



# The Knightly News

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## Chaplain's Column *by* Father Gzregorz Golyzniak

Dear Brother knights

This time I would like to share an update on our expansion project. I know you already heard it but I thought for those who didn't have chance here is my homily from 25 Sunday of Ordinary Time.

My Brothers and sisters in Christ.

It is a while since we purchased the original St. Peter Church and we talked about our parish and school growth. The need for the expansion for our parish and school is still the case. In last few months parish, finance and building councils have been working very hard to find the best way to accommodate our needs for expansion. A lot of work has been done behind

the scenes. This weekend I would like to share with you thoughts and information on parish/school expansion.

Let's go back in time and stop at the year 1903. Small group of Catholic Families from towns of Monument, Palmer Lake and Larkspur met once a month for Mass in the Woodmen of the World Hall in Monument (Town hall), utilizing a three-legged piano as their altar. This Catholic community consisted of twelve families and was considered a mission with Fr. Raber serving as the Pastor.

These twelve families felt they could strengthen their faith if they had a more suitable place to worship. Lucy McConnel donated the land where the first church was built. On October 1911 the church project was finished.

The large portion of the church was built by the men, women and children of the parish. From that time on the 12 families have been transforming into larger community. 1950's the parish struggle but in 1958 the people of faith St. Peter parishioners took step ahead and became small but vibrant community. The Faith Formation program, regular Masses, baptisms, weddings and funerals have been done at the small church where people gathered to worship and be together as one family. Through the years St. Peter had to expand and in its history built 3 churches and expand present church as you see it today. St. Peter parish always was and is faith filled community. One of the results of it was a new catholic school which celebrated their 10th anniversary in 2013.

Today our Goal is to obtain Support our mission, programs and ministries.

St. Peter is a thriving parish community at a time when many churches are struggling and shrinking.

Our church supports our worship and is a major source of strength. To continue growing and moving "from strength to strength," we need to improve and expand the facilities that support our learning, our growth in faith, our support for each other and the community, and our service to God.

Some numbers are needed here. Comparing to the year 2013 when I became a pastor at St. Peter the number of families at the parish was 1,400 from which 800 are practicing regularly. Today we count 2,200 families from which 1,450 families practice their faith on regular basis. In 2013 our school accommodated 124 students and today we serve 218 students. In 2013 our parish offered 46 different ministries to the parishioners and today we offer 58. Our faith formation program grew to over 250 students including Confirmation and RCIA programs.

You might ask how do we measure the need for the expansion. Sometimes we can see plenty room in the church pews so it seems like we are fine. The measurement lies in the number of students and ministries. And these two facts are the cause for expansion. Right now the space for the students is limited and pretty soon we might have a waiting list for those who would like to enroll. The ministries meet at the church, school rectory and sometimes private homes for their meetings. Very often the school classes need to be canceled due to other events like funeral reception. Sometimes the ministries have to cancel their meetings because of the school events. Sometimes diocesan programs come our ways and there is a need for space. The reason for the diocesan programs like Diaconate formation classes to be held at St. Peter is because we are located in the middle of the diocese. Between south and north there is us. Sometimes the ministry leaders have conflict with each other due to reserved space in the school or church.

Our current facilities include the use of our St. Peter School for many of the parish ministries. We utilize the classrooms in the evenings which are not set up for ministries and creates a potentially unsafe environment for the school. Because these facilities house our programs and ministries – and the strength of our programs and ministries is essential to the strength of St. Peter – responsible stewardship compels us to take action.

Our plan is to create a welcoming ministry center and chapel using purchased original church.

It starts with the renovation of the current chapel structure with an addition of a new ministry center.

The need to renovate the chapel and add a ministry center has become an opportunity to rethink the relationship of that building to the rest of our campus and the neighborhood. With its central role and location, we envision the chapel and ministry center as a hub that offers community space for our ministries, allows other outside groups meeting space and unifies our campus that will make it more welcoming to all.

We have a vital and vibrant church community. This ought to be revealed in the entrances to all of our buildings and the rooms within them. We will create a building that encourages involvement and gathering spaces to foster fellowship. The addition of this much needed space will dramatically increase and improve the available gathering spaces, providing more varied options to accommodate groups up to 175. Every event, program and project we undertake will benefit.

The dream is to finish this project by the next fall. As I said we did some work behind the scenes and today we have ready for you the floor plan and building rendering. You can find them in the vestibule or our website.

I would like to be very transparent about this project. There is special website created and you can find there all information from beginning and we will continue to provide updates as clear as possible. You can find there all the financial and architectural documents.

This is the first phase of this expansion project. The second phase is to add space to our school.

In general we think of adding sitting space at the gym, add a cafeteria for students so they have proper place to eat lunch, above the cafeteria extra one or two classrooms and replace of the existing lecture hall with new structure which will provide bigger space for Lecture hall and extra classrooms above the Lecture Hall. This second phase need to wait till we are advanced in the first phase. Our Dream is to finish second and last phase in 2020 or beginning of 2021.

I'm guessing some other pastors would stop here and ask you for money to complete these projects. I can't do that now. I do not know how to ask you and convince you, that this project is needed. I do not know where your heart is now in the light of the church scandals. I do not know your life circumstances. I need to rely on your advice, on your judgment toward this project. I want to be 100% transparent and I want to hear from you. The Parish and Finance council who represents you is supporting this project. Our Bishop Michael Sheridan and Town of Monument is supportive and they give a permission to proceed. At this time my appeal to you is to pray over it, think about it and let's decide together how we can have this work done. Next weekend I will be available at the original church after all Masses, for gathering and discussing this project. I would love to answer all your questions and share with you what we have done so far in details.

Anytime after Mass please stop at the vestibule to see the plans and drawings.

Thank you for reading this long missive and in advance I thank you for your prayers.

Your Brother in Christ

Fr. Gregory.



## Saint of the Month

*Month of the Holy Rosary*

Saint Teresa of Avila, also called Saint Teresa of Jesus, baptized as Teresa Sanchez de Cepeda y Ahumada was a prominent Spanish mystic, Roman Catholic saint, Carmelite nun, author and theologian of contemplative life through mental prayer. Active during the Counter-Revolution, she was a reformer in the Carmelite Order of her time; the movement she initiated, later joined by Saint John of the Cross, eventually led to the establishment of the Discalced Carmelites, though neither she nor John were alive when the two orders separated.

In 1622, forty years after her death, she was canonized by Pope Gregory XV, and on 27 September 1970, she was named a Doctor of the Church by Pope Paul VI. After her death on 04 October 1582 in Salamanca, Spain, Saint Teresa was considered a candidate to become a national patron saint in Spain. Pious Catholic beliefs associate Saint Teresa with the Jesus of Prague with claims of former ownership and devotion. Her feast day is celebrated on 04 October.

## Your Insurance Corner

### Ask Eligible Men to Join

Today, I want to address the growth of the Order. Membership growth is the fuel that keeps this great fraternal engine running. All of our charitable works in the council, state, national, and international level are thanks to our hard-working members.

We also recognize that the membership blitz is a tried and true way for councils to increase their numbers. We see these pushes often in March, in celebration of Founder's Day, and again in October. These drives are successful because brother Knights are more visible than normal, during and after Masses and at special events. We must remember to ask each and every Catholic gentleman to join our ranks for the good of the Church, the community and the Order.

During the rest of the year, we often "forget" to ask men to join our ranks and bring their families into the Knights of Columbus family. You probably know an eligible Catholic man you could ask today. Chances are that the only reason he hasn't joined already is because no one asked him.

When telling a prospect about the strengths of the Order, don't forget our greatest fraternal benefit: our insurance program. This is often an interesting selling point to a potential member who is on the fence. Many members come into the Knighthood simply to be able to buy coverage for their family. Soon after, they realize the good our charitable works do for their community and they are proud to be members.

As your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, I look forward to helping us grow in fraternity any way that I can.

I am your field agent, **Kip Gaisford.**

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**If I had a dollar for every girl who found me unattractive, they'd eventually find me attractive.**

# Columbus Day

*The Order's Namesake's Day*



Italian Christopher Columbus, financed by Spain's Queen Isabella brought the Catholic religion to the New World on 12 October 1492. 300 years later, New York City celebrated the first Columbus Day in 1792. By 1937, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, under intense lobbying by the Knights of Columbus, declared Columbus Day a national holiday to be celebrated on 12 October of each year. Under a 1971 law, the holiday was moved to the second Monday of each October. In 1882, the Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney began an organization that was named in the honor of Christopher Columbus. He originally conceived the name "Sons of Columbus", but James T. Mullen, who would become the first Supreme Knight, successfully suggested the "Knights of Columbus" would better capture the ritualistic nature of the new organization. The name of Columbus was also partially intended as a mild rebuke to Anglo-Saxon Protestant leaders who upheld the explorer as an American hero, yet simultaneously sought to marginalize recent Catholic immigrants. In taking Columbus as their patron, they were sending a message that not only could Catholics be full members of American society, but were, in fact, instrumental in its foundation.

**Today a man knocked on my door and asked for a small donation towards the local swimming pool, so I gave him a glass of water.**

## Knights in Action



## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Rosary



The 5th-Sunday-Rosary is an official Knights of Columbus program that began at St. Peter's in October of last year. The Rosary is prayed in every month with a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday and is said after the 0800 Mass. **SK Dave McCloy** has coordinated efforts and has five Knights lead a decade to be prayed on

those Sundays with the most recent one on 30 September. Although this is a Knight of Columbus project, parishioners are welcome and encouraged to join in. As each month passes, more parishioners join Council members and their families in praying Mary's prayer.



## Hurricane Florence

Sir Knight **John Hartling** did not think twice about departing for the south to help victims of Hurricane Florence and he was accompanied by his son Patrick who is an EMT and travelled with an ambulance crew to help where they could. John is certified by the American Red Cross as a shelter supervisor and has managed local shelters in minor disasters, but this time it was of a much larger magnitude. Once in North Carolina, he was assigned to manage a 250-bed shelter for a two-week period that involves 16 to 18-hour days for him. Council members look forward to his return to hear of his experiences and we hope he gets some much needed rest.



## Empty Bowl Supper

Each October, an Empty Bowl Supper is held in the local high school as a benefit raiser for Tri Lakes Cares that serves the needy in the Tri Lakes area. Local potters make soup bowls and area restaurants and churches provide soups and chili to serve. McDonalds and Safeway also furnish drinks, bread and desserts. **St. Peter's Council 11514** donates a tool box full of tools to be raffled off during the silent auction and Knight **Jeff Clear**, a Snap-On Tool executive, also donates a high priced Snap-On tool for the silent auction. Attendees can purchase a bowl of their choice and use it to sample any of the soups served and then take the bowl home with them. Thanks to the Council and Jeff Clear for their efforts.



Food Pantry  
Donations Needed



**Tootsie Roll Chairman SK Fred Seiter**



Thanks once again to SK Fred Seiter for his leadership once more this year running the Tootsie Roll Campaign with proceeds going to the Intellectually Handicapped Program in School District 38. Total receipts from the King Sooper and Walmart locations amounted to \$2,047.09. In addition, Safeway donated a \$100.00 gift card for District 38 Exceptional Student Services. Fred says, "Hats off to the Parish Boy Scout Troop for participating with the Knights at Walmart" – and thanks to all the Knights who stood two hour shifts outside these stores regardless of weather conditions!



**John Borkowski, GK Dave McCloy, Mike Pietsch**

**Congratulations to Council members John Borkowski and Mike Pietsch who were among 36 candidates who received full knighthood in our Order during an Exemplification held at Spirit of Christ Catholic Community, Arvada, Colorado on Saturday, 15 September.**

**When you are dissatisfied and would like to go back to youth, just think of Algebra.**



**Members of St. Peter's 4<sup>th</sup> Degree participate in the 9/11 flag raising ceremony at the Tri Lakes Fire Station**





**The flag is carried to the flag pole on 9/11**



**Sir Knight and American Legion Post 9-11 Chaplain Jim Bergeron offers a prayer in remembrance of 9/11 victims.**



**Boy Scout John Cinnamon describes his Eagle Scout project to Council members and requests their help in constructing an area in front of the old church consisting of a Marian statue on a boulder surrounded by a paved area.**

*Below: Council members and Scout John Cinnamon hard at work on the Eagle Scout Project.*





**Above:** Finished Eagle Scout Project

**Right:** Tired workers who put in many hours on the project.

L to R: Chuck Hardy, Dick Peters, Scout Cinnamon, Rob Hoette, and Fred Seiter. Not pictured – Jerry Eppig





**Left:**

*Grand Knight Dave McCloy presents the Family of the Month Award to Tom Bailey who accepts on behalf of his wife Julie. Both are very active in Council and Community activities.*

**Below:** GK Dave McCloy presents a check to Father Golyzniak from the Council for the Claire Ramos Fund





Some of the Council Knights who participated in the Barefoot Mile Walk held at District 38 Lewis Palmer Stadium on Saturday, 08 September. Holy Apostles and St. Peter's jointly provided a BBQ (breakfast sausage in tortillas as well as hot dogs, sodas, chips, and water.) The event had over 200 participants and collected close to \$12,000 in donations toward fighting human trafficking. Participating Council 11514 Knights were:

GK Dave McCloy

John Hartling and his grandsons

Dick Peters

Brian Champion

Jim Rech

# Words of the Month



**Vicar Forane:** A Latin term meaning “deputy outside” that is applied to the priest given authority by the local bishop over a certain area or region of the diocese.

**Vicar General:** A priest appointed by the bishop of a diocese to serve as his deputy, with ordinary executive power in the administration of the diocese.

**Vicar, Judicial:** The title given to the chief judge and head of the tribunal of a diocese.



**Fraternity** is a brotherhood of men defending the truth

*Seek the truth*

*Teach the truth*

*Love the truth*

*Abide by the truth*

*And defend the truth*

*Unto death.*

**October is Respect Life Month**

As a Knight, have you taken the time to educate yourself on the Church’s stand on *all* Life issues from the moment of conception until natural death?

How have you defended the truth in your everyday life when confronted with a particular Life issue?

Why does the Church teach that married couples are to remain open to the transmission of new life?

Why is the dignity of the human being seriously threatened by genetic manipulation and fetal experimentation?

How do we affirm the right to life of the elderly and the terminally ill against the satanic seductions of euthanasia and assisted suicide?

Where does Christ, Himself executed as a capital criminal, command us to stand on the issue of capital punishment? How is our council preparing each of its Brothers to abide by the truth in any Life situation?

*The hottest places in hell are reserved for those who in a period of moral crisis maintain their neutrality.*

~ Dante Alighieri

From the **K of C** booklet *Knights to Christ*

*I have chosen the way of truth; I have set my heart on your laws.* ~ Psalm 119:30

# Monthly Council Mass



*Knights and Families Urged To Attend*

The Knights celebrate Mass as a group 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 07 October will be for the repose of the soul of **Louis Castinado**.

A breakfast or brunch will be planned occasionally and advance notification will be made at council meetings. Remember to sit in the pews reserved after processing into the church ahead of the priest 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**.



**Remember in our prayers:** Fred Wolfe, Jim Taylor, Rob Hickman, Butch Christensen, Father Brownstein, Fred and Melanie Seiter, Earl Depner, Don Manzanares, Laura Gomez, and Joan Durbin.

Let us pray for the repose of the souls of our departed brother Knights and families.

Continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

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



15 Oct - Jamie Macissac  
18 Oct- Kevin Witzman  
19 Oct – Stephen Roy  
24 Oct- William Carroll  
25 Oct- Paul Zmuda  
26 Oct- John Gorman  
26 Oct – Robert (Bob) Knapp  
28 Oct- Mark Yoder

**Happy Birthday to all of our brother Knights celebrating birthdays during this autumn month in the Rockies.**

## October World History

02 Oct 1908- Henry Ford introduced the Model T car.  
02 Oct 1950- The “Peanuts” comic strip debuted.  
02 Oct 1967- Thurgood Marshall was sworn in as the first black Associate Justice of the Supreme Court.  
03 Oct 1990- The end of the Berlin Wall occurred.  
05 Oct 1921- The first radio broadcast of the World Series.  
09 Oct 1888- The Washington monument opened to the public.  
10 Oct 1845- The U. S. Naval Academy opened in Annapolis.  
12 Oct 1792- The first celebration of Columbus Day in America was held in New York City.  
15 Oct 1951- “I Love Lucy” premiered on CBS-TV.  
19 Oct 1781- Revolutionary War ended  
21 Oct 1879- Thomas Edison invented the first working electric light.  
23 Oct 1915- 25,000 women marched in New York City demanding the right to vote.  
26 Oct 1825- The Erie Canal was opened.  
27 Oct 1938- Dupont invented nylon.  
28 Oct 1886- The Statue of Liberty was dedicated in New York Harbor by President Grover Cleveland.  
29 Oct 1929- The New York Stock Market crashed.  
30 Oct 1938- Orson Welles performed his “War of the Worlds” on radio causing widespread panic when listeners thought an invasion from Mars had occurred.

*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



## October Birthdays



*A Monthly Feature*

Our birthday recipients for the springtime month of October include:

02 Oct- Gary Caragao  
06 Oct – Timothy Barry  
07 Oct – Laurence A. Rudnicki  
08 Oct- Thomas Vorpahl

# Upcoming Events



- 03 Oct – Council Business Meeting at 1900
- 07 Oct – Council Corporate Mass at 0800
- 08 Oct – Columbus Day
- 17 Oct - Council Social Meeting at 1900
- 18 Oct - Council Officer’s Meeting at 1800
- 18 Oct – Fr. Kekeisen Assembly Meeting at 1900
- 21 Oct – Pancake Breakfast (Team C)

**NOTE – Save 01 December – Christmas Party**

## The Catholic Dictionary

**AMEN:** The only part of a prayer that everyone knows.

**BULLETIN:** 1. Parish information, read only during the homily. 2. Catholic air conditioning. 3. Your receipt for attending Mass.

**CHOIR:** A group of people whose singing allows the rest of the congregation to lip-sync.

**HOLY WATER:** A liquid whose chemical formula is H2OLY.

**HYMN:** A song of praise, usually sung in a key three octaves higher than that of the congregation's range.

**RECESSIONAL HYMN:** The last song at Mass, often sung a little more quietly, since most of the people have already left.

**INCENSE:** Holy Smoke!

**JESUITS:** An order of priests known for their ability to found colleges with good basketball teams.

**JONAH:** The original "Jaws" story.



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