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CARDINAL BELLARMI COUNCIL # 4849

UPCOMING EVENTS

May

5/1/2012	Council Meeting	Holy Angels at 7:30pm
5/4/2012 to	IL State Convention	Westin Hotel in Lombard, IL
5/7/2012	Clergy Night	Blessed Sacrament in North Aurora
5/12/2012 and 5/13/2012	Flowers for Priesthood	Holy Angels 5/7 - 4:30pm Mass; 5/8 - All Mass times
5/15/2012	Assembly Meeting	Riverview Banquets at 7:30pm
5/22/2012	Business Meeting	Holy Angels - Food Pantry at 7:30pm

Starting in 2012 we will requiring all members to bring your rosaries to the meetings.
A \$1.00 fine will be imposed, which will be added to the General Assistance Fund every month.

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MAY 2012

Principles of the Order
Charity
Unity
Fraternity
Patriotism

Council Directors

<u>Membership Director</u>	<u>Program Director</u>	
Ty Simmons	Ray Froehlich	
<u>Recruitment</u>	<u>Church</u>	John Aguilar
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**Cardinal Bellarmine
Council 4849**

2011 - 2012 Officers

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Deacon Tom Hawksworth

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The deadline for an article
submission is:
24th of the Month.*

*Please send articles to:
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Deacon's Beacon

Following is a reprint of a column from July, 2010, that seems appropriate for this after-Lenten time of prayer, repentance and almsgiving; some of you may recall it, others will not; regardless, I believe it can provide much for our self-examination. I hope you'll agree.

A story in the Old Testament, Genesis 25: 19-34, is a fascinating one of brothers Esau and Jacob, sons of Isaac (son of Abraham) and Rebekah; especially thought-provoking is the revelation found in verses 29 thru 34. It reads as follows:

"Once, when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the open, famished. He said to Jacob, 'let me gulp down some of that red stuff; I'm starving.' But Jacob replied, 'First give me your birthright in exchange for it.' 'Look,' said Esau, 'I'm on the point of dying. What good will any birthright do me?' But Jacob insisted, 'Swear to me first!' So he sold Jacob his birthright under oath. Jacob then gave him some bread and the lentil stew; and Esau ate, drank, got up, and went his way. Esau cared little for his birthright."

Interesting, to say the least, to hear how Esau was so concerned with immediate gratification that he loses all sense of proportion. For a mere bowl of "red stuff" (some lentil stew) he sells his birthright, which was a double portion of the family inheritance; "Esau cared little for his birthright."

Probably most of us would agree what Esau did was quite foolish (let's not be distracted at this point on the manipulative actions of Jacob) in giving up his birthright, his inheritance. However, reflecting on this story can provide an opportunity for all of us to take a look at our own lives in order to recognize any "bowl", or "bowls of stew" that have led us to "sell," to compromise our birthright, our inheritance, in essence, our relationship with Jesus Christ, and essentially our eternal salvation. Too frequently overlooked are the "bowls of stew" under the appearance of popularity, security, wealth, recreation, entertainment, knowledge, pleasure, power, financial support, friendship, independence, and the list goes on

I hope all of us will make the time and effort to sit quietly and read the entire story (Gn. 25:19-34), asking the Holy Spirit to help us recognize those times when we have compromised, perhaps still do compromise, our own "birthright" in the name of more "immediate gratification." God bless you.

"Dear Holy Spirit, help me to recognize those "bowls of stew" that can separate me from my eternal "inheritance." May I be open and receptive to whatever it is You want to provide in order to protect me for all God has for me."

Deacon Tom Hawksworth

Degree

Are you a third degree member? If not, you can easily become one by taking your 2nd and 3rd degrees.

The next major degrees scheduled:

5/20/2012 - Sacred Heart #13476
1:00 pm Start Time
(Marengo)

For more details,
www.illinoisknights.org

Training

KC Academy

Next scheduled date for our council will be in October 2012 if you are interested in Chairing or assisting with planning this event contact the

GK or Program Director

Topics covered:

Office Training, Duties, Director Responsibilities, Conducting an Audit, Financial Controls and Planning, and Duties of Financial Officers

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Membership

This year, as the State Convention in Lombard approaches, your Council is well on its way towards meeting our membership goals and once again “STAR Council” is within our grasp.

The reason for that apparent success is that we have several dedicated members who remain “out front” during all of our events. These members, representing about a quarter of the council membership, strive to create a “can do” attitude and to foster a spirit of pride in our Council.

It is that atmosphere created that helps to secure new membership. Simply put, new members are joining our Council because they desire to be part of an organization that fills your heart and your mind with the joy of giving to others and the feeling that comes with making a difference.

With all our success, imagine what would be possible if you, no not the consistent dedicated members, but those of you who have not been able to participate in any of our events, would step out of your comfort zone and lend a hand. I am consistently amazed by our accomplishments and I shudder to think about the possibilities, if additional members gave just a little bit of their valuable time to support our Council activities.

Last week I had the great fortune to hear a priest deliver an awesome sermon about the Knights. During the celebration of the mass for the Assembly 100th Anniversary event, Fr. Fronck echoed the sentiments of Pope John Paul VI, when he stated that the Knights stand together in solidarity to do the will of God and to serve his cause...the Knights are an immense force for good.

This week, I was honored to attend the finals of a 5th Grade speech competition at Fearn Elementary School. There, Christiana Guthrie delivered an excellent report on our Councils fund raising efforts, during the Intellectual Disability Drive, and the impact the Knights had on her life.

Our works in service to Church and community reflect the efforts of our Council and from the Clergy to a 5th grade student, our deeds do not go unnoticed. Come out and be a part of something special in your community, I promise you won't regret it.

Please prayerfully consider walking the talk and putting into action the initial reason you joined the Knights. Vivat Jesus!

Remember no one can or should do everything but everyone can do something!

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MEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND

THE CURSILLO WEEKEND?

During the three days of the Cursillo weekend from Thursday evening to Sunday evening, people from all walks of life grow close to one another. Religious and lay people form a living, working Christian community to gain a deep awareness of the treasures and responsibility of their faith. The goal of the Cursillo weekend is to give those who make it a new understanding of Jesus Christ, the basic Christian truths, and the desire to serve the church.

The Cursillo weekend is a blend of seriousness, light heartedness, spiritual exercises, talks and discussions. The teachings of Christ are discussed within an atmosphere of joy and song. There are meditations and talks by priests and laymen, and everyone making the Cursillo weekend is urged to participate by taking notes, discussing, and even by making drawings that illustrate major points.

The Cursillo weekend ends at the close of the three days. However, the whole point of the Cursillo movement is that ordinary people can steadily grow in the love and service of God and man for the rest of their lives. Christian growth is not easy, but the Cursillo weekend provides a framework for it, both during the three days and afterwards. In the Post-Cursillo, emphasis is on maintaining a vibrant and growing Christian community, thus springs the apostolic action required to make ours a better world to live in.

For many, a Cursillo weekend is a new awakening to a deeper friendship with Christ.

WEEKEND INFORMATION

For those Cursillistas who would love to come back and serve on a Cursillo weekend the Rockford Diocese holds weekends twice a year, once in the fall and spring for both men and women.

All weekends are held at:

St. Mary's Parish Community Center
881 North Mongan Drive
Oregon, Illinois 61061

Next Cursillo Dates: **Spring 2012 - April 12th - 15th ; Fall 2012 - October 25th - 28th**



That Man is You!
MEN'S LEADERSHIP PROGRAM



SPRING SEMESTER

Objectives: Provide a vision of the new springtime based upon the superabundant mercy of the Father. Demonstrate how the Seven Steps for Forming a Healthy, Happy, Holy Family can be used to raise wonderful children. Provide a practical framework for making superabundant mercy the foundation of the family.

LOCATION AND TIME

Holy Angels in Connor Hall
Saturdays at 6:30 am, ends just in time for 8:15 am Mass

ADORATION AT HOLY ANGELS

Wednesdays starting at 8:00am and ending 8:00am Thursday morning. Check out the book outside the chapel for open times or join others in this most blessed opportunity.

Contact Todd Exline, texline5@aol.com or Call 630-897-8202

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4th Degree - Marquette Assembly #0188

The fourth Degree Assembly proudly celebrates its 100th Anniversary this year. A few events have been planned for this memorable celebration.

On April 21st the Assembly will be hosting a dinner celebration at Marmion Academy. All Knights are invited to attend this celebration and this is a formal event. If you are 4th Degree member you are encouraged to wear your tuxedos and social baldric and other members should wear a suit.

Tickets are \$35.00 per person

4:00 pm Mass

5:00 pm Cocktails

6:00 pm Dinner



Also on October 27th the Assembly will be hosting the 4th Degree Exemplification at Marmion Academy. All Councils are encouraged to sponsor 10 Brother Knights to join the ranks of the 4th Degree and join the Honor or Color Guard.

Rockford Chapter

Meetings are held Quarterly in January, April, July and October on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm. Meetings are started with Mass.

Every year a celebration occurs to honor fellow Knights at the Hoffman House in Rockford called the Knights of the Roundtable Dinner.

This years date is September 26th, Cocktails at 6:30 pm, Dinner at 7:30 pm
Current Chapter Officers can be viewed at: www.illinoisknights.org

Support Vocations

COUNCIL APPAREL

Golf Polo Shirt (No Pocket) \$36

Pocket Polo Shirt \$36

Screenprint T-Shirt \$9



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