



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MILTON COUNCIL 7027



GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT



A new fraternal year will start July 1, 2013. You know what that means. Elections for next year's council will take place at our business meeting June 13. This will be the first thing under new business, during our business meeting. A new slate of candidates will be presented. Nominations from the floor will be taken at this

time. Please make every effort to attend this very important meeting. This is your council; let your voice and vote be heard. The meeting will start at 7pm exactly.

The council had another very successful picnic. A great big thank you to John Juul and all the volunteers who helped. There was plenty of food, beverages and a good time was had by all. Plan to attend next year.

Remember there will be no KofC breakfast during the months of July and August. The reason, people on vacation. The council will resume the Sunday breakfast on the second Sunday of September, the 8th of September to be exact.

That's all for this month. May God bless you and your family. Fraternally,

John Recke, Grand Knight

COMING EVENTS

Date	Event
6/6	Council Planning Meeting 7:00 PM
6/13	Prayers in Chapel 6:00 PM Council Business Meeting 7:00 PM
6/16	Father's Day
6/22	Officer Installation Banquet
6/23	Council Corporate Communion 8:00 AM Mass & Breakfast at Ryan's following

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Editor's Note

It's your newsletter. Officers and committee chairmen are encouraged to submit articles. Anyone who would like to contribute an article please send it to 7027newsletter @gmail.com by the last Sunday of the month to be published in the following month's newsletter.

The Newsletter Editor

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DEACON'S TEACHING

By Deacon Chris Christopher

Where is Penance Found in the Bible?

Through the prophet Nathan, God confronts king David over grave sins, adultery and murder. The guilty sovereign responds by confessing his sin to the prophet and to God. Then he humbles himself by exchanging his royal raiment for humble sackcloth, and for a week he lies on the ground and refuses all food (2 Samuel 12:13:17). (See also 1 Kings 21:1-29, where King Ahab of Israel goes through a similar experience)

David is performing *penance* in his deep grief for his wrong doing. His attitudes and behavior illustrate how genuine penance includes both an *interior* and an *exterior* aspect.

Interior penance is a conversion of the heart, a turning away from sin and toward God (Deuteronomy 4:29; Joshua 24:23). It involves the penitent's intention to change his life because he hopes in God's mercy. We see David's change of heart reflected in his prayer of repentance on this occasion, recorded in Psalm 51.

External acts of penance, as David demonstrates, include such actions as fasting, prayer, and giving to those in need. These behaviors can have several purposes:

- 1. Demonstrating the penitent's intention to change;
- 2. Detaching him from the things he loves too much;
- 3. Drawing him closer to God;
- 4. Repairing some of the damage caused by his sin; and
- 5. Participating in the reparation to God (satisfaction) for sin made by Christ through his death on the cross.

David's acts of penance are self-imposed, but Scripture shows us that sometimes God himself imposes penances on the guilty - some sort of labor or adversity, often connected to the natural consequences of the sin, that can serve a redemptive purpose if the sinner responds in the right way. For example, the disobedient Israelite people are forced to wander in the desert for forty years (Numbers 14:26-35). St. John the Baptist's father, Zechariah, is temporarily struck mute when he won't believe God's message to him through an angel (Luke 1:20, 62-64).

Voluntary penance is at the heart of the seasons of Lent and Advent, when Catholics traditionally make at lest small sacrifices in the hope of becoming more like our Lord. In the sacrament of Reconciliation, the priest assigns a penance on God's behalf to help the penitent grow in holiness.

Next month we'll look at **What Does the Church Teach About Heaven?** followed the next month with **How Can a Loving God Send People to Hell?**

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COUNCIL FAMILY PICNIC MAY 18, 2013

















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BLESSING OF THE FLEET

On May 25, 2013, The Knights of Columbus Honor Guard of Assembly 2823, Milton, FL., gathered for the annual Blessing of the Fleet on the Blackwater River. Chaplain Msgr. Stephen Bosso extended the blessing as the boats made a single file, slow pass-by. By (Captain) Deacon Chris Christopher



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