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## Faithful Navigator Report

**Steve Michael  
Faithful Navigator**

Worthy Sir Knights,

I hope all of you are doing well and following your Lenten choices to bring you closer to our Lord. Some of us have given things up, other are doing more fasting, or doing something different such as helping others, more prayers, attending daily mass, and anything that helps us increase our faith. This is a good time for our penance during Lent as we are preparing for Easter.

Please see our message form our Faithful Fryer Msgr. Stephen Doctorczyk about "March Madness".

This month our Monthly Catholic Devotion is for St. Joseph, the Foster Father of Jesus, and Husband to our Blessed Husband.

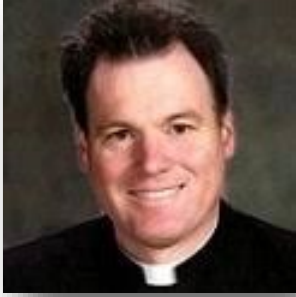
If you are discerning to be an officer, please let me or one of the officers that you are interested. We will publish the officer slate in April.

Vivat Jesus!



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## Faithful Friar's Report

### Msgr. Stephen Doktorczyk

Dear Brother Knights,

Though time doesn't really permit me to be so involved these days, in the past I would always look forward to March Madness, the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball tournament. Back in the day, 64 teams would be selected; this has since been modified to 68 teams. Sometimes games in the earlier brackets would be more exciting than the final four, which often coincided with Holy Week and Easter, depending upon the calendar.

This year the final four contests will be on the Saturday before Palm Sunday and on Holy Monday.

Those who follow the tournament closely will tell you that they enjoy not only watching the games, but also hearing backstories about certain players, some who defeated all odds, were granted a scholarship and now are thriving. Others watch the games casually or read a summary of them after the fact.

I think it's safe to say that there's a certain "March Madness" each year in the church. Some would consider the intentional denying of oneself, living austere or being more generous as something that doesn't make sense. Yet those who endeavor to live Lent well are unfettered by such chatter and might even be motivated to deepen their Lenten practices. But it is really a "madness" to want to follow the Lord more closely, along with hundreds of millions of other Catholics across the world? My response is "no." If we consider how hard some of these young men worked to arrive at where they are today, can we not by analogy at least comprehend the value of our Lenten penances and sacrifices?

The apostle Saint Paul more than once used the image of an athlete and how hard he would work to win a crown, something quite earthly. While as Catholics we are not looking to work our way into heaven, at the same time we strive to cooperate with God's grace to eventually be crowned, as it were, in the life to come. May the madness associated with the month of March be a good kind of madness for us, resulting in us being brought closer to our Lord each day.

Msgr. Stephen Doktorczyk †





## Color Corps Report C.C.C.— Curt Horner

Sir Knights

If you are interested in joining the Color Corps please contact the Faithful Navigator and check out the link below for purchasing the uniform. Serving in the Color Corps is a great use of your time, you will be serving God's Church and the Families of Knights we have lost.

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## Month of St. Joseph

The month of March is dedicated to St. Joseph. We don't know much about him except what is mentioned in the Gospels. Joseph was the husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the foster-father of Jesus. Holy Scripture proclaims him as a "just man," and the Church has turned to Joseph for his patronage and protection. Pope Leo XIII in his encyclical *Quamquam Pluries* (On the Devotion to St. Joseph) in 1889 explains why we place so much trust in this saint:



"Thus in giving Joseph the Blessed Virgin as spouse, God appointed him to be not only her life's companion, the witness of her maidenhood, the protector of her honor, but also, by virtue of the conjugal tie, a participator in her sublime dignity. And Joseph shines among all mankind by the most august dignity, since by divine will, he was the guardian of the Son of God and reputed as His father among men. Hence it came about that the Word of God was humbly subject to Joseph, that He obeyed him, and that He rendered to him all those offices that children are bound to render to their parents. From this two-fold dignity flowed the obligation which nature lays upon the head of families, so that Joseph became the guardian, the administrator, and the legal defender of the divine house whose chief he was. And during the whole course of his life he fulfilled those charges and those duties. ...It is, then, natural and worthy that as the Blessed Joseph ministered to all the needs of the family at Nazareth and girt it about with his protection, he should now cover with the cloak of his heavenly patronage and defend the Church of Jesus Christ."

One hundred years later John Paul II echoes his predecessor in his 1989 Apostolic Exhortation *Redemptoris Custos* (Guardian of the Redeemer), hoping "that all may grow in devotion to the Patron of the Universal Church and in love for the Savior whom he served in such an exemplary manner ... In this way the whole Christian people not only will turn to St. Joseph with greater fervor and invoke his patronage with trust, but also will always keep before their eyes his humble, mature way of serving and of "taking part" in the plan of salvation." St. Joseph is invoked as patron for many causes. He is the patron of the Universal Church. He is the patron of the dying because Jesus and Mary were at his death-bed. He is also the patron of fathers, of carpenters, and of social justice. Many religious orders and communities are placed under his patronage.

— Jennifer Gregory Miller

### Joseph the Just Man

The Church encourages us to be devoted to Joseph because he was a model in the heroic practice of all the virtues. The example of virtuous living that he gave in the exact fulfillment of the duties of his state of life is worthy of our reflection. Read the gospel and you will see his faith, hope and charity practiced under trying circumstances. He was prudent in caring for his wife and the child; he showed great leadership in protecting them and assisting them. He was religious in every sense, with that delicacy and sincerity of conscience that is proper to the saints of God. He was just in his dealings with God and man. He was conspicuous for his fortitude and courage. He was truly outstanding in the practice of virginal chastity. More: he protected and defended Mary's virtue in the time of courtship and all during their life together. They had made a promise of chastity, and because they were resolved to live it for God they were blessed above all others. While Mary inspired him to practice this virtue perfectly, he, as a real man, understood the profound meaning of her inspiration and how it came from a heart that was steeped in the love of God. Time and again the Church has made it clear that Joseph is not a saint for only a certain number of souls, but that he can help all men. Excerpted from St. Joseph: a Theological Introduction by Michael D. Griffin, O.C.D.

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## St. Joseph in Popular Devotion

St. Joseph plays a prominent part in popular devotion: in numerous popular traditions; the custom of reserving Wednesdays for devotion to St. Joseph — popular at least since the end of the seventeenth century — has generated several pious exercises including that of the Seven Wednesdays; in the pious aspirations made by the faithful; in prayers such as that of Pope Leo XIII, *Ad te, Beate Ioseph*, which is daily recited by the faithful; in the Litany of St. Joseph, approved by St. Pope Pius X; and in the recitation of the Chaplet of St. Joseph, recollecting the Seven agonies and seven joys of St. Joseph.

That the solemnity of St. Joseph falls in Lent, when the Church concentrates her attention on preparation for Baptism and the memorial of the Lord's Passion, inevitably gives rise to an attempt to harmonize the Liturgy and popular piety. Hence, the traditional practices of a "month of St. Joseph" should be synchronized with the liturgical Year. Indeed, the liturgical renewal movement attempted to instill among the faithful a realization of the importance of the meaning of Lent. Where the necessary adaptations can be made to the various expressions of popular piety, devotion to St. Joseph should naturally be encouraged among the faithful who should be constantly reminded of the "singular example [...] which, surpassing all states of life, should be recommended to the entire Christian community, whatever their condition or rank."

— Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy

## St. Joseph Model of Fathers

In the litany of St. Joseph, we say, □ St. Joseph, Head of the Holy Family, pray for us. □ There is more hidden behind this invocation than meets the eye. We know, of course, that Mary is the Virgin Mother of Jesus Christ. We know that the Savior was not conceived of a human father. Yet the Church has never tired insisting on the fatherhood of St. Joseph in the Holy Family. It is crucially important to understand that there are two levels to fatherhood. There is the physical level of providing for the conception of a human body. In this sense, Christ did not have a human father. But a father is not only to cooperate with his wife in generating a child. He is also to cooperate with her in rearing the offspring which his spouse brings into the world. From all eternity, Joseph was destined to be the spouse of the Blessed Virgin. They were truly married. Joseph was Mary's husband, and she was his wife. Marriage is the most intimate of all unions between two human beings. It imparts a community of gifts between those joined together in matrimony. Consequently, in giving Joseph the Blessed Virgin as his spouse, God appointed him to be not only her life's companion, but also the witness of her virginity, the protector of her honor. No, by reason of his conjugal tie to Mary, he participated in her sublime dignity. We cannot exaggerate the importance of seeing St. Joseph as the true spouse of Mary. Under God, he was to share in her unique role as Mother of the Word made flesh who dwelt among us. St. Luke tells us that, on returning to Nazareth after Mary and Joseph found the young Christ in the temple, □ Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and grace before God and men (Luke 2:52) □. What are we being told? We are being told that the Christ child constantly manifested greater wisdom as he grew in age. In God's mysterious providence, both Mary and Joseph contributed to this manifestation of greater wisdom in Jesus.

— Father John Hardon



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# Lenten Message from Our Brother

**SK Jim McKenna**

Well, My Brother Sir Knights - Ash Wednesday has come and gone. What now? The Lenten Season is now in 'full swing' and we should be doing something to remember what these 40 days represent and remind us of 'What Jesus Did For Us'!!!! Here is something that can be done at any time, any place, etc. Just say a "Prayer"! Here is what may happen...

## WHAT HAPPENS IN HEAVEN WHEN WE PRAY?

I dreamt that I went to Heaven and an angel was showing me around. We walked side-by-side inside a large workroom filled with angels. My angel guide stopped in front of the first section and said, "This is the Receiving Section. Here all petitions to God said in prayer are received."

I looked around in this area, and it was terribly busy with so many angels sorting out petitions written on voluminous paper sheets and scraps from people all over the world.

Then we moved on down a long corridor until we reached the second section.

The angel then said to me, "This is the Packaging and Delivery Section. Here, the graces and blessings the people asked for are processed and delivered to the living persons who asked for them." I noticed again how busy it was there. There were many angels working hard at that station, since so many blessings had been requested and were being packaged for delivery to Earth.

Finally, at the farthest end of the long corridor we stopped at the door of a very small station. To my great surprise, only one angel was seated there, idly doing nothing. "This is the Acknowledgement Section," my angel friend quietly admitted to me. He seemed embarrassed.

"How is it that there is no work going on here?" I asked.

"So sad," the angel sighed. "After people receive the blessings that they asked for, very few send back acknowledgments."

"How does one acknowledge God's blessings?" I asked.

"Simple," the angel answered. Just say "Thank You, Lord."

"What blessings should they acknowledge?" I asked.

"If you have food in the refrigerator, clothes on your back, a roof overhead and a place to sleep, you are richer than 75% of the world. If you have money in the bank, in your wallet, and spare change in a dish, you are among the top 8% of the world's wealthy, and if you get this on your own computer, you are part of the 1% in the world who has that opportunity."

"If you woke up this morning with more health than illness... You are more blessed than the many who will not even survive this day."

"If you have never experienced the fear in battle, the loneliness of imprisonment, the agony of torture, or the pangs of starvation... You are ahead of 700 million people in the world."

"If you can attend a church without the fear of harassment, arrest, torture or death you are envied by, and more blessed than, three billion people in the world."

"If you can hold your head up and smile, you are not the norm, you're unique to all those in doubt and despair..."



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"OK," I said. "What now? How can I start?"

The Angel said, "If you can read this message, you just received a double blessing that someone was thinking of you as very special, and you are more blessed than over two billion people in the world who cannot read at all."

Have a good day, count your blessings, and if you care to, pass this along to remind everyone else how blessed we all are...

ATTN: Acknowledge Dept...

"Thank you, Lord, for giving me the ability to share this message and for giving me so many wonderful people with who to share it."

Thank God for everything, especially all your Family and Friends.

"We're here until God tells us to shut it down."

Sir Knight Jim McKenna  
PGK, PFN, PCP, FDD

(PS... I am not the author of this, but it sure tells the 'story'! This was sent to me from our 'old' K of C General Agent Jerry Pitzer who is retired and living in Oregon. He took the time to pass it to us RETIRED AGENTS. We as Former Field Agents continue to Pray for You and Your Families! Thanks for being a Knight and for what you do daily. May God Bless You and Yours! Jim)!!!





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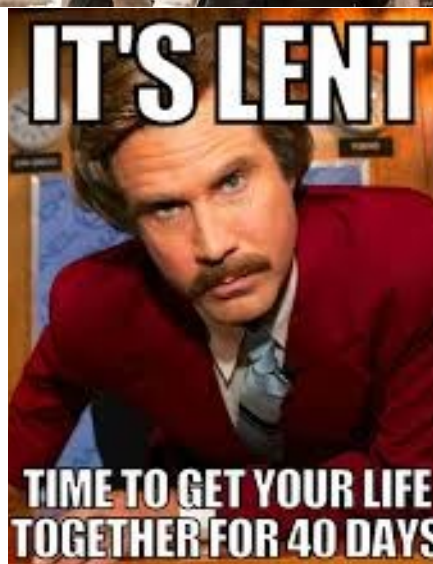
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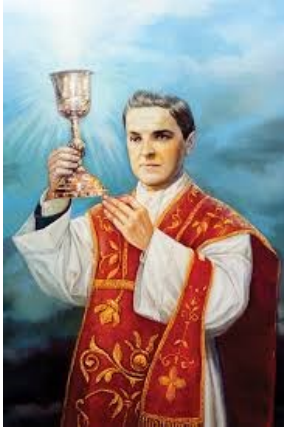
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**3/6 - Officers Meeting- 5:30pm at St. John Paul II Polish Center**

**3/20 - General Meeting - 6:00pm (Rosary) 6:30pm (Dinner ) 7:15pm (Assembly meeting)**

**4/6 - Holy Thursday**

**4/7 - Good Friday**

**4/9- Easter Sunday**

**4/17 - Kolbe Charities / Council 9599 Golf Tourney - See Flyer**