the raffle for the previous fraternal year. Therefore the pot will be donated to pennies for heaven as per usual. We will begin the new drawing at our first business meeting in September.

Dave Toby

Warden

July Birthdays!

1 Michael Courtney	6 Tim Amato	14 Jeffrey Haag	20 Robert Williams
2 Jerry Nnanabu	7 Carl Buehring	14 Charles Buss	22 Ifo Antonio
2 Michael Ross	8 Logan Black	14 James Jowell	24 Ralph Horner
3 Peter Lee	10 Thomas Kachman	14 Antonio Del Rosario	25 Jack Winch
3 Ronald Herr	10 Bosco D Souza	15 Peter Williams	27 Gerald Graddon
4 Gregory Bouknight	11 Abundio Narvarez	17 Mike Mansanarez	28 Mitch Czuk
6 James Alvarado	11 Modesto Catahan	19 Matthew Kowalski	30 Roy Saylor
6 Richard Mayer	12 Raymond Van Der Roest		

WIVES

2 Amy Phillips	8 Connie Myers	20 Christine Turner	30 Mary Miles
4 Judith Garcia	14 Denise Gimlin	26 Patti Miller	31 Mary Saylor
4 Gina Sakamoto	15 Diana Carasa	27 Karen Lezcano	

July Anniversaries!

2 Cary and Gabrielle Wright	12 James and Linda Yantzer	21 Ifo and Valelia Atonio
3 Franz and Grace Hernandez	12 James and Jean Duran	23 Richard and Franchesca Henderson
5 Andrew and Ifeoma Chiedu	12 Thang and Katie Tran	25 Charles and Dianna Buss
7 Paul and Marie Roque	15 Edward and Rhonda Sweeny	27 William and Mary Ann Arens
7 Wayne and Lois Moritz	17 Christopher and Christine Andersen	29 Tim and Beth Philomeno
	21 Mike and Lina Rutland	30 Douglas and Kristen Strauss

Council Rosary

On Jan 16, 2014 our council gathered for a rosary to pray for our council and the parish. The attached prayer concluded our reflection. We would like all council members to continue praying this prayer regularly.

Most holy and Immaculate Virgin, we place ourselves under your motherly protection. Throughout the Church's history you have helped Christians in times of trial, temptation and danger. Time and time again, you have proven to be the Refuge of sinners, the Hope of the hopeless, the Consoler of the afflicted, and the Comforter of the dying. We promise to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, your Son, to proclaim His Good News of God's love for all people, and to work for peace and justice in our world. With faith in your intercession, we pray for our council, our parish, and the Church; for our family and friends, for the poor and abandoned, and all the dying. We especially pray for our brother knights who have gone before us to your heavenly council. Grant, O Mary, the graces of which we stand in need. Infuse our council members with a new spirit of service and mission. Bless our council with new men willing to serve Jesus with fidelity and love.

Help us and our loved ones to attain the boundless joy of being forever with our Father in heaven.

Amen.

Upcoming Events!

July -
 12th - Officer Installation/BBQ 11AM
 19th - Nativity House 7:45 AM
 22nd - Champions of Catholic Faith 6PM

August -
 16th - Nativity House 7:45 AM
 22nd - Tacoma Rainiers game

Opportunity to Serve for Community Supper

Our Saturday Community Supper effort is in need of additional workers. During the last year we have noted the retirements of a few; illness and other activities have waylaid some. We have four teams, one to work each Saturday of the month.

Needed:

Second week of every month - dishwasher and help preparing meals at about 11:30 and then serving the meal and finishing about 2:30. A food handler's permit, which is easy to obtain on-line is required for these positions see the following link: (<http://www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/ehs/foodsafety/FoodWorker.aspx>)

Third week of every month – person(s) to pick up weekly supplies at St. Vincent's at 10:45, and deliver them to the Church of the Good Shepherd on 312th, and then to reverse the pickup/delivery at 2:30.

Also needed week 3 are set-up help, some meal prep support and help serving meals, beginning at 11:00 finishing about 2:30. Again, a food handler's permit is required.

Fourth week team needs set-up, meal prep and meal serving help (with food handler's permit), starting at 11:00 and finishing at 2:30.

Please call Jackie Blair 253-952-6988 a parishioner of St Vincent's if you can help with any of these jobs.

Good of The Order

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

Joe Penwell
 Darryl Fox
 Pete Anderson

All those who have joined Our Lord in Heaven this year
 Please keep these Knights and family members in your prayers. Thanks!

Next Business Meeting!

Brother Knights,

There is no business meeting for July

Vivat Jesus!

Matt Tavares, Grand Knight

Knights on Bikes



“In God We Trust and Ride.”

As spring approaches, those who own motorcycles start thinking of the freedom of the open road. But what's the fun if you don't share the experience with likeminded Brothers

Who we are

Founded in Fort Worth, Texas in 2005,

Knights on Bikes (KonB) is an international family organization consisting of Members of The Knights of Columbus; who are also motorcycle riders.

How to join

Who is eligible to join Knights on Bikes? ANY Brother Knight, regardless of Degree, who owns or will own a motorcycle (of any make or size) within the next six months, is eligible.

The Point of Contact to join Knights on Bikes in the State of Washington is Brother Mike Rutland PGK, FDD, FSW from Council 7528 in Federal Way.

Interested Knights should drop Brother Mike an email at

KnightsOnBikesWA@gmail.com

A Member application and by-laws are available for download on The Knights on Bikes WA web site.

www.KonBWA.com



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