



# Pope John Paul The Great

## Be Not Afraid



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### Grand Knight's Notes

#### Joe's Jots

**February will be a little different.** We will have two meetings with no socials. This is because we will host a second degree at St. Luke on February 15<sup>th</sup>. It will start at the usual time 7:30 PM with the Rosary at 7:00 pm.

**March meeting will be changed also.** March first is Ash Wednesday and there will be a Mass at 7:00 PM. After Mass we will have a little discussion about an idea that DGK Jim has put forward. We will discuss the possibility of holding a faith formation for adults to reinforce and recall the teachings that we had but some of us might have lost. It will focus on the council but everyone will be welcome.

In January, we brought in two new members Chris Pewterbaugh and Rufino Palma. We are always looking for new blood. I hope that you have a form 100 with you at all times just like your Rosaries.

If you haven't looked into our new website yet take a few minutes and open it up. Notice the links to State and Supreme. Still looking for ideas.

We need programs to report to State at the quarterly meeting in March. Chris Pewterbaugh and Eileen his wife is trying to bring life into a dying Cub Scout Troop any interested let Chris know,

We are putting together a first degree team. The best team has twice the members than what is called for. Jess Dabu has agreed to head the team. Any member can join, even first degree members.

There are plans to run a flea market in June. We need donated items for sale so between now and then look around your home and find those items which are no

longer needed. There is always someone who use these items. We will start collecting these in mid May.

### An excerpt . . . from the October Columbia Magazine

#### INSURANCE

“When Father McGivney founded the Knights, he wanted local councils to organize and conduct fraternal activities to benefit members, the parish and the community at large. He was especially concerned with the widows and orphans, because he knew first hand what it meant to lose the father and the breadwinner in the family. His own father died when he was a young seminarian. For Father McGivney, the most important fraternal benefit his Knights could provide was financial assistance to members' families affected by the death of a breadwinner.

Father McGivney had a pastor's heart matched with a penchant for practical and effective action. Under his direction, the Knights of Columbus replaced the practice of passing the hat to help a deceased member's family with a new structure that offered life insurance to its members. The pooling of insurance premiums at the Supreme Council created the basis for a financially sound program, and helped relieve local councils of the burden of supporting its widows and their families.

As membership grew and individual member needs became more varied, the Order responded. **Associate (non-insurance) members were welcomed, but always with the desire and the objective of transferring them to insurance members at the first opportunity.** The availability of insurance was extended to members' juvenile sons and later to their wives and daughters. New products were designed to make insurance affordable to more members.”

### INSURANCE (Cont.)

**More to come from this article in the up-coming months!!**

If you are currently an Associate Member and you wish to become an Insured Member, please contact us at the numbers below. We will schedule a confidential interview at your home, office or my office. As of this writing, we are making appointments for December.

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### Upcoming Degrees

#### 1st Degrees:

February 6<sup>th</sup>, (12378)  
February 16<sup>th</sup>, (10515)  
March 8<sup>th</sup>, (12117)  
March 21<sup>st</sup>, (9056)  
May 10<sup>th</sup>, (12117)

#### 2nd Degrees:

February 15<sup>th</sup>, (13784)  
April 3<sup>rd</sup>, (12378)  
June 16<sup>th</sup>, (10515)

#### 3rd Degree:

March 11<sup>th</sup>, (367)

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**January**  
**Family and Knight of the Month**

The January Family of the Month is Arthur and Hazel Fritz family, the Knight of the Month is Daniel Rucker, and The Shining Armor award goes to Adonis Albia. Congratulations to all of them.

**From the Office of**  
**The Supreme Knight**

Dear State Deputy:

Last night, we received some very exciting news regarding Parish Priest, Douglas Brinkley's new biography of our founder, Fr. Michael J. McGivney.

The New York Times, which compiles the most closely-watched list of best-selling books in America, ranks Parish Priest at number 20 in its most recent survey. That's just short of the top 15 list that appears in The New York Times Book Review section of the Sunday paper each week. The book is now officially a best seller, but we need an all-out effort to get it over the top, and we need your help right now.

Getting into that top 15 list makes all the difference in the world. Books that make the NYT top 15 are automatically carried in book stores everywhere, including airports, train stations, grocery stores. Book stores such as Barnes & Noble offer best-seller discounts and special promotion for books that make the list.

Here's the bottom line: we're very close to putting Parish Priest in that exclusive category. If Parish Priest makes it into the top 15, the story of Father McGivney and the Knights of Columbus will achieve a public profile unprecedented in the history of the Order.

I ask you to do all you can in the next few days to encourage every brother Knight to make a trip to his local book store to buy a copy of Parish Priest. Get in touch with every District Deputy, and ask them to get in touch with every Grand Knight. Ask them to pass the word by phone, e-mail, and in person.

Let's put Parish Priest over the top! The benefits for Father McGivney's cause for sainthood, for the image of the Order, and for recruitment are tremendous. Please get the word out as soon as you possibly can.

Fraternally,

Carl A. Anderson

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Pope John Paul The Great  
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