

The Cross and Compass

Knights of Columbus St. Joseph Council #7528



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From The Grand Knight

Brothers,

We have been entangled in this terrible pandemic for eight months. We know that it will end, but certainly that time is months in the future. We will persevere.

We have much to be thankful for.

First, we still have our health. Many of our families have been in and out of medical facilities a number of times.

Second, Brother Ralph is finally home! A long and slow recovery is in store for him, but he is home with his family.

Third, even though we cannot raise money by our usual methods, we have been able to move forward with several fundraising initiatives: a GoFundMe page for Coats-for-kids, Christmas greenery, and Brown Bear car wash tickets.

Fourth, we are grateful for the extraordinary generosity of our brothers in the Council, who have made personal contributions to these programs, and others as well.

Finally, as we move into the colder months, please take all precautions to protect yourselves and your families. If anyone needs help from the Council, please let me know.

Vivat Jesus, Paul Savino GK



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YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST

Praying the Mass: Receiving God's Word

This article continues our reflection on Archbishop Etienne's pastoral letter entitled "The Work of Redemption: Eucharistic Belief and Practice in the Archdiocese of Seattle". This month we focus on the Mass. The Mass is the greatest of our prayers, the source and summit of our Christian lives. There are inexhaustible riches here; we could take a "deep dive" of contemplation on any number of moments in the Mass. This speaks to the mystery and infinite nature of God, whom we encounter in the liturgy. Archbishop Etienne expounds on a few of the significant aspects of the mass. This month we will reflect on the presence of the Lord in the proclamation of the Word.

In the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, the Fathers of the Second Vatican Council spoke eloquently of the presence of Christ in the liturgy. In fact, they spoke not simply of presence, but of presences. Christ is present in four ways when we gather to celebrate Mass. He is present in the assembly, for "where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them" (Matthew 18:20). He is present in the priest, who acts in

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Insurance Agent's Corner

"We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant, Fr. Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will." How many tens of millions, hundreds of millions of times has our loving God heard this sentence from the prayer for Fr. McGivney's canonization? Asking only to fulfill God's holy will; requested humbly. No doubt, you, like I, have been saying this prayer of supplication for years. Now those prayers have been answered as our Venerable Founder becomes our Blessed Founder. The journey began December 18, 1997 when the Cause for Sainthood was opened in Hartford, Connecticut by Archbishop Daniel Cronin. Nearly five years later the official document, the Positio, outlining the case for Fr. McGivney's cause was sent to Rome. On March 15, 2008 Fr. McGivney was declared "Venerable" indicating he lived a life of heroic virtue. This year on May 27, nearly twenty-three years after his cause was opened, Pope Francis authorized a decree that a miracle attributed to Fr. McGivney's intercession has been approved.

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October 2020 will long be remembered as the month Fr. McGivney's beatification Mass was celebrated at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford. It is currently scheduled for October 31. This will be a time of great joy and happiness for all members of the Knights of Columbus.

Spotlighting our founder and his reasons for founding the Order; i.e., to strengthen men in their faith and to provide for the financial needs of families overwhelmed by illness or death of the breadwinner, this spotlight will draw more Catholic men to join with us. Our Order is an immense force for good in this world with the billions of dollars donated to worthy causes over the past decade, strengthening our fraternal bonds with acts of charity. The Knights of Columbus helps us husbands and fathers not only fortify our faith, but also provides an opportunity for us to protect our families. Is it significant that the approved miracle involved the son of one of our general agents from our insurance program?

I like to think so. When Patrick McGivney died unexpectedly, young Michael had to leave the seminary to help provide for his family. He and his family struggled through the loss of his father and then as the curate at St. Mary's he saw parishioners facing similar situations. He saw a need and he took action. He organized; he led, he inspired. He was concerned with both the spiritual and the temporal well-being of those around him.

Speaking of being a man of action, now is the time for you to take action: You will soon receive, if you have not yet already received it, the 2020 Fraternal Survey. It may be filled out in paper form or online. Whether on paper or online, please take a minute to complete it. It will be prefilled with much of your information to make it a snap to complete. It will provide information that will help me serve you better. There is a very informative insert included in the survey packet. Please take a minute to review that, too.

I consider it a worthy calling to carry on the work of our soon to be Blessed Founder. It's been my great pleasure to work with many of you to help you protect your family and I look forward to continuing to serve you. Please call me if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks to you for all the good works you carry out in the name of the Order. Your acts of charity are even more critical considering this current pandemic. Thank you for all you do!

Vivat Jesus!

Renew or Get Your Food Handler Card

Brothers: Although we do not at the moment have any food fundraisers on the calendar, things could change and we would once again be able to come together and do our dinners, crab feed and fish fry. In order to hit the ground running, please check and make sure that your Food Worker card is current. If not please renew and if you do plan to work with us and you don't have a food handlers' card please get one. It is easy and on line [I have included the link](#). If you renew or get a new card please e-mail me a copy so I can put it in our records. -----Tony

Good of The Order

The following is a list of those Brother Knights or family members who are sick or in distress that we have been asked to pray for:

Pete Anderson, Roland Anderson father of Chris Anderson
 Sharon Beadle wife of Garnett Beadle, Jim Bianchi
 Barbara Brooks wife of Kevin Brooks
 Cash Burton Great Grandson of Don Miller
 Sharon Connor wife of Joe Connor, Linda Doherty
 Margie Fredrickson wife of Gary Fredrickson
 Mary Garcia wife of Ray Garcia, Ted Gimlin
 Ralph & Peggy Horner, Kathy Koch wife of Jerry Koch
 Romeo Mayor, Joe Martinez, Fr. William McKee
 Larry and Ann Neville, Ralph Osman, Joe & Robin Penwell
 Jim Philomeno brother of Tim Philomeno
 Jim Roten, Mike Rutland Jr., Dean Smith, Jim Yokum

Pray for an end to this pandemic that the Holy Spirit gives us all the strength and grace to deal with the challenges and pray for our first responders, Police, Fire and all Medical personnel who are on the front lines daily protecting us.

Pray for Our Country and leaders that the Holy Spirit descend upon us and lead us back to One Nation Under God for without Him we will not survive as a nation.

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his very person when he celebrates the Mass. He is present in the Word proclaimed. And he is present, in a most special way, in the Eucharist, the sacrament of his Body and Blood. Truly, when we celebrate the Mass, we can pray in the familiar words of St. Patrick's Breastplate, "Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ within me."

The Church never celebrates the Eucharist without first opening the Scriptures, the revealed Word of God. On most Sundays, the readings take us through the unfolding of God's plan, from its promise in the Old Testament, through its fulfillment in the New Testament. Through the Old Testament narratives and prophetic writings, we see God's love and care for humanity as he prepares the way for the coming of Christ. The Psalms are the prayer book of the Hebrew people, and they are our prayer book as well. The Second Reading, from the New Testament, tells of the struggles of the early Church to proclaim the saving work of Jesus. And the Gospel reading is "the high point of the Liturgy of the Word," (Introduction to the Lectionary, 13) for in the Gospel Christ himself speaks, and the Church hears in the Gospel "the very voice of her Bridegroom." (Introduction to the Book of the Gospels, 4) But the Liturgy of the Word is not about the past. It is about the present. When the Scriptures are proclaimed in the Church, "God speaks to his people, opening up to them the mystery of redemption and salvation, and offering spiritual nourishment; and Christ himself is present through his word in the midst of the faithful." (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 55) When we allow ourselves to listen, really listen, to what the Scriptures are saying to us in our own lives and to the reality we are living in, extraordinary things can happen. When we honestly reflect on our lives and the challenges we face as a society in light of the Scriptures, we open ourselves up to God's transforming power. Should we not be more attentive to the proclamation of the readings if we truly realize how it can affect our lives?

Birthdays and Anniversaries for November

Member Birthday		Member Birthday	
1st	Garnett Beadle	22th	Terrence Wilbur
1st	Thomas Beyke	23th	Henry Anusiem
1st	Richard Henderson	25th	Anthony Mwenda
3rd	Alexander Gard	26th	David Green
3rd	David Lesinski	29th	Michael Weber
4th	Matthew Robic	29th	Rick Lowman
4th	Romeo Mayor	30th	Steve Sciscente
5th	Sean Lezcano		
5th	John Luu		Member's Wife's Birthday
6th	J Robert Ward	9th	Kathleen Alley
6th	Leonardo Herrera	12th	Marianne Savino
9th	Maurice Tessier	16th	Diane Shell
10th	Rafael Contreras	18th	Anna Toby
10th	Vernon Johnson	21th	Kirsten Baune
10th	Willy Pagarigan	25th	Meschelle Miloscia
11th	Leo Fanene		
12th	Duc Nguyen		Anniversaries
16th	Lucas Rucks	2nd	Jerome and Mary De Gagne
18th	William Shell	17th	Michael and Maureen Fay
18th	Michael Rutland	20th	William and Linda Herbert
20th	Walter Anderson	21th	Michael and Pam Ross
20th	Christopher Andersen	28th	Juan and Karen Lezcano
21th	William Smith	29th	Lawrence and Linda Weigel

Don't see your Birthday or Anniversary? Send the dates to our FS, Joe Krick fs@kofc7528.org, he will update our database and next time, you will be included.

Nativity House!

Come help feed the homeless Saturday November 21st. 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 at nhb@kofc7528.org for any additional information.

Pennies for Heaven

Our goal for this year, as always, is a penny a day for Vocations, \$3.65.
 Please support our priests!

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Knight of the Month for October

Mark Czaplewski

Thank you for your dedicated work at Nativity House

Family of the Month for October

Mike and Maureen Fay

Thank you for work with
St Vincent de Paul Society

Upcoming Events!

November		December	
3rd	Business Meeting	1st	Business Meeting
7th	Veteran's Parade—Auburn		
17th	Planning Meeting	16th	Planning Meeting
21st	Nativity House	21st	Nativity House
22nd	Wounded Warriors Stocking Collection Ends		

Please Read and Respond

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