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Chaplain's Column

Dear Brother Knights

You do pray rosary every day and on 5th Sunday of the month. So, I thought that I could share some words on the Mysteries of Light.

Pope John Paul II, who has already done so much to foster piety in the faithful, has wanted to celebrate the beginning of his 25th year in the papacy with an apostolic letter introducing five new mysteries of the rosary and encouraging the recitation of this popular prayer by declaring a 'Year of the Rosary'.

It is very much like him. His pontificate was put under the mantle of Mary when he chose for his papal shield the letter "M", for Mary, beneath a cross, and the motto "Totus Tuus", "all yours". Over the years, he has handed out thousands of rosaries. Pilgrims making the effort to climb up to the dome of St Peter's Basilica would often see him

on his rooftop terrace praying the rosary. Years ago, he confided: "The Rosary is my favorite prayer. A marvelous prayer. Marvelous in its simplicity and its depth."

The rosary arose over the centuries out of popular piety. In the early centuries the faithful who could not read the 150 psalms would instead recite 150 prayers, usually Our Fathers, counting them on beads known as "Pater Noster beads". Around the 11th century, with the rise in popularity of the Hail Mary, especially in England, the Hail Mary was substituted for the Our Father. In the 13th century St Dominic did much to propagate the recitation of the 150 Hail Marys, or "Angelic Psalter", in his fight against the Albigensian heresy, having received a message from Our Lady to do so.

The name "rosarium", or rose garden, came to be applied to this devotion around the beginning of the 14th century, since the prayers are like roses presented to Our Lady. The 15 mysteries we know today, divided into the Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries of the life of Jesus as seen through the eyes of Mary, were published in 1483 in a Dominican "Psalter of Our Lady" in Germany. They refer to the infancy and childhood years of Christ in the Joyful mysteries, to his passion and death in the Sorrowful mysteries, and to his resurrection, ascension and subsequent events in the Glorious mysteries.

In 1569 the Dominican Pope St Pius V standardized the rosary in its present form; he instituted the feast of Our Lady of Victories on October 7, 1572, to commemorate the victory of the Christian navies over the Turks at the battle of Lepanto a year earlier - a victory attributed to the recitation of the rosary. The following year he changed the feast name to Our Lady of the Rosary, a feast still celebrated in the universal calendar today. In 1883 Pope Leo XIII ordered that October be dedicated to the Holy Rosary.

Now, after more than 400 years with 15 mysteries, the rosary is to have an additional five, called Mysteries of Light, to be recited especially on Sundays. Like the other mysteries, they refer to important events in the life of Christ, this time in his public life.

Father Grzegorz Golyzniak



Saint of the Month

Month of the Passion of the Our Lord

Our Saint of the Month was born in 1080 at Compton Martin, near Bristol, England. After becoming a priest, St. Wulfric of Haselbury at first exercised his ministry at Deverill and was very much addicted to hunting, both with hawks and hounds. A chance conversation with a poor beggar, however, converted him to more godly pursuits and he moved back to Compton Martin as a parish priest.

In 11125 Wulfric decided to spend the rest of his life as an Anchorite, withdrawn from the world, living in a cell on the cold north side of the channel adjacent to the church. Sir William FitzWalter had a great respect for his saintly neighbor and sent provisions to him and visited from time to time.

Soon people came to him for guidance and blessing and during the reigns of Kings Henry I and Stephen, Wulfric neighborhood, but also at court. Henry I was informed, correctly, that he would shortly die, while Stephan was exercised a powerful influence, not only in his own chastised for the evils of his government. Wulfric was said to have received the gift of prophecy and healing and was involved in many miraculous happenings. He became known as a healer of body, mind, and spirit for all who sought him out.

According to Abbot John of Forde Abbey, Wulfric lived alone in these simple quarters for 29 years, devoting much of his time to reading the Bible and praying. In keeping with the ideals of medieval spirituality, he adopted stern ascetic

practices: he deprived himself of sleep, ate a frugal meatless diet, spent hours reciting the psalms sitting in a bath of cold water, and wore a hair shirt and heavy chain mail tunic.

St. Wulfric died in his cell on 20 February 1154 and that set off a scuffle between the monks and townspeople over who

should have a claim to the holy man's body. Finally, the Bishop of Bath had the body buried in his cell, but for security reasons, Osbern the Haselbury Priest, moved Wulfric's remains twice, until they came to rest somewhere near the west end of the church, "...in a place known only to himself and God". We celebrate his feast on 20 February.



Knights in Action



Thanks to the Knights who picked up Panera bread every Wednesday evening in Colorado Springs and then delivered it to Tri Lakes Cares on Thursday morning for use by the needy in the Tri Lakes area. January can be a very difficult month with varying weather changes, but these men never missed a week regardless of weather conditions. It is comforting to know that left-over bread is taken to the Marian House Soup Kitchen on Friday, so nothing is wasted.

A tip of the hat to the pickup men:

Alan Feldkamp Fred Seiter Ed Hettler Bill Kaelin Tom Bailey



Knight of the Month Rick Rank accepts the award from GK Dave McCloy



SK Randy Elmer accepts the Family of the Month Award for himself and Lady Linda Elmer from GK Dave McCloy.



Council Dues

A reminder for all Council 11514 Knights that dues for the new year of 2019 can be paid to Financial Secretary Jim Desautel at either of the two monthly meetings, or if you prefer, they can be mailed to Jim at 16261 Hobson Place, Monument, Colorado 80132



The members of Council 11514 continue to help restore the original St. Peter's Church that was recently purchased to be an Adoration Chapel and a site for small weddings and other religious events. As noted in previous issues of *The Knightly News*, a statue of Mother Mary was erected on the southeast side and most recently, men removed the old fence around the building under the guidance of **Gary Spoto**. They include:

Fred Seiter Jim Taylor Ed Paulovich John Hartling





Newest Knight

During an Exemplification held on Wednesday, 16 January, Dustin Tupper became the newest member of St. Peter's Council 11514. He is a teacher and a coach in School District 38 and we look forward to seeing him at future meetings and fund-raising events.

On Thursday, 10 January 2019, SK John Hartling departed for a two-week tour as a shelter supervisor in Paradise Valley, California, the community obliterated by the massive fire in the area. He is an "old hand" in the field having served in several states after disasters such as fire, flooding and hurricanes.

While John was in California, your editor received the following e-mail from him that he said could be published in The Knightly News.

I've been assigned as the night Shelter Supervisor for the Men's Dorm at the Red Cross Facility in Chico, CA working 14 hour days and surviving on an average of 4 hours sleep per night and I am exhausted. My last day is Wednesday and I fly home Thursday.

Devastation in Paradise (?) is complete with only chimneys still standing. It literally looks like a war zone from WWII. Clients at the shelter are about 80% homeless and 20% Chico residents.

Closing the shelter will be a problem (not mine) as the homeless are perfectly happy to stay there and get 3-hots and a flop! LOTS of drug problems and mental problems to make it even more interesting. I've had several verbal confrontations and had to call law enforcement to remove a guy from the shelter several times.

What happened to Sunny California? We have had rain almost every day and our tents flooded along with Tornado warnings. We have several emergency evacuation orders every day because of flash flooding.

This area is noted for Pecan & Walnut orchards and rice paddies as far as you can see. I have no idea why people would want to live here. The homeless problem is overwhelming all resources. Let's cede it back to Mexico along with all the loony Liberals.

Thanks for all the prayers.

/John



Scenes from the shelter where John supervised operations







Faithful Navigator Ed Paulovich presents the Past Faithful Navigator medal to Bob Leise, a well-earned award.



Members of St. Peter's Council and Father Kekeisen Assembly join in the State Rally and March for Life in Denver on Saturday, 12 January 2019.



Your Insurance Corner

What Happens if You Live?

Thanks to marvelous innovations in medical technology and advances in living and working conditions, many of us will live long and prosperous lives. With average life expectancies on the rise, there is a lot to be grateful for and look forward to. But living longer also comes with added responsibilities that we must take seriously.

Typically, when thinking about insurance products, we think about "what ifs". For life insurance, we think: What if we die? For auto insurance, we think: What if we get in an accident? For medical insurance, we think: What if I get sick? For disability insurance, we think: What if I get injured? But for long-term care, the question is different. It's not just what happens if something happens to us, but what happens if something *doesn*'t happen? What happens if we live? "So what?" you say. "I don't need long-term care." But the statistics tell a different story. 70% of individuals over the age of 65 will need some type of long-term care service during their lifetime. And, just as you would imagine, paying out-ofpocket for long term care is neither cheap nor brief. The average duration of long term care is needed per individual is three years, at an annual cost of \$83,000 for private nursing home care and \$60,000 for at-home nursing care.

Traditional and government medical insurance programs don't usually provide enough help, either. Medicare only pays for long term care services for a maximum of 100 days and only if you meet certain criteria. Medicaid does pay for long term care, but only if your income is below a certain level and you meet state requirements.

There are many factors and considerations that go into crafting a Knights of Columbus long term care policy and as your field agent, I can help explain your options.

Contact me today to help ensure that your family and your assets are protected from the unexpected and substantial cost of long term care.

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Month's Sermonette

What takes your breath away? In a reading about the Queen of Sheba's visit to King Solomon, it may be assumed that it was just a mundane business trip, but her journey can be interpreted as a quest for wisdom. Having heard of Solomon's proverbial wisdom, she came to match wits with the great king. However, she was simply overwhelmed when he solved all her riddles. Nonetheless, much more than wisdom was involved. There were other aspects of Solomon's world: his magnificent palace, his cuisine, the seating arrangement of his ministers, the attendance and dress of his servants, the banquet service, and his burnt offerings offered in the temple. So it can be said that the Queen of Sheba "was breathless". All this pomp and circumstance took her breath away. Maybe this can serve as an examination of conscience for modern disciples: what takes our breath away? Like the Queen of Sheba, are we overawed by wealth that often goes hand in hand with power, especially manipulative power. In addition, social acceptance in terms of honors, status, and position have an enormous appeal. At this point we should pause and reflect on the cross. This symbolizes the death of an innocent man who gave his all in the interests of genuine freedom for all humanity. Will that seemingly tragic figure take our breath away?

Prayer for the Unborn

I have set before you life and death, the blessing and the curse. Choose life that you and your descendants may live. ~ Deuteronomy 30:10

Valentine's Day



The Legend

The history of Valentine's Day – and the story of its patron saint – is shrouded in mystery. It is known that February has long been celebrated as a month of romance, and that St. Valentine's Day, as we know it today, contains vestiges of both Christian and ancient Roman tradition. But who was St. Valentine, and how did he become associated with this ancient rite?

The Catholic Church recognizes three different saints named Valentine or Valentinus, all of whom were martyred. One legend contends that Valentine was a priest who served during the third century in Rome. When Emperor Claudius II decided that single men made better soldiers than those with wives and children, he outlawed marriage for young men. Valentine, realizing the injustice of the decree, defied Claudius and continued to perform marriages for young lovers in secret. When his actions were discovered, Claudius ordered that Valentine be put to death.

Other stories suggest that Valentine may have been killed for attempting to help Christians escape harsh Roman prisons, where they had been beaten and tortured. According to one legend, Valentine actually sent the first "valentine" greeting himself after he fell in love with a young girl – possibly his jailor's daughter – who visited him during his confinement. Before his death, it is alleged that he wrote her a letter signed "From your Valentine", an expression that is still in use today. Although the truth behind the Valentine legends is murky, the stories all emphasize his appeal as a sympathetic, heroic and – most importantly – romantic figure. By the middle Ages, Valentine would become one of the most popular saints in England and France.

Today an estimated 1 billion Valentine's cards are sent each year, making it the second largest card-sending holiday of the year. (An estimated 2.6 billion cards are sent for Christmas.) Not surprisingly, women purchase about 85% of all valentines.

When you forgive, you heal. When you let go, you grow.



Monthly Council Mass

Knights and Families Urged To Attend

The Knights celebrate Mass as a group on the first Sunday of each month at the 0800 Mass. The Council also has these Masses said for members or family members who are ill or deceased. The Mass on Sunday, 03 February2019 will be for the repose of the soul of Donald (Don) McCarthy, fatherin-law of SK Carl Anderson.

A breakfast or brunch will be planned occasionally and advance notification will be made at council meetings. Remember to sit in the pews reserved and wear your Council nametag and the Order lapel pin.

If you know of any Knights, or their families, who should have a Mass said for them, please contact **SK Bob Leise** at 303-681-2182 or bgleise@yahoo.com.

Word of the Month



From Catholic Word Book, a K of C Publication

Vicar General: A priest or a bishop appointed by the bishop of a diocese to serve as his deputy, with ordinary executive power, in the administration of the diocese. In the Diocese of Colorado Springs, the vicar general is Monsignor Robert E. Jaeger.



Fraternity is putting another life ahead of your

own

There is no greater love than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. ~ John 15:13

As a child, Maximilian Kolbe (1894-1941) had a deep devotion to Our Lady. On one occasion he had a vision in which Mary offered him a white garment, symbolizing purity, or a red one, symbolizing martyrdom. "I chose both", the boy replied. Following the German conquest of Poland in 1939, he was arrested, but soon released. Father Kolbe devoted himself to helping Jewish refugees and when the Nazis discovered this, he was again arrested and sent to the death camp Auschwitz in 1941. There he tried to set an example of faith and hope for the other prisoners. When a prisoner escaped from camp, the Germans chose ten men at random and sentenced them to death by starvation; one of them was a Polish sergeant Franciszek Gajowniczek. Father Kolbe left his place in the ranks and asked the commandant to take Gajowniczek's place. The shocked German officer agreed, and Father Kolbe and nine others were taken away to die. Maximilian helped the others prepare for death; he was the last to succumb, dying on 04 February in 1941, the eve of the Assumption.

Father Kolbe teaches us that sometimes being a Knight requires us to work against an evil system, even to the point of disobeying immoral or unjust laws. Do any circumstances exist today where Knights may have to emulate Father Kolbe?

From K of C Booklet "Knights To Christ"

Upcoming Events



- 02 Feb Blue and Gold Banquet
- 03 Feb Council Corporate Mass at 0800
- 06 Feb Council Business Meeting at 1900
- 09 Feb District Free Throw Contest
- 14 Feb St. Valentine's Day
- 17 Feb Pancake Breakfast after 0800 Mass (Team C)

- 18 Feb Presidents Day
- 20 Feb Council Social Meeting at 1900
- 21 Feb Council Officers Meeting at 1830
- 21 Feb Fr. Kekeisen Assembly Meeting at 1900
- 23 Feb Annual School Gala



February Birthdays

A Monthly Feature

Our birthday recipients for the unpredictable month of February include:

01 Feb - Joseph Bailey

03 Feb – Brian Champion

03 Feb - Russel Aldegren

06 Feb - Thomas Bailey

07 Feb - Al Weber

09 Feb - Luis (Don) Manzanares

09 Feb – Norman (Dave) Nelson

11 Feb - Nick Jasper

14 Feb - Albert Erickson

18 Feb- Tom Sobolewski

19 Feb - Michael Lucero

20 Feb - Brother Donald (Digger) Rank

20 Feb - Kris Sybrant

21 Feb - John Doyle

22 Feb - Trevor Ellis

22 Feb - Andy Glen

24 Feb - Jeff Clear

24 Feb - Mike Crocker

25 Feb – Dennis Shabeck

26 Feb – Nicholas Pallisco

Happy Birthday to all of our brother Knights celebrating birthdays during the usually cold and snowy Colorado month of February



Remember in our prayers: Fred Wolfe, Father Brownstein, Fred and Melanie Seiter, Earl Depner, Don Manzanares, Butch Christensen, Terri Stauber, Laura Gomez, Joan Durbin Continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Let us pray for our Armed Forces, especially those in the combat zones.

February History



04 Feb 1861- The Confederate States of America formed.

07 Feb 1910- The Boy Scouts of America incorporated.

07 Feb 1964- The Beatles first U.S. visit began in New York.

12 Feb 1809- President Abraham Lincoln was born. 14 Feb 1929 – The St. Valentine's Day Massacre occurred

15 Feb 1842- First adhesive postage stamps introduced.

17 Feb 1867- First ship passed through the Suez Canal

19 Feb 1878- Thomas Edison received a patent for the phonograph.

20 Feb 1962- John Glenn became the first American to orbit the Earth aboard the *Friendship VII* Mercury capsule. *

22 Feb 1732- President George Washington was born.

24 Feb 1945- U.S. soldiers liberated Manila from Japan.

24 Feb 1570- Pope Pius V excommunicated Queen Elizabeth I

28 Feb 1861- The Territory of Colorado was organized.

29 Feb 1960- Filibuster by Democrats against Civil Rights began.

*Your *Knightly News* editor was a member of the Project Mercury medical recovery team for this historic event.



Comments Never Heard in Church

- 1. Hey! It's my turn to sit in the front pew.
- 2. I was so enthralled, I never noticed your sermon went 25 minutes overtime.
- 3. Personally, I find witnessing much more enjoyable than golf.
- 4. I volunteer to be the permanent teacher for the Junior High Sunday School class.
- 5. I love it when we sing hymns I've never heard before.
- 6. Father, we'd love to send you to this Bible seminar in the Bahamas.
- 7. Nothing inspires me and strengthens my commitment like our annual stewardship campaign.

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