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SAINT OF THE MONTH

Catholic saints are holy people who lived extraordinary lives. Each saint the Church honors responded to God's invitation to use his or her unique gifts. God calls each one of us to be a saint. For the Columbian Year 2011-12, we will honor a Saint each month in our Newsletter.

St. Martin De Porres 1579-1639



A victim of racism, St. Martin de Porres could have become bitter. Instead, he gave his heart and his goods to the poor and the despised. As a Dominican lay brother he established an orphanage and a children's hospital. His piety and miraculous cures led his superiors to drop the racial limits on admission to the friars, making him a full Dominican.

"He excused the faults of others. He forgave the bitterest injuries...He tried with all his might to redeem the guilty; lovingly he comforted the sick; he provided food, clothing and medicine for the poor, thus he deserved to be called by the name the people gave him: "Martin of Charity" - Pope John XXIII, Martin de Porres canonization homily

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Happy Thanksgiving



Thanksgiving Prayer

O Lord, with humble hearts we pray
 Thy blessing this Thanksgiving Day
 And ask that at table place,
 Where grateful folk say words of grace,
 That Thou will come to share the yield
 Thy bounty gave to farm and field.
 We pray thy love will bless, O Lord,
 Each hearth, each home, each festive board;
 And that Thy peace will come to stay
 Where candles glow, Thanksgiving Day.
 Amen.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER BUSINESS MEETING

PLACE: SSJP RECTORY CONFERENCE ROOM
 DATE: FRIDAY, 11/4/2011
 TIME: 7:00 PM

DECEMBER BUSINESS MEETING

PLACE: SSJP RECTORY CONFERENCE ROOM
 DATE: FRIDAY, 12/2/2011
 TIME: 7:00 PM

BLESSING COUNCIL CHRISTMAS PARTY

PLACE: SSJP PARISH HALL
 DATE: MONDAY, 12/5/2011
 TIME: 7:00 PM

LASALETTE SHRINE VISIT

LEAVE FROM: HOPKINS HILL PARK AND RIDE
 DATE: FRIDAY, 12/9/2011
 TIME: 6:00 PM
 DINNER: HOUSE OF PIZZA, PAWTUCKET

LaSalette Shrine Visit



Believe it or not, Squires, the Christmas season is approaching fast. We will be making our annual visit to the LaSalette Shrine on the night of Friday, December 9th. We will be leaving from the Hopkins Hill Park and Ride at 6PM getting to the House of Pizza in Pawtucket for dinner and then onto the Shrine. This is our third year visiting the Shrine so let's make a good showing! Family and friends are invited!

Congratulations Squires!

The following awards were presented at the Awards Ceremony on Monday, October 24:

- Corps d'Elite – Entire Circle
- Squire of the Year – Norman Francis, Jr.
- Squire to Knight – Alex Cote, Nick Parent, Matt Parent, Stephen Smith
- Award of Merit – Stephen Smith, Norman Francis, Jr., Josh Fidler, Zachary Farrell, Noah Chanthrangsy, Evan Patten, Nick Parent, Matt Parent, Derek Smith, Chris Peloso
- Counselor Commendation – Mr. Keith Parent

The Circle was honored to have Rhode Island State Deputy John Marcello and his wife Margie attend the ceremony. The State Deputy presented the Corps d'Elite Award to the Circle.



Blessing Council Christmas Party

When: Monday, December 5 @ 6:30PM

Where: Saints John and Paul Parish Center

The Msgr. Blessing Council will be holding a Christmas Party with a pot-luck dinner at the Saints John and Paul Parish Center. The Council would like to invite the Squires Circle and their family and friends. Squires, let's make this a recruiting opportunity. If you know of a Catholic young man between the ages of 10 to 18 who you think would make a great addition to our Circle, invite him and his family to join us for this celebration. This is a pot-luck dinner so please have your parents get in touch with CC Neil Fidler with what you would like to bring for a dish.

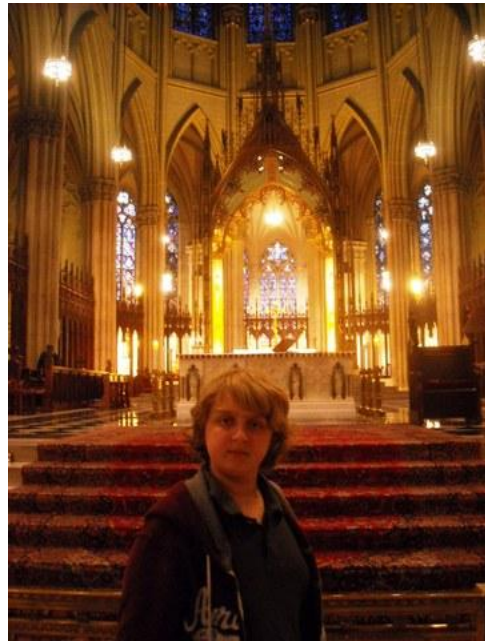
Chief Counselor's Note

Worthy Squires!

I'm going to take a break this month and in place of my Chief Counselor's Note, I'll let Deputy Chief Squire Josh Fidler tell you about his recent trip to St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City. I pray you and your families have a happy, healthy and blessed Thanksgiving!

God Bless,
Mr. Neil

My Trip to St. Patrick's Cathedral



Hello fellow Squires!

My family and I recently took a trip to New York, where we visited many places. One of those places was St. Patrick's Cathedral. Once you stepped into the Cathedral you immediately took note of the ornate decorations and architecture. Lining the pews were several statues of scenes from the Bible and Saints, along with an icon of our Lady of Guadalupe. Like all churches, a large crucifix stands behind the altar. I got the chance to see the area behind the altar, which featured more statues and a smaller area that slightly resembled the chapel nearby the church.

While the walls were mostly lined with stained glass pictures of Bible scenes, there were also statues showing the events of the Crucifixion. We were given the privilege of hearing a mass going on within the cathedral, and I was able to light one of the candles there. The cathedral is definitely a must see for any Catholic on a trip to New York.

God Bless,
Josh Fidler
Deputy Chief Squire

Photos from the URI Football Game – 10/8/2011



Photos from Squires Officers Installation and Awards – 10/24/2011

