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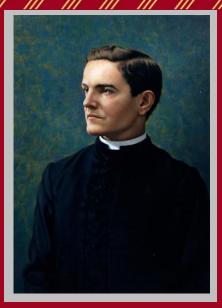
THE LOOKOUT



Knights of Columbus

Monsignor Peter Blessing Council #5273

Coventry, Rhode Island



FATHER MICHAEL McGIVNEY OUR FOUNDER

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY COLUMBUS CLUB MEETING

PLACE: K OF C BLESSING COUNCIL HALL

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 7/7/2010

TIME: 7:30 PM

JULY BUSINESS MEETING

PLACE: BLESSING COUNCIL HALL DATE: WEDNESDAY, 7/14/2010

TIME: 7:30 PM

AUGUST COLUMBUS CLUB MEETING

PLACE: K OF C BLESSING COUNCIL HALL

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 8/4/2010

TIME: 7:30 PM

AUGUST BUSINESS MEETING

PLACE: BLESSING COUNCIL HALL DATE: WEDNESDAY, 8/11/2010

TIME: 7:30 PM

Grand Knight's Message

Worthy Brothers,

I hope you are well. We all have defining moments in our lives. They are occasions that change our perspective and hopefully help us grow in the Lord and closer to God. Some are perceived as good - Confirmation, marriage, a new job, a promotion and the birth of a daughter or son. Some are perceived as sad or even tragic - the death of a loved one, divorce, loss of job, home or loss of faith. All have the unique ability to make us review our priorities and set our priorities a little differently.

As my first year as Grand Knight closes, I, too, am seeing a defining moment with the Knights of Columbus. Try and pray, with the dedication and with much harder diligence, of some brothers, we have tried to resurrect the Coventry Columbus Club and the Msgr Blessing Council. Alas it appears that the Columbus Club will become a memory in the minds hearts of those Brothers and their wives who sacrificed to make the home possible. I have gained a unique understanding and appreciation for all they did.

As Jesus said which is related in John 12:24 "I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies it remains only a single seed, but if it dies it produces many seeds?" The Columbus Club has run a good and faithful course. It is now time for the seed to fall and produce many more seeds.

I look forward to establishing our new home in SS John & Paul Parish where we will have the opportunity to sow the new seeds and grow Msgr Blessing Council to a leading light for Rhode Island and to be a model for other Councils to follow.

Please make every effort to join us at for the Council Business meeting on Wednesday July 14th and also for August's Columbus Club meeting on Wednesday, August 4th. Both meetings start at 7:30 PM and are at the Council Hall on Rte 116 in Coventry. Come and let your voice be heard. Most of all pray for the Columbus Club, the Council and your officers that we follow God's will and that you will be able to help us grow.

God Bless and Vivat Jesu!

Glenn Holt, Grand Knight

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RHODE ISLAND'S PRO-LIFE **EDUCATIONAL EVENT OF THE DECADE**

RIRTL 40th Anniversary Convention - Saturday, July 31st at the **Portsmouth Abbev**

Register Early @ www.rirtl.org/priorityone/ • Registration Fee (includes lunch) \$30 Adults / \$15 Students (add \$5 after 7/21/10) 8:30 - 9:30 Registration (Coffee & Snacks in Registration Area) 9:30 - 10:15 Opening General Session

Invocation: TBA

Welcome & Opening Remarks: Barth E. Bracy, Executive Director of **Rhode Island Right to Life**

Keynote Address - Making a Difference

Wanda Franz, Ph.D., President of the National Right to Life Committee Dr. Franz is retired from her position as Professor of Child Development and Family Studies at West Virginia University. Since 1991, she has served as President of the National Right to Life Committee, the nation's largest pro-life group with affiliates in all 50 states and approximately 3,000 local chapters nationwide. Dr. Franz is president of the Association for Interdisciplinary Research in Values and Social Change. She has published numerous articles on post-abortion syndrome, adolescents and abortion, and the cognitive approach to educational issues. She has spoken on abortion and euthanasia in Australia, New Zealand, Poland, Colombia, Sweden, Russia, Egypt, Italy, the Czech Republic, the Netherlands, and across the United States. Dr. Franz has been profiled and quoted in a wide range of publications, including: The New York Times, The

Washington Post, USA Today, U.S. News and World Report, and the Washington Times. She has appeared on numerous television and radio programs, including: National Public Radio, The MacNeil/Lehrer Newshour, CBS This Morning, and NBC's Today. Dr. Franz also hosts National Right to Life's national daily radio commentary, Pro-Life Perspective, which airs on more than 200 outlets nationwide. 10:30 - 11:15 General Session

Deadly Compassion - Euthanasia & Assisted Suicide Rita Marker, J.D., Director of the International Task Force on **Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide**

Atty. Marker is a former adjunct professor of Political Science & Ethics at the Franciscan University of Steubenville, and author of the critically acclaimed book, Deadly Compassion. She has been the executive director of the International Task Force on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide since it began in 1987, and has made presentations and debated in Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, France, Belgium, England, Australia, Canada, Colombia, Switzerland, Slovenia and throughout the **United States.**

11:30 - 12:15 Break Out Session 1

Participants must choose one from the following three concurrent presentations.

"Revenge of the Aborted Fetus" - Adverse Medical Effects of Abortion Ralph P. Miech, M.D, Ph.D.

Dr. Miech is an Associate Professor Emeritus of Molecular Pharmacology, Physiology & Biotechnology, Warren Albert Medical School of Brown University, and a member of the Catholic Medical Association.

Will abortion be declared an international right? Susan Yoshihara, Ph.D.

Dr. Yoshihara is the Vice President and Director of Research for the Catholic Family & Human Rights Institute (C-FAM). She is also a RIRTL board member and trustee of our Educational Trust Fund.

"The Pain of the Unborn" - The Groundbreaking Nebraska Law Paul Mancini, Esq. & Doreen Ciancaglini, M.D.

Atty. Mancini is a former RIRTL board member. Dr. Ciancaglini is a Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics, specializing in the care of infants, children, and adolescents from her North Providence practice.

12:30 - 1:15 Lunch

1:30 - 2:15 Break Out Session 2

Participants must choose one from the following three concurrent presentations.

Planned Parenthood's War Against Children

Angela Franks, Ph.D.

Dr. Franks holds a Ph.D. in Systematic Theology, is the Co-Associate Director of the M.A. in Ministry program at St. John's Seminary in Brighton, Mass., and authored the book, Margaret Sanger's Eugenic

Effective Pro-Life Citizens' Lobbying

Moderator - Ernest Greco, Ph.D.

Dr. Greco is an Associate Professor of Political Science at Roger Williams University, member of the Catholic League for Religious and Civil Rights, and founding member of the Rhode Island Declaration. Panelists: Honorable Members of the R.I. General Assembly Pro-Life Caucus State Reps. Arthur Corvese, Joanne Giannini, Peter Palumbo Back to the Future: The History of the Pro-Life Movement in Rhode Island

Moderator - Henry Monti, Esq.

Atty. Monti is a past president of the R.I. Trial Lawyers Association and former RIRTL board member.

Panelist - Mildred Jefferson, M.D.

Dr. Jefferson is a co-founder and 3-term president of the National Right to Life Committee.

Panelist - M. Dianne Manning

Mrs. Manning is a co-founder and current board chairperson of RIRTL. Panelist - William P. McKenna

Mr. McKenna is a former state representative and former RIRTL board chairperson.

2:30 - 3:15 Break Out Session 3

Participants must choose one from the following three concurrent presentations.

Cutting Edge Developments in Stem Cell Research & Biotechnology Rev. Fr. Nicanor P.G. Austriaco, O.P., Ph.D., S.T.L.

Fr. Nic is an Assistant Professor of Biology and Adjunct Instructor of Theology at Providence College, Scientific Advisor to the National Catholic Bioethics Quarterly, Consultant on Science and Human Values to the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, and Advisor to

End-of-Life Issues: Living Wills / Power of Attorney / Advance **Directives / Palliative Care**

Moderator - William P. McKenna

Mr. McKenna is a former state representative and former RIRTL board chairperson.

Panelist - Catherine Graziano, R.N., Ph.D.

Dr. Graziano is a former Professor of Nursing / Chair of the Nursing Department at Salve Regina University and former board member of RIRTL. As a state senator, she authored our state law against assisted suicide.

Panelist - Daniel S. Harrop, M.D.

Dr. Harrop is a psychiatrist and former faculty member at the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University and Harvard University Medical School. He is a member of the Catholic Medical Association. Panelist - Luc R. Labrosse, Esq.

Attorney Labrosse specializes in the areas of Estate Planning, Elder Law, and Medicaid related legal matters. He is a member of the R.I. **Bar Association Probate Committee and National Academy of Elder** Law Attorneys.

Forming Pro-Life Chapters, Religious Outreach & Youth Clubs Jonathan Rogers, Field Coordinator for the National Right to Life Committee

3:30 - 4:00 Closing General Session

2010 RIRTL Student Oratory Contest Winners with Special Introduction by Dr. Mildred Jefferson

Closing Remarks: Barth E. Bracy, Executive Director of Rhode Island **Right to Life**

Closing Prayer: TBA

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Coming Council Events

PAWSOX GAME – Thursday, August 19th!



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The Fr. Leo Anctil Columbian Squires Circle is happy to announce the third annual Squires Pawtucket Red Sox Game Outing on Thursday, August 19th at the McCoy Stadium. The PawSox are taking on the Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs. The game starts at 7:05PM. The Circle would like to invite the Brother Knights of the Monsignor Blessing Council to join us in seeing a great baseball game! To buy tickets, please contact Deputy Grand Knight and Chief Counselor Neil Fidler (823-8526) with how many tickets you wish to buy. Families are most certainly welcome!

Fundraisers and Activities Statewide

Grand Knight Workshop Saturday, July 17, 2010 @ 8AM Dillon Council 1675 Douglas Ave., N. Providence, RI

Coffee 'an 8-9. Meeting starts at 9. Lunch starts at noon. Meetings ends at 3PM. Dress is business casual. Our new Supreme Membership Program Consultant Tom Ciborski will be present. Reelected and newly elected Grand Knights and council representatives are asked to attend. Come meet your new District Deputies. Information on membership recruiting, next year meeting dates, new state activities, and upcoming events will be presented.

K of C Family Picnic at Francis Farm

The Rhode Island State Council Knights of Columbus cordially invites YOU and YOUR FAMILY to a day of FUN, FOOD & GAMES!

Lunch: Clam Cakes & Chowder

Dinner: BBQ Chicken, Salad, Ziti, Watermelon Tickets: Adults - \$25, Children 12 & under - \$15

Liquor Raffle: All councils are asked to participate by making

a liquor bottle donation to our raffle!

Date: August 22, 2010 Time: 11:30am - 4:30pm

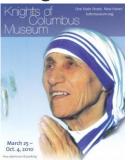
Where: Francis Farm, 27 Francis Farm Road, Rehoboth, MA

(GPS: 151 County St.)

Please RSVP with payment by August 8 to Mike Dziok, 21 Ryder Lane, Cumberland, RI 02864 mdziok1067@aol.com

Checks made payable to: RI State Council K of C

K of C Bus Trip to Knights of Columbus Museum



MOTHER TERESA
Life, Spirituality and Message

Sunday, September 19, 2010

St. Thomas More Council 13500 presents its Second Annual Fish and Clam Fry – An afternoon for the whole family – at the Knights of Columbus Museum from 1PM to 4PM. Menu to include fried fish, clam strips, clam chowder, onion rings, French fries, hot dogs, humburgers, beverages. The itinerary as follows:

9am - Bus leaves from Cranston Council, 1047 Park Ave., Cranston

12 noon - Mass at St. Mary's Church, New Haven, CT

1PM - Arrive K of C Museum, New Haven, CT

1-4PM – Fish and Clam Fry at Museum and tour of Mother Teresa Exhibit

5PM - Bus leaves Museum

7PM - Bus returns to Cranston Council

Entertainment featuring "Silks n' Sounds" Woman Chorus of Hamden, CT.

\$65 per person which includes the Fish and Clam Fry. Checks payable to RI STATE COUNCIL K of C and sent to GK Allen Winter, Sr., 85 Ferncrest Drive, Riverside, RI 02915. Deadline for tickets: August 19th

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Carl Anderson, Supreme Knight

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NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF MARRIAGE RHODE ISLAND

This summer is shaping up to be a very exciting time for marriage and family in Rhode Island. Please take the time and set aside these two dates on your calendar:

- Sunday July 18th Marriage and Family Rally on the steps of the Rhode Island State
- Sunday August 15th The 2nd Annual Celebrate Marriage and Family Day

Multiple sources agree, Rhode Island Speaker of the House Gordon Fox must have used every bit of his political leverage to avoid having homosexual-marriage hearings in Rhode Island this legislative session. Undoubtedly part

of that leverage was a promise to pass homosexual marriage as soon as a more favorable governor assumes office in January. As such the fight to protect marriage as God designed it will come down to the November elections in Rhode Island. If Rhode Islander's do not vote in a shift in power in the House of Representatives and remove Speaker Fox from the most powerful position in Rhode Island, Rhode Island will be the next New England state to legalize homosexual marriage. And unlike Maine, we do not have the option of a people's veto; it all comes down to the legislature.

As a result these two events are hugely important as NOM and NOM - Rhode Island work to raise awareness of the issues to Rhode Island voters and the media. We need as many partners in this fight as possible calling people out to the events and even providing speakers for the rally on July 18th.

The Summer for Marriage Tour 2010 - July 18th

On Sunday July 18th from 2 - 3 PM NOM Rhode Island is pleased to host the National Organization for Marriage's "Summer for Marriage Tour 2010." Please plan on joining us at the Rhode Island State House south steps overlooking downtown Providence that afternoon for music and speakers as we rally to promote and protect marriage between one man and one woman. And make sure to keep an eye out for the NOM RV as it travels this summer starting in Bangor, ME, as far west as St. Louis, MO, before returning to our nation's capital in August.

2nd Annual Celebrate Marriage and Family Day – August 15th

One month later, on August 15th, join us for NOM Rhode Island's 2nd Annual Celebrate Marriage and Family Day at the Aldrich Mansion in Warwick as we party around the theme of "The Blessing of Family." This fun-filled day was a huge success last time and promises to be even better this year. The gates will open at 2:30 PM that Sunday and local musicians Servant Song will get the day rolling with their first set at 3:00. There will be wonderful food, fun activities for children, family-focused competitions, a free icecream social, and a special time of blessing for families. We are privileged to have as our speaker Mr. Glenn Stanton. Focus on the Family's Director of Family Formation Studies. Entry into the event is FREE of charge. You may bring a picnic lunch or purchase meal tickets for a delicious meal catered by the Aldrich Mansion staff.

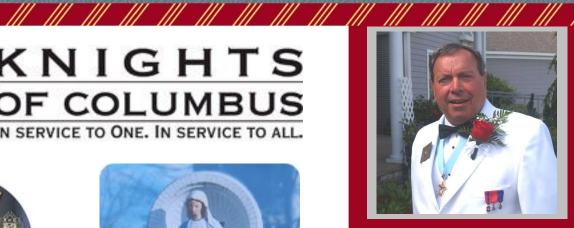
Early bird adult tickets cost \$9.00 prior to July 24th with children's tickets costing \$7.00. After July 24th tickets will be \$10.00 and \$8.00 respectively. Visit www.nomri.org for details. Please consider helping to underwrite the 2nd Annual Celebrate Marriage and Family Day by making a tax deductible donation to the NOM Rhode Island Education Fund. Thank you for your generous support. If you would like to volunteer to help out with the planning or activities for this special time please email us at cplante@nationformarriage.org. The Summer for Marriage Tour 2010 and the Celebrate Marriage and Family Day are key events as Rhode Islanders maintain their defense of marriage starting in our own families, throughout our neighborhoods, and into the ballot box in November. Please be sure to join us for both of these special times and invite your friends. Together we will protect marriage and strengthen our families.

Blessed are they who keep his statutes and seek him with all their heart. Psalm 119:2









Rhode Island State Deputy John Marcello

