



Pope John Paul The Great

Be Not Afraid



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Grand Knight's Notes

Joe's Jots

May is Mary's month. Let's devote all we do to her, the Mother of the Christ Child and Patroness of the Knights. Pray the Rosary. One item we can devote to Mary is a spring clean up of Saint Luke. This is needed especially since May 31 is the 20th Anniversary of St. Luke. The problem is the other Saturday events, a wedding and First Holy Communion. So there is a list of items to be addressed posted on the bulletin board, which need addressing.

How about a good time? The weekend of May 5, 6 and 7 is the state convention right here in Virginia Beach. I am asking everyone to drop by the Cavalier Beach Club; this is the one on the oceanfront on the boardwalk. Visit the Tidewater Hospitality room, which is on the first floor. Our council had the duty on Friday night between 6 and 8 PM. I am looking for a couple of hands to help out. Not a lot of work but a good time. Tend Bar or help with the snacks. It is all provided so just show up. Wear your shirt and let's show our strength.

Don't forget the elections this meeting. Come and support the new officers as they are elected. The nomination committee has come up with a proposed slate attached. Nominations from the floor will be entertained.

Joe

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Coming up KOVAR April

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."

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.

Making a Difference!

Products for All Knights

We always talk about insurance and other products to and for all of our Brother Knights. But have you thought about your spouse after you have passed away. What if she wants to purchase insurance, long term care or an annuity? It may be hard for a Brother Knight to realize this while he is alive, but rest assured, I meet with the spouse's, the widows, and more often than not they want to purchase something for themselves.

Unfortunately most widows do not qualify for the opportunity to buy something for themselves because the husband, the Brother Knight did not have the foresight to purchase insurance or any product on themselves. You see the rules are very clear that if an insured Knight passes away then the spouse has all the right to purchase any products for one full year following the death of her husband.

If the Brother Knight is not classified as an insured Knight, then the widow is not eligible to purchase any products.

So the moral to the story is that if you are not an Insured Knight then you are limiting the ability for your spouse to take care of herself after you are gone.

Do not let this happen to your wife. Give us a call we can help you put a plan in place. Our office is open Monday through Thursday 10:00am to 4:00pm. Phone 642-4340.

Robert W. Abbate
Field Agent, Knights of Columbus
Serving greater Virginia Beach,
Chesapeake and Hampton

Calendar:

May 5, 6 & 7 Convention
May 10th First degree at Ascension
Church (we should have two
candidates, Gabe Anaya and Ivola
Sexton). Let's have a good turnout.
May 16th Second degree at St Marks
Church again we should have a few
candidates.
May 17th, Our Social Meeting.
Theme TBA.
May 23rd Assembly meeting at St
Benedicts at St Gregory
May 28th St. Luke's 20th anniversary
celebration Starting with a mass at
3:00 PM
May 31 Blood Drive, 2:30 PM till
7:00 PM, and we will have a Chili
Cook Off for all you chefs to enter.
June 10 is a Flea Market run by the
council. If you have any items you
don't want bring them down and we
will gladly dispose of them. Your
item donated is someone's treasure.
June 16th 2nd degree 10515
Kempsville council

For information, contact Grand Knight

April

Family and Knight of the Month

The April Family of the Month is the
Kenneth and Joann White family, the
Knight of the Month is Bert Salumbides.
Congratulations to all of them.

Advice from an Attorney

ATTORNEY'S ADVICE -- NO CHARGE

A corporate attorney sent the following
out to the employees in his company.

1. The next time you order checks have
only your initials (instead of first name)
and last name put on them. If someone
takes your checkbook, they will not know
if you sign your checks with just your
initials or your first name, but your bank
will know how you sign your checks.
2. Do not sign the back of your credit

cards. Instead, put "PHOTO ID
REQUIRED".

3. When you are writing checks to pay on
your credit card accounts, DO NOT put
the complete account number on the "For"
line. Instead, just put the last four
numbers. The credit card company knows
the rest of the number, and anyone who
might be handling your check as it passes
through all the check processing channels
won't have access to it.

4. Put your work phone # on your checks
instead of your home phone. If you have a
PO Box use that instead of your home
address. If you do not have a PO Box, use
your work address. Never have your SS#
printed on your checks. You can add it if
it is necessary. But if you have it printed,
anyone can get it.

5. Place the contents of your wallet on a
photocopy machine. Do both sides of each
license, credit card, etc. You will know
what you had in your wallet and all of the
account numbers and phone numbers to
call and cancel. Keep the photocopy in a
safe place. I also carry a photocopy of my
passport when I travel either here or
abroad. We've all heard horror stories
about fraud that's committed on us in
stealing a name, address, Social Security
number, credit cards.

Unfortunately I, an attorney, have
firsthand knowledge because my wallet
was stolen last month. Within a week, the
thieve(s) ordered an expensive monthly
cell phone package, applied for a VISA
credit card, had a credit line approved to
buy a Gateway computer, received a PIN
number from DMV to change my driving
record information online, and more. But
here's some critical information to limit
the damage in case this happens to you or
someone you know:

1. We have been told we should cancel
our credit cards immediately. But the key
is having the toll free numbers and your
card numbers handy so you know whom
to call. Keep those where you can find
them.
2. File a police report immediately in the
jurisdiction where your credit cards, etc.,
were stolen. This proves to credit
providers you were diligent, and this is a
first step toward an investigation (if there
ever is one).

But here's what is perhaps most important
of all : (I never even thought to do this.)

3. Call the 3 national credit reporting
organizations (Equifax, Experian, and

TransUnion) immediately to place a fraud
alert on your name and Social Security
number. I had never heard of doing that
until advised by a bank that called to tell,
told me an application for credit was
made over the Internet in my name. The
alert means any company that checks your
credit knows your information was stolen,
and they have to contact you by phone to
authorize new credit.

By the time I was advised to do this,
almost two weeks after the theft, all the
damage had been done. There are records
of all the credit checks initiated by the
thieves' purchases, none of which I knew
about before placing! the alert. Since then,
no additional damage has been done, and
the thieves threw my wallet away this
weekend (someone turned it in). It seems
to have stopped them dead in their tracks.

Now, here are the numbers you always
need to contact about your wallet, etc.,
has been stolen:

- 1.) Social Security Administration (fraud
line): 1-800-269-0271
- 2.) Equifax: 1-800-525-6285
- 3.) Experian (formerly TRW): 1-888-397-
3742
- 4.) Trans Union: 1-800-680-7289

Ladies Column

The Ladies Auxiliary would like to thank
all the people who helped with Italian
Night. As I am sure you are all aware, the
event was a huge success. We are looking
forward to doing it again. We Ladies are
always thinking, and plotting, and I am
sure we will come up with another
fundraiser in the late summer or fall.
Watch your newsletter for further
updates!!!

Again we thank you!

Midge
President Ladies Auxiliary

**Pope John Paul The Great
Council**

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Community Director

Council Director

Family Director

Youth Director

**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.

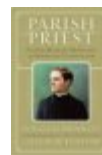
I ask you to do all you can in the next few days to encourage every brother Knight to make a trip to his local book store to buy a copy of Parish Priest. Get in touch with every District Deputy, and ask them to get in touch with every Grand Knight. Ask them to pass the word by phone, e-mail, and in person.

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

Here is ordering information for the Parish Priest book:



Parish Priest : Father Michael McGivney and American Catholicism by Douglas Brinkley and Julie Fenster (**Hardcover** - Jan 1, 2006)

Buy new: ~~\$24.95~~ **\$16.47**
Used & new from \$14.77
Usually ships in 24 hours

This is the link to this book on Amazon.com:

http://www.amazon.com/gp/search/ref=br_ss_hs/104-4881791-4813508?search-alias=aps&keywords=parish%20priest

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Blood Drive

Knights of Columbus Pope John Paul the Great Council #13784 is sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Drive at Saint Luke Church on Wednesday, 31 May 2006 at 2:30-7 PM. Appointment sign-up sheets are located at the rear of the church. Snacks and a meal will be provided.



**American
Red Cross**

Together, we can save a life

Newly Elected Officers of the Pope John Paul the Great Council Knights of Columbus

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Memorare

Remember, O most compassionate
Virgin Mary that never was it
known that anyone who fled to
your protection, employed your
help or sort your intersection
was left unaided. Inspired by
this confidence, we fly unto you,
O Virgin of Virgins our Mother.
to you do we come, before you do
we stand sinful and sorrow-full.
Oh Mother of the Word Incarnate
despise not our petitions, but in
your mercy hear and answer them.

AMEN.

BULLETIN:

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It was decided that the beautification of St. Luke in preparation for the anniversary will take place on May 13th at noon. We need all able bodied members to attend to bring this off.