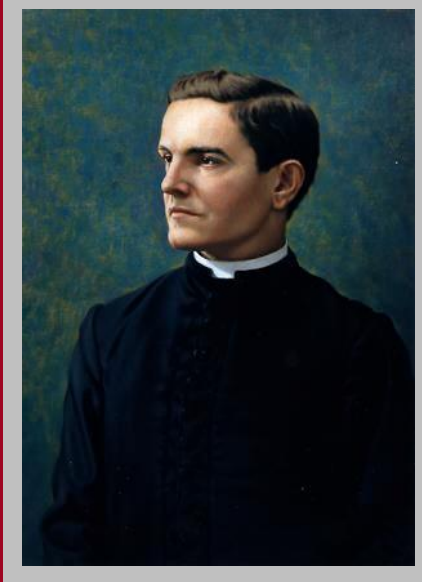




THE LOOKOUT

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
MONSIGNOR PETER BLESSING COUNCIL #5273
COVENTRY, RHODE ISLAND



FATHER MICHAEL MCGIVNEY
OUR FOUNDER

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY COLUMBUS CLUB MEETING

PLACE: K OF C BLESSING COUNCIL HALL
DATE: WEDNESDAY, 5/5/2010
TIME: 7:30 PM

MAY SOCIAL MEETING

PLACE: BLESSING COUNCIL HALL
DATE: WEDNESDAY, 5/12/2010
TIME: 7:30 PM

MAY BUSINESS MEETING

PLACE: K OF C BLESSING COUNCIL HALL
DATE: WEDNESDAY, 5/26/2010
TIME: 7:30 PM

JUNE COLUMBUS CLUB MEETING

PLACE: K OF C BLESSING COUNCIL HALL
DATE: WEDNESDAY, 6/2/2010
TIME: 7:30 PM

JUNE BUSINESS MEETING

PLACE: BLESSING COUNCIL HALL
DATE: WEDNESDAY, 6/9/2010
TIME: 7:30 PM

JUNE SOCIAL MEETING

PLACE: K OF C BLESSING COUNCIL HALL
DATE: WEDNESDAY, 6/23/2010
TIME: 7:30 PM

Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

Your brothers of the Blessing Council would like to inform you of the dire situation confronting our council at present time. Your council is in strong need of your membership and involvement in securing its continued existence. Currently, the nominations of next year's slate of Council Officers are due, and we only have a handful of brother Knights who can serve. The attendance at our business and social meetings has shrunk to an alarming low number. At this point in time, the Council has no candidate for Grand Knight. The slate for election is due to the State Director by May 12th.

Brother Knights, consider this a request to join up with us and aid us in restoring Blessing Council to its former glory and assuring its future for generations of Brother Knights to come. The Blessing Council needs your help to do this and push forward our noble work for Church, charity and community. Remember how much the Council has accomplished in the past. Remember how much you have contributed to that accomplishment. Well, the Council needs you again! Please reconsider and join us again! You'll be sure to rekindle old friendships and start new ones. You remember all the good times you had in the past, and in joining us again, you'll be creating new ones going forward.

Brother Knights, please call me at 401-263-3614 or email me at geholt56@gmail.com. I'd love to hear from you, and we'd be grateful if you'd consider coming back to the Council as an active member. If you are interested in serving the Council as Grand Knight or any other officer position, please contact me. We truly need your help in restoring the Monsignor Blessing Council! Remember, "God helps those who help themselves." Please say a silent prayer and ask "What Should I Do?" My personal regards to each of you.

God Bless and Vivat Jesus,

Glenn Holt, Grand Knight

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COMING SOON!

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Chaplain's Report

Patriotism and Memorial Day

In reflecting on this upcoming Memorial Day I can say that I am proud to be a Chaplain in the Knights of Columbus and can greatly identify with our fourth founding principle.

I regularly pray for the safety of our Armed Forces and for all those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for The United States of America. The Knights of Columbus is a Patriotic organization which consistently supports Our Troops and provides materials for spiritual growth and evangelization. In the April edition of Columbia it was reported that over 5000 military Bibles had been purchased and sent to deployed troops, just one example of Patriotism.

In my own experience, I am particularly privileged to participate in the Mass of Christian burial with full Military Honors for fallen veterans or active duty personnel.

Just today I celebrated the Mass of Christian burial of Petty Officer 1st Class William H. Sheldon Jr. (retired). He was a 21 year veteran of the US Navy. Bill was a Seabee in Korea and for two tours of duty in Vietnam where he received a Purple Heart Medal. Seabees are courageous construction workers who build and engineer in combat condition and locations, they carry their own weapons and can defend themselves.

Another recent funeral at Sts John & Paul Church was for an active duty member of the US Army who had served 3 tours in Iraq with an Artillery Battalion, which had arrived back at Schweinfurt, Germany in November of 2009. Staff Sgt. Thomas H. Oakley was struck and killed while aiding a disabled motorist on the Autobahn in Bamberg, Germany on Wednesday, April 14th 2010. He left behind a wife and two children.

Staff Sgt. Thomas H. Oakley was awarded The Army Commendation Medal on the 22nd Day of April 2010. It was awarded From the Headquarters 172D Infantry Brigade and read, "For Heroic acts while assigned to Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 77th Field Artillery. His courage and disregard for his own safety while trying to render aid at the scene of a civilian traffic accident, involved great personal hazard and the voluntary risk of his life. Staff Sergeant Oakley's heroic actions are in keeping with the finest traditions of military

service and reflect distinct credit upon him, the Falcons First Battalion, the Blackhawk Brigade, and the United States Army." Signed: Jeffrey A. Sinclair, Col, Commanding.

I think brave and patriotic men and women in our Armed Forces deserve and receive the continued support of the Knights of Columbus. It is very important that we support The Archdiocese for Military Services, USA. The presence of Catholic Chaplains and Archbishop Broglio bring the hope and sustenance of the Eucharist to our Catholic men and women.

"As is always the case, the men and women in uniform to whom I was privileged to offer a Shepherd's care were so grateful for a visit, a word about the Gospel, and best of all, the efficacious presence of Jesus Christ in whom we serve," said Archbishop Broglio.

Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio, Archbishop of the Archdiocese for the Military Services, in his Memorial Day Letter stated, "As always during this celebration (16th Annual Memorial Day Mass on Sunday May 16th in the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception) service members who have died will be remembered in that most perfect prayer. The living, both active-duty and veterans, will also be included. It is hoped that some of the patients currently at Walter Reed and Bethesda Medical Centers will also participate in the event."

Perhaps we can express our Patriotism this Memorial Day by supporting our military men and women. Archbishop Broglio concluded his letter, "Without you, troops have no hope of receiving the Sacraments or finding comfort in the company of Chaplain Priests. I pray you will find it in your heart to honor those who have died, active duty service members, and veterans, with a financial gift."

For anyone who might want to contact them or contribute.

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"Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord and has made the Lord his hope and confidence." Jeremiah 17:7

Coming Council Events

Business and Social Meeting Switched For May

Grand Knight Glenn Holt has made an executive decision and has switched the Social Meeting with the Business Meeting for May. This means the Social Meeting will be Wednesday, May 12, and the Business Meeting will be Wednesday, May 26.

The Council will be holding a Hail and Farewell for Tom and Delores Del Mastro as they will be moving to Arizona. The Social Meeting will mark Brother Tom's last meeting with our Council. Please join us in bidding fair winds and following seas to the Del Mastros. Please call Cathy Moskosky if you want to bring a food item for refreshments as she has selflessly volunteered her time. Her number is 397-4634.

Fundraisers and Activities Statewide

Spring Yard Sale – St. Lawrence Council

“All types of household goods, clothing and toys – something for everyone!”

Saturday, May 22, 2010

7 AM - 12 NOON

K of C Hall

1835 Mineral Spring Ave., N. Prov., RI
(Across from N. Providence High School)

Clambake – Bishop Hickey Council

Bishop Hickey Council is hosting its 3rd annual clambake. \$23.00 per person and tickets must be purchased by 6/1.

Please contact DGK Allen Winter, Sr. @ 433-5147

Sunday, June 13, 2010 @ 1PM

Peter Sepe Pavillon

50 Asylum Road, Warren, RI
(Off Rte 103 – Child St.)

Ham & Bean Dinner – Sullivan Council

Ham and beans are only part of the main entree. Salad, dressing, Italian and brown bread, and a pastry for dessert.

\$8 for adults, \$5 for children 6-10 yrs. 5 and under free!
For advance ticket purchases or more info contact Real @ 241-3001 or Leo @ 641-3989

Friday, June 18, 2010 @ 4:30-7:30PM

Sullivan Council

20 Claremont St., Central Falls, RI

2010 Rhode Island State Convention

The 2010 RI State Convention will be held May 14-16, 2010 at the Radisson Airport Hotel, 2081 Post Rd. in Warwick. The agenda is as follows:

- The State Dinner will be Friday May 14th at 7:15 PM in the University Ballroom on the second floor. The cash bar starts at 6:30PM
- The meal will be Roast Loin of Pork with Cranberry Apple Cherty. The cost will be \$32.00 per person
- The opening Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Tobin and will be held in the same Ballroom at 8:00AM on Saturday, followed by Coffee 'an.
- The first order of business will be the presenting of the Councils Catholic Charity Donations to the Bishop.
- The Ladies Luncheon will be held in the Hotel on Saturday the 15th at noon, this year's theme is Oriental. The Luncheon will be Fruit Cup, Salad with Oriental Chicken and assorted Pastry dessert, coffee and tea, plus entertainment. The cost is the same as last year, \$27.00 per person.
- The Memorial Mass will be held Saturday evening at 6PM.
- Send your dinner reservations and checks made out to "RI State Council" to A. R. Drywa, 53 Mill Cove Rd., Warwick, RI 02889.
- Room rates this year are:
 - Deluxe Room (2 dbl beds or 1 king bed) \$89.00 Single or Double occupancy plus tax
 - Executive suite (1 King 2/ living room, fridge & microwave) \$109.00 single or double plus tax.
- Call the hotel @ 401-739-3000 for reservation. Mention you are from the Knights of Columbus.

If you have any questions concerning the convention please call "Red" at 401-739-3547 or email redkaye@verizon.net.

Rhode Island K of C 2010 Charity Golf Classic

Sign in at 7:00 am with shotgun start at 7:30 am. Dinner following at Sullivan Council with awards. \$100.00 per person (\$25 per dinner guest) and tickets must be purchased by 6/1. Please contact George Plante, Jr. @ 524-3639

Sunday, June 13, 2010 @ 7AM

Chemawa Golf Course

350 Cushman Rd., North Attleboro, MA

*“My soul finds rest in God alone: My salvation comes from Him.”
Psalms 62:1*



Carl Anderson, Supreme Knight

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Tom Del Mastro

Advocate

Patrick Hurley

Warden

Keith Parent

Inside Guard

James Hall

One Year Trustee

Bill Moskowsky

Two Year Trustee

Earl Mahar

Three Year Trustee

James Woolley

Successful Tootsie Roll Drive by Knights and Squires!!



Past Chief Squire Alex Cote accepts a donation from a Stop and Shop Customer during the annual Tootsie Roll Drive. Squire Stephen Smith is in the background

The Knights of the Monsignor Blessing Council and the Squires of the Father Leo Anttil Circle held their annual Tootsie Roll Drive to assist our Special Needs population. PGK Earl Mahar and Chancellor John Deary coordinated the Knights drive while Counselor Keith Parent coordinated the Squires efforts.

The Knights worked the Centreville Bank while the Squires worked at Stop and Shop on Thursday and Friday. They also worked at Benny's on Saturday. The final total collected by the Knights was \$673, while the Squires collected \$1,086.

Another fantastic job by the Blessing Council Knights and the Fr. Anttil Circle Squires! Well done to all who participated, and we all look forward to next year's drive!

"Tell the heavens and earth to celebrate and sing! Command every mountain to join in song!" Isaiah 49:13

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Rhode Island State Deputy Steven Ciolfi