

# OCTOBER 25, 2010 NEWSLETTER

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## Who Do You Call?

When you were a boy and you were troubled, you knew you could turn to your mom and dad. Or, if wanted to, you could turn to your siblings for help and comfort. When you where on a team and you faced adversity, you knew you could turn to your teammates. If you were in a fraternity on campus, you had your brothers. If you were in the military, you had your band of brothers. As your parents have aged or gone to the Lord, you may still have the siblings to help. But as you face adversity and pain and you look around now, where do you turn? Who has "got your back" physically, emotionally and spiritually?

For me, that question is easily answered! I've got my brother Knights!

I don't mean to be flippant with this. Think hard about your brotherhood in the Knights. In the past few years many of us have faced, personally or a through a family member, some of life's biggest challenges: cancer, heart disease, mental illness, addiction, layoffs, under-employment, displacement, parenting challenges, crisis's of faith, and even death. Thanks to the economy and societal changes. Right now is one of the most difficult times ever to be a man and a father.

Personally, when I have faced many of these challenges over the last 8 plus years, I've always had a rock to lean on. That rock is The Knights of Columbus. I've watched brothers silently and often times anonymously offer sweat and treasure to myself and other brothers and the community time and time again. They don't ask for a quid pro quo. They don't question why you need help or how you got into these circumstances or why things happened. They just offer to pray and to help. That gentleman is the most powerful force on earth!

So think about your membership in The Knights. Are you there for your brothers? Do you need to swallow your pride and reach out to your brothers for support? What does your brotherhood mean to you?

Brothers, make a difference. Be a better man. Be a better father. Be a better husband. Be a better son. Be a better father. Be a Knight!

Fraternally,

Richard McCaffrey

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## NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday,  
October 26,  
2010  
7:30

On Saturday October 16, St Francis in Frisco hosted the District Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge. Council 13044 sent five participants to the event and each of the five came home a first place winner. Thanks to each of the parents who took the time to bring their youngsters to Frisco for the event and thanks to each of the participants. On Sunday October 31, each of the winners will compete for the Diocesan championship at John Paul II High School in Plano.

The day is about more than competition. The youngsters who attend the competition have the opportunity to meet students from other parishes in the Collin County Area. It is an opportunity for them to witness that the Church extends beyond the boundaries of the Parish.

Lee

## VOCATIONS

This year our council supported three seminarians in the Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP). This program encourages local councils to help support individual seminarians with their personal expenses. This program is open to seminarians attending minor or major seminaries in the USA or while they are in their "pastoral" year working in a parish before priestly ordination. It is also open to men and women who are postulants or novices in religious communities. This year our recipients are Edwin Leonard IV at St. Mary's, Max Landman at Holy Trinity, and Radoslaw (Michal) Markiewicz at Redemptoris Mater. Michal has sent us a short bio. In future issues we will include similar sections on our other two recipients.

Please keep Edwin, Max, and Michal in your prayers!

Larry

## LETTER FROM A SEMINARIAN

My name is Radoslaw Michal Markiewicz and I am a seminarian for the Diocese of Dallas at the Redemptoris Mater Diocesan Missionary Seminary. I would like to thank you and all the brother knights from Our Lady of Angels Council for the award that I have received. I myself am a third degree knight, and therefore, I feel very proud of the great help that the Knights provide for the seminarians.

As you probably know, Redemptoris Mater is a diocesan missionary seminary, which together with Holy Trinity Seminary, provides formation for the future priests of the diocese of Dallas.

The Redemptoris Mater Diocesan Missionary Seminary of the Diocese of Dallas is one of the 78 Redemptoris Mater missionary seminaries established all around the world. The first Redemptoris Mater Seminary was established in Rome in 1986 by John Paul II, who saw with a prophetic vision the need for the New Evangelization of the "far away", i.e. those who have abandoned the faith and those who have never received it. Thus, John Paul II fulfilled what the Decree on Ministry and Life of priests of Second Vatican Council, *Presbyterorum Ordinis* says: "Let priests remember, therefore, that the care of all churches must be their intimate concern. Hence, priests of such dioceses rich in vocations should show themselves willing and ready, with the permission of their own ordinaries, to volunteer for work in other regions, missions or endeavors which are poor in numbers of clergy. . . . To accomplish this purpose there should be set up international seminaries . . . by means of which, according to their particular statutes and always saving the right of Bishops, priests may be trained and incardinated for the good of the whole Church" (n.10)

For this reason, the Redemptoris Mater seminaries receive vocations from different nations to serve first and foremost the local Church. After ordination, the missionary priests, with the permission and encouragement of their ordinary bishop, volunteer for work in other regions, according to the needs of the universal Church. Thus, while always safeguarding the right of the ordinaries to provide first for the needs of the local churches entrusted to them, they become a visible sign of communion of all the churches.

In 2006 I was sent to the Redemptoris Mater Diocesan Missionary Seminary of the Diocese of Dallas to serve the church in Dallas. Today, I can say that I am happy with my inheritance.

I was born in Bydgoszcz, Poland in 1987. As a teenager, I listened to the catechesis of the Neocatechumenal Way. Then I heard the Lord saying that he loves me and that he has a beautiful plan for my life. Since then, I saw that the Lord is always faithful to the promise he made. He gave me a family, which showed me that faith consists in loving the other the way he or she is, without demanding anything. He gave me a Neocatechumenal community that made me feel lovingly received by the Church. Finally, he gave me a vocation to the priesthood.

Once again, thank you for your prayers and for the financial assistance that are a visible sign of your love for the Church. I feel blessed in a special way because, as our rector, Father Fernando told me, I am the first one of our seminary to receive the help of the Knights in this new academic year.

Please, keep us all in your prayers,

Fraternally,

Radoslaw Michal Markiewicz

## HIKE FOR LIFE

On Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup> we had the **Hike for Life** at Erwin Park in McKinney. About 150 people showed up for the walk and fellowship afterwards.

Thank you to everyone who participated and donated. According to the web site it looks like we raised about \$11,792.00. While we are thankful for any donations we can get to support this important cause, we must be reminded that the Anti-Life groups are raising far more during their events. Please keep this event in mind next year. We need all of the assistance we can to save these precious lives.

The following events are also coming up for your consideration.

### **Responsible Voting Seminar in English & Spanish**

When: Thursday, October 14, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Where: St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church in the Church's cafeteria at **8131 Military Parkway** at Buckner in Dallas.

Details: The Seminar is **free**. Presenters include Aurora Tinajero and Becky Visosky from the Catholic Pro-Life Committee's Spanish and Civic Action Ministries and Omar Aguilar, CPLC Spanish Ministry Speaker and host of GRN's "Kerigma." They will discuss how our Catholic beliefs and civic responsibilities intersect and what it means to be a Catholic voice in the public square.

Contact: Becky Visosky at 972-267-LIFE (5433).



### **"BloodMoney: The Business of Abortion" Movie Screening**

When/Where: Wednesday, October 27, at 7:00 p.m. at Angelika Film Center, 5321 E Mockingbird Ln #201 Dallas 75206.



Details: The Catholic Pro-Life Committee is hosting a screening of "BloodMoney," a riveting film narrated by Dr. Alveda King and featuring Carol Everett, Father Frank Pavone, Joseph Scheidler, and Norma McCorvey, among others, followed by a panel discussion with **Carol Everett** and other members of local pro-life ministries.

Cost: Tickets are only \$5 a piece, and must be purchased beforehand at [www.prolifedallas.org/bloodmoney](http://www.prolifedallas.org/bloodmoney). **Seating is limited so buy your tickets soon!** (Film is not recommended for youth under 16 years of age.) Visit [prolifedallas.org/bloodmoney](http://prolifedallas.org/bloodmoney) or call 972-267-LIFE (5433).

### **Prayer Partner & Sidewalk Counseling Training in English and Spanish**

When: Saturday, October 30, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Where: St. Luke Catholic Church, 202 South MacArthur Blvd., Irving 75060, in the St. Luke Family

## Life Center

**Details:** **How can you save an innocent life?** Come learn the Msgr. Philip Reilly method of peaceful, prayerful presence which has helped thousands of mothers turn away from abortion. The training is free, and a continental breakfast, light lunch and all materials are provided.

**Contact:** Joanne Underwood, 214-261-8499, 469-767-5785, or [junderwood@prolifedallas.org](mailto:junderwood@prolifedallas.org). Pre-registration is required and is available online at [prolifedallas.org/sidewalk](http://prolifedallas.org/sidewalk).



## 10th Annual CPLC Classic/Bishop's Cup Charity Golf Tournament

**When:** Tuesday, November 2. Registration/lunch: 11:00 a.m. Putting Contest: 11:30. Tee-off: 12:30 p.m. Buffet dinner/awards: 5:30.

**Where:** Canyon Creek Country Club, 625 W. Lookout Dr., Richardson.

**Cost:** Registration fees are \$549 per foursome or \$149 if you sign up as an individual. For sponsorship and tournament information, contact Jim Walker, 972-270-3019 or [golf@prolifedallas.org](mailto:golf@prolifedallas.org). Make your reservations or donations online at [prolifedallas.org/golf](http://prolifedallas.org/golf).

## Rachel's Vineyard Retreat™ in English

**When:** November 5-7

**Details:** Rachel's Vineyard™ is an extraordinary opportunity for any person who struggles with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. The weekend is a unique and effective process designed specifically to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God. It will help your soul find a voice and transform the pain of the past into hope!

**Info/Registration:** Call the Abortion AfterCare-Healing helpline, **214-544-CARE (2273)**, or 817-923-4757 in Fort Worth, or e-mail [healing@racheldallas.org](mailto:healing@racheldallas.org). You may also visit the web site [racheldallas.org](http://racheldallas.org). All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.



## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Holy Christ Child Luncheon & Advent-Christmas Gift Market

**When:** Saturday, November 20. Market is open from 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Lunch is from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Where:** Doubletree Hotel Richardson (formerly Radisson Hotel), on the southwest corner of Central Expwy. and Campbell Rd.