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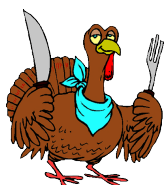
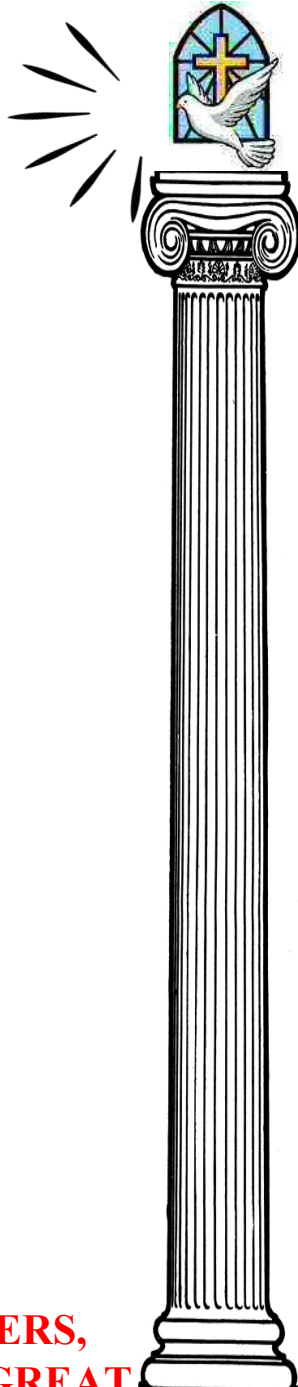
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## BROTHERS, HAVE A GREAT THANKSGIVINIG HOLIDAY



## THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Editor's Note: This beautiful story of a table cloth has been in my files since January 15, 2012

The brand new pastor and his wife, newly assigned to their first ministry, to reopen a church in urban Brooklyn, arrived in early October excited about their opportunities. When they saw their church, it was very run down and needed much work. They set a goal to have everything done in time to have their first service on Christmas Eve.

They worked hard, repairing pews, plastering walls, painting, etc. and on Dec. 18 were ahead of schedule and just about finished. On Dec 19 a terrible tempest - a driving rainstorm hit the area and lasted for two days.

On the 21st, the pastor went over to the church. His heart sunk when he saw that the roof had leaked, causing a large area of plaster about 6 feet by 8 feet to fall off the front wall of the sanctuary just behind the pulpit, beginning about head high. The pastor cleaned up the mess on the floor, and not knowing what else to do but postpone the Christmas Eve service, headed home.

On the way home he noticed that a local business was having a flea market type sale for charity so he stopped in. One of the items was a beautiful, handmade, ivory colored, crochet table cloth with exquisite work, fine colors and a cross embroidered right in the center. It was just the right size to cover up the hole in the front wall. He bought it and headed back to the church.

By this time it had started to snow. An older woman running from the opposite direction was trying to catch the bus. She missed it. The pastor invited her to wait in the warm church for the next bus 45 minutes later.

She sat in a pew and paid no attention to the pastor while he got a ladder, hangers, etc., to put up the tablecloth as a wall tapestry. The pastor could hardly believe how beautiful it looked and it covered up the entire problem area.

Then he noticed the woman walking down the center aisle. Her face was like a sheet. "Pastor," she asked, "where did you get that tablecloth?" The pastor explained. The woman asked him to check the lower right corner to see if the initials, EBG were crocheted into it there. They were. These were the initials of the woman, and she had made this tablecloth 35 years before, in Austria.

The woman could hardly believe it as the pastor told how he had just gotten the tablecloth. The woman explained that before the war she and her husband were well-to-do people in Austria. When the Nazis came, she was forced to leave. Her husband was going to follow her the next week. She was captured, sent to prison and never saw her husband or her home again.

The pastor wanted to give her the tablecloth; but she made the pastor keep it for the church. The pastor insisted on driving her home, that was the least he could do. She lived on the other side of Staten Island and was only in Brooklyn for the day for a housecleaning job.

What a wonderful service they had on Christmas Eve. The church was almost full. The music and the spirit were great. At the end of the service, the pastor and his wife greeted everyone at the door and many said that they would return. One older man, whom the pastor recognized from the neighborhood, continued to sit in one of the pews and stare, and the pastor wondered why he wasn't leaving.

The man asked him where he got the tablecloth on the front wall because it was identical to one that his wife had made years ago when they lived in Austria before the war and how could there be two tablecloths so much alike? He told the pastor how the Nazis came, how he forced his wife to flee for her safety, and he was supposed to follow her, but he was arrested and put in a concentration camp. He never saw his wife or his home again for all the 35 years in between.

The pastor asked him if he would allow him to take him for a little ride. They drove to Staten Island and to the same house where the pastor had taken the woman three days earlier. He helped the man climb the three flights of stairs to the woman's apartment, knocked on the door and he saw the greatest Christmas reunion he could ever imagine.

-True Story -- submitted by Pastor Rob Reid



## Words from the Grand Knight

Dear Brothers:

During our regional meeting in September, a fact was announced that stunned me: The average age of a Knight in Indiana is 68. Brothers, I will be sixty-one at Christmastime – and I'm still seven years younger than the average Knight in our state.



This fact does not bode well for us as a Brotherhood, or as a council in general. Of course, all of us are aware that we need to bring new blood into the membership. The question is, how do we do it?

Unfortunately, there are no easy answers. I like the approach that some of our members have taken when they talk to younger men in our parishes. Telling them that as husbands and fathers they are already doing the work of the Knights is good for establishing common ground. Nevertheless, we need to build on that ground to secure their commitment.

These younger men have grown up in a different world from the one in which we came of age. As humorist P.J. O'Rourke pointed out recently, the fall of Communism is as remote to Millennials as the Great Depression was to most of us. It will not be enough for us to recall our younger days and try to empathize with younger men that way. We need to understand where those younger men are coming from, then convince those men that the ministry of the Knights needs to be carried through the twenty-first century.

So let's get to it.

Viva Jesus,

Ken Williams  
Grand Knight



# In Need of Your Prayers

Bruce Beck's brother Larry  
 Chopps Family,  
 Dennis Conley,  
 Rich Cunningham,  
 Marty DeBattista,  
 James Doppler and his wife  
 Ted & Nan Fitzgerald,  
 J.Foliar and his wife,  
 Janet Foresman,  
 Mike Halcarz,  
 Dennis King's mother Norma,  
 Leo Mayhew and his wife Trish,  
 JimMiller,  
 Jim Murphy's Granddaughter,  
 Eric Olson,  
 JoePollaro,  
 Dave Pzonka,  
 Brother Joe R from SEAS,  
 John Ryczaj  
 Fred Siminski's friend in Hebron,  
 Fred Siminski's mother in law,  
 Jessica Siminski and baby,  
 Mark Siminski &his wife,  
 & Daughter inlaw who's pregnate,  
 Ed Stram,  
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## WINNERS AT OCTOBER MEETING

50/50 winner: Dennis King \$13.00  
 Attendance drawing: Kenneth Miller was not present. The kitty was raised to \$65.00

## THE SEVEN WONDERS OF THE WORD

A group of Geography students studied the Seven Wonders of the World. At the end of that section, the students were asked to list what they considered to be Seven Wonders of the Modern World.

Though there was some disagreement, the following got the most Votes:

1. Egypt's Great Pyramids,
2. Taj Mahal,
3. Grand Canyon,
4. Panama Canal,
5. Empire State Building,
6. St. Peter's Basilica,
7. China's Great Wall.

Gathering the votes, the teacher noted that one student, a quiet Girl, hadn't turned in her paper yet. So she asked the girl if she was having trouble with her list. The girl replied, "Yes, a little. I couldn't quite make up my mind because there were so many." The teacher said, "Well, tell us what you have, and maybe we can help."

The girl hesitated, then read, "I think the Seven Wonders of the World are:

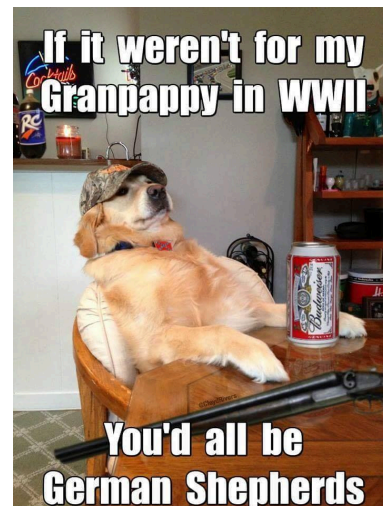
1. to touch
2. to taste
3. to see
4. to hear

She hesitated a little, and then added:

5. to run
6. to laugh
7. and to love

It is far too easy for us to look at the exploits of man and refer to them as "wonders" while we overlook all God has done, regarding them as merely "ordinary."

May you be reminded today of those things which are truly wondrous and thankful for



**SCIENCE SAYS THAT WE  
NEED AT LEAST 4 BASIC  
ELEMENTS TO SURVIVE.**

1. Water
2. Air
3. Food
4. Light

**AND LOOK WHAT THE BIBLE  
TELLS US ABOUT JESUS.**

1. I am the Living Water
2. I am the Breath of Life
3. I am the Bread of Life
4. I am the Light of the World

**SCIENCE WAS RIGHT, WE  
NEED JESUS TO LIVE.**

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# UPCOMING EVENTS



- NOV 1 All Saints Day
- NOV 2 All Souls Day
- NOV 3 Holy Spirit Men's Group 8:00 am
- NOV 8 Council Memorial Service at SH -7:00 pm
- NOV 10 Council Breakfast at Bajs - 8:00 am
- NOV 16 Holy Spirit Mens Group 8:00 am
- NOV 14 Council Business meeting at SH -7:00 pm
- NOV 22 Thanksgiving
- DEC 1 Holy Spirit Men's Group 8:00 am
- DEC 5 Council Officers Meeting at SEAS - 7:00m
- DEC 8 Council Breakfast at Country Kitchen - 8:00 am
- DEC 12 Council Business meeting at SEAS-7:00 pm
- DEC 16 Holy Spirit Means Group 8:00 am
- DEC 25 Christmas Day
- JAN 1 New Year Day
- JAN 2 Council Officers Meeting at HS -7:00 pm
- JAN 5 Holy Spirit Mens Group 8:00 am
- JAN 5 Christmas Party at Henderlong's
- JAN 9 Council Business meeting at HS -7:00 pm
- JAN12 Council Breakfast at TBA - 8:00 am
- JAN 20 Holy Spirit Mens Group 8:00 am
- JAN 23 Council Social Meeting TBA

**NOTE:**  
NO SOCIAL MEETINGS IN NOVEMBER &  
DECEMBER



**November 15th at Holy Spirit 2-7 pm**

HELP



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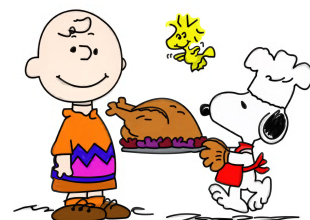
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"ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING,  
AND HIS COURTS WITH PRAISE.  
GIVE THANKS TO HIM; BLESS HIS NAME."



PSALM 100:4

happy thanksgiving



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## NAME REVEALED



Sorry brothers, It's not the great Fr. Tom and it's not his twin brother (if he had one). It's just the ole Deacon Norm walking through the St. Marren's market place during his vacation cruise in the Caribbean with his wife and daughters

