



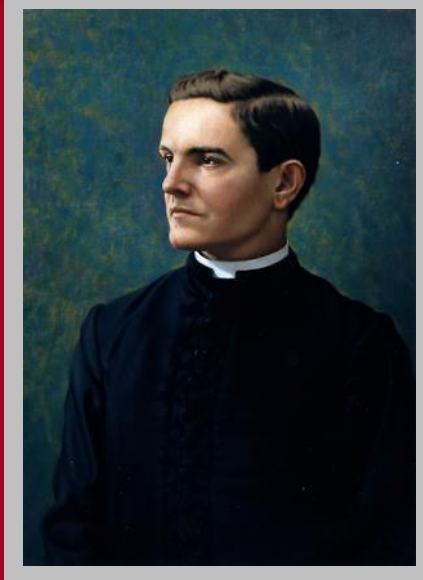
THE LOOKOUT

1962-2012 CELEBRATING OUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY

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

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**FATHER MICHAEL MCGIVNEY
OUR FOUNDER**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SPECIAL COLUMBUS CLUB MEETING

PLACE: ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH HALL
DATE: MONDAY, 10/3/2011
TIME: 7:00PM

URI FOOTBALL GAME (w/ SQUIRES)

PLACE: MEADE STADIUM, URI CAMPUS,
DATE: SATURDAY, 10/8/2011
TIME: 1:00PM
LEAVE FROM HOPKINS HILL PARK AND RIDE AT
11AM SHARP

OCTOBER BUSINESS MEETING

PLACE: ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH HALL
DATE: MONDAY, 10/17/2011
TIME: 7:30PM

CLERGY APPRECIATION NIGHT

PLACE: WEST VALLEY INN, WEST WARWICK
DATE: THURSDAY, 11/3/2011
TIME: COCKTAILS -6:30PM, DINNER-7:00PM

NOVEMBER BUSINESS MEETING

PLACE: ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH HALL
DATE: MONDAY, 11/14/2011
TIME: 7:30PM



Grand Knight's Corner

Worthy Brothers, I pray you are well. Happy Columbus Day!

We continued our 50th Anniversary celebration with our first annual Blessing Council Family Picnic on Saturday, September 10, at Goddard Park in Warwick. God blessed us with a beautiful day and a great turnout by both Knights and Squires and their families! I would like to thank Brother Keith Parent for doing a fantastic job planning and setting up the picnic. Well done, brother! We had plenty of fun activities such as sack races, water balloon toss, badminton and touch football. For those Brother Knights who attended, you know what a great time we had. For those of you who were not able to attend, I pray to see you and your families there next year!

We have welcomed another Brother Knight into our Council. Brother Brian Smith went through his first and second degree at a joint exemplification at Sacred Heart Church in Woonsocket. Brother Alan Ogrodnik also made his 2nd degree that day. I know you will join me in welcoming our new Brother Knight. I've just been informed that there will be a Third Degree Exemplification at the end of October on Thursday, the 27th at St. Phillip Council in Greenville. For you 2nd Degree Knights who just went through your exemplification, I pray you will be able to make it.

Brothers, I attended the September State Meeting at the Father Boehr Council in Tiverton on 9/23. I was able to finally meet our State Chaplain, Father Joseph Paquette, and he spoke about how he thought the Councils in the State should do a better job of reemphasize to religious aspect of our order. That was a very interesting comment to make because I have recently spoken with a few people recently on that very same topic. How very simple and easy that is for us to do. Think about it. What aspect does God and our Catholic Faith play in our lives? Is it simply just going to Mass once a week and attending Knights meetings and activities? Or do you pray at least once a day and keep Christ in your heart always?

I have found it is very easy, especially when things are going well, to forget about God. But you know what? When things are going well, that's exactly the time to give thanks to God for what you have. Always have God foremost in your mind in all that you do. Pray as often as you can. Give thanks for all you have.

God Bless and Vivat Jesu!
Neil Fidler, Grand Knight

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Chaplain's Report

Dear Brother Knights,

There are two months of the year that seem to be the most colorful in nature. They are May and October. It is no coincidence that these two months are dedicated to Our Blessed Mother - May being the "Month of Mary" and October being "the Month of the Holy Rosary."

At each monthly meeting of our council we take a few moments to check if we are carrying our rosaries with us. If not we must pay a \$2.00 fine which goes towards our council's treasury, I believe. This is a good way to encourage one another to not only have a set of rosary beads with us but also to pray them even in public, at times.

I received a recent announcement that on October 15th at 12 noon at the Majestic Gazebo in Arctic (West Warwick) there will be a public recitation of the Holy Rosary. It is sponsored by "America Needs Fatima." It will be held in over 7,000 places in the United States that day. I am told it will be offered for offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and to fervently pray for the conversion of all people of the United States of America. This can be very effective for good. You may have heard but it's good to recall that Blessed John Paul II had a great devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. He would often make it a point to pray the rosary at churches where he would visit. A man of his stature and holiness praying the rosary is quite a moving sight.

On October 16th, 2002 then Pope John Paul II promulgated (released) an "Apostolic Letter of the Supreme Pontiff to the Bishops, Clergy and Faithful called "On the Holy Rosary of the Virgin Mary". He said it is simple and profound at the same time. He said it is a effective spiritual weapon against the evils afflicting society. He says many other things in this 34 page document. Why not look it up and read part of all of it this month. It will make our carrying and praying the rosary (in private or public) a more significant prayer.

May God Bless each of you,

Fr. Michael Kelley, Chaplain, Msgr. Blessing Council

Stephen Del Deo – Insurance Field Agent

Worthy Brothers, if you didn't already know our Insurance Field Agent is Brother Stephen J. Del Deo and he is a member of our Council. For information about the excellent insurance benefits the Knights of Columbus has to offer, please contact Brother Stephen at the contact information below:



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Clergy Appreciation Night

When: Thursday, November 3 @ 6:30PM

Where: West Valley Inn, West Warwick, RI



An appreciation dinner for our clergy will be held on Thursday, November 3, at the West Valley Inn in West Warwick. Cocktails will start at 6:30PM and dinner at 7:00PM. Cost is \$30.00 per person. Due to the generosity of the Harrop Family Foundation, there is NO COST for members of the Clergy. If you are planning on attending, please RSVP GK Neil Fidler at 401-632-7922 by October 15.

"Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted." – Hebrews 2:18

Third Degree Exemplification

There will be a Third Degree Exemplification coming up on Thursday, October 27, at St. Philip Council in Greenville. Details are as follows:

Location: St. Philip Council, 618 Putnam Pike, Greenville, RI

Host: District Deputy John S Segrave-Daly

Time: Candidates Arrive: 6:30 PM,

Ceremonial Begins: 7:00 PM

We have seven new Brother Knights who are 2nd Degree and need to obtain their 3rd Degree. Those Knights as well as their sponsors are requested to attend that exemplification. Also, all Brother Knights are invited to go along – we just need to provide a firm number to the Host Council prior to the Exemplification. Please contact GK Neil Fidler at 632-7922 if you are available to go no later than the October Business Meeting on the 17th.

Retention Committee Info

Any Brother Knight who needs a ride to a meeting and/or an event is encouraged to call GK Neil Fidler @ 401-632-7922 or DGK David Tanski @ 401-615-2824. Also, the retention committee consists of Chairman David Tanski, GK Neil Fidler, PGK Glenn Holt and Brother Jim Hall. The committee is looking for more volunteers to help out. Brother Knights who are interested in joining our committee please contact either the GK or the DGK.

This Month in Blessing Council History

Columbus Day Activities Over the Years

October has always been a very active month for Msgr. Blessing Council. The Council has sponsored and march in 27 parades right here in Coventry to honor the namesake of The Knights of Columbus, the first modern European to step foot in the New World and a Catholic. These parades have included the High School Band from Coventry High, the Coventry Police Department, Veterans, floats, antique cars, and featured Pro-Life themes. The members of Blessing Council still walk in Columbus Day parades in other locals, most notably Federal Hill in Providence. These parades are a source of unity and serve to remind the public of who we are and what we do and, of course, are a joy to children and families.



Blessing Council Family Picnic

A Great Time Had By All!

What a fantastic time everyone had at the First Annual Blessing Council Family Picnic! God blessed us with a beautiful day as the sun was shining and we enjoyed temperatures in the mid 70's. God also blessed us with a great turnout of Knights and Squires with their families. There were plenty of activities and great fun and not to mention great food! Brother Keith Parent did a wonderful job planning and setting up everything. It was a great way to kick off the 50th anniversary of our sponsoring Council. We look forward to next year's picnic too!

Squires Installation of Officers and Awards Night

When: Monday, October 24 @ 7PM

Where: Saints John and Paul Parish Hall

The Father Leo Anttila Columbian Squires Circle will be holding it's third annual Installation of Officers and Awards Ceremony on Monday, October 24 at 7PM, at the Saints John and Paul Parish Hall. The evening will start off with a Pot-Luck Dinner. The Squires would like to invite all the Brother Knights orf their sponoring Council to attend. You are also encouraged to bring a dish or two for the Pot-Luck. After the dinner, the Installation of Officers ceremony will start. After the installation, we will have our Columbian Year 2010-11 Awards ceremony. State Deputy John Marcello will be on hand to present the Corps d'Elite Award to the Circle. This is always a great event with outstanding food so please make every effort to be there.

St. Vincent de Paul Parish Harvest Bazaar

Our Chaplain, Father Kelley, has requested the Knights help out with the setup of the St. Vincent de Paul Parish Harvest Bazaar. This will take place the week of October 31 – November 4. The Council and Squires Circle may be called upon to setup table, help with displays, etc. Also, the Knights and Squires may have a table set up during the Bazaar for recruiting purposes. This is a great opportunity for our Council to become visible in another Parish that we serve.

"When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." – John 8:12



Carl Anderson, Supreme Knight



John Marcello, State Deputy

Council Officers:

Chaplain

Rev. Michael Kelley

Grand Knight

Neil Fidler

Financial Secretary

John Tally

Deputy Grand Knight

David Tanski

Chancellor

John Deary

Recorder

John Ball

Treasurer

Glenn Holt

Advocate

Patrick Hurley

Warden

Russell Maxwell

Inside Guard

James Hall

Inside Guard

Tim Maynard

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Richard Belanger

Two Year Trustee

Earl Mahar

Three Year Trustee

James Woolley

Insurance Agent

Stephen Del Deo

Photos from the Family Picnic

