



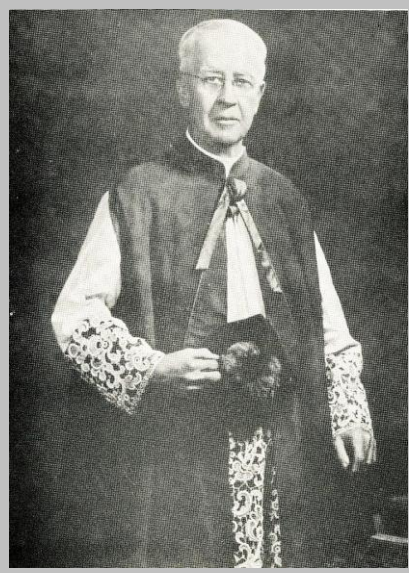
# The Blessing Word



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Our Council's Namesake

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### AUGUST SQUIRES BUSINESS MEETING

PLACE: SSJP PARISH CENTER CLASSROOM  
DATE: FRIDAY, 8/3/2012  
TIME: 7:00PM

### PAW SOX GAME

PLACE: MCCOY STADIUM, PAWTUCKET  
DATE: WEDNESDAY, 8/8/2012  
TIME: 7:05PM  
LEAVING FROM HOPKINS HILL PARK AND RIDE  
AT 5PM SHARP. DINNER AT HOUSE OF PIZZA.

### AUGUST COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING

PLACE: ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH HALL  
DATE: MONDAY, 8/13/2012  
TIME: 7:30PM

### LIVING ROSARY (KNIGHTS & SQUIRES)

PLACE: SSJP PARISH  
DATE: SUNDAY, 8/19/2012  
TIME: 10:00AM MASS

### SEPT SQUIRES BUSINESS MEETING

PLACE: SSJP PARISH CENTER CLASSROOM  
DATE: FRIDAY, 9/7/2012  
TIME: 7:00PM

### SEPT COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING

PLACE: ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH HALL  
DATE: MONDAY, 9/10/2012  
TIME: 7:30PM



## Grand Knight's Corner

Worthy Brothers, I pray you and your families are well.

I hope you are all enjoying your summer so far. I wish to thank you all for the sympathy shown me for the loss of my older brother "Bobby". It is times like this that God shows his great love for us through our friends.

I would like to put out to everyone that I will need to appoint a program director so if there are any volunteers please offer your name. Brother Keith Parent is heading up our drive to provide supplies to Catholic Military priest so please support this effort as much as possible, I know a lot of us our former military and know the importance of God during our tour of service.

I attended the Grand Knight/District Deputy training seminar and the State has put out that each council should strive to recruit one new member per council per month. I feel that this is a very doable goal and would ask all of you to strive to help make it a reality for Monsignor Blessing Council.

Finally on Wednesday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, the Fr Leo Anttil Squires Circle will be holding their evening with the Paw Sox. We will be leaving the Hopkins hill Park and Ride at 5 PM if you are able tickets are \$11 each, Hope to see you there.

God Bless and Vivat Jesu!

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Derek Smith



# Chaplain's Report

Dear Brother Knights,

In recent weeks we have all become aware of yet another seemingly senseless murder of a dozen people and perhaps 58 injured persons at a movie theater in Aurora, Colorado. Even as faith filled Catholic Christians we may ask the question: "Why does God allow this kind of thing to happen?" or we ask: "Why would anyone do this sort of thing?" These are really profound philosophical and theological questions that deserve to be looked at again and again.

First of all, in our full Christian beliefs, we profess that God is all Good! He cannot do evil! The blessed Trinity is all Love! Indeed, God is a Community of loving persons. Yet, because He respects the free will of the human beings He has made, He does not directly interfere with our free choices even when they are bad and sinful choices.

Also, we as human beings are weak and fallen creatures. We are often attracted to sinful and harmful things (sinful and harmful to ourselves and others). We are in a constant spiritual battle with the World (a way of thinking that ignores God), the Flesh (that part of us that is attracted to sinful ways of all kinds) and the Devil and all Evil Spirits (real evil spirits who seek continually nothing but our eternal damnation).

I hope what I have just written doesn't sound strange. I have just restated what the Church as always taught and what we believe is the full truth about reality.

In our diocesan newspaper, The Rhode Island Catholic, there was an excellent article covering a Mass held at a Catholic Church just a few city blocks from the fateful shooting in Aurora, CO. The priest offering the Funeral Mass pointed out how even in the midst of such a terrible tragedy we still have Hope. We still have reassurance that good is greater than evil. We need to recall that God is with us still to help us choose the good, the right, the holy, the way that leads to a benefit for all people and ourselves, too.

So, Brother Knights, I want to encourage and exhort you, renew your efforts to choose a "Culture of Life" as Bl. John Paul II would say. This is always the best choice. And never forget that God is with us to help us and guide us and remind us of His truths every step of the way. May God Bless each of you!

**Rev. Michael Kelley**

**Chaplain**

**Msgr. Blessing Council #5273**

*"Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen."*

*- Ephesians 4:29*



### K of C Family Picnic



**K of C Family PICNIC**

Sponsored by the RI State Council

Sunday August 19, 2012  
Pascoag Council Grounds  
Roosevelt Ave. Pascoag, RI  
12:00 Noon- 5:00PM  
Adults \$25.00  
Children 12 & under \$15.00  
**Rain or Shine !**

Bring your Lawn Chairs and Enjoy the Beautiful Grounds and the Fun & Games

Lunch: Clam Cakes & Chowder  
Dinner: Family Style Chicken, Pasta, Salad & Watermelon

For Tickets Contact: Mike Dziok  
21 Ryder Ln, Cumberland, RI 02864  
401-333-6422 or [www.mdziok1067@aol.com](mailto:www.mdziok1067@aol.com)

Councils are asked to bring a Liquor Bottle Donation for our Raffle

### 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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### Blessing Council Family Picnic



**When:** Sunday, September 15 from Noon to 5PM

**Where:** Goddard Park, Warwick, RI

The Blessing Council Family Picnic is scheduled for Saturday, September 15 from 12 to 5PM at Goddard Park in Warwick. We're planning on kicking off another successful year with this picnic! Everything is free of charge and, of course, families are most definitely invited! Please contact Brother Keith Parent at 401-249-8585 with any questions you may have.

### Living Rosary



**When:** Sunday, August 19, 11:30AM Mass

**Where:** Saints John and Paul Parish

**Who:** All Knights and Squires

*"Jesus replied, 'What is impossible with men is possible with God.'"*  
- Luke 18:27





## SAINT OF THE MONTH

**St. Rose of Lima**

St. Rose of Lima is the patroness of Latin America and the Philippines. This South American Saint's real name was Isabel, but she was such a beautiful baby that she was called Rose, and that name remained. As she grew older, she became more and more beautiful, and one day, her mother put a wreath of flowers on her head to show off her loveliness to friends. But Rose had no desire to be admired, for her heart had been given to Jesus. So she put a long pin into that wreath and it pierced her so deeply, that she had a hard time getting the wreath off afterward. Another time she became afraid that her beauty might be a temptation to someone, since people could not take their eyes off her. Therefore, she rubbed her face with pepper until it was all red and blistered.

St. Rose worked hard to support her poor parents and she humbly obeyed them, except when they tried to get her to marry. That she would not do. Her love of Jesus was so great that when she talked about Him, her face glowed and her eyes sparkled.

Rose had many temptations from the devil, and there were also many times when she had to suffer a feeling of terrible loneliness and sadness, for God seemed far away. Yet she cheerfully offered all these troubles to Him. In fact, in her last long, painful sickness, this heroic young woman used to pray: "Lord, increase my sufferings, and with them increase Your love in my heart."

Many miracles followed her death. She was beatified by Clement IX, in 1667, and canonized in 1671 by Clement X, the first American to be so honoured. Her feast is celebrated 23 of August. She is represented wearing a crown of roses..

***Chief Squire's Corner***

Hello, Brother Squires!

We've got something of a busy month ahead of us. For one thing we are going to the Paw Sox game, which I know from experience will be a fun time. I hope that we can get all of the Squires to attend the game. We will also be doing the Living Rosary later on in the month. I also expect all of the Squires to attend that event, as it will be a good religious experience for all of us. Again, I must mention membership. We've lost many members recently and we need to make up those lost members. I trust all of you to get more members for the Circle.

God Bless,  
Chief Squire Joshua Fidler

**PawSox Game!**

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When: Wednesday, August 8 at 7:05PM

Where: McCoy Stadium, Pawtucket

The Circle Committee is announcing the fifth annual Squires' PawSox game. The PawSox will be playing the Syracuse Chiefs. Tickets are \$11.00 each. We will be leaving from the Hopkins Hill park and ride at 5PM and stopping for dinner at the House of Pizza in Pawtucket. The Circle is inviting the Blessing Council to join us.

**New Slate of Officers**

The new slate of officers for the 2012-12 Columbian Year is as follows:

Chief Squire – Joshua Fidler  
Deputy Chief Squire – Zachary Farrell  
Notary Squire – Neil Grant  
Bursar Squire – Christopher Peloso  
Marshal Squire – Derek Smith

The slate of officers was unanimously voted for by the Circle. The new officers will assume their positions as of July 1<sup>st</sup>.

*"Blessed are they whose ways are blameless, who walk according to the law of the LORD.  
Blessed are they who keep his statutes and seek him with all their heart."*

- Psalm 119:1-2