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TO CANONIZE BLESSED JOHN XXIII, JOHN PAUL II APRIL 27

Blessed John XXIII and John Paul II will be canonized together next April 27, Divine Mercy Sunday.

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- Recognizing that Blessed John XXIII and John Paul II have widespread reputations for holiness and that years of studying their lives and actions have proven their exceptional virtue, Pope Francis announced he would declare his two predecessors saints at a single ceremony April 27.

The pope made the announcement Sept. 30 at the end of an "ordinary public consistory," a gathering of cardinals and promoters of the sainthood causes of the two late popes. The consistory took place in the context of a prayer service in Latin and included the reading of brief biographies of the two sainthood candidates.

Cardinal Angelo Amato, prefect of the Congregation for Saints' Causes, read the biographies and highlighted the "service to peace" and the impact both popes had "inside and outside the Christian community" at times of great cultural, political and religious transformation.

The testimonies of their lives, "completely dedicated to proclaiming the Gospel, shine in the church and reverberate in the history of the world as examples of hope and light," the cardinal said.

Blessed John Paul, known as a globetrotter who made 104 trips outside Italy, served as pope from 1978 to 2005 and was beatified by Pope Benedict XVI on Divine Mercy Sunday, May 1, 2011. Blessed John XXIII, known particularly for convoking the Second Vatican Council, was pope from 1958 to 1963; Blessed John Paul beatified him in 2000.

Asked by reporters if retired Pope Benedict would participate in the canonization ceremony, Jesuit Father Federico Lombardi, Vatican spokesman, told reporters it was possible, but given the retired pope's preference for staying out of the public eye, he could not say for sure.

The choice of April 27, which will be Divine Mercy Sunday in 2014, was not a complete surprise. Speaking to reporters traveling with him from Brazil to Rome July 28, Pope Francis said he had been considering Dec. 8, but the possibility of icy roads could make it difficult for Polish pilgrims who would travel by bus to Rome for the ceremony. The other option, he said, was Divine Mercy Sunday, a celebration instituted worldwide by Pope John Paul. Since the beginning of his pontificate in March, Pope Francis has emphasized God's mercy and readiness to forgive those who recognize their need for pardon. He told reporters on the flight from Brazil that Pope John Paul's promotion of Divine Mercy Sunday showed his intuition that a new "age of mercy" was needed in the church and the world.

Asked on the plane to describe the two late popes, Pope Francis said Blessed John was "a bit of the 'country priest,' a priest who loves each of the faithful and knows how to care for them; he did this as a bishop and as a nuncio."

He was holy, patient, had a good sense of humor and, especially by calling the Second Vatican Council, was a man of courage, Pope Francis said. "He was a man who let himself be guided by the Lord."

As for Blessed John Paul, Pope Francis told the reporters on the plane, "I think of him as 'the great missionary of the church,' because he was "a man who proclaimed the Gospel everywhere."

Pope Francis signed a decree recognizing the miracle needed for Blessed John Paul's canonization July 5; the same day, the Vatican announced that the pope had agreed with members of the Congregation for Saints' Causes that the canonization of Blessed John should go forward even without a second miracle attributed to his intercession.

Except in the case of martyrdom, Vatican rules require one miracle for a candidate's beatification and a second for his or her canonization as confirmations that the candidate really is in heaven with God. However, the pope may set aside the rule. END



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A Family Corporate Communion

Our next Corp Communion will on December 8,2013. Holding a corporate Communion will bring your families together to celebrate our faith through receiving the Eucharist.

Attending Mass and receiving communion as a group will also serve to make our council and its members visible to the parish community.

This type of program provides both the spiritual and social aspects for our members to enjoy and it's a great opportunity to promote fraternity among our council's families.

Fourth Degree honor guard will also be present at this event. We will, reserve pews in the church for council families.

The Corp Communion will be held at the 8:30 A.M. service. We will be attending A breakfast at the Elks lodge after the mass service. Please take this opportunity

The come out and support your council.

Herbert Swoope

Deputy Grand Knight

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Pay your Dues Online Today!

Thank you to all the Knights that turned out to the Shopper's Paradise. It was a great afternoon filled with Brotherhood, Bonding and Camaraderie. We even sold a few things, raised some money, collected donations for the Turkeys and managed to buy almost half of the turkey's we need for the Veterans for next week. We hope to do this again next year with even more participation, organization and success!



Divine Mercy

The Divine Mercy is a Roman Catholic devotion to the merciful love of God and the desire to let that love and mercy flow through one's own heart towards those in need of it. The devotion is due to the apparitions of Jesus received by Saint Mary Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938), who is known as the Apostle of Mercy

Faustina Kowalska reported a number of apparitions, visions and conversations with Jesus which she wrote in her diary, later published as the book *Diary: Divine Mercy in My Soul*. The three main themes of the devotion are to ask for and obtain the mercy of God, to trust in Christ's abundant mercy, and finally to show mercy to others and act as a conduit for God's mercy towards them.

The devotion places emphasis on the veneration of the Divine Mercy image which Faustina reported as a vision of Jesus while she was in her cell in the convent. The image is displayed and venerated by Catholics on its own, and is solemnly blessed during Divine Mercy Sunday. The devotion includes specific prayers such as the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.



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PROVIDING THANKGIVING FOR HOMELESS VETERANS



On Monday, the 25th of November, Sixty-Five (65) turkeys, with all the "fixings", were delivered to the Homeless Veterans Station, on 46th St. in Tampa. Assembly 1850 was the sponsor for the event. On Friday word was sent that a contributor was canceling their gift.

A new plan had to be imp lamented and on short notice. Our Assembly would purchase the birds,, Never have we seen our Knights of Columbus steep up to the challenge in such numbers. Knights from every council in our Assembly began to buy turkeys and bring them in to the freezer in social hall of the church. After all was said and done, our total expenditure, from the treasury, was only \$56.00. Every Knight that participated in this event has our deepest thanks. We all owe so much to our Veterans, who have put it on the "line' for our way of life. Our next event is the "Christmas Party" on Saturday December 14th at 11:30am at the Haley Cove Nursing Home, next Haley Hospital. Come share some Christmas spirit with our brave heroes. Bill Queenan VAVS Rep.Navigator Assembly 1850.



Prayer For the Sick

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviates our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grants us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen.

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| Stephen Willkous | Joseph Bujega |
| Beatrice Bujeg | Emily Seay |
| Darlene Westbrook | Kolleen Spinelli |
| Richard Barrett | Gespen Chieto's Mom |
| Ed Kochie | Joy |
| Stephen Urvatonski and his family | |
| Jody Nelson | Angelo Pickolo |
| Irm Barrett | Richard Hardesty |
| Paula Zemke | Bob Yelton |



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Thomas P Schultz 12-12

Brian A Hathaway 12-15

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Elmer Steven Kempe 12-19

Peter J Mc Neill 12-20

Eddie Guadalupe 12-21

Wilfred S Caraballo 12-22

Michael W Hendricks 12-22

Noel Blanchet 12-23

Francis X Shannon 12-23

Stephen Urbanski 12-23

Jesus Martinez 12-24

John Redhead 12-25

Lorne G Egger 12-27

Arland R Pavlicek Sr 12-28

William G O Keefe 12-29

Joseph D Mc Cann 12-30

Membership Growth

Recruiting new members is essential to the continued growth and well-being of your council and the Order. Offering a man membership in the Knights of Columbus gives him the opportunity to improve his own life and his community. Membership allows him to experience the fraternal bond that Knights share while growing closer to his family and faith.



First Degree Team Positions Available!!

Come Join the Degree Team!

Actors wanted! Positions available on the First Degree Team!

Like to Act? Can you remember lines? Are you a Thespian? Do you love the Knights and want to help our council grow?

The Mother Seton Council's First degree Team has a position for you! After losing several Degree Team members, we are looking for Knights to fill major and minor, speaking and non-speaking, and primary and backup roles.

Contact Herb Swoope (HSwoope@msn.com)

Please come out and do what you can!



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Keep Christ in Christmas is an evangelization program of the Knights of Columbus. Knights in 40 states and the provinces of Nova Scotia and Ontario have sold more than 13 million religious Christmas cards thru this program over the past 13 years. It is a wonderful program to bring the presence of the incarnation of Christ to the world.

In a time when all things religious are being discouraged and swept away, it's refreshing to know that the Order sponsors the 'Keep Christ in Christmas' campaign to remind people that Christmas is above all a holy day celebrating the birth of Christ.

Your continue support of the Keep Christ in Christmas Program is very important more today than any time before. We must be the leaders in reminding other of the true meaning of Christmas. It is the celebration of the Birth of Our Savior Jesus Christ. Your participate in the KCIC Programs (Christmas Cards, Christmas Seals and Billboards/Posters).

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- DEC 2 COUNCIL MEETING 7:30 P.M. ADULT ED BULDING
- DEC 6 ASSEMBLY 1850 MEETING 7:30 P.M. ADULT ED BUILDING
- DEC 8 Corp. Comm 8:30 AM MASS Breakfast ELKS COLOR CORP
- DEC 10 COUNCIL SOCIAL CHRISTMAS PARTY 6:30 START TIME SOCIAL HALL
- DEC 17 Nativity first Degree 6:30 pm
- DEC 21 ST STEPHEN FIRST DEGREE



Brother Knights and Friends:

Perhaps no time of year is better suited than Christmas to reflect upon the Holy Family. In his address on the 2009 Feast of the Holy Family, Pope Benedict XVI said that "God had chosen to reveal himself by being born into a human family and the human family thus became an icon of God!"

The Trinity is a "family" of Divine Persons – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – whose perfect love is perfect unity. That perfect love is reflected in the Holy Family, which in turn is our model of family life and indeed, every human relationship. In the example of the Holy Family, we in our own families find the strength to become better fathers, mothers, sons and daughters. We look to learn from and follow their holy model and to accept, with courage, the pressures and challenges of our world.

This Christmas season may we be united in our love and, with the Holy Family as our guide, become an "icon of the Trinity" and a true mirror of its interconnected love that unites individuals into one.

Let us also be reminded that through this celebration we rejoice in Christ's life and his family, and his greatest gift of love to us: our salvation.



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“Live On” or “Leave On” Money

As your working life progresses, your priorities will likely shift. Many major life events (weddings, births, education costs for children, etc.) are probably behind you. Your focus shifts to those “golden” retirement years when you can enjoy your hobbies, grandchildren, travel or simply relax at home.

During my career as a field agent, I’ve had members ask me what they should do with a sum of money they are looking to “dump” somewhere for safe keeping. First, I tell them that there is no safer place to put their money than with the Knights of Columbus. No one has ever lost money using our retirement products. There are no risks assumed by you, the members. Second, I ask the member a question: Is this money to “live on” or “leave on”?

I ask this because the answer makes all the difference. If you want a guaranteed flow of cash in retirement, one of our annuity options might meet your needs. If this money is intended as a gift for grandchildren, to assist your wife in the event of your passing or to give to your favorite charity, a Single Premium Whole Life policy might be the best product.

When it comes to decisions about your finances and your family’s future, don’t leave things to chance. Discuss the options with a brother Knight who knows how to help. Someone who’s helped many other Catholic families not too different from yours. Someone who can offer you life insurance, long-term care, disability income and retirement products backed by the strength and security of an insurance provider rated among the top in the industry.

Call me today to set up a time to meet. You’ll only regret that you didn’t call sooner.

Take steps to protect your family and your financial future.

Fraternally,

Patrick

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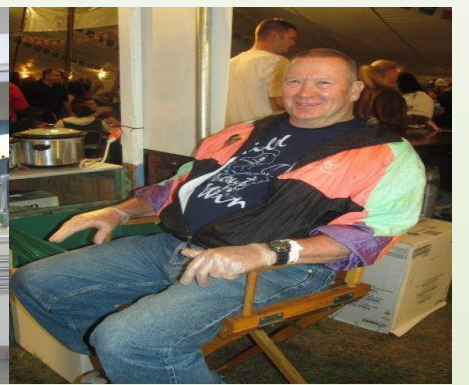
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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