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# Today's Knights

*"Lady of Victory, Pray for Us."*

Serving Star of the Sea, St. Joseph's Parish, Holy Cross, The Shrine of St. Joseph, San Agustin, St. John's, St. Michael's.

**Newsletter of The Knights of Columbus ~ Council 971** **November 2009**

*Business Meetings are normally held the second Wednesday and Socials the fourth Wednesday at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall*

## November Events

- 1..... All Saints Day
- 2..... All Souls Day
- 11..... Veteran's Day
- 11..... BUSINESS MEETING.**  
7:30 p.m. Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall.
- 18..... SOCIAL & DINNER** at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall. Social hour starts at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m. See inside for details and menu of the dinner.
- 22..... Solemnity of Christ the King
- 26..... Thanksgiving Day
- 29..... Advent Begins

**Note:** *There will be no business meeting in December, only a dinner social which will be Wednesday, December 9.*

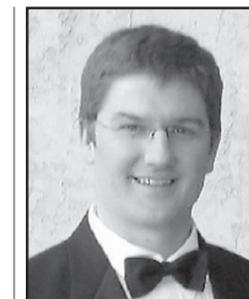
## Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights and families,

Since the Columbian year began, it has been my pleasure to interact with many members from our council, including some who have not been able to participate in our activities as much as they might have liked in recent years. In every case, I have been impressed by the depth of feeling and fraternity for the order and our council. I encourage those of you who have not joined us recently at a meeting to attend the second or fourth Wednesday (with upcoming exceptions noted below).

I would like to congratulate this month Barry Earl and Doug Gallagher on the occasion of their exemplification in the 2nd and 3rd degrees. We enjoyed the hospitality of host Council 1271 in San Luis Obispo at the historic mission.

Mindful of the constraints on families and time during November and December, we will juggle our meeting calendar slightly in the next few weeks.



In particular, our social meeting for November will be held the 3rd Wednesday, November 18. The meeting will be a potluck dinner open to all, with

turkey provided by the Council. Our single meeting in December will be on the 2nd Wednesday, December 9. This will also be an Advent dinner.

I would like to thank all of those who contributed time and talents to the "Italian night" October social event, which benefited the St. Francis Catholic Kitchen. "I was hungry and you fed me, thirsty and you gave me a drink."

Fraternally yours,  
Jason Nielsen  
Grand Knight

## Chaplain's Message

**Prayer - the Divine Breath**

Every living thing breathes in some way or fashion. We breathe in oxygen and breathe out carbon dioxide. From the lowest to the highest, all things breathe in and out; it is the pattern of life. It is the essential cycle of life and without breath, we could not live and survive. Today especially, we are very

much concerned about the quality of life and air which we breathe. The pollutants and toxins which we spew into the air, can cause health problems and even death if left unchecked. Though the providence of God is ever with us, we too have been given stewardship over the earth and our atmosphere, for ourselves

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## Monthly Social Potluck

Wednesday, Nov. 18  
Star of the Sea Parish Hall

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## Social

**THANKSGIVING DINNER** - This annual and traditional event will take place a week before Thanksgiving Day, Wednesday, November 18th at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall. The turkeys will be provided by the Council, and members will "potluck" the side dishes, as follows:

A - H - Salad

I - P - Vegetables

O - Z - Dessert

No host bar starts at 6:00 and dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m.

Co-hosting this affair and preparing the turkeys are Rudy Quijance and Ramon Belleza.

As usual, we welcome donations of appetizers and prizes for our raffle, which has provided us with much-needed funds for our charitable works and for which we thank you. Table service will be provided.

Join us with your families, invite friends and prospective members, and let us make this a real dinner of giving thanks to God for all the blessings we have received this year.

## GIVE BLOOD!

*Mention you are a Knight!*

The Red Cross Blood Drive is now being held at the Church of the Latter-Day Saints at 220 Elk St., SC. The entrance to the parking lot is off Pacheco between Rooney St. and Prospect Heights. The hours are from noon until 5:00 p.m. Call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE for info.

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## ...Chaplain

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and future generations. To the certain point, we are responsible for the quality of air we breathe. What we do here in America affects us all throughout the world. What other countries do affect us as well. We breathe not alone and we breathe for one another. In emergencies, we can also resuscitate others with our breath. It is also so spiritually.

There is also a spiritual air which we breathe, which makes it possible for us to live spiritually and ultimately even physically. It is called prayer. It nurtures and strengthens our divine life. When we die spiritually through mortal sin, we can with prayer and God's grace come back to life. We are resurrected and resuscitated again. Through prayer and the Holy Spirit, the Divine Spiritual Breath, we are created, renewed, and sustained. In Genesis, we read that the Spirit of God hovered and breathed over the waters which then teemed with life. In Genesis again, chapter 2, we read that God breathed into the nostrils the breath of life and man became a living soul. In Deuteronomy, chapter 8, that man does not live on breath alone, but on every word which comes from the mouth of God. In prayer we breathe the Holy Spirit. We are nurtured, revived and the divine spark bursts into flame. We grow as sons and daughters of God. We become better Christians. Christ lives in us and we in Him. Let us, therefore, pray always with words and without words. Let us breathe with the Holy Spirit, so that we may live and others can live through us with the Divine Breath.

God bless.  
Fr. James Catalano, OSJ

## Illness & Prayers

Our sick list of brother knights and families has not changed from last month. Let us continue with our prayers for them and their caregivers.

Barry Earl, Frank Giaimo, Anthony LeBourvelau, Carlos Lopez, Timothy Hanifin, Andrew Mekis, Gary Phariss, David Scargill, Robert Walter, Dr. Paul Weiss, Gerald Zieber, Zizi Rothfuss, Mary Martin, Arlen D'Sabato, Irene Tracy and Joan Phariss.

Your call or e-mail to the Bulletin Editor (Andrew) if you know of any changes to the above list will be appreciated.

## Thanks!

Thank you to those who helped make the October social a success. St. Francis Catholic Kitchen was the beneficiary of the evening.

Kitchen help was provided by Patrick Eastman, Robert Merlo, and Jason Nielsen.

The bar was tended by Gary Phariss and Rudy Quijance who also served as MC.

The raffle was orchestrated by Larry Rothfuss and Doug Gallagher.

Thanks to Jack Kemerling for appetizers and menu planning.

Additionally, Stephanie Nielsen 'manned' the door and provided flowers for the centerpieces.

## Supreme

### The Knights of Columbus Youth Centers in Rome

The mayor of Rome bestowed a prominent honor on Supreme Knight Carl Anderson in recognition of the Order's long-standing contributions to the city.

In honor of nearly 90 years of service by the Knights of Columbus in Rome, the city honored the head of the Order with its 'Lupa Capitolina' award October 28.

Supreme Knight Carl Anderson received the award from Rome's mayor, Giovanni Alemann, October 28.

"I am honored to receive this award from the City of Rome for the great work the Knights of Columbus have done there for nearly a century," said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson. "As both the 'eternal city' and the center of the Catholic Church, Rome has a special place in the hearts of the Knights of Columbus, and we look forward to another 90 years of service in this great city."

The Knights have been active in Rome since 1920, when a delegation of Knights led by the then Supreme Knight James Flaherty met with Pope Benedict XV. The Pontiff encouraged the Knights to expand their work in Rome.

Later that decade, the Knights opened several recreational facilities use by the youth of Rome. An additional facility was opened in the 1950s.

Today, the Knights continue to operate four of these facilities, which are regularly used by the young residents of Rome. In 1965, the grounds of one of the facilities was donated by the Order for the construction of a papal audience hall, where the pope regularly receives pilgrims visiting the Eternal City.

## Prayer

### A PRAYER FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS

O God, from whom all power comes, by whose Divine will all must abide, we thank You for our civil liberties and freedom, for our opportunities and our privileges.

We beg of You to bless, assist, and enlighten the Senators from our State and the Congressman for our District.

May they prove worthy of the confidence placed in them by their fellow citizens.

May they be just and upright in their thinking, honest in all their actions, and ever be guided by a true conscience in the legislation they propose or vote upon.

Forgive us all our mistakes and selfish tendencies, and help prepare us by our good deeds for an eternal union with You, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Insurance

### Knights of Columbus insurance: once again, highest ratings, stable outlook

Two top financial research and analysis companies recently reaffirmed their highest ratings for the Knights of Columbus insurance program. Both A.M. Best and Standard & Poor's concluded that the 127-year-old Catholic fraternal order's financial strength and stability remains strong despite a weak economy.

This marks the 34th consecutive year in which the Knights of Columbus has earned A.M. Best's A++ (Superior) rating, and the 17th successive year the Order has earned the AAA (Extremely Strong) rating from S&P.

