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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Dear Brother Knights:

Spring has finally arrived and everyone's goal is to get out of the house and get started on the spring cleanup. With all that is on our minds let's not forget that Easter is approaching and Holy Week will be here before you know it.

I would like to thank all the Brothers who worked to make this year's Knight at the Races a huge success. This is the first year that we were sold out. I even had to turn some people away because there were no more tickets available.

On February 16th we held the Altar Servers pizza party. We gave out 24 Award Certificates to some very deserving servers. Everyone had a great time and we are still receiving compliments from members of the Parish on a job well done. A special thanks to Brothers John Sutor and Tim Lynch for their dedication by wearing their Regalia and making the night real special.

Pope Benedict XVI announced on Jan. 14 that Pope John Paul II would be beatified on May 1 after issuing a decree that a French nun's recovery from Parkinson's disease was miraculous. This was the last step needed for the beatification of his predecessor. This will be something very special to see.

The Columbian Year is coming to a close very quickly. I don't know where the time went but it's been a good year for the Council. Elections will be held at the first meeting of June and then on to the Annual Concert Series.

My family and I would like to wish all of our Brothers and their families a Happy Easter.

Vivat Jesus,
James Mlodgenski
Grand Knight

"Are you capable of risking your life for someone?
Do it for Christ."

Pope John Paul II

Meetings

Meetings - 1st and 3rd Weds. of each month at
St. Barnabas Church in Fr. Brennen Hall.
All meetings start promptly at 8 PM.
Officers Meeting- 1st Wednesday at 6:30 PM.

UP COMING EVENTS!!!

Thursday April 21 st	Meeting moved to the Recreation Center on Rt 9 Bayville
Saturday April 23 rd	Meet a 9AM to help decorate the Church for Easter
Sunday May 1st	Beatification of Pope John Paul II
Sunday May 22 nd	4 th Degree Communion Breakfast 9AM at the Quality Inn, TR \$18 per person
Sunday May 29 th	5 th Sunday Communion Breakfast after 8 AM Mass
Wednesday June 1 st	Council Elections

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Jennifer Fortunato
Linda O'Donnell
Pardo Spedaliere PGK
Herman "Bud" Cooper PGK
Brielle Bijoux
Veronica Metzler
Joe Colleta
Martha Connor
Al Kessler PGK
Ruth Kostick
Edna Stewart
Charles Kerr Letters
Steve Mc Dermott
Ellen Page

Tony Calvitti
Martin Pisano
Pat Schreier
Bill Martin
Susan Walton
Linda Mackintosh
Pat Colleta
Peter Fortunato Sr.
Margaret Kessler
Kathleen Lynch
Mario Calabrese
Maureen Ising
Bill Powers

Joe Mockapetris PGK
John Taylor
Emmit Worthy Jr. PGK
Monica Brewi-Bijoux
Ava Slinchak
Pat Kelly
Will Stockham
Edward Mlodzenski
Peggy Pikor
Lillie Hruby
John Sutor PGK, PFN
Brenda Mc Dermott
Jean Fortunato
All The Troops



RECENTLY DEPARTED



E-Mail Addresses!!!

We are asking all members to update their E-Mail address. This way we can keep everyone up to date on the affairs of the Council. In the future everyone with an E-Mail address will receive the News Letter by E-Mail. By doing this we can save the Council the cost of printing and sending the News Letter through the mail. Also the News Letter will be posted on our web site for all to read. To update your E-Mail address just send an E-Mail to **8603@comcast.net** Thank you.

Baptism Procedure

- 1- All babies receive gifts at the first Sunday mass.
- 2- Members of K of C St. Barnabas Council #8603 and their immediate families who have a baptism at the St. Barnabas Church, Bayville, NJ in a private ceremony will receive gifts at the ceremony provided that the Brother Knight gives the Council two weeks' notice. Should the Brother Knight fail to give the Council two weeks' notice the gifts will not be presented at the ceremony but can be picked up at the Parish Office when they are ready.
- 3- Members of K of C St. Barnabas Council #8603 and their immediate families who have a baptism at a church other than the St. Barnabas Church, Bayville, NJ can pick up their gifts at the Parish Office provided that the Brother Knight gives the Council two weeks' notice.

Hospitalized Brothers

If you know of a Brother Knight from Council # 8603 who has been hospitalized for three days or more, please contact George Vogt at 732-269-2916 so we can present him with our Council 8603 robe.

Insurance News

TAX-DEFERRED ANNUITIES

Expecting a tax refund? Even if you're not, you certainly wouldn't want to pay more in taxes than you have to. That is what you can expect if you have savings that are not in a tax-deferred account such as bank savings or certificates of deposit.

The Knights of Columbus offers a highly competitive tax-deferred annuity. You don't pay income tax on the earnings until you withdraw them, most likely after you retire. In a financial world characterized by uncertainty, our annuities give you peace of mind. Your principle is guaranteed, and so is a minimum return. Just give me a call.

For any questions or to schedule a review, please contact me at 732-606-1616.

Fraternally,

James Castrovilly, Field Agent

Veteran's News



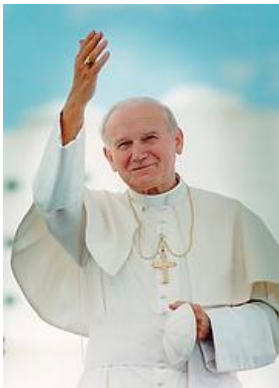
The Department of Veterans Affairs is offering bronze medallions to attach to existing, privately purchased headstones or markers, signifying a deceased's status as a Veteran. The new item can be furnished instead of a traditional government headstone or marker for veterans whose death occurred on or after Nov. 1, 1990, and whose grave in a private cemetery is marked with a privately purchased headstone or marker.

Under federal law, eligible veterans buried in a private cemetery are entitled to either a government-furnished grave marker or the new medallion, but not both. Veterans buried in a national or state veterans cemetery will receive a government headstone or marker of the standard design authorized at that cemetery.

The medallion is available in three sizes: 5 inches, 3 inches and 1 ½ inches in width. Each bronze medallion features the image of a folded burial flag adorned with laurels and is inscribed with the word "Veteran" at the top and the branch of service at the bottom.

Information on VA burial benefits can be obtained from national cemetery offices, from the **VA Web Site** or by calling VA regional offices toll-free at (800) 827-1000.

Vatican Announces Beatification of Pope John Paul II



Pope Benedict XVI announced on Jan. 14 that Pope John Paul II would be beatified on May 1 after issuing a decree that a French nun's recovery from Parkinson's disease was miraculous. This was the last step needed for the beatification of his predecessor.

According to Church officials, the miracle ascribed to Pope John Paul II's intercession with God concerned a 49-year-old nun who had suffered from Parkinson's disease – a condition with which the pope had also suffered. A second miracle must be approved before Pope John Paul can be canonized.

The beatification ceremony is slated to take place in St. Peter's Square on Divine Mercy Sunday, a day of great significance for John Paul II. When canonizing St. Faustina Kowalska April 30, 2000, the pope made the feast universal, declaring that the Second Sunday of Easter would from then on be known as Divine Mercy Sunday. He died five years later on April 2, the eve of Divine Mercy Sunday in 2005.

Upon hearing the announcement, Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson said, "There is no doubt that Pope John Paul will enter into the history books as one of the greatest popes who ever lived. His legacy from his theological contributions, to the work he did that helped end Communism and brought freedom and unity to Europe, to his tremendous ability to connect with people anywhere in the world, combined with a willingness to travel to them – all of these are tremendous accomplishments.

"But in the end, the beatification of Pope John Paul means that Catholics, and indeed all people, have a model for the heroic virtue each of us should strive to embody," the supreme knight added. "A love of neighbor and defense of human dignity, a willingness to break down barriers and to dialogue with people of other faiths, a willingness to forgive even the man who shot him, and the sincerity to ask for forgiveness for himself and the Church. This was a man who taught us how to live, and in the twilight of his years taught us how to die. He was in his life, and remains now man for all people, and example to us all."

I came across this story a few years ago and it just touched me in a special way. This Mother's Day I would like to share it with all my Brothers and their families. Enjoy!

A Story of Woman

By the time the Lord made woman, He was into His sixth day of working overtime. An Angel appeared and said, "Why are you spending so much time on this one?" And the Lord answered and said, "Have you seen the spec sheet on her? She has to be completely washable, but not plastic, have 200 movable parts, all replaceable, run on black coffee, diet coke or Green Tea and leftovers, have a lap that can hold two children at one time and that disappears when she stands up, have a kiss that can cure anything from scraped knee to a broken heart, and have six pairs of hands." The Angel was astounded at the requirements for this one. "Six pairs of hands! No Way!" said the Angel. The Lord replied, "Oh, it's not the hands that are the problem. It's the three pairs of eyes that mothers must have! "And that's just on the standard model?" The Angel asked. The Lord nodded in agreement. "Yep, one pair of eyes are to see through the closed door as she asks her children what they are doing even though she already knows. Another pair in the back of her head to see what she needs to know even though no one thinks she can. And the third pair are here in the front of her head. They are for looking at an errant child and saying that she understands and loves him or her without even saying a single word" The Angel tried to stop the Lord. "This is too much work for one day. Wait until tomorrow to finish." But I can't!" The Lord protested, "I am so close to finishing this creation that is so close to my own heart. She already heals herself when she is sick AND can feed a family on a pound of hamburger and can get a nine year old to stand in the shower." The Angel moved closer and touched the woman, "But you have made her so soft, Lord. She is soft," the Lord agreed, "but I have also made her tough. You have no idea what she can endure or accomplish." Will she be able to think?" asked the Angel. The Lord replied, "Not only will she be able to think, she will be able to reason, and negotiate." The Angel then noticed something and reached out and touched the woman's cheek. "Oops, it looks like you have a leak with this model. I told you that you were trying to put too much into this one." "That's not a leak." The Lord objected. "That's a tear!" "What's the tear for?" the Angel asked. The Lord said, "The tear is her way of expressing her joy, her sorrow, her pain, her disappointment, her loneliness, her grief, and her pride." The Angel was impressed. "You are a genius, Lord. You thought of everything, for women are truly amazing" Women have strengths that amaze men. They carry children, they carry hardships, they carry burdens but they hold happiness, love and joy. They smile when they want to scream. They sing when they want to cry. They cry when they are happy and laugh when they are nervous. They fight for what they believe in. They stand up for injustice. They don't take "no" for an answer when they believe there is a better solution. They go without new shoes so their children can have them. They go to the doctor with a frightened friend. They love unconditionally. They cry when their children excel and cheer when their friends get awards. Their hearts break when a friend dies. They have sorrow at the loss of a family member, yet they are strong when they think there is no strength left. They know that a hug and a kiss can heal a broken heart. Women come in all sizes, in all colors and shapes. They'll drive, fly, walk, run, or e-mail you to show how much they care about you. The heart of a woman is what makes the world spin! Women do more than give birth. They bring joy and hope. They give compassion and ideals. Women have a lot to say and a lot to give. Sometimes even the gentlemen need to be reminded how amazing women can be!



Need a Notary Public

If you are in need of a Notary Public we have two Brother Knights who are offering their services to all Brother Knights at no cost. To take them up on this offer please contact:

Brother Carmen Amato at 732-915-5068 or
Brother SK Mike Masucci at 732-330-3412

Thanks Carmen and Mike for your service!

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