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#### **COMING EVENTS**

Date	Time	Event	Location
1	12:00AM	ALL SAINTS' DAY	ST ROSE OF LIMA
2	6:00PM	ADMISSION DEGREE	KNIGHT'S HALL
2	7:00PM	KOC PLANNING MEETING	KNIGHT'S HALL
3	8:30AM	FIRST FRIDAY	CHAPEL
8	8:00AM	KOC VA HOT DOG DAY	PARISH HALL
9	6:00PM	VESPER	KNIGHT'S HALL
9	7:00PM	KOC BUSINESS MEETING	KNIGHT'S HALL
11	8:30AM	VETERAN'S DAY PARADE	ST ROSE OF LIMA
11	5:30pm	VETERN'S DAY DINNER	PARISH HALL
12	8:30AM	KOC BREAKFAST	PARISH HALL
16	7:00PM	KOC ASSEMBLY 2823 MEETING	KNIGHT'S HALL
23	12:00AM	THANKSGIVING DAY	ST ROSE OF LIMA
24	5:30PM	NO KOC SOCIAL	ST ROSE OF LIMA
26	8:00AM	CORPORATE MASS	ST ROSE OF LIMA
27	12:00AM	NEWLETTER ARTICLES DUE	ST ROSE OF LIMA

## **Keepers of His House Schedule**

	Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4	
Month/Yr	Day	Day	Day	Day	
Nov, 2017	18	25	3	10	
Dec, 2017	16	23	1, 29	8	
Jan, 2018	14	20	26	5	

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Deacon Chris invites you to send him questions or suggested topics for the Deacon's Teaching column (page 4).

Please email them to cjchristopher2010@gmail.com or to the newsletter at 7027newsletter@gmail.com

#### **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 date noted in the calendar to be published in the next month's newsletter.





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

### **Brother Knights In Christ:**

I just want to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Knights and their wives who volunteered to give out the raffle tickets during the masses leading up to the Fall Festival and working in the raffle booth. I want to also thank the new candidates that are going to be Knights that volunteered for the raffle booth during the Fall Festival. From the many hours you have put in making the Fall Festival a success for our Church. I thank you for your efforts! You made it a success.

As stated by Carl Anderson, Supreme Knight, "The family as domestic church is central to the work of the new evangelization and to the future sustainability of our parishes also the future sustainability of the Order."

Thanksgiving is approaching which is one of America's most treasured holidays and traditions. Thanksgiving gives us an opportunity to gather with friends and family members. This is an excellent time to enjoy friends and family members. It's a time to reflect on our life and express gratitude for the blessings we have received.

Another holiday is Veterans Day, observed annually on November 11, which honors military veterans who served in the United States Armed Forces.

Just remember, charity begins at home and should not end there. The small charity that comes from the heart is better than the great charity that comes from the head. It's not how much we give but how much love we put into giving. When we give cheerfully and accept gratefully, everyone is blessed. It's good to be blessed but it's better to be a blessing. Charity sees the need, not the cause. We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.

I have always believed in the unity of our Brotherhood. It is our strengths and should not be taken lightly. We are not perfect, but should strive to better ourselves, our faith, families, and our Holy Catholic Church.

To my brother Knights and their family, I want to wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving Day and Happy Veterans Day.

Your Brother In Christ, Cesar Mascardo Grand Knight Council 7027





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# FIELD AGENT'S REPORT Ways to Pay for Whole Life

We live in a world of options and we are constantly bombarded

by choices. Some of these make our lives more complicated, but many of these choices are created with our satisfaction in mind.

At the Knights of Columbus, every product we offer has been designed solely for the benefit of our members and their families. When I present an option to you, it's because a team of experts has discussed it at length to be certain it serves your best interest.

We have a few options on how you can provide and pay for the whole life coverage that your family needs. Many whole life policies call for premiums to be paid for your entire life or to age 100. But we also offer permanent life coverage with guaranteed cash values (and the potential to earn dividends, which are not guaranteed) through policies that offer a limited period of premium payments.

irst, we offer "10 Pay Life" and "20 Pay Life." Consider paying premiums for 10 or 20 years, and never having to pay for the coverage again. The plan is "paid up" and no more premiums are due. The plan stays in force, the death benefit remains intact and the guaranteed cash value continues to grow.

A plan with similar benefits is "Life Paid Up at 65." The difference over 10 or 20 Pay Life plans is that this permanent product requires you to pay premiums until age 65. Then, premiums stop (just in time for retirement), but the plan remains in force.

inally, the ultimate in limited pay is our Single Premium Life product. Imagine buying life insurance — permanent life insurance — and only paying one single premium? It's possible.

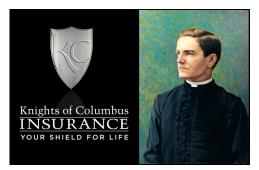
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May God Bless You All,

Jeff Fischer, FICF, LUTCF

K of C Field Agent

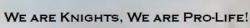
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## DEACON'S TEACHING By Deacon Chris Christopher

### **Emperor Constantine and His Mother Helena**

### Part I of II -The Emperor

Fourth-century sources record that Emperor Constantine's mother Helena came from a lowly background. St. Ambrose was the first to call her a *stabularia*, a term translated as "stable-maid" or "inn-keeper".

But he makes this fact a virtue by calling her a *bona stabularia*, a "good stable-maid". Other sources, especially those written after Constantine's proclamation as emperor, gloss over or ignore her lowly background.

It is unknown where Helena first met Constantius Chlorus, her army officer\_husband. Her only son Constantine was born on February 27, probably in 272, in the military town of Naissus in modern Serbia. Not much is known for certain about their religious convictions.

The precise legal nature of the relationship between Helena and Constantius is also unknown. Sources disagree on the point, sometimes calling Helena Constantius "wife", and sometimes, following the dismissive propaganda of Constantine's rival Maxentius, calling her his "concubine". St. Jerome, perhaps confused by the vague terminology of his own sources, uses both.

Some assert that Constantius and Helena were joined in a common-law marriage, a cohabitation recognized in fact, but not in law. Others assert that Constantius and Helena were joined in an official marriage.

Constantius divorced Helena in 294 in order to marry Theodora, of noble rank, the stepdaughter of Emperor Maximinianus Herculius, his patron and well-wisher, in order to further his military and political careers. He progressed through the ranks and eventually became a Caesar, junior co-emperor.

As the son of a Caesar, hence potentially an emperor himself, Constantine and his mother were dispatched to the court of Diocletian, the senior emperor (Augustus), and Galerius, his deputy (Caesar), in Nicomedia where he grew to be a member of the

inner circle. At the time, Constantine could be regarded both as an imperial apprentice and as a hostage - ensuring the good conduct of his father Constanius. He passed the time partly in Diocletian's palace at Nicomedia (modern Turkey) and partly in the field on military campaigns.

Constantine's religious development in these formative years is largely hidden, but he could hardly have been unaware of the Christians in an area of the Empire where they were thickest. The ranks of Diocletian's officials and perhaps even his close family included some Christians, and the church building in Nicomedia was easily visible from the palace windows.

Taking over: The Great Christian Persecution initiated by Diocletian from Nicomedia in 303/304 must have been distasteful to Constantine. In circumstances that scholars debate, Constantine left Nicomedia soon after Galerius succeeded Diocletian (as Augustus) and made his way to Britain where his father was stationed as a senior official (a Caesar).

On Constantine's father's death at York (England) on July 25, 306, his troops saluted Constantine as Augustus in his place. This was scarcely a regular, though not an uncommon, route to the imperial throne, and Constantine would have to fight on the battlefield for his right to rule.

His public association with Christianity began with a fateful battle for control of the Western Roman Empire. Constantine faced Western Roman Emperor Maxentius at the Tiber River's Mulvian Bridge, a dozen miles up from Rome, on October 28, 312. In defeating Maxentius, he became sole master of the Western Empire

Two fourth-century Christian writers, Lactantius and Bishop Eusebius of Caesarea, reported that before that great battle Constantine had a dream (Lactantius) or a vision (Eusebius) seeing a flaming cross in the sky bearing the words 'in this sign thou shalt conquer." Prior to the battle, Constantine had his troops paint a red cross on their shields. In routing



and killing Maxentius, that day loomed large not only for the new emperor, but also for the Christian faith.

The next year, 313, Constantine, now the Western Roman Emperor, and Eastern Roman Emperor Licinius signed the Edict of Milan, which finally ensured religious tolerance for Christians. The agreement granted freedom of worship to all, regardless of deity, and brought an end to the Age of Martyrs, which had begun after Jesus' death. Christians were also given specific legal rights such as the return of confiscated property and the right to organize dedicated churches.

During the next eleven years, the two imperial colleagues maintained an uneasy truce. Then in 324 Constantine declared war against Licinius. By defeating Licinius' army, Constantine became "Ruler of the Entire Globe" - or at least of the whole Roman Empire

After unifying the Empire under his rule in A.D. 324, Constantine rebuilt his seat of his power in largely Christian Byzantium, which he renamed for himself, Constantinople, and today known as Istanbul. The growth of a Christian ruling class under Constantine ensured the faith's increasing and enduring prominence through the Roman, and later Byzantine, Empire.

Constantine convened and took part in the first meeting of Christian churches, the Council of Nicaea, held in 325 in what is today Iznik, Turkey. He hoped to help Church leaders find common ground on some contentious aspects of Christian doctrine. Chief among these issues was the relationship and relative divinity of God the Son (Jesus) and God the Father Arianism was very popular during this period. This Christian belief championed by Arius, a priest of Alexandria, Egypt, held that Jesus, though the Son of God, was inferior to God the Father.

The Council established the equality of Father and Son and documented it in a creed, or universal statement of faith, with which all but two attending bishops agreed. The two dissenting bishops were exiled, as was Arius himself. After this council, orthodox Christians agreed on the critical point that Jesus and God were equally divine and created of the same substance.

Ancient Christian historians enthusiastically portrayed Constantine as a pious Christian convert. In later years some scholars suggested that the emperor simply used the faith to his political advantage in establishing tranquility in the Empire. The truth may lie somewhere in between, but Constantine's importance to his adopted religion is beyond doubt.

Constantine may never have gained a good grounding in Christian doctrine. As late as 324 he regarded the

momentous divide opening up between the heretic Arius and his opponents as "a small and very insignificant question." Only gradually, and never frequently, does he speak of "Christ" and "our Savior." Rather, he simply uses "God," "the divine power," "providence," "the supreme Deity," etc. One must keep in mind that as "Ruler of the Entire Globe", he was head of the civil, military, and religious life, and would be expected to tread softly when it came to the state religion. Our sources give us little access to the private Constantine. His letters and edicts are all official utterances

Constantine was baptized only after the onset of his final illness and not many days before his death on Pentecost, May 22, 337. His critics depicted him a monster because of his harsh autocratic rule, and as a hypocrite due to his deathbed baptism. Delayed baptism, however, was the norm at the time.

Constantine was an autocratic ruler of an empire secured by military might, and still overwhelmingly pagan. If pagan elements did not disappear from his coinage immediately after his conversion that should scarcely surprise us

Constantine's legislative and executive actions can be fairly understood only when not judged against some ideal Christian monarch. After all, there were no precedents, no role models to guide a Roman emperor who was also a Christian. Historically in a brutal age that took harsh retributive punishments for granted, his wife and eldest son had to die for offenses of treason

Yet in many details a Christian inspiration can be seen in his legal enactments - for example, in the treatment of prisoners and slaves, on the status-less underclass of Roman society, on infanticide, on celibacy, marriage and extra-marital infidelity.

But it is important not to make Constantine out to be more consistently Christian than he was. His conversion was not accompanied by a sharp break with his former paganism. Rather, a transition is discernible from the worship of the divine <u>Sun</u> to the service of the one true Christian God. When, in 321, he made the first day of the week a holiday, he described it as the day of the <u>sun</u> (as so do Christians today!). Christian regard for the Lord's Day, however, motivated this ruling in providing a 'day-of-rest' for Roman citizens.

After this brief history of Constantine the Great and his rise to power, next month we'll look at the significant role his mother St. Helena played in the Empire and Christianity.

Next month Part II Helena





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Culture of Life by Dan Arndt

### We are Knights, We are Pro-life

Please help with the Milton PRC's Walk for Life on Saturday, November 4th 9 AM till 12 PM starting at the Milton PRC at 5736 Stewart Street Milton. If you are unable to attend you may sponsor someone who will be going.

**40 Days for Life** will end Sunday November 5th with a Baby Shower at the Pavilion at St Rose of Lima in Milton. The Shower will start at 2pm. Please come out and support the Mothers who Chose Life. The Mother will be having a BABY BOY.

Even though 40 Days will be officially ending, please continue to pray for the Mothers to choose Life and continue to show your presence at the abortion mill.





UNITED STATES

### **NOVEMBER**

### Christians in Asia.

That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions. http://www.apostleshipofprayer.org/2017-intentions







Presentation of \$6,000 proceeds from Smokin' in the Square 2017 to WEAR-TV for use in their Christmas charity.



# Columbian Award 2016-17

District Deputy John Recke presents the Columbian Award for 2016— 2017 to GK Ceasar Mascardo and DGK Bruce Mabley at the October Business Meeting. The award is for community service activities.







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### **Honors of the Months**

Month	<b>Knight of the Month</b>	Family of the Month
July, 2017	Robert Haring	Ronald & Lindy Winn
August, 2017	John Juul	Eugene "Red" & Dorothy James
September, 2017	Arturo Ojeda	Jim & Marianne Richardson
October, 2017	Dale Sogor	Kenneth & Maureen Young
November, 2017		
December, 2017		
January, 2018		
February, 2018		
March, 2018		
April, 2018		
May, 2018		
June, 2018		
Year 2017-18		

### **Knight of the Month**

### Family of the Month





GK Cesar Mascardo, Dale Sogor, Msgr. Michael Reed

GK Cesar Mascardo, Msgr. Michael Reed, Kenneth & Maureen Young

#### **NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**



On behalf of your Council's Brother Knights, we wish you a very Happy Birthday.

Samuel Bonno Jr 11/17 Adam Rapach 11/30

Fugene Brennan 11/4 Kelly Recke 11/19

Eugene Brennan 11/4 Kelly Recke 11/19 Robert Browder 11/8 Ruben Rodrigue 11/28 Thomas Breske 11/16 **Berte Sandvoss** 11/17 Robert Browder 11/11 John Stoltman 11/19 Ruperte Fairfield 11/8 Patrick Sullivan 11/24 11/1 **Bobby Gable** 11/29 **Lawrence Tynes** John Hoerner 11/8 George West 11/20 Sabino Oca 11/11 Ronald Winn 11/4





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# Fourth Degree St. Teresa of Calcutta Assembly 2823



## **Worthy Sir Knights,**

November promises to be quite busy with the *Milton Veteran's Day Parade* on the 11th, 9am at the High School parking lot. We will meet at the Parish Hall and ride the bus over to the High School. Be at the Hall at 08:30. And, then the *Veteran's Day Dinner* is the same evening at the Parish Hall, 5:30pm for the Social Hour and then dinner and awards to follow that. This year, we are truly honoring our veterans, presenting WWI replica combat rosaries (if you registered with me). We will also be recognizing our sailors from Whiting Field, as usual. Tickets for the Dinner will be available at the church office during the next two weeks, so go by and get yours. They are \$20.00 each.

**NOTE**: There will be a **4th Degree** in January at St. Sylvester's in Navarre. If you are a 3rd Degree Knight and have considered joining us in the Patriotic Degree, now is the time! You do NOT have to wear a tuxedo any longer. A dark suit is acceptable. Cost is \$70.00 per candidate. We can car pool down to Navarre from here, so see one of us from the Assembly for a Form 4. Don't miss this opportunity to elevate yourself to the 4th Degree, right here in our area.

Looking Ahead: The *Milton Christmas Parade* is on December 2nd, 6pm. We will meet at the Parish Hall, take the bus over to the Milton Community Center. Please plan to attend. We always have a great time tossing out candy to the kids along the street.

Also, on December 16th is *Wreaths Across America*, in which we purchase wreaths to be laid at the gravesites in Barrancas.

**A BIG Thank You!** Worthy Sirs and families, thank you for your help at the **Oktoberfest** on October 28th. I want to

recognize, SK's Walter Gross and his wife, Jim Gentry and his wife, Jim Richardson and Marianne, Tom Tomas, Eugene Skalsky, Michael Stafford, Bruce Donatelli, Hans Taylor, Dani Massey, and any others who helped make it a success. The weather went from cool and rainy to clear, windy and somewhat cold. But, we enjoyed it. Thanks to all who purchased tickets and attended. The food was awesome!!

Vivat Jesu,

SK Ron Winn, Faithful Navigator



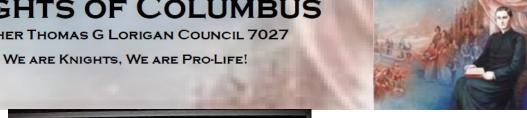
Sir Knight of the Month

SK Ronald Bradberry, October Sir Knight of the Month, is recognized by FN Ronald Winn and Msgr. Michael Reed.





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### Veteran's Memorabilia

**I** am looking for photos, slides, and pictures of our veterans when they were still in the service. I'd like to put together a slide show to present during the social hour and the dinner. Also, if they have any have service-related memorabilia they would like to display on that evening, please let me know. We would be honored to put it out for everyone to see.

And, I need our veterans to see me about their free dinner tickets. To bring a guest is \$20.00 per person. We will be limiting the number of meals per the contract on our catering service. So, don't wait until the last minute.

Thank you all for your service.

Ron Winn, FN USAF Retired

# E-Knights

In the past few months, Supreme has initiated a new programs, referred to "E-Knights". Essentially, Catholic men can go to the Supreme website, answer a few questions and "join" the Knights of Columbus electronically. They are required to pay a \$30.00 annual membership and will receive an "E-Knight" membership card. They are also eligible to purchase KC products, including insurance, and can attend a business meeting, conducted at the 1st Degree level. But their participation is quite limited.

The hope and intent is to encourage young people to become involved, even if it is, initially, only as an "E-Knight". The hope is they will decide to join a local council, go through the traditional degrees and become full-fledged members. I gather this primarily targeting colleges and their populations.

Florida and a few other states, are being brought into the E-Knight program this month. We are hopeful of increasing our visibility to the younger Catholic men and generate/cultivate the next generation of Knights. More on this as it become available.

Vivat Jesus, Ron Winn, PGK, FDD, FN Region 1 Director



The Keepers of His House are a dedicated group of members of our Council who have joined in the effort to keep the interior of our church clean. These Catholic Gentlemen take time from their busy schedules to ensure the House of God is kept in a manner befitting Him for whom it is built.

The different groups gather to clean on Friday or Saturday mornings. The cleaning involves dusting areas reachable from the floor, and polishing entrance door windows. The floors are swept and mopped. The altars, chapel, and sacristrys are dusted, all rugs vacuumed, and bathrooms cleaned.

The Church is cleaned weekly by one of four dedicated groups of parishioners. The Friday teams start after the 8:00 morning Mass, and the Saturday teams start at 8:00. We were initially called in to support the long-enduring cleaning ladies of the parish whose numbers have waned for various reasons. The loss of workers caused the ladies to give up large parts of their days ensuring the church is kept clean.

20+ of your brothers are needed to answer the call and show up 1 morning a month to enjoy the privilege of cleaning the House of God. Each team will work for about 1 hour every four weeks, allowing our fellow parishioners to better concentrate on services without being distracted with grit and dust.

We have slots available on either Friday or Saturday mornings. The different days are selected to accommodate working schedules, (or in cases like mine...non-working schedules.) I have calendars set through December of 2018, so any volunteer knows what day they're scheduled.

We do need additional Catholic Gentlemen to join in and help. Spaces are available to accommodate almost any physical limitation, and we work inside the building.

If you are willing to offer up 1 hour a month, while enjoying camaraderie with your brother Knights, Contact me at:

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## **Fall Festival**



Bishop William Wack, CSC, opens the 2017 Fall Festival with prayer.

Bishop William Wack, CSC, taking a turn selling raffle tickets with brother Knights.



Knights selling raffle tickets.

McGuires Irish Pipe Band performs at the Fall Festival.



