

The Cross and Compass

Knights of Columbus St. Joseph Council #7528



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From The Grand Knight

Perseverance

"A lowly virtue, whereby Mediocrity attains an Inglorious Success"

Fifty years ago, as a chemistry grad student, I was tasked with making a certain compound, never before made. It took me a hard week of long hours to produce a product. It didn't work. I changed some stuff around and tried again. No luck. I tried again, and again. I succeeded on the fifty-first attempt.



Today, the Zoom meetings, social distancing, isolation seem like the drudgery I experienced back then. All we can do is trudge forth, hoping that we can get vaccinated, and go back to a sense of normalcy.

I don't think that will happen. We cannot go back to last week, much less last year. We will have to find a new normal, a new way of doing business. Next

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Lecturer

YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST
The Challenge of Unity

This article continues to present Archbishop Etienne's pastoral letter entitled "The Work of Redemption: Eucharistic Belief and Practice in the Archdiocese of Seattle", this month we learn how the Eucharist should be a means of unifying our community.



St. Paul had strong words for the Corinthians, whose community was divided by factions. He was especially scandalized that these divisions were evident when they gathered for Eucharist: "I hear that when you meet as a church there are divisions among you. ... What can I say to you? Shall I praise you? In this matter I do not praise you" ([1 Corinthians 11:18, 22](#)). We know that within the Church today, there are also divisions. Instead of recognizing our fundamental unity within the Body of Christ, some Catholics intensify those divisions by rejecting or even demonizing others. The liturgy can all too easily become an ideological

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Financial Secretary

Dear Brothers of St. Joseph's Council #7528,

On Dec 14, 2020 I was appointed by Supreme Knight Carl Anderson as the Financial Secretary of St. Joseph's Council #7528, replacing Joseph Krick. Joseph is devoting more time to his continuing education and a growing family. On behalf of the membership of the council I thank Joseph for his past service as the financial secretary.



I accepted this position with humility as I am in service to you, the members of Council #7528.

I am charged to assist you in maintaining your membership records in the Knights of Columbus and to provide an accurate accounting for all re-

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year the kids will still need coats. Next year there will still be homeless people that need food. Jesus said "The poor will always be with us". We need to figure out new ways to fix old problems.

Having said that, I sure hope we can have a fish fry next year, or some of Papa Tim's spaghetti. Let us persevere.

Vivat Jesus,
Paul Savino, GK

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ceipts and vouchers as required by the Supreme Council Rules.

On a personal note, my wife, Maureen, and I have been married 47 years and have been parishioners of St. Vincent de Paul Parish for 32 years. We raised four daughters and have four grandchildren. I have been a member of the Knights of Columbus for 22 years. I am currently the president of the St. Vincent de Paul Society Conference, serve on the parish pastoral council and am a lecturer at Mass.

Please send me an email at fs@kofc7528.org when you have a change in personal, family, or contact information.

Thank you.

Fraternally yours,
Mike Fay, PGK, FS

Insurance Corner

By the time you read this you and I have probably been working from home, sheltering in place or on lockdown for 11 months! Who would have thought it? I hope you and your family are safe and healthy.



Being at home so much over the past 11 months has been different...mostly in a good way, although I think most of us have "corona virus fatigue." We'll keep socially distant and do our part by wearing a mask, but we're tired of all the restrictions. On the home front we've had our minor squabbles but being at home has helped me have more dialogue with my family and has taught me how precious time together is. It's taught me to slow down, consider the important people in my life and resolve to keep this attitude when the restrictions are lifted.

This is the month of Valentine's Day and being home makes me appreciate my wife even more. Whether or not you have children at home, our spouses don't get nearly enough credit for all they do. What would we do without them? In Fiddler on the Roof, Mama and Golde sing, "Who must know the way to make a proper home...Who must raise a family and run the home?" Of course, that song about "Tradition" is the old fashioned way of looking at "the mama." That's one theme of the play; the changing roles in the family and in society. Many of our spouses have the role of breadwinner, professional, provider, business owner, etc. and manage to also make a proper home, raise the family and run the household. They are remarkable!

So don't forget that dozen roses, the heart-shaped box of chocolates, the card or the gift as a token of your love and letting her know how much she means to you. And if you want to really let her know how much you love her, take a few minutes with me, and take stock of where you are with your life insurance and disability insurance coverage. With so many spouses in the workplace, it would be neglectful to not make sure they are properly protected. Many households rely on two incomes to pay the bills and the loss of either one, to an untimely death or an illness or accident that means one is unable to work, can be devastating.

I've met with many of you over the past months and I can continue to meet virtually over the computer...everyone stays safe. The Order has equipped me to make sure I can properly meet and service all my assigned brother knights and their families.

Let's spend a few minutes together and make sure everything is in place for the ones you love.

Vivat Jesus!

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battleground, as people insist that their own way of doing things is better or even the only way. But that is to see the Church as a human institution which we can shape according to our own way of thinking. The Church is a mystery, through which God shapes us, forming us into his holy people. Pope St. John Paul II said this so well: "We are constantly tempted to reduce the Eucharist to our own dimensions, while in reality it is we who must open ourselves up to the dimensions of the Mystery." ([Pope St. John Paul II, *Mane Nobiscum Domine*, 14](#)) When we celebrate the Eucharist, God is forming us, through Jesus' Paschal Mystery, into the family of God. This is not our doing, but God's: "Look graciously upon this family *whom you have summoned before you*." ([Eucharistic Prayer III, *Roman Missal*](#))

As a local Church, unity is more than one goal among many. Unity is essential to our mission. The prayer of Jesus for his disciples on the night before he died was that we might be one: "I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that you sent me" ([John 17:20-21](#)). The effectiveness of our witness depends on our unity. Nowhere is that unity more important than in our celebrations of the Eucharist.

*So when we as one are gathered all together,
let us strive to keep our minds free of division;
may there be an end to malice, strife and quarrels,
and let Christ our God be dwelling here among us.*
[From "Ubi caritas," the Offertory chant for Holy Thursday, *Roman Missal*.](#)

Unity is not easy. Unity requires give and take. As Pope Benedict XVI has written, "Union with Christ is also union with all those to whom he gives himself. I cannot possess Christ just for myself; I can belong to him only in union with all those who have become, or who will become, his own. Communion draws me out of myself towards him, and thus also towards unity with all Christians." (Pope Benedict XVI, *Deus Caritas Est*, 14.) The intimate sharing with Christ we experience when we participate in the Eucharist and receive Holy Communion is not strictly between God and myself, because the Mass is not an individual devotion but a communal prayer. For this reason, our celebrations of the Eucharist should be marked not by individual expressions of piety, but by unity.

The singing, the spoken responses, and the postures we take during the Mass — standing, bowing, kneeling — are important signs of that unity, and more: They can actually help build the unity we seek. The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* tells us that singing at the beginning of Mass not only introduces the celebration, but "foster[s] the unity

of those gathered." ([GIRM, 46](#)) In a similar way, "A common bodily posture, to be observed by all those taking part, is a sign of the unity of the members of the Christian community gathered together for the Sacred Liturgy, for it expresses the intentions and spiritual attitude of the participants and also fosters them." ([GIRM, 42](#)) When we gather to celebrate the Mass, what we do as a community really matters. The fraction rite of the Mass, when the priest breaks the host, reminds us of this. The one host is broken into many parts, so that the many can become one body in Christ. As St. Paul wrote, "Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf" ([1 Corinthians 10:17](#)).

Our unity must reach beyond our parish community. When we celebrate the Mass, we are part of a larger Church — this local Church, the Archdiocese of Seattle, and the Church throughout the world. In early Christian Rome, this unity was expressed in a unique rite, no longer part of the Mass, called the *fragmentum*. Each Sunday, the bishop of Rome would send a fragment of the bread consecrated at his Mass to each parish. This fragment would then be mingled with the chalice at each Eucharistic celebration. It symbolized the union of the parishes with the Mass offered by the bishop of Rome.

Archbishop Etienne says, as I have gotten to know the archdiocese over the past year, I have seen a wide range of liturgical practices. In order to express and reinforce our unity as a local Church, I would like to clarify several aspects of the Mass and bring us into a unity of posture and practice. I recognize that this will require some change for virtually all our parish communities, and for some more than others, but our unity as a local Church in celebrating the liturgy surely warrants the effort on our part. In this matter, we must be attentive to the practice of the Universal Church, particularly "to what serves the common spiritual good of the People of God, rather than private inclination or arbitrary choice." ([GIRM, 42](#))

FS Notes

Recently three of our Brother Knights attained the distinction of Honorary Membership in the Knights of Columbus.

Receiving Honorary Membership Life are William J Hawe for his 34 years of service and Ralph W Horner for his 30 years of service.

Receiving Honorary Membership is Rafael H Contreras for his 33 years of service

Congratulations to Brothers William, Ralph, and Rafael for your dedication and commitment to the principals of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity.

Birthdays and Anniversaries for February

Member's Birthday		Wife' Birthday	
1st	Thomas Orr	2nd	Barbara Skoda
3rd	Steven Drake	3rd	Tracey Rockwell
3rd	John McMahon	6th	Diana Hauge
3rd	Charles Nelson	20th	Pamela Bianchi
6th	Richard Coe	20th	Derra Larson
7th	Randall Jarrell	20th	Christine Zink
8th	Gilbert Gruber	20th	Linda Weigel
8th	Nathaniel Markwith	22th	Ryong Oliveto
9th	James Clevenger	23th	Gabrielle Wright
13th	Derek O Sullivan	24th	Beth Philomeno
16th	Robert Hitchcock		
17th	George Rutland		Anniversaries
18th	Richard Schumacher	6th	Derrick and Shannon Foeller
23th	Raleigh Wolleat	14th	Robert and Sheri Howell
25th	James Lezcano	15th	Leo and Lydia Satriawan
25th	Darius Calugay	16th	Bruce and Jove Hyde
26th	James Yantzer	20th	Derrick and Kelli Sanders
		23th	Michael and Cindy Mansanarez
		25th	Jonathan and Amy D Angelo

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

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, Susan Antoncich sister of Deacon Jerry Graddon, Sharon Beadle wife of Garnett Beadle, Jim Bianchi, Cash Burton Great Grandson of Don Miller, Linda Doherty, DJ Mansanarez nephew of Vince Mansanarez, Melaina Mansanarez sister-in-law of Vince Mansanarez, Margie Fredrickson wife of Gary Fredrickson, Mary Garcia wife of Ray Garcia, Ralph & Peggy Horner, Kathy Koch wife of Jerry Koch, Romeo Mayor, Joe Martinez, Fr. William McKee, Kristine Mallari wife of Ramon Mallari, Katherine Myers mother of Dave Myers, Larry and Ann Neville, Ralph Osman, Joe & Robin Penwell, Jim Philomeno brother of Tim Philomeno, Jim Roten, Mike Rutland Jr., Dean Smith, Terry Toensfeldt, James Yantzer, 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 all priests and clergy that the Holy Spirit strengthen them and help them cope with all the changes as they minister to the faithful.

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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Knight of the Month for January

The Knight of the Month is
TBD

Nativity House!

Come help feed the homeless Saturday February 20th. 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.

Family of the Month for January

The Family of the Month is
TBD

Pennies for Heaven

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

Upcoming Events!

February		March	
2nd	Business Meeting (ZOOM)	2nd	Business Meeting (ZOOM)
16th	Planning Meeting (ZOOM)	16th	Planning Meeting (ZOOM)
20th	Nativity House	20th	Nativity House

Please Read and Respond

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