



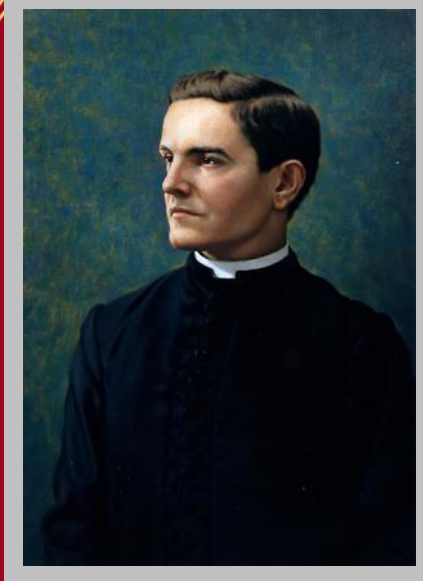
THE LOOKOUT

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MONSIGNOR PETER BLESSING COUNCIL #5273
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FATHER MICHAEL MCGIVNEY
OUR FOUNDER

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

CLERGY APPRECIATION NIGHT

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

1ST/2ND DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

PLACE: SS JOHN AND PAUL PARISH CENTER
DATE: MONDAY, 11/7/2011
TIME: 5:30PM

DECEASED BROTHERS MEMORIAL MASS

PLACE: ST. MARY'S PARISH, WEST WARWICK
DATE: THURSDAY, 11/10/2011
TIME: 7:00PM

NOVEMBER BUSINESS MEETING

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

CHRISTMAS PARTY

PLACE: SS JOHN AND PAUL PARISH CENTER
DATE: MONDAY, 12/5/2011
TIME: 6:30PM

LASALLE SHRINE VISIT

LEAVE FROM: HOPKINS HILL PARK & RIDE
DATE: FRIDAY, 12/9/2011
TIME: 6:30PM
DINNER AT HOUSE OF PIZZA, PAWTUCKET

DECEMBER BUSINESS MEETING

PLACE: ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH HALL
DATE: MONDAY, 12/12/2011
TIME: 7:30PM



Grand Knight's Corner

Worthy Brothers, I pray you are well.

Here it is November already. In a few weeks we will be celebrating Veterans Day and not long after Thanksgiving. Amazing! My parents weren't kidding when they said time would fly as you get older. What that also means from a Columbian Year standpoint is that we are nearly halfway done. We've accomplished quite a bit since July, but there is much work to do.

Over the past month, I met with the pastors of the three parishes that we serve concerning our Round Tables. Father Kelley at St. Vincent de Paul, Father Grenon at Saints John and Paul and Father Lemoi at Our Lady of Good Counsel were all very receptive to the idea of a Round Table. As I mentioned at our last business meeting, you are a member of the round table for your parish. You also may be called upon to help with the Round Tables at the other parishes depending on the tasks and workload asked of us. Brothers, this is exactly what we should be doing as a Council – helping and supporting our parish priests. Our worthy Past Grand Knight Dick Belanger has volunteered to be the SSJP Round Table Coordinator and worthy Past Grand Knight and current Treasurer Glenn Holt has volunteered to be the SVP Round Table Coordinator. We are working on identifying an OLGC Round Table Coordinator. We will be circling back with our pastors very soon, so please stand by to help out our parishes.

Well, you know what comes after November – December and Christmas time! This year we have decided to bring back the Christmas Party. The party will be held @ 6:30PM on Monday, December 5th, at Saints John and Paul Parish Center. It will be a Pot-Luck dinner so we'll be asking you to bring something to the dinner. Worthy Past Grand Knight Glenn Holt is the committee chairman, and I know he will appreciate your help as will I.

To all the Veterans of the Council, my wife Karen and I would like to thank you for your service and wish you a Happy Veterans Day. We would also like to wish you and your families a very Happy Thanksgiving and we pray for God's blessings on you all.

God Bless and Vivat Jesu!
Neil Fidler, Grand Knight

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Chaplain's Report

Dear Brother Knights,

As we are now in the month of November there are several themes that come to my mind to write to you about.

The first is our wonderful Catholic practice of praying for the living and the dead and the second is giving thanks to God in all circumstances. The two are related.

Praying for the living and the dead is what we call a spiritual work of mercy. It is one of seven spiritual works of mercy. I'm sure many times you have prayed for deceased persons. We pray that God would be merciful to them. If they are in Purgatory we pray that their time there would be shortened and that soon they would enjoy the fullness of the joys of Heaven.

I understand that two of our Brothers in Msgr. Blessing Council have died this past year: PGK Alfred Marcello and Charles Carr. There will be a special Mass for them on November 10th at St. Mary's in West Warwick at 7pm. The Holy Mass is always the best prayer we can offer for a deceased love one or a living person before death, as well. You know why. It applies all the merits that Jesus has won for us on the Cross and by His Resurrection. These things have made us one with His Heavenly Father in union with the Holy Spirit!

The other theme this month is Thanksgiving. We are thankful for the hope of eternal life for all of us after death in this life. It is the greatest hope we have! We are thankful that we have the rich deposit of faith of our Catholic Church with all of her teaching and guidance in faith and morals.

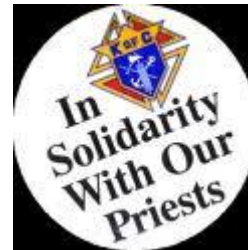
I'm sure you are aware we are facing many challenges to our faith in our culture today (Just watch the latest sit-com on TV and see how much is presented contrary to our faith.) Our religious liberties are being threatened in a number of ways. For example, new health care legislation is requiring insurance companies to provide coverage for contraceptives, sterilization and even abortion. The challenges are increasing. Our bishops are setting up an Ad Hoc committee to address these threats to our free practice of our religion.

Bishop Lori of Bridgeport, CT, is the head of this. He is also the Supreme Chaplain for the K of C.

So, I want to encourage all of you, my Brother Knights, to give thanks to God in all circumstances, even the challenges of our time. Pray for the living and the dead. As always, be a greater and greater witness to Jesus Christ Our Lord!

May God Bless each of you,

Rev. 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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"How great is your goodness, which you have stored up for those who fear you, which you bestow in the sight of men on those who take refuge in you." – Psalm 31:19

Combined 1st/2nd Degree Exemplification

When: Monday, November 7 @ 6:00PM
Where: Saints John and Paul Parish Center

Our Council will be hosting a combined First/Second Degree Exemplification on Monday, November 7th. Candidates are asked to arrive at 6PM so that the 1st degree can start at 6:30PM. Also, the First Degree Team is asked to be at SSJP Parish Center by 5:30PM for setup. The State Degree Team will be performing the 2nd degree Exemplification. Collation will be held directly after the 2nd degree with Dunkin' Donuts Coffee, waters and pizza from DePetrillo's.

Third Degree Exemplification

When: Wednesday, November 30 @ 6:30PM
**Where: Blessed Pope John Paul II Council,
 1253 Newport Ave., Pawtucket, RI**

There will be a Third Degree Exemplification coming up on Wednesday, November 30, at Blessed Pope John Paul II in Pawtucket. The host for this exemplification is: District Deputy Al Hervieux. Candidates are expected to arrive at 6:30 PM with the Ceremonial beginning at 7:00 PM

Last month, we saw three Brother Knights make their 3rd Degree at St Philips Council in Greenville. We still have 2nd Degree Knights who need to make their 3rd Degree, and this is a perfect opportunity to do so. Please contact GK Neil Fidler at 632-7922 if you are available to go no later than the November Business Meeting on Monday the 14th. As with the 3rd Degree last month, we would drive up together as a Council.

Deceased Brother Knights Memorial Mass

When: Thursday, November 10 @ 7:00PM
Where: St. Mary's Parish, Church St. West Warwick, RI

In conjunction with the Father Wallace Assembly #1055 and the Mary Doran Council #8977, a Memorial Mass will be held for our Brother Knights who have passed away during the past year. For the Blessing Council, we will be remembering PGK Alfred Marcello (9/7/2010) and Charles Carr (1/23/2011). Family and friends are invited to this blessed event, and a coffee an' will be held afterward.



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. Of course, family and friends are invited. We will be inviting the Squires Circle and their family and friends. Brothers, let's make this a recruiting opportunity. If you know of a Catholic gentleman who you think would make a great addition to our Council, invite him and his family to join us for this celebration. PGK Glenn Holt is the committee chairman for the Christmas Party so please contact him by phone (401) 263-3614 or by email at geholt56@gmail.com

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

November has always been a month when the days are noticeably shorter and the weather becomes colder. Since the green of life from summer fades, our thoughts turn to ponder the end of things. From ancient days people have taken the time to remember and honor the dead. The Knights of Columbus at Msgr. Blessing Council have prayed for the souls of deceased council members and their families. The council has either held or attended a Memorial Mass every November since 1962. We have also honored those who served and sacrificed their lives for their brother soldiers, families, country, and God with various activities and masses on Veterans Day.

"Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever." – Psalm 107:1

Photos from the URI Football Game 10-8-2011



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