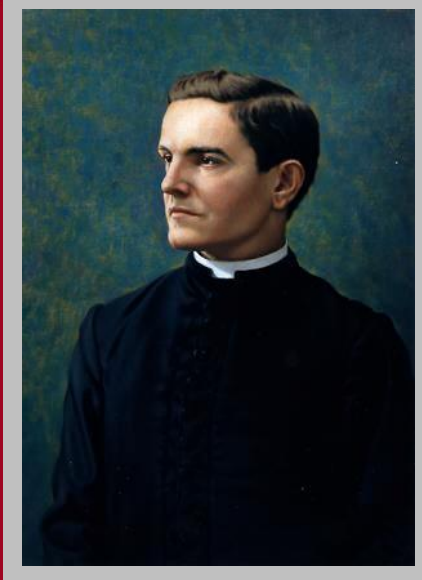




Happy New Year!

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY BUSINESS MEETING

PLACE: ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH HALL
DATE: MONDAY, 1/10/2011
TIME: 7:30 PM

JANUARY SOCIAL MEETING

PLACE: TBD
DATE: TBD
TIME: TBD

FEBRUARY BUSINESS MEETING

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Grand Knight's Corner

Worthy Brothers,

I hope you are well

I would think that most have heard or read the parable of the prodigal son. Imagine yourself as the prodigal son. You have left home, squandered all your resources and are now pretty destitute. You may think of what things are like back at home. It always looks better in retrospect. You really don't know how they are nor do you know for sure that your father or brother are still alive. You may think that your actions are so bad and hurtful that you may never be accepted back even if they are alive.

Wouldn't it be good if you could find out at least how they are? Would you ask around? Maybe a person would even approach you. They may recognize you, "Hey aren't you Fred's son? You know your Father hasn't been the same since you left." Would you believe them? Could you look past yourself far enough to see that maybe you are missed, past your sins? Perhaps this is what awakened the Prodigal son to go home. Just one little voice to help him take his eyes from himself and to his father. Just one little reminder that our actions may hurt us, but maybe there is someone we hurt more, but they are waiting for us to come home.

We are called to be that small voice. We are called to remind the world, one person at a time, that our Father has not been the same since they left. That they are missed. That our Father seeks them out, in fact sent his only son to make it easier for them to come home. Won't you tell someone today that their Father in heaven has not been the same since they left? Maybe just remind them that our father is looking for them and is prepared to kill the fattened calf in celebration for their return. That they can have live better than what they can even imagine and not have to barely subsist on the cornhusks and slop that the world offers.

During this season of Advent and Christmas let us remember why Jesus was born and why we decided to become Knights and Brothers in support of the mission of our Catholic Faith. Let us support our Brothers and together show a hurting population that our Father is not just waiting for them, but longing and aching for their return.

I want to wish all a very Joyous Christmas and an even better New Year

God Bless and Vivat Jesu!
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Chaplain's Report

Dear Brother Knights:

As we are in the Advent-Christmas Season it is good to recall that "Jesus is the Reason for the Season". He is also the reason for every season because He, along with the Father and the Holy Spirit designed, made and sustains all creation in the Universe out of a great and abiding LOVE!

What you have just read may sound like nothing new to you but to many, many people today these thoughts sound strange and questionable.

We, as Knights of Columbus and as Catholic men, are representatives of all that it means to be Catholics in relationship with this Jesus and the Father and the Holy Spirit. This Blessed Trinity gives meaning and purpose to every moment of our lives. It all counts!

So, in the midst of the countless Christmas songs we will hear (some of which are religious), the countless advertisements we will see and/or hear, the parties at work and at homes that we may attend and more, let us remember in the forefront of our minds that "Jesus is the Reason for the Season".

Most of all, as we attend Holy Mass on Christmas (and every Sunday and Holy Day - Dec. 8th this Month) let us truly rejoice that God loves us so much He became one of us that we might become more like Him.

May God Bless you and your families and friends this Advent-Christmas Season.

Fr. Michael Kelley - K of C Chaplain for Mgsr. Blessing Council.

LaSalette Shrine Visit



Knights, Squires and family members with Past Chaplain Fr. Robert Forcier at St. Paul's Church, Cranston.

On Sunday, November 28, Brother Knights of the Msgr. Blessing Council and Squires from the Fr. Leo Anctil Circle attended Mass at St. Paul's Church in Cranston. Our former Council Chaplain and Squires Father Prior, Father Robert Forcier was the celebrant of the 9:30AM Mass. After the Mass, the Squires presented Father with a Certificate of Appreciation for his service to the Circle from 2007 to 2010. It was great seeing Father again, and we all wished him well with his new assignment. Afterward, some of the Knights and Squires headed over to Denny's at Centre of New England for a delicious brunch.

*"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!"
— 2 Corinthians 5:17*

LaSalette Shrine Visit

Friday, December 17



In lieu of the December Social Meeting, the Council and Squires Circle will be visiting the LaSalette Shrine in Attleboro on Friday, December 17. If you would like to drive down with the Squires, the Circle will be meeting at the Hopkins Hill Park and Ride for departure @ 6:30PM. If you have any questions, please contact Deputy Grand Knight Neil Fidler @ 401-632-7922.

STATEWIDE ACTIVITIES

Annual State Council Pro-Life Dinner



Where: Warwick Council #2295, 475 Sandy Lane, Warwick, RI.
When: Saturday, January 25, 2011 at 7:00 pm. For reservations, please call Mike & Patricia Krzywonos 401-726-6323. Send your payment (Check payable to: Rhode Island State Council) and guest list to: Mike Krzywonos, 34 Blackburn Street, Pawtucket, RI 02861

Faithful Fridays

Brothers!

Join our mission in prayer to end abortion. We meet at Planned Parenthood, 111 Point Street, Providence, or the Women's Medical Center, 1725 Broad Street, Cranston for one hour between 7AM and 7PM. If you can't join us, please pledge a Rosary during that time period. You can do this while you are driving to work, in between errands or picking the children up from school. Please help us end abortion by praying the Rosary. If you would like more information contact Mike Krzywonos (401-474-2285) or Ray Piccirilli (401-644-3699). Email is 40dflri@gmail.com

Thank you, Mike Krzywonos - Pro Life Chairman

Project Gabriel Fund

Brothers and Sir Knights

As the Pro Life Chairman I'm writing to all of my Brother and Sir Knights to ask all the Councils and Assemblies in the State to help raise enough money to purchase an Ultrasound machine for Project Gabriel (an outreach program by the Diocese).

If YOUR Council or Assembly could have a fundraiser or make a donation to help raise the needed monies for this very worthy and important cause I would be very grateful. Bishop Tobin has a great interest in pursuing this project as does the Secretary of Catholic Charities/Social Ministry under which the Office of Life and Family Ministry works. I would be willing to help in any way possible if needed. Feel free to call me at (401-474-2285) also you can email me at msk551@cox.net. Please mention this at YOUR Council and Assembly meetings.

Checks should be made out to the Gabriel Project and mailed to: C. Owens, Diocese of Providence, 184 Broad Street, Providence, RI 02903.

Project Gabriel: The Gabriel Project reaches out to woman who are pregnant, desperate and in need through a confidential intervention program to help make things easier for mothers to be in a local and personal way. They also offer access to Social Ministries and serve as a conduit to the assistance available through other agencies. The Project Gabriel message is a profound commitment not only to the unborn but also to their mothers.

The Knights of Columbus Ultrasound Initiative: The Knights of Columbus launched an initiative aimed at providing women considering abortion a new way of viewing the life within them. The Ultrasound Initiative seeks to provide pro life pregnancy centers with modern technology to monitor the health of babies in utero and to allow mothers to visually experience their development. The Supreme Council will match half of the machine's cost.

Thank you in advance for all of your help and support
Mike Krzywonos - Pro Life Chairman

"Those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." – Isaiah 40:31



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PHOTOS



Knights, Squires and Families with Fr. Forcier at St. Paul's Church



Knights and Squires attending the URI football game on Nov. 6.

"Do not withhold good from those who deserve it, when it is in your power to act. Do not say to your neighbor, 'Come back later; I'll give it tomorrow'- when you now have it with you." – Proverbs 3:27-28

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Rhode Island State Deputy John Marcello

A NEW YEAR PRAYER

O God of new beginnings and wonderful surprises, thank you for the gift of a new year. May it be a time of grace for me, a time to grow in faith and love, a time to renew my commitment to following Your Son, Jesus. May it be a year of blessing for me, a time to cherish my family and friends, a time to renew my efforts at work, a time to embrace my faith more fully. Walk with me, please, in every day and every hour of this new year, that the light of Christ might shine through me, in spite of my weaknesses and failings. Above all, may I remember this year that I am a pilgrim on the sacred path to You.

Amen