



The Blessing Word



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

MONSIGNOR PETER BLESSING COUNCIL #5273

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Our Council's Namesake

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SQUIRES - ORDINATION MASS

PLACE: SS PETER AND PAUL
DATE: FRIDAY, 6/1/2013
TIME: TBD

JUNE SQUIRES MEETING

PLACE: SSJP PARISH CENTER CLASSROOM
DATE: FRIDAY, 6/7/2013
TIME: 7:00PM

JUNE COUNCIL MEETING

PLACE: SVP PARISH HALL
DATE: MONDAY, 6/10/2013
TIME: 7:30PM

COMBINED 1ST/2ND DEGREE

EXEMPLIFICATION

PLACE: SSJP PARISH CENTER
DATE: TUESDAY, 6/18/2013
TIME: 6:30PM

JULY COUNCIL MEETING

PLACE: SVP PARISH HALL
DATE: MONDAY, 7/8/2013
TIME: 7:30PM

JULY SQUIRES MEETING

PLACE: TBD
DATE: FRIDAY, 7/19/2013
TIME: 7:00PM



Grand Knight's Corner

Worthy Brothers, I pray you and your families are well

It has been a busy couple of months, but we have no time to rest. We have a 1st and 2nd degree exemplification coming up on June 18th at Saints John and Paul's parish center, as well as a 3rd Degree on Wednesday June 12th, if you need your 3rd degree and are available please let me know. Please also help me welcome our newest Brother, Mr. Frank Andrade who made his 1st and 2nd Degree on May 22nd. We also had 5 of our brothers attain their 4th degree on May 19th so congratulations to them. Our next meeting is Monday June 10, 2013.

I would also like to let you all know that the Blessing Council is only 3 new members and 1 insurance member away from Double Star Council which I am informed we have never made. So if you know a friend who may have an interest in the Knights give him a form 100, as Worthy Membership Director David Bebyn says, "we have a moral obligation to share knighthood."

The big item for this month's business meeting is the election of our new slate of officers. Please make every attempt to be at the meeting as the more participation we have the better we will be.

Finally I would like to ask that for the upcoming Fraternal year if there is anything which is near and dear to your hearts or feel is worthy of our efforts or if you want to volunteer to take the reins of one of the committees please speak up, our council needs you and as I said before the more participation we have the better we will be.

God Bless and Vivat Jesu!
John Pizzo,
Grand Knight

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**Msgr. Blessing Council
Officers:****Chaplain**

Vacant

Grand Knight

John Pizzo

Financial Secretary

David Tanski

Deputy Grand Knight

Herb Knott

Chancellor

Alan Ogrodnik

Recorder

Michael Colvin

Treasurer

Glenn Holt

Advocate

Patrick Hurley

Warden

John Deary

Inside Guard

James Hall

Outside Guard

Stephen Kukulka

One Year Trustee

Richard Belanger

Two Year Trustee

Earl Mahar

Three Year Trustee

Neil Fidler

**Fr. Leo Ancil Squires
Circle Officers:****Father Prior**

Rev. Derek Puleo/Rev. Eddy Lopez

Chief Squire

Joshua Fidler

Deputy Chief Squire

Michael Porter

Notary Squire

Caleb Delehant

Bursar Squire

Christopher Peloso

Marshal Squire

Brennen Connor

**Election of Officers for Blessing Council #5273**

The nominating committee for the council proposed the following list of candidates for office.

Grand Knight – John Pizzo

Financial Secretary – David Tanski

Deputy Grand Knight – Herb Knott

Chancellor – Alan Ogrodnik

Recorder – Michael Colvin

Treasurer – Glenn Holt

Advocate – Patrick Hurley

Warden – Angel Ferrere

Inside Guard – James Hall

Outside Guard – Stephen Kukulka

First Year Trustee – Richard Belanger

Second Year Trustee – Earl Mahar

Third Year Trustee – Neil Fidler

The election was held and all nominated candidates were elected for the upcoming Columbian year. No counter-nominations were offered.

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS! Please note that there are many unstaffed committees and chairmanships open to willing members in good standing. Please consider volunteering for some of these positions, as the council is always in need of active participating members. Please speak to the GK, DD or other officers about any interest you might have in joining! For more information on service programs and committees please click below.

<http://www.kofc.org/en/service/index.html>

*“Then taking the five loaves and two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were satisfied.”
Luke 9:15-17*



May Birthdays: Blessing Council #5273

Happy Birthday to our Brother Knights born in June.

Scott D Cummiskey, Roger P Cyr, Michael J Emmett, Cornelius J Fitton JR, Roderick J Fraser, Stanley M Jendzejec, James J Kiley JR, Alfred O Lacaillade, John Macomber, Harry E Monroe, Edward J Overton, Matthew J Piatek III, Edward C Rice III, Vincent J Rinaldi, Gerald L Salois



July Meeting Date and Location Change

For the month of July, our meeting will be changed to the SS John and Paul parish center. The date is also subject to change as the venue modification might conflict with availability for our regularly scheduled date. Stay tuned for messages from the GK or the DD regarding date and time changes.

Welcome New Brother Knights!

The Blessing Council is happy to announce that we have added a total of 17 new members in the last year and 3 new form 100's. Please give these new Brothers a warm welcome and be sure to introduce yourself at the next meeting.



1st and 2nd Degree Exemplification to be held on June 18, 2013

The last 1st and 2nd degree exemplification for the Columbian year is to be held at SS John and Paul parish center on June 18 at 7:00 pm. Two or three new members from Blessing council will be making their degrees. Please join them if possible and show your support.



"When the Lord saw her, he was moved with pity and said to her, "Do not weep." He stepped forward and touched the coffin: at this the bearers halted, and he said, "Young man, I tell you, arise!" The dead man sat up and began to speak. And Jesus gave him to his mother. - Luke 7:12-15

Grand Knight



The grand knight is responsible for the welfare of the council. He presides over council meetings, acts as an ex-officio member of all committees, appoints a membership and programming director, convenes officers for a monthly meeting, and ensures all necessary reports are submitted to the state and Supreme Council. He should also be aware of the council's financial status and ensure that his signature appears on all checks drawn. The grand knight is a member of the Advisory Board with general supervision of the council's Columbian Squire circle. *For more specific duties and responsibilities, refer to the Grand Knight's Handbook (#915).*

Prayer Intentions



Please keep the following Knights and family members in your prayers.

Br. Matt Parent, PGK Jim and wife Angie Kiley, Fr. J.D. from SSJP. Br. Joe Caine's brother who passed from Alzheimer's, Rick Florio recovering from brain cancer, and PGK Tom Del Mastro and wife Delores recovering from an accident.

Double Star Council in Reach!



Double Star council has been given to less than 400 councils out of nearly 15,000. We are only a couple of insurance members and candidates away from achieving this at Blessing council. We have almost attained 200 percent membership and insurance member growth thus earning Double Star Council. Even though we have not officially achieved it yet, a great thank you is due to all members who have actively reached out and recruited new brothers and to those who proposed new Knights into our council. God willing it will happen!

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:

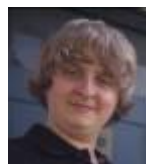


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"So I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven because she has shown great love. But the one to whom little is forgiven, loves little." He said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." The others at table said to themselves, "Who is this that even forgives sins?" But he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace." – Luke 7:46-50

**SAINT OF THE MONTH****St. John The Baptist**

John the Baptist was the son of Zachary, a priest of the Temple in Jerusalem, and Elizabeth, a kinswoman of Mary who visited her. He was probably born at Ain-Karim southwest of Jerusalem after the Angel Gabriel had told Zachary that his wife would bear a child even though she was an old woman. He lived as a hermit in the desert of Judea until about A.D. 27. When he was thirty, he began to preach on the banks of the Jordan against the evils of the times and called men to penance and baptism "for the Kingdom of Heaven is close at hand". He attracted large crowds, and when Christ came to him, John recognized Him as the Messiah and baptized Him, saying, "It is I who need baptism from You". When Christ left to preach in Galilee, John continued preaching in the Jordan valley. Fearful of his great power with the people, Herod Antipas, Tetrarch of Perea and Galilee, had him arrested and imprisoned at Machaerus Fortress on the Dead Sea when John denounced his adulterous and incestuous marriage with Herodias, wife of his half brother Philip. John was beheaded at the request of Salome, daughter of Herodias, who asked for his head at the instigation of her mother. John inspired many of his

***Chief Squire's Corner***

Greetings Squires!

This is my last Chief Squire's Corner as the Columbian Year is coming to a close. You've elected a new Chief Squire in Peter Tardiff. I pray you will give him all the support that you have given me over the last year. I also would like to thank my fellow officers for the great job they have done over the past year.

I would also like to congratulate you Squires on achieving all the requirements for our sixth straight Corps d'Elite Award. Of course, we have to wait on the Supreme Headquarters to approve, but you have achieved all the requirements so congratulations to you for all the great work you have done.

Lastly, summer is upon us and the end of the school year! I pray you and your families will enjoy the beautiful weather and all that summer brings.

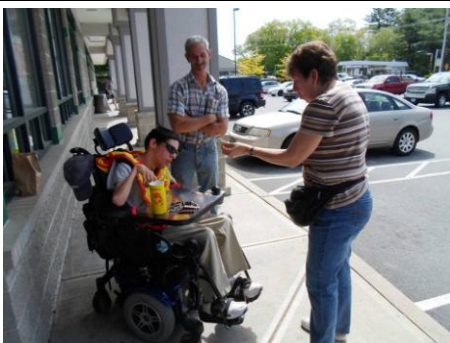
*God Bless,
Josh Fidler
Chief Squire*

SAINT OF THE MONTH (CONT.)

followers to follow Christ when he designated Him "the Lamb of God," among them Andrew and John, who came to know Christ through John's preaching. John is presented in the New Testament as the last of the Old Testament prophets and the precursor of the Messiah. His feast day is June 24th and the feast for his beheading is August 29th.

"So always treat others as you would like others to treat you: that is the law and the prophets. Enter by the narrow gate, since the road that leads to destruction is wide and spacious, and many take it; but it is a narrow gate and a hard road that leads to life, and only a few find it. — Matthew 7:6 12-14

KANDI Drive May 18, 2013



RI Special Olympics 2013



“Jesus said to his disciples: You have heard that it was said, You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy. But I say to you, love your enemies” - Matthew 5:43-46

PawSox Game!

Pawtucket Red Sox VS. Norfolk Tides

When: Thursday, August 1 at 7:05PM

Where: McCoy Stadium, Pawtucket

The Circle Committee is announcing the sixth annual Squires' PawSox game. The PawSox will be playing the Norfolk Tides. Tickets are \$12.00 each. We will be leaving from the Hopkins Hill park and ride at 5PM on 8/1 and stopping for dinner at the House of Pizza in Pawtucket. This event is open to all family members as well as the Blessing Council Knights and their families.

Nathaniel Greene Homestead Tour

When: A Monday during the summer to be determined

Where: Nathanael Greene Homestead, Taft St., Coventry

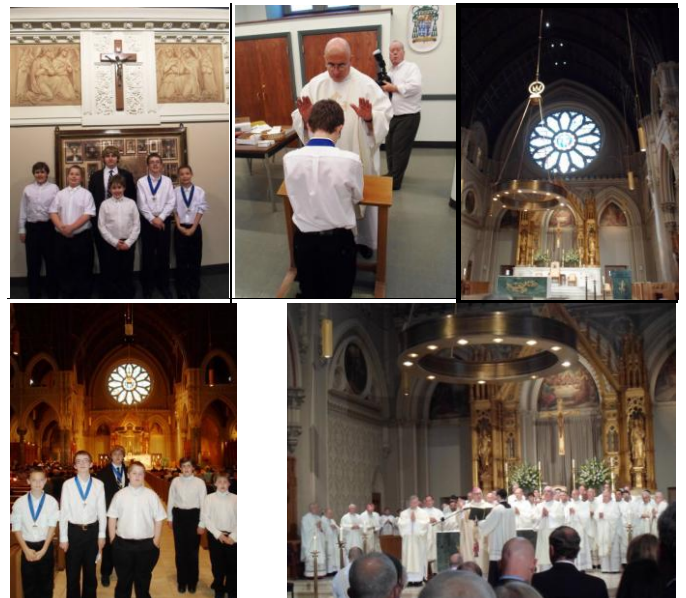
On a Monday during the summer, the Circle will be attending a guided tour of the Nathanael Greene Homestead on Taft St., in Coventry. The cost will be \$2 per person. General Nathanael Greene was George Washington's second-in-command during the American Revolution.

St. Theresa's Shrine Visit

When: A Saturday in August to be determined

Where: St. Theresa's Shrine, Nasonville, RI

On a Saturday in late August, the Circle will be touring the grounds of the St. Theresa' Shrine in Nasonville, RI. They will also be attending 5PM Mass at St. Theresa's Church and then going over to Wright's Farm for dinner. This event is open to families as well as the Blessing Council Knights and their families.

Ordination Mass Visit

"I will praise you lord, for you have rescued me. I will extol you, O LORD, for you drew me clear and did not let my enemies rejoice over me. O LORD, you brought me up from the nether world; you preserved me from among those going down into the pit." - Psalms 30:2, 4