

### Fr. Francis Syrianey Council #12567 September 2014 Newsletter

#### Charity

Charity is using our gifts from God to help others. (*Knights to Christ* September 13<sup>th</sup> entry)

# Archdiocese School Supply Drive

Our council purchased \$100.98 in school supplies for the drive sponsored by the Archdiocese in August.

# Children's Hospital Blood Drive



Brother Frank Seagren (center in top picture below) chaired another successful blood drive for Children's Hospital on Friday September 12, 2014.



#### Unity

Unity is sharing the cup with one another. (*Knights to Christ* September 21<sup>st</sup> entry)

# **Council Awards**

At the August 26, 2014 business meeting, GK Dan Fessler presented Dennis Reicher (see top picture below) with the Knight of the Month award. The Luis Naegele family was honored as Family of the Month. Bill Telesco was congratulated for his service as Grand Knight this past fraternal year (bottom picture). Joe Snow was honored for his many years of service to the council as our Financial Secretary. Dominic Cimino was presented with an Honorary Life membership card. Finally, Brian Raber and Mike Worley were awarded Certificates of Appreciation. Brian served as Church Director for several years and Mike edits the newsletter.







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Please consider filling this empty chair for Frank at the next blood drive on Friday December 12, 2014.



Unity (cont.)

## Supreme Convention

The 132<sup>nd</sup> Supreme Convention was held on August 2-7, 2014 in Orlando, Florida. Our Supreme website reported that a message was received from Pope Francis I on July 28, 2014:

Pope Francis has sent greetings and encouragement to the Knights of Columbus who are currently holding their 132nd Supreme Convention in Orlando, Florida, in the United States. In a message, signed by the Vatican's Secretary of State, Cardinal Pietro Parolin, the Pope says the meeting's theme of 'Our Vocation to Fraternity' is especially important since "the Church is called to be a community of brothers and sisters who accept and care for one another" thus serving as "a leaven of reconciliation and unity for the whole human family."

Recalling the vision of Fr Michael McGivney who founded the Knights of Columbus in the late nineteenth century, Pope Francis encourages members of the order today to continue drawing inspiration from Christ's example in order to reach out to others, especially the poor and disadvantaged.

The Pope also thanks the knights for their efforts to defend the role of religion in the public square and to encourage lay people in their mission of shaping a society that reflects true Christian values. Pope Francis praises the order for its commitment to educating people in the faith and in a strong sense of civic responsibility. Finally, he thanks the knights for their support of the forthcoming Synod of Bishops on the Family, to be held in the Vatican in October, and the World Meeting of Families which will take place next year in Philadelphia

## **Tootsie Roll Drive**

The annual Tootsie Roll Drive is off and running. Please consider helping Brother Derek Landreville, Chairman of this worthy event.He has openings on the following days;

Sept. 26-28King SoopersKen Caryl and SimmsSept. 27th (only)SafewayKipling and BellevueOct. 10-12King SoopersKipling and BellevueOct. 17-19Walmart Super StoreBowles and C-470Oct. 25-26LOW after Masses

Spouses, children, grandchildren and prospective members are welcome to help out. Please contact Derek at: derek.landreville@yahoo.com



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#### Fraternity

Fraternity is being strong and of good courage. (*Knights to Christ* September 15<sup>th</sup> entry)

### New Council Member

Please extend a welcome to new brother Edwin Morahan, whose transfer application was approved at the August 26 business meeting.

### **Upcoming Events**

September 26-2	Business meeting 28 Tootsie Roll Drive
September 27	Ladies Appreciation Dinner
October 3	Carron Coffee House
October 4-5	Parish Community Weekend
October 10	Carron Coffee House
October 10-12	Tootsie Roll Drive
October 17-19	Tootsie Roll Drive
October 19	Council Parish Breakfast
October 25-26	Tootsie Roll Drive
November 1	Memorial mass

## Council Seminarian Support

You may know our council currently supports these three seminarians: Francesco Basso, Daniel Wolbach and Stacy Darr. However, you may not be aware of a report issued earlier this year by the Supreme Council Vocations Committee stating that over \$60 million has been given to over 98,000 seminarians since 1981.

# Major Degrees

First Degree members are encouraged to make their major degrees as soon as possible. Here are some opportunities to take your major degrees:

**When:** Saturday, Oct 11, 2014 (2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>) **Where:** Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church (Parish Center)-11385 Grant St. Northglenn CO 80233 Contact: Joe Feiten (303-466-0721)<u>feiten4@gmail.com</u>

When: Saturday, Jan 24, 2015 Where: St. Augustine Catholic Church (Parish Life Center) - 178 S. 6th Ave. Brighton CO 80601 Contact: Keith Iverson (303-659-2074<u>ivcat1@msn.com</u>

#### Patriotism

Patriotism is a path made straight by John. (*Knights to Christ* September 12<sup>th</sup> entry)

### Lt. Dan

(This story is from the Catholic New York newspaper, August 20, 2014.)

The knowing smile and everyman disposition of actor Gary Sinise are instantly recognizable on screen. Those qualities were not lost on some 2,000 Knights of Columbus, their families and Church leaders delighted by a surprise encounter with Sinise during the fraternal organization's Aug. 5-7 convention in Orlando.

He spoke at the States Dinner Aug. 5 about his love for wounded veterans and a new collaboration between the Knights and his own charitable foundation. The Chicago native, a star of stage, film and television who is widely known for his portrayal of Lt. Dan in the 1994 movie "Forrest Gump," also described his gradual move toward the Catholic faith and of his family's decision to join the Church.

Earlier this year, the Knights of Columbus partnered with the Gary Sinise Foundation to build a high-tech "smart home" for the disabled in Marietta, Ohio. The house was for a wounded veteran named Kyle Hockenberry and his wife, Ashley. The former U.S. Army infantryman was serving in Afghanistan and on foot patrol when he lost both legs and his left arm in a roadside explosion in June 2011.

The smart-home collaboration between the Knights and the actor's foundation is likely to be repeated because Sinise is attracted to the Knights' depth of community ties nationwide and the organization's standing commitments to the disabled, according to Peter Sonski, an education and outreach official with the Knights of Columbus.

