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Chaplain's Column

Dear Brother Knights

Few days ago, Pope Francis released his message for Lent. The theme of his message is "With God there is always a dialogue of the heart"

Holy Father invites the faithful to embrace the paschal mystery as the basis for conversion. In his message, Pope Francis points to the paschal mystery - the mystery of Jesus' Passion, Death and Resurrection - as the basis of conversion. The message bears the title "We implore you on behalf of Christ: be reconciled to God", a quote from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians.

"This *kerygma* [fundamental proclamation of the Gospel message] sums up the mystery of a love 'so

real, so true, so concrete, that it invites us to a relationship of openness and fruitful dialogue' (*Christus vivit*, 117)", the Pope writes. "Whoever believes this message rejects the lie that our life is ours to do as we will. Pope Francis says that during this season of Lent, he wants to invite the faithful to fix their eyes on the crucified Lord, and allow ourselves "to be saved over and over again". "Jesus' Pasch is not a past event; rather, through the power of the Holy Spirit it is ever present, enabling us to see and touch with faith the flesh of Christ in those who suffer".

The Holy Father emphasizes the importance of prayer during Lent, as a means of responding to God's love, "which always precedes and sustains us". We are also called to hear and respond to the Word of Jesus, in order to experience "the mercy He freely gives us." God is always engaged in a "dialogue of salvation with us", despite our weaknesses and failings, the Pope says. This desire to save us "led the Father to burden His Son with the weight of our sins, thus, in the expression of Pope Benedict XVI, 'turning of God against Himself' (*Deus caritas est*, 12)".

"Putting the paschal mystery at the center of our lives means feeling compassion towards the wounds of the crucified Christ present in the many innocent victims of wars, in attacks on life, from that of the unborn to that of the elderly, and various forms of violence". This means being personally committed to and involved in "the building of a better world", the Pope says. In commending charitable giving, the Pope notes the meeting he has convened for the end of March "with young economists, entrepreneurs and change-makers, with the aim of shaping a more just and inclusive economy." Pope Francis concludes his message with a prayer to the Blessed

Virgin Mary “that our Lenten celebration will open our hearts to hear God’s call to be reconciled to Himself, to fix our gaze on the paschal mystery, and to be converted to an open and sincere dialogue with Him”.

Have a fruitful Lent
With prayer Fr. Gregory



Saint of the Month

Month of the Passion of the Our Lord

St. Perpetua kept a diary during her last days, while she awaited her execution. Her diary, along with an eyewitness’s account of her death, is one of the oldest, most reliable histories of a martyr’s sufferings. This account was passed down to encourage other Christians to witness to the world with their lives—to teach others that greater than life itself is knowing Jesus and being loyal to him.

Perpetua’s account records the events that took place in Carthage, Africa, in the year 202, when the Emperor Severus issued an anti-Christian law forbidding anyone to be baptized and become a Christian. At that time twenty-two-year-old Perpetua was a catechumen, studying to become a Christian. She was also the mother of an infant son. Perpetua was arrested along with four other catechumens, including Felicity, her slave woman, who was about to give birth to a child. All were tried and sentenced to be thrown to the wild beasts in the amphitheater during a national holiday. Their

deaths would be scheduled along with sports events and various games.

During the days before their execution, their teacher Saturus voluntarily joined the catechumens so that he might die for Christ with them. Perpetua’s father, a wealthy pagan, pleaded with her to offer sacrifice to the pagan gods so she could be free, but she refused. She said, “Father do you see this water jar, or whatever it is, standing here? Could one call it by any other name than what it is? Well, in the same way I cannot be called by any other name than what I am—a Christian.”

While they were awaiting death, Perpetua and her companions were baptized. Shortly before the scheduled execution, Felicity gave birth to a baby girl. During childbirth, she had cried out in pain. Someone hearing her asked her how she would ever endure the suffering of martyrdom. She replied, “Now it is I who suffer what I am suffering; then, there will be another in me who will suffer for me, because I will be suffering for him.”

On the day of their execution, the martyrs left their prison “joyfully as though they were on their way to heaven” and entered the arena, where they were killed before the cheering crowd. Perpetua and Felicity were beheaded; the others were killed by wild beasts. Today these women are mentioned in the first Eucharistic Prayer.

St. Perpetua’s feast day is celebrated on 07 March.

Fasting and Abstinence



It is a traditional doctrine of Christian spirituality that a constituent part of repentance, of turning away from sin and back to God, includes some form of penance, without which the Christian is unlikely to remain on the narrow path and be saved (Jer. 18:11, 25:5; Ez. 18:30, 33:11-15; Joel 2:12; Mt. 3:2; Mt. 4:17; Acts 2:38). Christ Himself said that His disciples would fast once He had departed (Lk. 5:35). The general law of penance, therefore, is part of the law of God for man.

The Church for her part has specified certain forms of penance, both to ensure that the Catholic will do something, as required by divine law, while making it easy for Catholics to fulfill the obligation. Thus, the 1983 Code of Canon Law specifies the obligations of Latin Rite Catholics [Eastern Rite Catholics have their own penitential practices as specified by the Code of Canons for the Eastern Churches].

- **Canon 1250:** All Fridays through the year and the time of Lent are penitential days and times throughout the entire Church.
- **Canon 1251:** Abstinence from eating meat or another food according to the prescriptions of the conference of bishops is to be observed on Fridays throughout the year unless they are solemnities; abstinence and fast are to be observed on Ash Wednesday and on the Friday of the Passion and Death of Our Lord Jesus Christ.
- **Canon 1252:** All persons who have completed their fourteenth year are bound by the law of abstinence; all adults are bound by the law of fast up to the beginning of their sixtieth year. Nevertheless, pastors and parents are to see to it that minors who are not bound by the law of fast and abstinence are educated in an authentic sense of penance.
- **Canon 1253:** It is for the conference of bishops to determine more precisely the observance of fast and abstinence and to substitute in whole or in part for fast and abstinence other forms of penance, especially works of charity and exercises of piety.



Knights in Action



Blue and Gold Banquet Workers

Left to Right: Bob Lynn, Randy Fritz, Carl Anderson, Patrick Finnegan, John Kowalski, Dave McCloy, Tom Bailey.

On Sunday, 09 February 2020, members of Council 11514 gathered at St. Peter's to cater the annual Scout's Blue and Gold Banquet for 100 Scouts, parents and guests. The fare asked for by the Scouts was the famous spaghetti meal complete with gourmet sauces, garlic bread, fresh green salad and huge sheet cakes.



Gary Spoto and District Deputy Dan Rolenc present awards to winners of the District 26 Free Throw Contest on Saturday, 15 February 2020.

Winners from St. Peter's going to Colorado State competition are:

Jack Terrien (boys 9)

Leo Bresnahan (boys 10)

Maeve Salverson (girls 13)



SK Ed Hettler presents a \$300 check to St. Peter's School principal Sheila Whelan at the Gala held on Friday, 21 February at the Spruce Mountain Resort.



SK Ed Paulovich in a dumpster during the Knight's efforts to assist moving and decorating the new parish center – was he diving for lunch for the working crew? Actually, a tool had fallen into the dumpster and Ed drew the short straw to retrieve it.



Fish Fry/Bake

The Annual fish fry/bake suppers during Lent start on Friday, 06 March and will continue on the 13th, 20th and 27th. These are big fund-raisers for the

Council with large crowds showing up, so extra hands to help will be needed. Even though each evening has a team assigned for set up, cooking, serving and clean up, members from all teams are most welcome.

Father Golyzniak went to the DMV to renew his driver's license. First, of course, he had to take an eye sight test. The optician showed him a card with the letters

'C Z W I X N O S T A C Z.'

'Can you read this?' the optician asked. 'Read it?' the good Father replied, 'I know the guy.'



Assembly News



FN Ed Paulovich shows the chalice purchased by the Assembly in memory of deceased Sir Knight Rich Haberkorn. The chalice was earlier presented to the widow of Rich, Gloria Haberkorn after a Mass said for his intention.



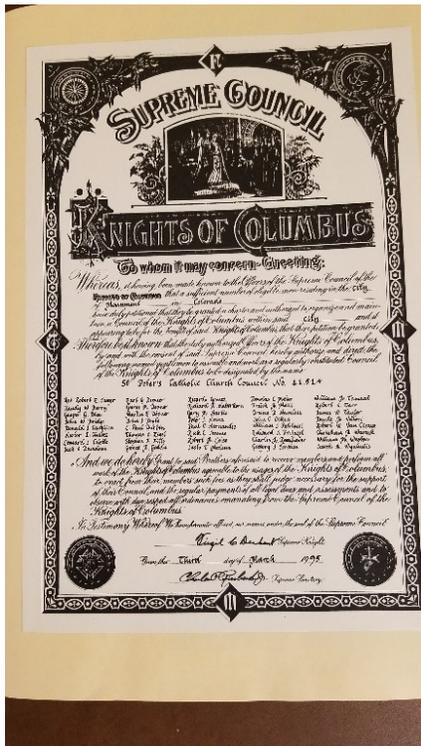
A view of the chalice



The base of the chalice that is engraved, "In memory of Richard Haberkorn. Rev. FR. R. E. Kekeiesen Assembly 2594."



LEFT: The new Knight's Father McGivney meeting room in the Parish Center complete with a lectern, large screen television, tables and padded chairs.



LEFT: Council 11514 charter that will be in place in the room reserved for the Knights along with other plaques and awards including the six Star Council Awards



**Assembly 2495 newest member, Sir
Knight Manny Quinn.
Thanks to all who made this display
in the Parish Center possible.
Cabinet donated by Randy Fritz
Cabinet refinished by Insurance
Agent Kip Gaisford
Mannikin procured by Dick Peters
Bob and Robert Knapp provided
regalia
Father Golyzniak donated the sword
Tuxedo compliments of Ed Paulovich**



Sermonette

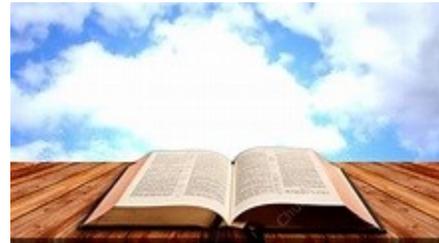
Through the grace of God and his son, Jesus Christ, we are made adopted children of God. Christ is sinless and righteous; he is the Lamb of God who took away our sins. In him and through him we have the grace to grow in holiness and the avoidance of sin, and increase our love for one another. For this is how children of God are made plain to others,



Remember in our prayers: Rudy Tamayo, Father Golyzniak, Jimmy Carter, Dave Nelson, Fred Wolfe, Father Brownstein, Butch Christensen, Fred and Melanie Seiter, Earl Depner, Don Manzanaras, Laura Gomez, and Joan Durbin.



- ❖ 01 Mar – Corporate Mass at 0800
- ❖ 04 Mar – Council Business Meeting at 1900
- ❖ 05 Mar – Student’s Speech Contest 1200 to 1500
- ❖ 06 Mar – Fish Fry/Bake (Team A)
- ❖ 13 Mar – Fish Fry/Bake (Team B)
- ❖ 18 Mar – Council Social Meeting at 1900
- ❖ 19 Mar – Council Officer’s Meeting at 1800
- ❖ 19 Mar – Assembly Meeting at 1900
- ❖ 20 Mar – Fish Fry/Bake (Team C)
- ❖ 20 Mar – Fish Fry/Bake (Team A)



Word of the Month

Schism: Derived from a Greek word meaning separation, the term designates formal and obstinate refusal by a baptized Catholic, called a schismatic, to be in communion with the pope and the Church. The canonical penalty is excommunication. One of the most disastrous schisms in history resulted in the definitive separation of the Church in the East from union with Rome in about 1054,

