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Ave Maria



Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
September 8, 2011



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR
PEACE
SEPT. 11, 2011**

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Our Lady of the Grove welcomes her new Knights



(Left to Right): new Knight John Adamski; sponsor Chris Ybarra and his father, new Knight Larry Ybarra; new Knight Mike Cua and sponsor Manny Henson; District Deputy Jeff Amour. These new Knights received the honors of the First Degree August 8.



Fr. Denis Carneiro leads the Knights in saying, "Goodbye Good Luck, God Bless" to Sir Knight Dick and Joyce Conrad on August 14, after the 9:30 Mass. The Conrads are moving to St. Augustine, Florida to be closer to their children.

HELPING PEOPLE with Mental Retardation/ Learning Disabilities



August 29, 2011

Dear Brother Knights,

Our Lady of the Grove will once again participate in the Annual Knights of Columbus Mental Retardation/ Learning Disabilities (MRLD) Fund Drive the weekend of September 16-18, 2011.

The MRLD is for **HELPING PEOPLE** and our council needs all her Knights, relatives and friends to accomplish this. The MRLD is the largest KC fundraiser state wide. The proceeds collected over this weekend will be distributed to many organizations that help care for, and train for self-sufficiency, those who are in need.

Ninety per cent of the proceeds are distributed to local organizations, such as **MOUNT ST JOSEPH**, run by Sister Mary Walker, who attended our social meeting last year and described all the good work she and her staff perform for their residents. The remaining 10% is forwarded to the Illinois State Council of the Knights of Columbus, who fund the **Community Integrated Living Alternative (CILA)** program.

CILA advances no interest loans to registered charities to provide housing for clients who are capable of living in a community house with professional help from the sponsoring charity. **CILA** enable the clients to normalize their lives by being employed and pursuing their interests. There are more than 50 such residences in Illinois, one of which is in nearby Arlington Heights.

Volunteers usually collect between \$35 and \$100 during each hour they work. There are many locations in the area at which you can provide your services. Several storefronts are also available.

Gentlemen Knights, we are called to practice Charity, the First Principle of our Order. Charity provides us with a great sense of satisfaction that we are doing God's work in our community.

On behalf of everyone who has a learning disability, on behalf of those who love and care for them, **OUR LADY OF THE GROVE** asks all her Knights, their wives, friends and teenage sons and daughters to join us in this most worthy cause.

Please contact MRLD co-chairmen Don Bartelt (847.438. 7270) or Richard Dawidowicz (847. 478. 9419) to volunteer. Monetary donations are also welcome. Please make checks payable to Our Lady of the Grove, KC 13448.

Thank you for all your support in the past and for your commitment this year.

--- **PGK Thad Steward**
on behalf of the 2011-2012 MRLD Committee
Our Lady of the Grove



Grand Knight Ted said ...

Did you see what Cardinal George wrote about the Knights of Columbus in the Catholic New World issue of August 14-27, 2011? The article is title "On the front line of the faith" and is on page 3.

Or you can copy and past info into GOOGLE or YAHOO:

www.catholicnewworld.com/cnwonline/2011/0814/cardinal.aspx

(this info IS NOT A 'LINK')

Much was accomplished at our August business meeting. We 'warmed up' for the MRLD drive with a collection of \$41.41 and Knights signed up to help at Buffalo Grove Popcorn Sales, Respect Life refreshment sales, the KC-Choir bingo Saturday and MRLD.

Three new Knights received the honor of the First Degree. Welcome John, Larry and Mike. I encourage these Knights to ask questions and to share their ideas with us. Getting these new Knights accustomed to our Order is EVERYONE's responsibility.

All Knights remember their first meeting because all Knights receive the First Degree at that time. But do you remember the first project you worked for the Knights? Many members have worked so many projects for the Knights that they do not remember the first.

Sadly, many Knights answer the call to membership but do not get involved.

I know many of you have full-time jobs, wives, children, grandchildren and other responsibilities. Some of you belong to more than one Parish organization. You come home from work exhausted and need your rest. But I ask you all to 'Go The Extra Mile' and help us help others. Because that is what we do. We help others. Our Council alone has donated thousands of dollars to charities, such as 'The Women's Center' and 'Home of the Sparrow,' Misericordia and Priests for Life. We have provided Seminarians with financial assistance to finish their studies before ordination.

But we need to EARN the money before we can DONATE the money. Money does not grow on trees. I stopped looking for the money tree years ago. Please review the September Knights of Columbus schedule below, choose an activity that is of interest, and sign up for one or two days, two or four hours each day. We are not looking for super-human heroics. If we can increase the 20% of membership who do 80% of the work, everyone will be better off.

I look forward to seeing you all Buffalo Grove Days and our next business meeting on Thursday, Sept. 8 at 7:30 in the school lunchroom.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SEPTEMBER SCHEDULE



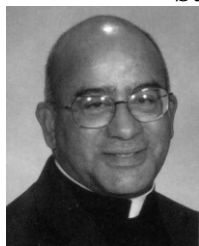
**Sat. & Sun, Sept 3 & 4---Bingo Raffle Ticket sales continue
Buffalo Grove Days, Thurs Sept. 1 to Monday Sept. 5**

- 9/1 to 9/4----KC Popcorn Sales—Dan Minarik (847.537. 4668)
- 9/2 to 9/5—Respect Life Refreshment Sales
--- Dick Van Spankeren (847. 541. 2169)
- Sunday, Sept. 4—Knights to march in Parade. Watch email for details.

**Sat. Sept. 10—KC & Choir Bingo in St Mary Activity Center.
Set up at 1:00 PM. Doors open at 5:30 PM.**

Friday & Saturday, September 16 & 17 Tootsie Roll Drive. For MRLD
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Sun. Sept. 25—Parish Picnic. Knights to supply refreshments & man Membership booth.



Our Chaplain's Message

Fr. Denis Carneiro

The month of September brings us a number of days to remember and with them, opportunities for PRAYER. While each September Sunday has a very special theme, there is also Labor Day (September 5) and the tenth anniversary of the September 11th Tragedy.

The Liturgical Calendar reminds us of two Major Feasts of Mary the Mother of God: **the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Sept. 8) and Our Lady of Sorrows (September 15)**. We honor **the most Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Sept. 12)**. Along with remembering the Sorrows of Mother Mary, we have **the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Sept. 14th)**. We begin Autumn on September 23, celebrating the **Feast of Padre Pio**. September 27, is the **Feast of St. Vincent de Paul**, September 29 we remember **the three Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael** and finally on September 30, we honor **Saint Jerome**.

September 4 (Matthew 18:15-20)

As a Family of Christ, as a Community of Christians, Jesus reminds me of the responsibility of each person for the welfare and growth of sister and brother in my world. First of all I have a mutual relationship with my sister and brother to help him or her bring about change. If that does not work then I take a brother or sister along to be of assistance. If that does not work, I use the Church as a body. If that does not work then I go to the Civil Authorities.

September 11 (Matthew 18:21-35)

"How often must I forgive?" The key here is not how many times, as, unless I forgive my sisters and brothers, my God will not forgive me. So, if I forgive my brothers and sisters, my God will forgive me. As a Christian, it is not a choice – it is an obligation. Remember we pray: "Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us."

September 18 (Matthew 20:1-16)

Paul in Prison has a choice between 'life' and 'death'. He is torn between the two. He knows, given the situation, it would be better for him to die. However, he also realizes that his purpose in life, with all the circumstances, is to be of service to his people in the name of his Lord. The lesson of the Gospel is that if I am generous here on earth, the Lord will be generous to me in the next life.

September 25 (Matthew 21:28-32)

Finally, the last weekend of the month we hear the real test: If I hear the Word of God and mend my ways, while I am here on earth, the Lord will be good to me and reward me. The caution given me is to seek forgiveness and attempt conversion rather than boast of self justification.

The Challenge of every Christian is not easy. It is a long and cumbersome journey. However, if we are open to the Word of God, faithful to the teachings in our present life, the reward is far greater than the difficulties and challenges we face in this life. We are not alone. The Community of Believers is together with us. Where two or three are present in the Lord's name, the Lord is present. This is a promise. Let us believe and be trusting.

Saturday, Sept. 3—St. (Pope) Gregory the Great.

Wrote a biography of St. Benedict. Gregorian Chant is named after him.

Janssen, a German parish priest.

Tuesday, Sept. 27—St. Vincent de Paul.

The first Vincentians arrived in the U.S. in July 1817, and established St. Mary's Seminary in Perryville, Missouri, the first institute of higher learning West of the Mississippi. DePaul University in Chicago established in 1898 as St. Vincent's College.

**Thursday, Sept. 8—Nativity of the BVM
also**

Anniversary of the founding of **The Society of the Divine Word (SVD)** in 1875 by Bl. Arnold

Sept. 30—St. Jerome.



Let's Grow In MEMBERSHIP

By Don Bartelt, Chairman

The Knights of Columbus is a positive force in our World.
See some of the many headlines the Knights have earned by our charitable work:

"Local Knights & Supreme Council Aiding Tornado Victims"

"Knights Of Columbus Reach Out To Haiti's Children"

"Knights Global Wheelchair Mission"

"Knights reach out to Japan Tsunami Victims"

Charity, Unity, Fraternity & Patriotism, is what the Knights are all about. September offers us opportunities to practice Charity at the local level.

Each Brother Knights has an opportunity and avenue available to participate in one of many ways we are involved within our Church and local community. This community and church involvement creates a positive visibility, an example of the Knights of Columbus in action.

How are you living up to your commitment to the Knights of Columbus? Have you volunteered for one of the many activities our council participates in September? Are you setting aside time for the Tootsie Roll drive (Sept. 16 & 17) that benefits people with Intellectual Disabilities? Have you signed up to help hand out refreshments to our fellow Parishioners at the Parish Picnic (Sept. 25)? We need EVERYONE's help at Buffalo Grove Days (Sept. 1-5) for Popcorn sales and Respect Life refreshment sales.

Join us as we proudly march in the Buffalo Grove Days Parade (Sunday, Sept. 4 at 1:00 PM).
We need your assistance at the KC-Choir Bingo fundraiser (Sat. Sept. 10).
We have to EARN the money that we DONATE to charities and Respect Life organizations.

We strengthen our Church, Family, Community, and Ourselves when we participate and demonstrate who and what the Knights are all about. This positive visibility is the best motivation for men to consider your invitation to join the Knights of Columbus. Our participation and recognition within the Church and Community can be the "door opener" to new members.

What better example can we give for our Family, our Church and to the Community than our direct and active involvement within the Knights of Columbus and the many programs the Knights participate in?

Practicing our Christian Charity is an example of our faith commitment in action and the best recruitment tool available for invitation to membership within the Knights of Columbus. Make this tool work for you and your membership recruitment. Come to our next meeting Thursday, Sept. 8 at 7:30PM in the School lunchroom and PARTICIPATE.

"St. Michael, the Archangel, Protect Us in Battle"



SCHOLARSHIPS

Did you know the Knights of Columbus offer scholarships to the sons and daughters of members? YES, THEY DO! Several scholarships to Catholic colleges and universities are available on a competitive basis.

The applications will be available from Supreme in October.

For more information, please contact Richard Dawidowicz @ 847. 478. 9419



Shhhhh. Do you hear that? It's the sounds of silence.

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament occurs every Thursday in St. Mary's Chapel. The evening begins with a Holy Hour at 8PM (prayers & Rosary), followed by silent adoration that concludes at Midnight. Whether you spend more or less than an hour, it is quality time with Our Lord.

E-10. Errors charged to the Editor.

Your editor apologizes for the following errors in the August newsletter:



August 6 was listed as the Feast of the Ascension instead of the Transfiguration.

August 15—The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary **was not** a Holy Day of Obligation this year.

The Corporate Communion and Rosary on Sunday October 30 will occur at the 11:30 Mass, not the 9:30 Mass.

Fr. Michael McGivney was declared Blessed in **March 2008**, not in 2005.

Our Chaplain's name is **Fr. Denis CARNEIRO**. No other spelling should ever be accepted or tolerated.

AND NOW, FOR SOMETHING COMPLETELY DIFFERENT...

In the movie Godfather II, the young Vito Corleone (Robert DeNiro) murders white-suited Don Fanucci during the Feast of San Gennaro. The Feast appears in other movies (Godfather III, Mean Streets) and several television programs, including, not surprisingly, The Sopranos.

The San Gennaro (St. Januarius, Sept. 19) legend has it that his blood in relics liquefies that day.



Film Director Martin Scorsese (Mean Streets, Raging Bull, The Departed) regularly attended the Feast as a boy and has remarked that much of what he learned about drama and movies he learned at the Feast.

The "Women's Page"

40 Days for Life, St. Mary Parish, Buffalo Grove

by Melinda Henson

One of the things that I enjoy, on a yearly basis (3 years in a row now) is listening to Carl Anderson, your Supreme Knight, during the yearly August convention.

Mr. Anderson always mentions Knights of Columbus's exemplary work on pro-life and ending abortion – not only in the U.S. but throughout the world. He actually talks about you, Knights of Our Lady of the Grove, because in your own circle, you have been doing exactly that, as you participate in the 40 Days For Life campaign, again, not only in the U.S. but throughout the world now.

You have stood in prayer at Albany Clinic in Chicago, at Forest View near O'Hare, have prayed by the Planned Parenthood on La Salle Street in Chicago. I commend you for all this. But as Mr. Anderson says, we can't let our guard down because the enemy is way too powerful. Your effort with the Baby Bottle Campaign is commendable. You've raised close to \$9,000 in previous years. These funds are used to help new mothers start their life with her new baby.

Success in the pro-life campaign can now be measured in terms of lives saved. It is now running about 4313 lives saved throughout the campaign world wide. This figure comes from Shawn Carney, coordinator of 40 days for life. As Shawn says, this number is just what we're made aware of, there could be much more that we don't know about and are not in this count. We are in all continents except Antarctica!

We are winning! But we still have a lot of work to do!! While all aspects of 40 days for life are crucial, the most visible component for us here in Buffalo Grove, is the peaceful prayer vigil outside local abortion clinics. Come join us starting September 28- November 6, 2011, as we stand in the rain, the cold, or the nice warm weather. You have more information available from your council. Good job, brother Knights!

October is "Respect Life" Month and Our Lady of the Grove Knights will be distributing Baby Bottles this year on Sunday, October 2, which is also "Respect Life Sunday." Please encourage everyone you know who attends Mass to take a Bottle, and, through the next three weeks, deposit loose change in it. Then return the bottle to any Mass at St. Mary the weekend of October 22-23. All monies collected (including checks) are sent to The Women's Center.

In the last few days, many employees of Planned Parenthood have left their jobs when they realized the moral significance of what they have been doing. In this day of high unemployment, quitting a job is a courageous act. I hope these workers will testify to what goes on there and inspire more people to join the Culture of Life.

Manny and Melinda Henson have been active in Pro-Life activities for many years. Melinda was kind enough to inaugurate 'The Women's Page' for this issue and chose a Pro-Life topic. Gentlemen, please ask your wives to contribute to 'The Women's Page.' They may write on any appropriate issue they desire. You may volunteer your wife by contacting the editor at 847. 478. 9419

ANYONE wishing to contribute to KNIGHTS' TOPICS may do so by emailing the editor @ rd356@msn.com WATCH for the OCTOBER issue featuring Council news and activities and

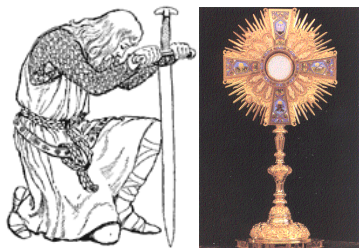
- More on Respect Life and the Rosary
- The second "Women's Page" article
- Letters from World Youth Day and "Where in the World is Mike Sarlitto"

The October issue will be available in your INBOX, news stands and finer bookstores October 1.



Birthday Wishes to the following Knights celebrating their special day in September:

Mark Sarlitto (9) ... Roland Schwind (11) Sam Ventrella (13) ... Andy Bueschel (18) ... Stephen Maloney
... John Bartelt (22) ... Ron Tegler (24) ... Richard Idstein (25)



**CONGRATULATIONS to our Brother Knights
celebrating September Anniversaries:**

65 YEARS: Richard Idstein ... **32 YRS:** Don Bartelt ... **23 YRS:** Michael Swanson ... **18 YRS:** Al Preusker and David Mulvihill ... **7 YRS:** Fred Sturgeon and Dr. Edward McNeela ... **5 YRS:** Andy Bueschell. Mike Cahill, Robert Kovanda, Larry Moe, Don Wagner and Chris Ybarra ... **4 YRS:** Davis Gray, Manny Henson, Loc Vu, Joseph Wall, and Louis Paolillo ... **2 YRS:** Dan Waddell.



Please Pray for newly installed auxiliary bishops Alberto Rojas and Andrew Wypych; all our Bishops and Priests, Deacons, Deacon candidates, Religious, and those discerning their vocations.



Please Pray for those who are sick:

Bill Leahy; Dan Waddell; Gerry Shelbe, Mike Garber's Brother-in-law; Sara Kelly, your editor's former boss; Eric Ruhaak, son of St. Mary choir members; Cy Schmid; Sister Maria Paulina; Paul D. Isherwood, KC Master, Illinois District One, Marquette Province, and the victims Hurricane *Irene*.

Our Lady, Health of the Sick, Pray For Us."



Please Pray for those who have died:

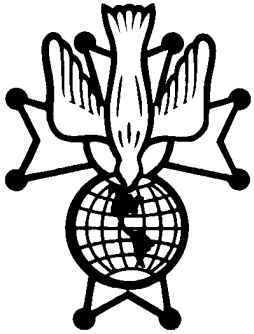
Elinor Triner; Michael J. Vincenzo; Philip M. Smith; Lloyd B. Nickol; six month old Baby Vincent (nephew of choir member Jean Goldberg).



Matthew Case and Dad Ed Case at the St. Vincent DePaul Golf Outing August 5th.



Jim and Ruth Wroble with grandson Tiberius after the Corporate Communion July 30. Tiberius will be the 4th generation KC in the Wroble Family when he takes his First Degree in 2028.



Fourth Degree News ...

An Honor Guard from **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Assembly #2410** participated in the World Youth Day "Sending Mass" at St. Mary Church July 30.

PGK Michael Williams, in town with his Boston **Red Sox**, was in attendance. The **Red Sox** lost the Friday game Michael missed, but won the remaining two from The Good Guys on the South Side. Approximately 600 people attended the Mass.

Retelling the story of the Devil's attempt to deceive St. Therese of Avilla with a false apparition, Cardinal George concluded his Homily: "When you meet [Jesus] in Spain, you know how to recognize the Lord, who shows you His wounds, who serves your need, who asks you to open your heart."



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**Memorial, the Martyrdom of St. John
the Baptist**

