





#### **COMING EVENTS** Time Jan **Event** Location KNIGHT'S HALL 6:30 PM CCMI & PLANNING MEETING 2 3 4:00 PM First Friday Chapel KNIGHT'S HALL 8 9:30 AM LADIES AUXILIARY MEETING 8 8:00 AM HOT DOG DAY VA HOSPITAL PARISH HALL 9 6:00 PM **VESPERS** CHAPEL 9 7:00 PM KNIGHT'S HALL **KOC BUSINESS MTG** KNIGHT'S HALL 5:30 PM KOC SOCIAL 10 12 8:30 AM **KOC BREAKFAST** PARISH HALL 7:00 PM **KOC ASSEMBLY 2823** KNIGHT'S HALL 16 17 5:30 PM **KOC SOCIAL** KNIGHT'S HALL 18 9:00 AM PARK AVE CLEAN UP PARISH HALL 24 5:30 PM **KOC SOCIAL** KNIGHT'S HALL 9:00 AM 25 FREE THROW COMPETITION MILTON HS 25 4:00 PM CORPORATE COMMUNION **CHURCH February Newsletter** 26 **Articles Due**

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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 26 of January to be published in the February newsletter.

The Newsletter Editor



In the coming months the Council 7027 Newsletter will reprint the excerpts of the Apostles Booklet produced by Dolores Gardner. We will feature one apostle with the associated stained glass window in Saint Rose of Lima Catholic Church. We hope this series will be a benefit to your spiritual growth. See page 5. — The Newsletter Editor







### **GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**

Arguing with children can be risky.

In a grade school lesson, a teacher was explaining a little bit about whales. A little girl in class piped up and said: "I just learned that Jonah in the bible was swallowed by a whale." The teacher said it was physically impossible for a whale to swallow a human because even though it was a very large mammal its throat was relatively small. The

girl said: "I am sure Jonah was swallowed by a whale." The teacher reiterated that a whale could not swallow a human; that it was physically impossible. The little girl replied: "My Sunday school teacher told me Jonah was swallowed and she would not lie to me." A bit perturbed by this, the teacher proclaimed: "That is a "story" from the bible, it is not factual, and I will not argue with you." After a little thought, the girl responded: "Well, when I get to heaven, I will ask Jonah". Now challenged, the teacher spouted: "What if Jonah didn't go to heaven?" Not at all daunted, the girl quipped, ". . . . . ok then you ask him."

- "Out of the mouth of babes . . . "

Happy New Year Everyone! I hope everyone had a wonderfully blessed Christmas. I'm sure, as the story above reflects, that a few of you have had a child or two tell you a story or say something to you that really made you think twice, I know I have. Children tend to emulate those around them; honesty breeds honesty, good manners usually reflects good upbringing. We as Knights of Columbus, whether we choose to believe it or not, are looked upon with a different standard, a higher standard. In our everyday lives, not only at Church, we should strive to live up to that standard, God's standard. "In Service to One, In Service to All."

Yours in Christ, Rusty Bradberry Grand Knight





### FIELD AGENT'S REPORT

#### **Insurance check-up for 2014**

Where did 2013 go? It seems like it was summer yesterday and Easter was last week.

I hope you and your family had a great finish to 2013. Now, the first quarter of 2014 is speeding by.

Hopefully, you've established a few goals for this year. I've learned a great tip regarding resolutions. First, write them down. It's not too late if you haven't already done this. Commit your goals to paper and post it someplace you will see it often. Writing down a goal is the first step towards achieving it. I don't know exactly how this works, but I've heard stories of the success this simple task can bring. Whether your goal is to exercise more, give more to charity, read more or watch less television, you're more likely to accomplish it if you write it down.

Second, resolve to have an expert look at your finances. I recommend that you have a team of experts help you, and I should be among the first you sit with. Schedule some time to visit with me, your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, and I'll provide an "insurance check-up" (at no cost!) that will quickly identify any gaps in your family's life insurance program. And you'll want to fill those gaps now, not later. Unlike many other products, you don't just need money to obtain life insurance; you also need good health, and no one knows when your health could change.

Did I mention my check-up is free of charge? When was the last time you received something for free that could be providing value to you and your family for generations? Call me today.



May God Bless You All, **Jeff Fischer**, FICF, LUTCF **K of C Field Agent**850-981-8207

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### Knight and Family of the Month



GK Rusty Bradberry, Ralph Crago, & Msgr. Michael Reed



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## DEACON'S TEACHING By Deacon Chris Christopher Was Mary Taken Up Bodily Into Heaven?



The Second Book of Kings tells how the prophet Elijah was taken up bodily into heaven (2 Kg 2:1 - 12). Scripture notes, in fact, several unusual departures from this world to the next after a life lived close to God. Not only Elijah, but also Enoch and those who came out of the tombs at Christ's death were all received bodily into heaven before the final, universal resurrection of the dead that is still to come (Gn 5:24; Heb 11:5; Mt 27:50-53).

Mary's bodily assumption, as it's called, into the glory of heaven was a singular privilege, reserved for the mother of our Lord, far beyond what these others experienced. Nevertheless, in the biblical record of these earlier events we see that there's nothing "unbiblical" about the claim that God has chosen to take a holy person to himself in a special way.

Is Mary's assumption described in the Bible? No, but that doesn't mean it didn't happen. The death of St. Joseph isn't described in Scripture, either, though it's certain that this important event took place within the years chronicled by the gospels. In fact, many events even from the life of our Lord himself were not recorded in Scripture (Jn 21:25). The assumption of Mary is only one of many significant events in the life of the early Church that have been remembered and witnessed to by ancient Tradition.

According to an ancient account of the life of St. Theodosius, the feast of our Lady's assumption was already being celebrated in Palestine in the 400s. This indicates that by the fifth century the Assumption was already a well-established conviction of Christ's followers in the land where he and his mother had lived. In 1950, after many centuries of Christian testimony to this reality, Pope Pius XII defined it as a dogma of the Church.

The Assumption is consistent with Mary's role as the *Theotokos*, "God Bearer", and immaculate sinless one, who was granted a singular divine grace to bear God himself in her body. If indeed she was free from sin, then it follows that she would not have to undergo the decay of death, which was the penalty for sin (Gn 3:16-19). If not for the fall of the human race, no one would have died. Mary is the exception, for very good reason, and the forerunner of the resurrection that all who belong to Christ will experience (1 Cor 15:12-23).

Next month we'll look at: Why is Mary Called Queen of Heaven?







# The Apostles St. Andrew

Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, was one of the two who heard John and followed Jesus. He first found his own brother Simon and told him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). ~ In 1:40-41



Andrew was previously a disciple of John the Baptist. Andrew was the first apostle to follow Jesus. He had immediately recognized Jesus as the Messiah. Andrew was crucified upside down on an X shaped cross. Andrew's feast day is November 30<sup>th</sup>. He is the patron saint of fishermen.

We, humbly implore your majesty, O Lord, that, just as the blessed Apostle Andrew was for your Church a preacher and pastor, so he may be for us a constant intercessor before you. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

(*The Roman Missal*. English translation according to the third typical edition. 2011)

In November 1991 ground breaking was held for the present Church of St. Rose of Lima. On December 24, 1992 the then-Bishop, Most Reverend John M. Smith, dedicated the Church. The Church has served the spiritual needs of Catholics of the central and northern parts of Santa Rosa County. Part of the beauty of the Church consists in the stain-glassed windows which adorn and add to the spiritual experience of those worshipping and visiting the Church.

If one looks up towards the heavens, one can see twelve circular stain-glass windows. These represent the twelve apostles. These articles will examines the twelve stain-glass windows, explains the symbolism of the images, and gives a short history of the saint, the feast day of the saint, along with the opening prayers from the Roman Missal for the feast day of the saint.

This information was originally presented to the parish as a booklet on Easter, 2013, at the request of the then pastor Msgr. Stephen C. Bosso and created by Mr. Richard Collins and Mrs. Dolores Gardner. Also, information was gleaned from the following sources:

Pope Benedict XVI, *The Apostles*. Huntington: Our Sunday Visitor Press, 2007.

Michael Walsh, Ed., Butler's Lives of the Saints. San Francisco: Harper, 1991.

(This summary was adapted from the forward to the booklet The Apostles.)















### **Council Sup**port for Our **Seminarians**

K of C Council 7027 is in the planning stages of putting on a show to raise funds to support our seminarians. If the council approves, we will host a performance of Seamus Kennedy, the Irish singer, musician, and all-around entertainer. The event will take place in our parish hall, and is tentatively scheduled for June 7, 2014.

A motion was made and seconded, at our December meeting, to approve hosting the performance. We will take it up again at our January meeting. If the council approves, we will move forward with publicizing the show and selling tickets.

This will be a great opportunity for us to get together and enjoy a great show, have fun, and provide financial support to our seminarians. Please see the attached promotional flyer for more information about Seamus Kennedy, and please lend your support to this very worthwhile event.

## Aseamus Kenne

A master showman with an unmatched repertoire; a maestro among Irish troubadours. - Irish Fest, Milwaukee

riginally from Belfast, Northern Ireland, has been entertaining audiences all over the United States for almost four decades. An accomplished guitarist with a ready wit and a vast store of songs, he travels the country performing for thousands of people each year.

With a thorough knowledge of the traditional and contemporary songs of Ireland and Scotland, he is equally proficient with American music, whether it be folk, country, bluegrass or a little Western Swing.

A thirty-seven-year veteran of the Irish/Celtic festival circuit, he was first influenced by the legendary Clancy Brothers and Tommy Makem, and from them he learned the importance of not only being a solid musician and singer, but also of being an all-round

There is a deep respect for heritage and culture, even when it is often delivered through irreverent humor. His stories and his songs all have an underlying thread of love and respect for Irish and American culture and for life's lessons. - Ied Marum, The Ceili

Seamus is at home in venues ranging from intimate house-concerts and folk-clubs to concert halls and festivals; from Alaska to Florida, from Maryland to California, he makes folks laugh, sing and forget their cares for a while.



www.seamus-kennedy.com

The hardest working superstar in the whole business is the irrepressible Seamus Kennedy, who seems to have the energy of ten men. The craic has never been better and it is in the good hands of Seamus Kennedy. - Shay Clarke, Irish American News, November 2008.

> Kennedy's ability to combine a total command of the music with humor makes him unique in the industry. His strong interactive entertainment skills and his participation with his audiences have helped him create an exceptionally loyal fan base everywhere he goes.

This diversity is also reflected in over a dozen recordings, many of which were taped before live audiences, and which feature something for everyone, from the silly to the serious, from instrumentals to a capella vocals, with a healthy dose of humor thrown in.

Seamus Kennedy's music is a gleefully mixed bag of styles and traditions... An enjoyably eclectic and often surprising collection. -Richard Middleton, Sing Out!











