



Knights of Columbus News

News and Opinion from Knights for Knights

St. John Francis Regis Parish - Council # 13671

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Grand Knight Notes by Mike Murtha



Brothers,

Twelve Brothers (one from another council but we claim him also) took their Fourth Degree April 20th at the Hilton Airport Inn. Fr. Haake, Mike Anani, Glen Ernstmann, Tom Fournier, Harold Hanson, Denny King, Bill Massop,

Jack Mitchel, Mike Nash, Dennis Wadle, John Walker, Don Wolff. What a proud moment and testimony for our council! CONGRATULATIONS!

VIVAT JESUS!

Mike

SMA Protect us



Spouses of Candidates enjoy an afternoon Tea during the Exemplification. Knights and spouses enjoy enjoyed the reception before dinner.

Council 13671 Have Eight of Our Twelve New 4th Degree Members are shown in the Second Row. The Sir Knights Are Waiting With Approximately 145 Candidates. The Exemplification, Mass, Reception and Dinner Was Worth the Time and Effort.



“Remembrance to all Victims of Abortion” Monument Dedication April 6th



Statewide project of all Councils that raise funds for the purchase of ultrasound machines being placed at Pregnancy Resource Centers around the state.

We hope other Knights of Columbus Councils are inspired to do the same at their home parishes as well.

Vivat Jesus, Bill

The Monument goes from Park Lawn Funeral Home by truck to St. Regis and Bill Massop was there to monitor the step-by-step installation and take photos.

Memorial Reflections -

“Following Dedication at St. Regis of the Memorial Monument in Remembrance to all Victims of Abortion, I was asked to share what inspired us to create this Memorial” - Bill Massop, Monument Committee Chair

Our family has spent occasional weekends enjoying the Lake of the Ozarks, and attended Sunday Mass at Our Blessed Mothers' National Shrine on the grounds of St. Patrick's in Laurie MO. At the right side of the entry to the Church is a monument with the same dedication.

Last fall on a beautiful sunny day, Karen and I stopped to visit the Shrine and walked the parish grounds. As we viewed the monument, I reflected on the words on the monument and it reminded me of the blessings in my life of being the father of two beautiful adopted children and now the grandfather of seven. Without the life giving decision of two birth mothers, I would not have been so blessed. All my life, I have been an strong advocate of Pro Life of the unborn.

As a relatively new member of our St. Regis Knights of Columbus Council and recognizing the Knights stand on abortion, I took some pictures of the Memorial, asked permission from the Grand Knight of the St. Patrick's Knights of Columbus Council to borrow and present their idea to our Council. My Brother Knights at St. Regis quickly embraced and approved the Memorial Monument to honor our commitment to stand up for innocent human beings, born and unborn. With the placement at the Rosary Island, our hope is that all people that see the Monument are inspired to pray for the unborn so that birth mothers make the choice of giving life.

We are grateful for the generosity of fellow Knights and the Ladies' Auxiliary to raise the funds for this effort. We are likewise grateful to Park Lawn Funeral company for their assistance in the design, manufacture, and placement. Their generosity allowed us to donate funds above our costs to the



Preparing the site with precision the Park Lawn staff member took great care to make a solid base to keep the Monument in place for a long time.



Monument installation photos continued:



The work was completed with such precision that you would have had to look real close to notice the ground around the site was disturbed.

This effort began with the inspiration of one Knight and his wife. This good idea was presented to our members and it caught on with our Council. In less than 4 months the funds were raised and the Monument became a permanent statement of our members' commitment to life for all who enter our parish and "see the Monument are inspired to pray for the unborn so that birth mothers make the choice of giving life."

**BROTHERS, PLEASE REMEMBER
THE PARISH CLEANUP**

THIS SAT. MAY 4TH. IT WAS PUBLISHED EARLIER THAT WE WOULD START AT 8:30, BUT... AFTER TALKING TO KAREN I BELIEVE WE'LL START AT 9. THERE IS MASS AT 9 ALSO FOLLOWING THE 24 HOUR ADORATION. PLEASE BRING SHOVELS, RAKES & PRUNERS.

HOPEFULLY WE'LL HAVE GOOD WEATHER!!

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

For those who have died: Eldon H. Falke - father of Robert Falke

For those who are ill or recovering from surgery: Fran Wadle, Msgr William Blacet, Fr. Ernie Gauthier, Fr.

Jim Hart, Jack Mitchell, Ralph and Judy Ford, Vincent Proctor-Father of Jarrett Proctor, Jim Monnig, Phil Muellner.

Special Intentions: Pope Francis, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI; Bishop Robert W. Finn; Bishop Emeritus Raymond Boland, all priests, deacons, men & women religious.

For our seminarians studying at these seminaries: Conception, St. Gregory the Great, Pontifical College Josephinum, Holy Apostles, and in Rome as they continue their preparation and discernment.

For Active Duty Chaplains: Rev. Joseph "Dan" Reardon, Chaplain and all priests serving as Military Chaplains and all who serve in the US Military service at home or abroad.

For the Cause for Canonization of Fr. Emil J. Kapaun – "Servant of God." Chaplain, US Army":



<http://www.frkapaun.org>

Celebrating Birthdays in May

Matt Bokenkroger	5/02
Joe Dimarco	5/02
Stephen Schlutow	5/06
Rick Meyers	5/10
Dr. Charles Moylan	5/14
Tyson Robertson	5/16
David Meyers	5/18
Robert Colombatto	5/26
John Aquino	5/30

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER – Fr. Richard Rocha



Brother Knights,

The month of May has always been a special month for me personally. I have always had a great love for Our Blessed Mother and for St. Joseph.

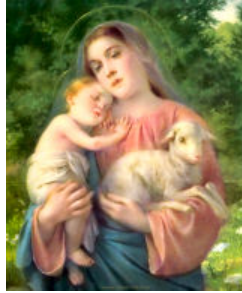
May begins with one of St. Joseph's feast days: May 1, Feast of St. Joseph the Worker. While we correctly regard May as Mary's month,

I believe she is pleased that it begins with a day of prayer of intercession to her beloved earthly spouse, St. Joseph. Mary is the principal patroness of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, and as you may know, St. Joseph and St. John Francis Regis are our Co-patrons of the diocese. So it is quite fitting to say that May seems like a very special month for our Diocese, parish, and our council.

In these weeks after Easter the life of the Church is alive and active, like the beautiful Springtime around us. We experience the grace of new members of the Church, baptized and received at Easter Vigil. It is a time for First Holy Communions and many Confirmations. This month will bring, on May 18, the ordination of four new transitional deacons for our diocese.

In all these occasions we are right to ask a special intercessory love and protection from our Blessed Mother. She is "Mother of the Church, Mother of all the faithful, and Mother of Priests." From Mary, Jesus Christ the Son of God took his human flesh in the Incarnation. In this way Mary is Mother of the Holy Eucharist. Mary, Spouse of the Holy Spirit, is a strong 'prayer partner' with our young people approaching Confirmation.

Mary is truly by our side in everything we do to follow her Son, Jesus. Her role is always to help us faithfully seek and find Jesus Christ. St. Louis de Montfort begins his book on True Devotion to Mary, saying, "It was through the blessed Virgin Mary that Jesus Christ came



into the world, and it is also through her that He must reign in the world." (True Devotion, no 1) As Mary brought Jesus to the world, so also Mary will be God's instrument for bringing the world to Jesus Christ. Let us enter this and St. Joseph!

Vivat Jesus! Fr. Rocha

REMINDER

May

3rd - Adoration - Holy Hour for Church Vocations at 11 a.m.

3rd - Celebration of 25th Anniversary of Bishop Ordination of Bishop Emeritus Raymond J. Boland at the Cathedral-Immaculate Conception, KC, MO at 7 p.m.

4th - Blisters for Sisters - Celebrate women religious by supporting this annual event. Contact Homer Radford for details > 816-356-1760

5th - Ladies Auxiliary Meeting Sunday - 9:30 a.m. - following the 8:30 a.m. Mass.]

8th - Adoration & Reconciliation 6 -7 p.m.

8th - Council Meeting - Rosary at 7:10 p.m.

9th - 1st Degree – Raytown 7- 8 p.m. /Knights of Columbus Hall, 5101 Blue Ridge Cutoff, Kansas City, MO - Candidates should arrive by 6:30 pm.

16th - 4th Degree Dinner Meeting 6:30 at Council Hall 4962 , 5101 Blue Ridge Cutoff, bring a dessert of side dish.

18th - Transitional Diaconate ordination in St. Joseph, MO at the Co-Cathedral at 10:00 a.m.

25th - Saturday morning Officers Meeting at 9 a.m.

June

2nd - - Ladies Auxiliary Meeting Sunday - 9:30 a.m. - following the 8:30 a.m. Mass.]

7th - Adoration - Holy Hour for Church Vocations at 11 a.m.

12th - Adoration & Reconciliation 6 -7 p.m.

12th - Council Meeting - Rosary at 7:10 p.m.

22th - Saturday morning Officers Meeting at 9 a.m.



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