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Chaplain's Reflection Worthiness to Receive the Eucharist

God's greatest act of love was His Incarnation through which Jesus humbled himself to share in our humanity so that we might partake of His divinity. God did not merely want man to know who He was. God wanted man to share in his divinity. So through His actions at the Last Supper, Jesus enabled His apostles and every other future follower to truly eat of His flesh and drink of His precious blood.

Jesus often repeated this same action of the breaking of the bread during His post-resurrection appearances. It was how the disciples recognized it was Him in his glorified body. At the Last Supper and again on the road to Emmaus, Jesus spoke of his Blood as being the new and everlasting covenant, which He poured out for the forgiveness of our sins.

Jesus considered the apostles and all who followed his commandments to be His friends because "no one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends" (Jn 15:13). However, if the greatest act of love is to lay down your life for a friend, the greatest failure of love is to run away and abandon a friend when he or she needs you. At the Last Supper, Jesus realized that only one of the apostles would still be with Him as He would die on the Cross the next day. Yet, Jesus shared His divinity with them anyway. Something all of us should remember when we feel that we are "unworthy" at the table of the Lord.

In the early church, Christians would gather in each other's homes to commemorate the actions of the Last Supper by the breaking of the bread. According to the Vatican Office for the Liturgical Celebrations of the Supreme Pontiff, the most ancient practice of distributing Holy Communion was, with all probability, to give Communion to the faithful in the palm of the hand, rather than on the tongue.

Over the centuries a preoccupation with God's judgment gradually obscured the original message of Jesus that He was pouring out his Blood for the forgiveness of sins. Ultimately, this created an environment which resulted in the Christian faithful receiving the Eucharist only a few times a year. It also led to the corrupt Church practice of selling indulgences, spawned the Jansenist heresy of the 17th and 18th centuries which claimed

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Grand Knight's Station "Fishers of Men"

Dear Rosensteel Family,

First and foremost, I want to thank PGK Paul Girolami and our Trustees for guiding us through the tumultuous Covid year. Their wisdom, direction and steadfast guidance has kept our Council alive and well in uncertain times and circumstances. Most importantly, as a family we were able to sta



importantly, as a family we were able to stay connected despite not being assembled.

Paul has had the vision for capturing the nostalgic milestone of our 100th anniversary which ends in December 2021. I have asked Paul to remain active with me to complete his efforts in celebrating our Council's anniversary ... so no plans for Paul to bow out easy!

I am a second-generation Knight and many thanks to Ralph Vallone who sponsored and guided me to the fruitful life with my brother Knights. In 2014, I was asked to join the Building Association management team and from there have participated in supporting all three entities. During this time, I was able to learn the workings of each entity and work with the core group of members that keep the Council running. I want to thank all the Brothers who took an interest in educating and guiding me on this path to Grand Knight.

During this journey, the most important feature of our Council that took me on a path to research myself was our Father Rosensteel "Legacy". This is something we hear on occasion and may not give it much thought or not really understand what it means. I encourage you, if you have not already, to read the history of the Council posted on our webpage. The Rosensteel Legacy began with a brotherhood of volunteerism and sacrifice for the building of our Council community and giving it a home. During the years, the family grew and so did the building. Today, this "Legacy" is alive and well, thanks to a band of brothers that seem to never be short on giving their time.

Somehow this group finds a way to bring in new faces and into the fold. It gave me inspiration for my motto for this Council year which is "Fishers of Men," dedicated to this core group and their efforts to continue the Legacy.

I hope to see you all come out to celebrate the 100th; more news on when and where as we get plans implemented.

Frank Zarrelli

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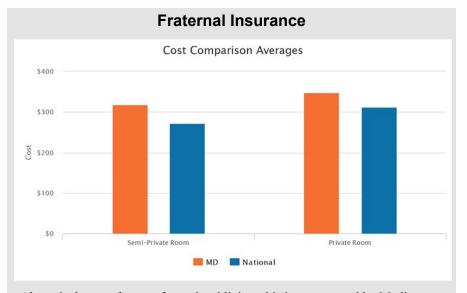
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Vivat Jesus!



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JD Smith

Mike Haley

Chris Beane

F. Rundel "Pop" Kesselring

Deceased

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Continued prayers for Fr. Calis and all of our clergy, and for our healthcare providers and all those affected by Covid-19

In case of illness or death of a member, please contact Financial Secretary Kevin Carey.

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that only a small number of people would be saved and promoted a sense that only the ordained were worthy enough to touch the sacred species.

The Vatican II document *Lumen Gentium* placed a renewed emphasis on the role of the priesthood of the laity and the universal call to holiness. While the ordained do have a special role in the church, all of the faithful of Christ are called to the fullness of Christian life and the perfection of charity. During this time a movement grew to return to the early Church practice of Communion in the hand which is now a universal practice throughout the world.

Whether we receive Communion on the tongue or in the hand, it passes through the mouth. Even though we have committed many sins with our hands, Jesus himself has said that it is our mouths, not our hands, that are our greatest source of sin. It is from our hearts and out of our mouths that come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, unchastity, theft, false witness and blasphemy. (cf Mt 15:17-20)

The Eucharist is Christ's invitation to be fully united with Him in His Church, the Body of Christ. Like the apostles who abandoned Christ after the Last Supper, we are all unworthy of this great gift. Even our greatest saints were unworthy. Even our bishops and the Pope himself refer to themselves in the Eucharistic Prayer as, "I, your unworthy servant." God has called each of us unto Himself, but God has never asked any of us if we are worthy.

Deacon Alan Jeeves

Financial Secretary's Council Dues Update

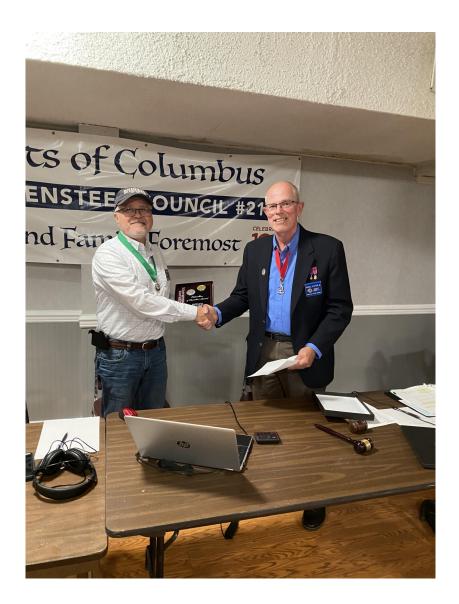
Members with outstanding dues of greater than three years will be sent the Intent To Retain notice; this will give those members 60 days to make payment or they will be terminated from the Knights of Columbus for non-payment of dues. If you have any questions about your status, please contact Financial Secretary Kevin Carey at kdcarey@loyola.edu. Venmo and PayPal are now options to pay your dues.

The Best of Rosensteel

Family of the Month - This family is everywhere doing everything and when you least expected ... they do something extraordinary. When the Council was closed, they were there to clean and set up policies and protocol. When food was to be made for the Holy Cross nurses, they were cooking and delivering. When we need hands for events to save money, they were there to serve. They sit on committees and make sure the place is running. If you have not been to the Knights Room in a while, you will see their craft, dedication and passion in the renovations! They don't seek the limelight ... they are the "No Names, No Need ... Just Deeds" band of brothers that just make it happen.

Knight of the Month - He is a humble and passionate Knight who does not shy from leadership by example. He takes on the load and does not complain, just keeps moving forward. You may hear him raise his voice when things are out of place or order and the wise listen. He is the first two-time GK in our history, a Knight that is a living example of our Legacy ... PGK2X Paul Girolami. Please join me in congratulating him and thanking him for all his efforts.





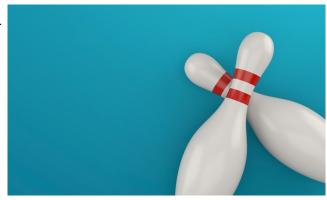
Job Well Done

District Deputy Russell Sutton at right recently presented PGK Gus Gusman the Columbian Award for the 2019-2020 Fraternal Year in recognition of the success of the Council's programs.

Duckpin Bowling - The Return

If you're a veteran of the Council's duckpin bowling outings or even if you haven't bowled in years, consider joining as Retirees Duckpin Bowling returns this September.

There's room for beginners. Just contact Dave Morgan at 301-466-9665 for more information.



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Dear Maryknights,

Wishing everyone a happy Fourth of July! I hope everyone is enjoying the summer season and is planning some activities that last year we were unable to do!

KUDOS - We were busy last month with charitable donations, planning for the Charity Ball for November 2021 and selling the last of our cookbooks, but most importantly some wonderful Maryknights answered the call and agreed to serve as officers for 2021-2022 sororal year! Our new officers are Nancy Koski, president; Rebecca Phelps, vice president; Nora Dutton, treasurer; Carol Walper, secretary; and Donna Stocker, historian. Many, many thanks for stepping up to lead us! Installation plans will be announced once they are confirmed.

The planning meeting for the Charity Ball for Warrior Canine Connection (WCC) was enthusiastic and filled with great ideas. The event will probably be a bit less formal than in past years, but *THERE WILL BE DOGS*! Sue Wiant will be meeting with WCC representatives to discuss the event and present the possibilities that came out of the meeting. Anyone wishing to help with the planning and implementation of the event, please contact Sue Wiant.

Last month's shelter helpers collection went well. No final tally by publication, but we will report it as it comes available. Speaking of our collection efforts, for the whole year it seems we have donated \$5,670 in donations, gift cards, the special collection for Sacred Heart Home, the University of Maryland event at which we provided lunch and all of our monthly focused collections. WOW! Nicely done, ladies!

There are a few cookbooks left if anyone has not purchased one yet. Don't be shy; help build our charity fund for next year while dining on terrific breads, meals and desserts. You cannot go wrong, so visit the Maryknight website or come to a Friday night dinner and get yours before they are gone.

REFLECTION - In 1935, 400 years after he was beheaded for his belief that no lay ruler has jurisdiction over the Church of Christ, Thomas More was canonized a saint. Few saints are more relevant to our time. In the year 2000, in fact, Pope John Paul II named him patron of political leaders. The supreme diplomat and counselor, More did not compromise his own moral values in order to please King Henry VIII, knowing that true allegiance to authority is not blind acceptance of everything that authority wants. King Henry himself realized this and tried desperately to win his chancellor to his side because he knew More was a man whose approval counted, a man whose personal integrity no one questioned. But when Thomas More resigned as Henry's chancellor, unable to approve the matters that meant most to Henry, the king had to get rid of him. Thomas More is the patron saint of attorneys, civil servants, court clerks, politicians and public servants. (My thanks to Franciscan Media and its Saint of the Day online for the information provided on St. Thomas More.)

As you enjoy your Fourth of July fireworks, remember that dogs and other pets don't like the loud noises from fireworks displays, so take special care to keep they safe, calm and at home.

Peggy Seleski





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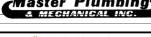
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Independence Day					5:30 p.m Council Rosary	
	D'Antuono Happy Hour			Cavaliere	Mannion	
11.	D'Antuono Happy Hour	13. 7 p.m Monthly Council Meeting, Installation of Officers	14. Diane Lynch	15.	16. 5:30 p.m Council Rosary	17. 10 a.m.— noon, Little Sisters of the Poor collection 4-8 p.m Officers Ceremonial, BBQ
18.	19.	20.	21.	22.	23.	24.
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