

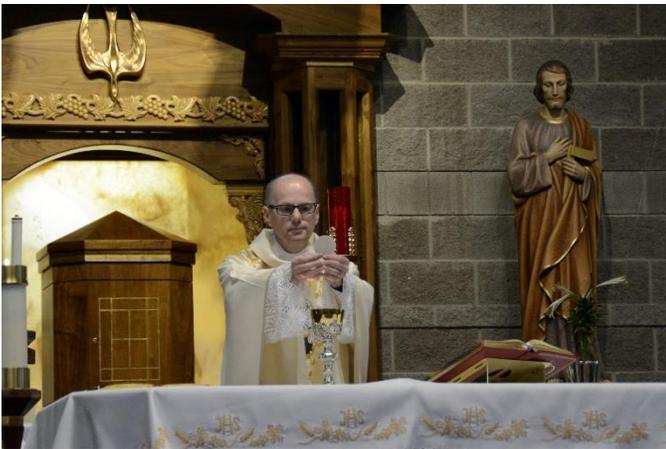


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Father Gzregorz Golyzniak

Dear brother Knights and family

After Christmas we contemplate the word of God as we live our ordinary life in liturgical Ordinary Time and extra ordinary circumstances. COVID is still with us. maybe as a necessary evil, so we can be vigilant to keep our relationship with God and with others strong. It doesn't work all the time but God is demanding from us to at least try. In any difficult moments of our lives God is with us, but, also he is reminding us that we need to do our part too. So don't forget to pray, be careful, and do what is right for you and others regarding COVID. In my case I had COVID twice already and as a matter of fact I write this note while still on quarantine. The second time with omicron mutation I struggled a lot. It was difficult to get rid of it but with God's grace I'm back.

I cannot express how lucky I'm to be your pastor, as a brother knight and shepherd of St. Peter/School Parish in Monument, CO. As I was in the seminary I learned that people will be asking every priest "how do you know that God called you to be a priest?". Yes, I'm asked that question a lot especially from kids and youth. I could come with some smart theologian answer but in my heart I have my answer in a different format. I believe that God called me because I'm a very happy priest. I believe that if you are happy in what you do then you are called to that specific mission given to you.

Is it stressful, sad sometimes, lonely etc. of course it is. We all do have those feelings but I was never an unhappy priest. Knowing what I know now and looking back I would make the same decision to be a priest as I did 24 years ago.

Let's say if you are not a happy doctor then possibly you could be pretty miserable doctor and will not be able to help people. That's the case with every vocation including priesthood.

May these humble words set the tone for upcoming Lent.

I wish you amazing and blessed days as we all live not for ourselves but for the Lord.

Padre G

Saint of the Month

Month of the Holy Family



This holy martyr was a native of Cæsarea in Cappadocia, and in the persecution of Dioclesian she was brought before the governor Sapricius.

After the usual interrogatories she was stretched on the catasta, an iron bed over a slow fire. Then as laid thereon, the servant of God exclaimed, “Do thy worst, I fear not pain, if only I may see Him, for whose love I am ready to die.”

Sapricius said, “Who is he whom thou lovest?”

Dorothy answered, “Christ, the Son of God.”

Sapricius asked, “And where is this Christ?”

Dorothy replied, “In His omnipotence He is everywhere; in His humanity he is in Heaven, the Paradise to which He invites us: where the woods are ever adorned with fruit, and lilies ever bloom white, and roses ever flower; where the fields are green, the mountains wave with fresh grass, and the springs bubble up eternally.”

Then said a lawyer present, named Theophilus, “Thou spouse of Christ, send me from Paradise some of these apples and roses.”

And Dorothy answered him, “I will.”

Now the governor pronounced sentence against her, that she should lose her head. And as she knelt, and the executioner prepared to smite, she asked him to delay the stroke for a moment. Then she prayed, and suddenly there stood by her a beauteous youth, in dazzling raiment, who held in his hands three

apples, and three red roses, the like of which earthly garden had never produced.

Then Dorothy said, “I pray thee take these to Theophilus, and tell him that they are what I promised him.”

And at that instant the sword of the executioner fell, and she entered into the joy of her Lord.

Now Theophilus, the advocate, was at home with his companions; and to them he told with great laughter how he had asked the virgin to send him the flowers and fruit of the Paradise to which she hoped to enter. And, all at once, as he spake, the angel stood before him, with grave face, and held out to him the wondrous apples and roses, and said, “Dorothy sends these to thee, as she promised.”

Then Theophilus believed, and going before the governor, he confessed Christ, and was sentenced to death; and so died, receiving the baptism of blood.

Grand Knight’s Message



Strengthen our Parish

The strength of our parish is not in the individual accomplishments of the individuals of the parish but in the results of collaboration of those individuals. It is well documented by advocates of non-profit organizations that improving the effectiveness of an organization requires the individuals to marry their strengths with the strengths of others in the organization. The Saint Peters Knights of Columbus are well aware of this process. That is why the Knights of Columbus dedicate countless hours

providing opportunities and funding for the individuals within the parish to meet and collaborate with others in the parish. The fish dinners, breakfasts, retreats and other Knight sponsored opportunities for people to get together are important to strengthen the parish and the church. COVID has served to separate and divide our parish. It is most important for all of us to get together and pair our individual strengths with the strengths of others to make Saint Peters Church stronger to serve us all better.

Randy C Fritz GK

Knights of Columbus Council 11514

Knights in Action



St. Peter's Knights and blood donors Bob Knapp, Dave McCloy and Dick Peters at the Blood Drive. Special needles were required to puncture the tough Marine skin of Brother Bob.



Knight of the Month John Devlin receives the Award from Grand Knight Randy Fritz.



Family of the Month Award accepted by Bob Leise from GK Randy Fritz. Bob's wife Glen was unavailable for the photo.



Congratulations to Family of the Year, Bob and Joyce Lynn. Joyce was not available at this photo shoot.

No Neighbor Left Behind Program



Helping our neighbors has slowed during the winter months, but several elderly parishioners are still being driven to and from St. Peter's each Sunday for Mass.

Additionally, Knights continue to take Holy Communion to the homebound parishioners.



Requiescat in pace



Earl is survived by two sons, George and Marty who are both Fourth Degree Knights in Colorado Springs plus the wives of his sons and several grandchildren

According to research by Father G, Earl was the oldest Knight in our Order world-wide.

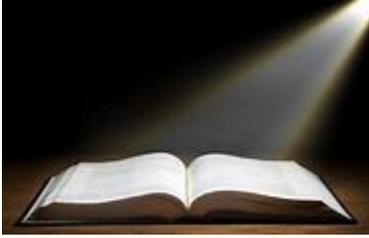
Our Brother Knight Earl Depner with 86 years in the Order left his earthly bounds on 23 January 2022 to join our Lord in Heaven. SK Earl was born near Billings, Montana on 12 November 1917 making him 104 years and a couple of months.

Earl joined the Army Air Corps and flew P-51 aircraft during the Second World War and later was an Instructor Pilot during the Korean War. He retired from the U. S. Air Force as a colonel.

Earl attended daily Mass at St. Peter's until advancing age prevented that, but age never stopped him from praying the Rosary several times a day. He was a compassionate care-giver to his late wife Rosanna who developed Parkinson's Disease.



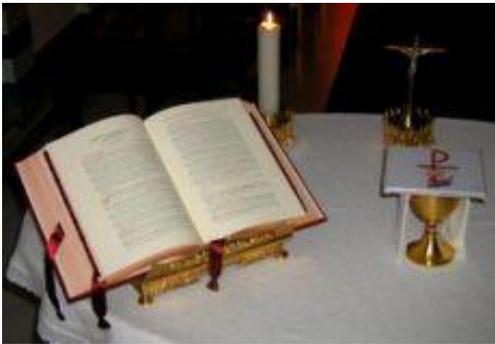
P-51 Missing Man Formation



Word of the Month

Scruple: A morbid unreasonable fear and anxiety that one's actions are sinful when they are not, or more seriously sinful than they actually are. Compulsive scrupulosity is quite different from the transient scrupulosity of persons of tender or highly sensitive conscience, or of persons with faulty moral judgment.

From the *Catholic Word Book*



Sermonette

Jesus is our model for ministry

We know when it is a time to do the right thing, even if it costs us something: time, prestige, money, etc. As there is no beginning or end to Christ as high priest – so there is no limit to how we might follow his example in our lives, and in our ministry. Good must always counter evil, and care must always come before indifference and complacency. Jesus is our model, and with his help we can serve as he did.



The Knights normally 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.

Knights and their families are asked to sit in reserved pews and wear their Council name tags. If you know of any Knights, or family members, who should have a Mass intention, please contact **Bob Knapp at 719-502-0327 or rbknapp06@comcast.net**

Note: Knights, families and parishioners are invited to pray the Rosary as a group after the 0800 Mass on each month that has five Sundays.



Remember in our prayers: Jim Desautel, Jack Banoczi, Father Golyzniak, Chris Otto, Mary Ann Trifiletti, Butch Christensen, Fred and Melanie Seiter, Charlie Bergeron, Don Manzanares, Laura Gomez.

Continue to pray for our priests, deacons and for vocations to the religious life. Remember our soldiers, sailors, Marines and airmen, especially those in combat areas.

Pray for the repose of the soul of **Earl Depner** and our departed brother Knights and their families.



Your Insurance Corner

Raising Awareness About Life Insurance

Fraternity is being a brother, even to those who reject you.

There was no room for them to stay in the inn.
Luke 2:7

Dr. Charles Drew was a black graduate of prestigious Amherst University.

A surgical consultant for the U. S. Army, he developed the process for preserving blood and using it for transfusion. Incredibly, he was not allowed to donate his blood to the Red Cross Blood Bank because he was black. More incredibly and more tragically, after a car accident in 1950, he was refused his own discovery, at a North Carolina hospital.

He died during the long drive to find a hospital that would treat black patients. ~ Mark Link, S.J.02

What are Knights doing to combat prejudice in the nation we love? What more might we do?

There may be times when we when we are powerless to prevent injustice, but there must never be a time when we fail to protest it.

~ Elie Wiesel

From **Knights To Christ** Booklet

With life insurance, there is an overwhelming lack of understanding of the product among the general public. Each year, the Life Insurance Market Research Association (**LIMRA**) puts out the results from a recent survey, and unfortunately, the numbers they report continue to be discouraging.

A recent survey found that more than 75% of people polled did not have a personal financial advisor. Sixty-eight percent of that same survey group said their opinion of the current economic conditions was somewhat favorable to very unfavorable.

In other words, a majority of those surveyed were uncomfortable with the economy and the uncertainty it brings, yet they did not seek out professional assistance. Maybe they spoke with their family or friends. Maybe they hoped the instability and inflation would go away on its own. Maybe they did not know to whom to turn.

If you fall into this category, please remember that as a member of the Knights of Columbus, you have a full-time, professional agent you can call your own. My primary responsibility is the care and service of your family's life insurance, retirement and long-term care needs. I will answer your questions because I want your decisions to be informed ones. I want to help.

Another **LIMRA** statistic said 43 percent of all people did not buy life insurance because they

worry about “making the wrong decision.” Talk with me, and, afterwards, you will understand that the only wrong decision was not purchasing sooner to protect your family’s future.

Your field agent and brother Knight

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February Birthdays

- ❖ 01 Feb – Joseph Bailey II
- ❖ 03 Feb – Russell Adelgren
- ❖ 03 Feb – Brian Champion
- ❖ 06 Feb – Tom Bailey
- ❖ 07 Feb – Al Weber
- ❖ 09 Feb – Luis Manzanares
- ❖ 09 Feb – Dave Nelson
- ❖ 11 Feb – Nick Jasper
- ❖ 14 Feb – Albert Erickson
- ❖ 18 Feb – Tomasz Sobolewski
- ❖ 19 Feb – Michael Lucero
- ❖ 20 Feb – Fr. Donald Rank
- ❖ 20 Feb – Kris Sybrant
- ❖ 22 Feb – Trevor Ellis
- ❖ 22 Feb – Andrew Glen
- ❖ 24 Feb – Jeff Clear
- ❖ 24 Feb – Dc. Mike Crocker
- ❖ 25 Feb – Dennis Shabeck
- ❖ 26 Feb – Nicholas Pallisco
- ❖ **Happy Birthday to all of our brother Knights during this wintry month of February.**

- 02 Feb – Council Business Meeting at 1900
- ✓ 04 Feb – First Friday of the Month
- ✓ 12 Feb – Lincoln’s Birthday
- ✓ 14 Feb – Valentine’s Day
- ✓ 16 Feb – Council Social Meting at 1900
- ✓ 17 Feb – Council Officer’s Meeting at 1800
- ✓ 17 Feb – Fr. Kekeisen Assembly Meeting at 1900
- ✓ 22 Feb – Washington’s Birthday

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Your editor cannot vouch that these sayings actually came from any of St. Peter's School students, but.....

Sampson slayed the philistines with the axe of the apostles.

Moses led the jews to the red sea where they made unleavened bread, which is bread without any ingredients.

The seventh commandment is thou shalt not admit adultery.

When the three wise guys from the east arrived they found Jesus in the manger.

St. Paul cavorted to Christianity, he preached holy acrimony, which is another name for marriage.

Christians have only one spouse. This is called monotony.

One of the oppossums was St. Matthew who was also a taximan.

The Egyptians were all drowned in the dessert. Afterwards, Moses went up to mount cyanide to get the ten commandments.

Solomon, one of David's sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines.