

Council Officers

CHAPLAIN - Fr. Anthony J. Legarski GRAND KNIGHT - Gary Ellis DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT - Allan Duman
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**May
2012**

From the Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

Spring is here and Easter season is almost over. I hope everyone had an enjoyable Easter. May is a good month to set our goals for the summer; Camping, fishing, traveling, golfing, especially spending time with our families and loved ones. May also is the time for election of our officers for the coming year. As most of you know, I am not running for office this year. I think it is time to elect a new and energetic Grand Knight. I would like to have some new brothers run for an office in our council. I enjoyed the past 2 years working with my fellow officers and committee chairmen. I had great support from the brothers also. We did a few different things such as picnics, Ladies Night and pig roast. All which I hope made a difference to this council coming alive. I thank everyone for their support. Two dates to remember are the Ladies Night on May 23rd at 6:00 and the annual Hand In Hand Chicken BBQ on June 3rd.

Fraternally Yours,

Gary

Chaplain's Message

“Pentecost: Renewing Our Role As Knights”

The Fifty days of Easter culminates of course with the celebration of Pentecost, which in essence is the very birthday of the Church. This is the day when the essential component of lived and vibrant faith was bestowed upon the Apostles. It strengthened their commitment and fortified their zeal. It served as the impetus for them to “go forth and proclaim the Good News.” It is the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is our breath of life and our impetus for ongoing discipleship. Without this most awesome and powerful gift, the Church would not be able to endure the trials, tribulations, and challenges throughout its living and developing history. Without this awesome gift, we the members of the Church, would not be able to rise to the call to share in the evangelical mandate of Christ to spread the Gospel message in thought, word, and action.

Each of us has a unique role to play in the Church. The Holy Spirit helps us to recognize that role and provides the grace and the gifts to fulfill it. In most cases, the role we are called to play in the Church is multi-faceted. Not only are we Christians, we are Knights of Columbus. Consequently, as we approach this most solemn and wonderful Solemnity, it would do us well to ask ourselves: “How can we be even more faithful and committed to building up the Kingdom of God on Earth as Knights of Columbus.” The opportunities are endless. Each and every time there is a project, an initiative, an event, a fundraiser, a time of fellow-

ship, is a time to say “yes” to the Holy Spirit and to the grace of God.

How is God calling us through the voice and the grace of his most Holy Spirit to be even more active and committed as Brother Knights? How can we respond to this call with greater fervor and zeal? How can we be even more visible as witnesses for Christ?

As we approach this year's celebration of Pentecost on May 27th, it would serve us well as Brother Knights to prepare for it by preparing to be even more committed and devoted as ambassadors for our Risen Lord. Being more active, more committed, and more involved by the giving of our time, talent, and treasure is a wonderful way to say “yes” to the summons of our Lord to “go forth and proclaim the Good News.” May the Holy Spirit lead us in this endeavor and may we be assisted by the powerful intercession of Mary—Star of the Sea.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,
Your Council Chaplain

Father Anthony J. Legarski

Thoughts and Prayers

Brother Gary Selwitz is experiencing some health issues with severe muscle and back pain. He is receiving intensive treatment. Brother Joe Folk is undergoing radiation treatment for cancer. Brother Tom King is now in Valley View following treatment for the amputation of his lower leg. Brother Bernie Mikesic who continues to recover from a stroke.



Happy Birthday

Clarence A. Becker	5/13
Peter Berggren	5/6
William H. Bogel	5/24
Daniel C. Brogdon	5/29
Albert R. Brown	5/7
Philip M. Claar	5/12
William T. Creek	5/29
John P. Donley II	5/2
Chad M. Eger	5/7
Louis R. Endress	5/19
John J. Folk	5/3
Ronald J. Harella	5/17
Douglas J. Harker	5/27
Donald F. Harrington	5/22
John J. Hazenstab, Jr.	5/16
Stephen F. Kovach	5/20
Clark V. Liebegott	5/7
John S. Lord	5/1
Mark D. Mielnik	5/14
Robert J. Moyer	5/16
Barry D. Ray	5/12
Darryll W. Sommers	5/20
Daniel J. Turcovsky	5/5



April Council Meeting Notes

We received thank you's from March for Life for our donation and St Leonard's Home for our donation used for replacing windows on the main building.

K of C has a reserved section for and Altoona Curve baseball game on July 29, 6pm, \$7.00
Need a Nomination Committee for the May council meeting, Brothers Kovach and L. Zimmerman volunteered.
Our Council received Top Billing

for the St. Patrick's School race for our recent donation.

Financial Secretary's Report:

May 10: Organizational meeting for the Hand in Hand BBQ

May 17: Ham and Cheese sandwich sale: Make them on May 17 and deliver on May 18

June 3: Hand in Hand BBQ

Brother Dennis McGeehan reminded us of the Feast of Divine Mercy Celebration at St. Catherine's in Duncansville. Brother Mike Benton asked GK Ellis about the recording of service hours toward the Star Council Award. GK Ellis reminded the Council that they need to be reported each January to the Financial Secretary. Brother Ron Harella suggested a Birthday card be sent to Brother Bernie Mikesic and made a motion to assist his family with a \$500 donation to defray the cost of a wheelchair.....motion carried.

Brother Ray Baker commented that the K of C Supreme Chaplain will become the Archbishop of Baltimore.



Council Calendar

Council meetings are held on the **First Thursday** of the month at 7:00 pm.

The next meetings are:
Thursday, May 3, 7:00pm
Thursday, June 7, 7:00pm
Ham & Cheese Sale, May 17th
Ladies Night, Wednesday, May 23, 6:00pm
Hand in Hand Chicken BBQ, Sunday, June 3



Different life stages, changing needs

You may have a long-range expense for which you are saving, such as college for your children. You may be concerned about a comfortable, worry-free retirement. You may want to protect your ability to earn a living. You may wonder if needing costly long-term care will deplete your hard-earned assets. You want to have something to leave for your wife, children or grandchildren.

At some point you may have had all of these needs on your mind. Over time, these thoughts make way for others as your needs evolve, your finances change and you get older. What is important to you at age 20, may not be at 30, or 45, or 65. What is the best way to be prepared for these changes before they happen?

One of the easiest ways to be financially ready for changes that come with different life stages is to meet annually with your professional Knights of Columbus agent, and address the needs that his analysis uncovers. This can help you be ready to face the financial challenges and issues on the road ahead.

During that annual visit, I'll take the time to review your needs, goals and budget. I'll update all beneficiaries on your policies and be sure your coverage meets your needs. I'll recommend a program of life insurance, long-term care, disability income insurance and guaranteed retirement products that will help you rest easy at night.

Whatever your needs, whatever your concerns, whatever your stage in life, I can help. Contact me today to learn more.

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