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# NATIVITY NEWS

## **NOVEMBER 2013**

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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

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## PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY

(IN RECENT DECADES, THE OUTSTANDING LEGACIES OF OUR FOREFATHERS AND OUR VETERANS HAVE BEEN PROGRESSIVELY DILUTED - DUE TO INTELLECTUALLY VACUOUS DISTORTIONS OF FREEDOM. AND SO WE MUST PRAY FOR THE FUTURE OF THOSE WHO WILL INHERIT WHAT WE LEAVE THEM.)

HEAVENLY FATHER, WE PRAY FOR OUR COUNTRY IN THIS MOST DIFFICULT PERIOD OF TIME.

OUR COUNTRY WAS FOUNDED AS A JUST AND HONORABLE DEMOCRACY BASED ON VIRTUE AND HONOR – OPENLY RECOGNIZING YOU AS OUR CREATOR – THE GOD OF GOOD PROVIDENCE WHO HOLDS IN HIS HANDS THE PROMISED DESTINY OF THOSE WHO SHOW THEIR LOVE FOR HIM, BY THOSE WORDS AND DEEDS THAT ARE DEFINED AS WORTHY BY BOTH, HIS WORKS OF REVELATION AS WELL AS BY NATURAL LAW – AND THE INSTINCTIVE SENSE OF RIGHT AND WRONG THAT IS READILY EVIDENT TO ALL WHO ARE HONESTLY OPEN TO TRUTH. YOU ENLIGHTENED OUR FOUNDERS WITH SELFLESSNESS, VISION AND INTEGRITY SO THAT THEY WERE ABLE TO ESTABLISH A NATION BLEST TO SERVE NOT ONLY ITS OWN CITIZENS, BUT ALSO THOSE OF THE ENTIRE WORLD.

FOR 200 PLUS YEARS THE UNITED STATES HAD BEEN FAITHFUL TO YOU (ALBEIT IMPERFECTLY) THROUGH OUR FOUNDERS VALUES - PROMOTING TRUTH, JUSTICE AND FREEDOM – SOMETIMES THROUGH INSPIRED DISCOURSE AND ECONOMIC INCENTIVE, SOMETIMES THROUGH OPEN GENEROSITY AND SACRIFICE, AND SOMETIMES THROUGH THE SHEDDING OF OUR NATION'S OWN BLOOD.

BUT HEAVENLY FATHER, OUR COUNTRY HAS LOST ITS WAY. FOR THE PAST FIFTY YEARS, THROUGH MORAL RELATIVISM, NIHILISM AND POLITICAL CORRECTNESS AMERICANS HAVE DEVOLVED OUR NATIONAL CULTURE INTO A NARCISSISTIC REFUGE FOR MORAL DEPRAVITY, CELEBRATING ALL SORTS OF DEVIANCE AND BLASPHEMY AS ACTS OF NON-JUDGMENTAL TOLERANCE, DIVERSITY AND "FREEDOM" – ALL THE WHILE FORCING THE DISGRACEFUL REMOVAL OF OUR DIVINELY INSPIRED HERITAGE – AND OUR GOD – FROM THE PUBLIC SQUARE – BECAUSE OPEN EXPRESSIONS OF DEPENDENCE ON YOU, THE SUPREME BEING, MAY BE "OFFENSIVE" TO THE MISGUIDED - AND TO THOSE OF ILL WILL. MANY HAVE FOUND CREATIVE WAYS TO ABUSE THOSE VERY FREEDOMS THAT YOU AVAIL – THOSE FREEDOMS FOR WHICH THE HERO-VETERANS THAT YOU SENT US, DIED TO SECURE. MANY CITIZENS EVEN KILL PREBORN CHILDREN!

HEAVENLY FATHER, YOU SAW FIT TO DESTROY SODOM AND GOMORRAH, CENTURIES AGO. YOU LIKEWISE HAVE EVERY REASON TO SEVERELY PUNISH OUR NATION FOR ITS COLLECTIVE TRANSGRESSIONS.

HOWEVER, WE HUMBLY BESEECH YOUR FORBEARANCE. THERE ARE MANY KNIGHTS (MANY OF THEM ALSO VETERANS) IN YOUR SERVICE AND THAT OF YOUR CHURCH. HELP US TO BECOME YOUR INSTRUMENT - GUIDED BY YOUR HAND - TO AID IN THE RE-CONVERSION, RECOVERY AND RESTORATION OF OUR COUNTRY TO ITS HISTORIC VIRTUE – TO WHAT OUR VETERANS FOUGHT FOR. ONLY THROUGH YOUR GOOD WILL CAN THIS BE DONE. WE ASK THIS THROUGH CHRIST, OUR LORD. AMEN.



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#### Knights Pray for Deceased at Memorial Mass November 18

#### 7:00 pm

#### NATIVITY CHAPEL / SNACKS AFTER SERVICE / ADULT ED BUILDING

At the annual Memorial Mass offered by Supreme Chaplain Bishop William E. Lori, the Knights of Columbus prayed for members who died in the past year while paying special honor to clergy members of the Order from Mexico who have been canonized.

Relics of the six Mexican priests who were killed during the persecution of the Church in that country were carried in the opening procession of the Mass, as well as a relic of St. Rafael Guízar Valencia, a bishop in Mexico in the 1930s.

At the Prayer of the Faithful, the annual necrology – the names of prominent Knights of Columbus who died within the last 12 months – were read by Supreme Secretary Donald R. Kehoe, who exhorted the congregation to pray that these and all deceased Knights see the face of the Lord in heaven.

In his homily, Bishop Lori noted that the annual Memorial Mass was being offered on the feast of the Transfiguration, which recalls the occasion when Jesus took Peter, James and John up the mountain, and they beheld the glory of his divinity. Bishop Lori said that it was fitting to remember the dead on such a feast day, because we should pray that all the dead also will behold the glory of God.

The Transfiguration is also a sign of hope for the living, whose faith may be shaken by the death of a loved one, or may be overcome by fear about what lies beyond the grave, he said.

"At every Eucharist, we share in what the Transfiguration foreshadowed: the conquest of sin and death by the death and resurrection of the incarnate Son of God," he said. "Nonetheless, we are still scandalized by death and we still fear it. We naturally fear our own death and wonder what truly lies beyond its threshold."

The first reading of the Mass, in which St. Peter testifies to the truth of what he saw on the mountain with Jesus, offers hope for all generations, Bishop Lori pointed out.

The Supreme Chaplain ended by saying that all Knights should continue to pray for the beatification and canonization of the Order's founder, Venerable Michael J. McGivney, so that he will soon join the Knights who are already saints.



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## **Novemberfest**

### NOVEMBER 7 / 11

Tom Rusher - Chairperson (813) 500-9707 Novemberfest is Nativity Catholic Church's largest fundraiser that supports the education of children attending Nativity Catholic School and Religious Education Programs. It is an annual FAMILY EVENT which attracts more than 100,000 visitors each year? Nativity is proud to host the 3 rd. largest social event in Hillsborough County (just behind The Florida State Fair and Strawberry Festival). This family friendly community event is staffed by parent, church and school volunteers.





## SOCK HOP

On Saturday the 19th of October Assembly 1850 hosted our 5th annual Dinner/Dance at the Eagles lodge in Valrico. Stake and Chicken were served to seventy four Knights family and friends. We consider the event a complete success Many couples hit the dance floor and the "Hula Hoop' contest was a real hoot. Trophies were also awarded for Best Dressed male and female. A raffle for bottles of wine and a 50/50 rounded out the entertainment .I t should be noted that 32 Knights from St Clemens council were in attendance.( A very good showing) Many of our friends offered that they look forward to our next gala. This event will make our Thanksgiving and Christmas parties for our vets possible again this season A hearty "well done" to all who participated and supported the "Sock Hop"..







## 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.

#### **Bob Yelton**

Glenn MercerPaula Zemke – wife of Rick Zemke

Katie Correggio – daughter of Rick Zemke

Laini Amaritnant – wife of Kit Amaritnant

Elisabeth Weaver – daughter of Walter Weaver

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If it's true that actions speak louder than words, then the Knights of Columbus let out a giant shout this past winter with a number of charitable initiatives that fulfill Jesus' command to feed the hungry and clothe the naked

Especially in this Year of Faith, acts of charity inspired by faith are essential to the new evangelization. Where words end, actions undertaken in a spirit of charity, unity and fraternity convey what it means to be a follower of Christ.

## **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.









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**

NOV 2 Academy	3rd Degree Exemplification, Sacred Heart
NOV 4	COUNCIL MEETING ?????
NOV 7-11	l Novemberfest {ALL HANDS ON DECK}
NOV 11	VETERANS DAY PARIDE JAMES HALEY
NOV 15 BUILDING	ASSEMBLY MEETING7:30 P.M. ADULT ED
NOV 18	Memorial Mass for Deceased Knights
NOV 19	Frist DEGREE Nativity 6:30 pm REPORT TIME
	SNACKS AFTER SERVICE, ADULT ED. BUILDING

#### FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL INFORMATION: a. The exemplification for the Florida District Fourth Degree will be held on November 29, 30, Dec. 1, 2013, at the Rosen Plaza Hotel, located 9700 International Drive, Orlando, Florida 32819.

b. Candidates and Sir Knights dress for the exemplification will be black tux, white shirt, black socks and black bow tie. Members of the Armed Forces may wear their full dress uniform in lieu of tuxedo, but no K of C jewels.

c. Dress for the banquet will be formal wear with the ladies wearing evening dress suitable for the occasion.

d. No Banquet or Ladies Luncheon tickets will be sold at the door or after the

Cut-off date of Nov 10th, 2013.

e. Hotel Rates: The room rates are as follows:\$104.00 plus tax,per night. Complimentary parking for overnight guest.

The hotel is located 9700 International Drive, Orlando, FL. 32819

Reservations can be made by telephone at 800-627-8258. Or (407) 996-1733

The Exemplification will be Saturday, November 30, 2013.





## Shopping that all men should do

By nature, most men do not like to shop. At the risk of sounding chauvinistic, that inclination seems more likely to drive our wives, daughters, mothers or other females we know. Sure, there are exceptions. Maybe you enjoy trips to the hardware store for a tool to help on a home improvement project. Maybe you're a collector or you like to shop for cars. Maybe you like to find the best deal on the newest high-tech gadget for your living room.

When you do decide it's time to make a purchase, if you're like me, you want to get the best value for your money. You want the best customer service possible. Sometimes, this requires lots of research and planning. But one of the most important purchases you can make can be put into motion through a simple meeting with me, a brother Knight.

The core product offered by the Knights of Columbus is not glitzy. It's not like a new car or a classic one. It's not like a laptop or a flat screen television. It's not something you can "show off" to your friends, but you can brag about it. Life insurance is something that everyone needs. If you have some life insurance, the odds are great that you need more. If you don't have any coverage, you should stop to consider all the benefits of a whole life policy. Remember, it's not about you. It's about your family.

When was the last time you shopped for life insurance? If the answer is "a long time ago" or "never," it's time you speak with me. Have you considered your retirement and how you will afford to maintain your current lifestyle? Our annuities can help. Is your income protected in the event of a serious illness or injury? Are you prepared to cover the expensive costs of long-term care should you or your spouse needs it? The Knights of Columbus can help provide solutions to these common situations, too. Please schedule an appointment with me today.

Take steps to protect your family and your financial future.

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The Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge is a competition designed for players to demonstrate the most basic soccer skill – the penalty kick. Open to all boys and girls in your community, ages 9-14, where each player takes shots at the goal from the penalty line. Winners progress to the District, Regional, State and International levels.

The 2013 Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge wrapped up for Nativity and its Knights of Columbus Mother Seton Council at Sacred Heart Catholic School on Saturday October 26, 2013. In the end, Nativity and the Mother Seton Council had 2 place finishers in the Regional Competition, which includes Knights of Columbus Councils and Districts from all over the Tampa Bay area. Maria Abreu, daughter of Chris and Patty McManus won 2nd Place in the 12 year old girls division, while Alejandro Vazquez, son of Carlos Vazquez and Dina Rodriguez took 3rd Place in the 10 year old Boys Division.

Overall Nativity and Mother Seton Council had 8 Council Champions (age group in parenthesis): Boys: Alejandro Vazquez (10), Tyler Braunecker (11), Alex Priess (12) and Ben Dillow (13). Girls: Madison Kurtz (11), Maria Abreu (12), Tatianna Farren (13) and Riley Tipton (14). The District Championship consisted of competitors from Nativity, St. Stephens, St. Clements and St. Francis Churches. Alejandro Vazquez, Alex Preiss, Maria Abreu, Tatianna Farren and Riley Tipton went on to win the District Championship for their respective age groups. Congratulations to all the 2013 Council and District Champions and to the 2013 Regional Place Finishers, Maria Abreu and Alejandro Vazquez.

In early 2014, the Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring the Knights of Columbus Basketball Free Throw Championship. Watch the bulletin and the Knights' website for details. More pictures from this event can be found on the Knights of Columbus Website: www.kofcCouncils.net and enter Council 6724.



Maria Abreu 12 year old Girls 2nd Place Alejandro Vazquez 10 year lo Boys 3rd Place A special thanks to those of you who helped out with this year's Soccer challenge: Jesse, Sam, Peter, Bob (Hanyok), Marc, Marc's brother Jens, and Katie (my daughter)Alejandro Vazquez



November 2013							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
					1	2 3rd Degree Exemplification, Sacred Heart Academy	
3	4 COUNCIL MEETING 7:30 P.M. ADULT PAVILION CLUB HOUSE	5	6	7 Novemberfest	8 Novemberfest	9 Novemberfest	
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