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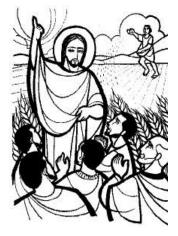
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"The hour has come for the Son of man to be glorified. Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.



Grand Knight's Comments

As Knights of Columbus, we stand firm in our committee to perpetuating God's love for our brothers and sisters in need.

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to disrupt how we carry out our mission as Knights of Columbus. We continue to home shelter and abide by the social distancing requirements that have affected the way we as Knights do business, but it has not affected the way we fulfill our duties to serve, as our organization's constitutional preamble declares, through our individual obligation to our parish, community, and to each other. As we stay sheltered in our homes, I am so inspired by how our Council Family is continuing to serve our Parish although from a safe distance.

My sincere appreciation goes to all my brother Knights who have stepped up to serve in a myriad of ways th ough the crisis. I ask that those who have not yet renewed their Council memberships do so now, at this time of urgency. It will take time for our Council to return to normal business activities, so membership renewal is extremely important right now.

Renewals give us the privilege of keeping up our services functioning, no matter how circumstances change. While new members help us expand our outreach and allow us to serve more people who need our help.

There are many other ways that Knights can contribute while adhering to social distancing guidelines. Among them:

We continue to dedicate ourselves to helping our Brothers and Sisters in need. I am proud of the things we have accomplished, Food and Supply Distributions, Blood Drives, Five K Run and fundraising efforts that our Council have undertaken within our Parish and surrounding communities. When the history of the COVID-19 pandemic is



written, Fredericksburg Council 4034 will be able to look back with pride.

But right now, let's look ahead. As Knights we are about service and patriotism.

The most important message that we have to remember is that each of us as Knights of Columbus are recruiters. Remember, I'm extremely proud of your efforts and with everyone's help and participation I believe Fredericksburg Council 4034 is, and can continue to be, a growing, dynamic, effective organization with our best days still ahead.

There are many lessons to be learned by studying the past, viewing their successes and failures, all of which are to be used as tools in our plans for the future. These lessons should be used in our growth as Catholic men.

May God continue to bless and keep our families safe and may we continue to pray for one another.

Fraternally

Your Brother in Christ,

Anthony B. Hall

Chaplin Comment's by Fr Folmar

As we enter into March, we just had the 2nd Sunday of Lent, which has the Gospel of the Transfiguration according to Mark (9:2-10). And so, as St. Peter recently, shortly before this, declared that Jesus is the Messiah. Jesus then went on to explain what that truly meant suffering, and that we are to follow Him in taking up our crosses, as He is taking up His cross for us.

Therefore, in already speaking to His apostles about His impending suffering and death, Jesus now strengthens Peter, James, and John, so as to better prepare them for what is about to happen.

Yes. He is the Messiah. He will consequently suffer and die to lead us out of sin and eternal death. But remember, this is supposed to happen to fulfill the Scriptures and Our Heavenly Father's Will in which there will be a glorious ending. Radiant, like Our Lord's garments in this Gospel. Because Jesus is God. The Chosen One, whom they have been waiting for. For all these reasons, trust in Him, despite what horrible

things are to transpire and come about.

And so, to help strengthen us, we meditate on Our Lord's sufferings, as recorded in the Gospels, with the Stations of the Cross, and various books on Christ's Passion. A good book for this is <u>No</u> <u>Greater Love: A Biblical</u> <u>Walk Through Christ's</u> <u>Passion</u> by Edward Sri.

Anyways, keep in mind todav's Gospel, that although we may have to suffer various things in life, we too will share in Christ's Glory, in which we too will have illuminous bodies when we experience the resurrection. And in mediating on what Christ has already done for us in leading the way, we will better be able to handle whatever sufferings come our way in life, as we continue to lead our families as strong men.

So, if you want to be strengthened for whatever comes your way in life, not only mediate on Christ's Passion and Death yourself, make sure to also do this with you family, such as in leading the Stations of the Cross with



them. Thus, leading your family in prayer and strengthening them with the Precious Blood of Jesus from which all graces have been poured forth for us from His Most Sacred Heart.

So be not afraid of what may or may not lie ahead. For Christ always goes before us. Therefore, we each have a cross with particular sufferings, but there will be a glorious crown.

Into the Breach

Into the Breach is a call to battle for Catholic men which urges them to embrace wholeheartedly

masculine virtues in a The series will continue the world in crisis. 4th Wednesday of each

Joe Stone leads a ZOOM presentation.

The series will continue the 4th Wednesday of each month starting at 7:30 pm., until the series is completed.

Stations of the Cross Friday's During Lent

7pm in English and

7:30pm in Spanish

in the Church and live stream.



Jesus Falls for the Third Time

Micah Furniture

After a six month break due to COVID-19, the St. Mary team (consisting of 10 Knights and 5 parishioners) resumed its support of the Micah Furniture Bank last September.

In November, Micah entered into a unique with partnership the Fredericksburg Habitat for Humanity Restore. Under the partnership, both charities have equal access to the donated furniture each receives. The Restore provides rent free access to its 30,0000 sq. ft. warehouse as well as manpower support to load and unload donated furniture.

This arrangement will save Micah over \$12,000 a year it paid to rent the 10,000 sq. ft. space on Lafayette Blvd.

Our team works the third Saturday of the month. Our normal routine is to report to the Habitat for Humanity Restore by 9:00 a.m. to assist in the loading of outgoing furniture.

Once the items are loaded, crew assignments are made to handle the deliveries and to make donation pick-ups. All assignments are usually completed before 12:00 Noon. On our latest workday (January 16), the St. Mary team was assigned four deliveries and six pick-ups. Working that day were Brother Knights were Tim Fleming, Mark Gardner. Mike McCluskey, Rich LaRoche, Jorge Lizarrralde, and Bob Yankoskie. St. Mary parishioners who also worked that day were Juan Chavez, Rob D'Lugos, Andre Simons, and Joe Wilkinson. The team was assisted bv Loretta Fleming, Tim's wife, and several children.

Volunteers are alwavs welcome to join the team. You don't need to have a truck or trailer, nor do you have to work every month. All vou need is a willingness to help those in need in the greater Fredericksburg community when you can.

Email Rich LaRouhe at stone48@verizon.net

3rd Sunday of Lent GOSPEL 3/7/21 JOHN 2:13-25 Wood print by Marcantonio circa 1500



Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

GOSPEL 3/25/21 LUKE 1:26-38 <u>Catacombs of Priscilla</u> circa 250

Some Upcoming Events

Wednesday, March 3

FOOD BANK DELIVERIES

ZOOM Officer's Dir's. Chmn. Planning Meeting

Wednesday, March 10 ZOOM Business Meeting

Wednesday, March 17 ZOOM Into the Breach

Thursday, March 18 FOOD BANK DELIVERIES

Saturday, March 20

Micah Ministries Furniture Pickup/Delivery

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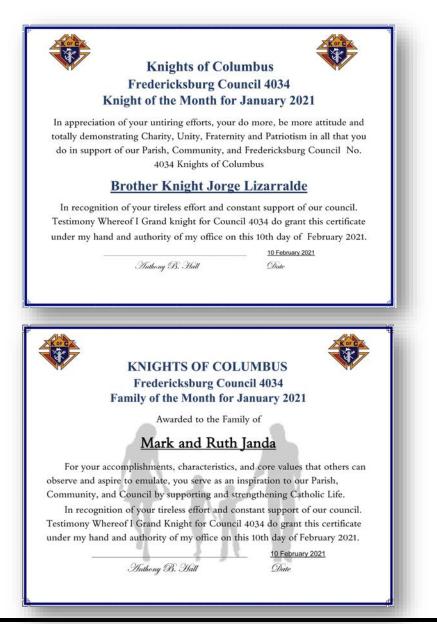
Wednesday, March 31 ZOOM Into the Breach

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Awards

Knight of the Month and Family of the Month for January 2021

Each month we promote and support the development of strong and vibrant knights and families. We select a Knight and a family that totally Demonstrates Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism in all they do for the parish, and community



CYM Dinners

Brothers of our council prepares and serves a meal to the Youth Ministry at Holy Cross Academy on select Sunday nights. Due to COVID we were only allowed in January to have four brothers serve; Jon Landolfi assisted by PGKs, Wayne Cushing, Steve Stoecker and Gray Rolla. Our council may be scheduled to prepare a CYM dinner on Sunday 3/28, if they resume.

If you would like to serve, contact Jon at jal.kel@cox.net



March Birthdays Happy Birthday

Brother Knights!					
Name	j.	Birthday			
Dennis	Behl	1			
Arnold	Bellmer	1			
Daniel	Fowlkes	1			
Felix	Lopez	1			
Matthew	Woyak	1			
Francis	Balint	2			
James	Bapple	2			
Michael	Lansden	3			
Steven	Friga	4			
Collin	Ruth	5			
Michael	Shore	6			
Mark	McCann	7			
Robert	Derouin	9			
Anthony	Badasu	10			
Michael	Davis	10			
Michael	Lombardo	10			
Michael	McCluskey	10			
Stephen	Stofko	13			
Anthony	DeMaio	14			
Ronald	Talak	14			
David	Burgess	15			
Michael	Huie	17			
George	Johnson	17			
Joseph	Stanislaws	ki 23			
Bryan	Ruth	25			
Isaac	Kassock	29			
Douglas	Craig	30			
Eric	Menser	30			



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The Order's 14th Supreme Knight

Dear Brother Knight,

It is my great honor and joy to announce that Deputy Supreme Knight Patrick E. Kelly has been elected to succeed me and become the 14th Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus.

As you may know, the by-laws of the Supreme Council require that Supreme Officers retire at the end of the month of their 70th birthday. In anticipation of my reaching that milestone later this month, the Supreme Directors are meeting virtually today and have just elected Brother Kelly as my successor, effective March 1st.

We will be truly blessed to have Patrick Kelly assume leadership of the Order. His knowledge, experience and devotion to the faith make him exceedingly well-suited to continue our mission in these challenging times. I could not be more enthusiastic about transferring my duties to Brother Kelly. In the coming weeks, the Supreme Knight-elect and I will be working closely to ensure a smooth transition and I look forward to continuing to serve the Order and Supreme to fully support my successor as Past Knight. When I became Supreme Knight in the year 2000, I told my brother Knights that "the best is yet to come!" Reflecting on the past twenty years, and the achievements made possible by contributions of so many Knights of Columbus leaders like you, I know I was not mistaken. Today, with equal confidence. I believe we can all still say that for the Knights of Columbus - the best is yet to come!

Fraternally,

Carl A. Anderson Supreme Knight