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Chaplain's Message

Father Edward Kelty

OUR BLESSED VIRGIN MOTHER'S ROSARY K of C CRUSADE after the recent 2015 savage beheading of American journalist, Jim Foley, was inspired by his faith in saying the ROSARY before his beheading.

Journalist Jim Foley reflected with deep gratitude on the goodness of his Catholic university education and how it taught him to trust in the power of the Blessed Mother's Most Holy Rosary. This power was revealed to him during his own captivity in Libya in 2011, tried his faith as he abandoned all hope and supplicated to Our Lady for his salvation, earthly or spiritual, and proved its power with his release and that of a fellow journalist.

"The Rosary record is long and brilliant. It is as if each miracle of prayer starting with the crucifixion of our Lord, connected by the thread of humanity's hope in salvation, creates a living rosary of unending decades upon which all faithful can draw strength and should draw strength. Consider Pope Leo X in the sixteenth century was almost kidnapped off shore in the Adriatic; followed by the witness of the miracle of Lepanto. Don John of Austria was dedicated to the Rosary by the Pope, Saint Pius V. The Rosary went into action, displayed from the topmost masthead. In a day the Turkish fleet was dispersed, burnt, or sunken. In his chapel at prayer, St. Pius V knew of the victory through the kindness of Our
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Grand Knight's Message

Furman Miles

Worthy Brothers,

It seems difficult to summarize the grandeur of the Holy Fathers visit this past week. One could write a book on the experience, let alone capturing any significance in one short article. Regardless of how you took it in; whether through viewing the events on television, or being there personally, Pope Francis touched the whole community; including non-Catholics in an immense way. He cut through all the wicked ways of worldly things that tend to bog us down, like money, status, politics, getting ahead, intolerance and tenderly channeled our focus towards the one thing that really matters most- Christ's love for us. Though that we can build stronger families, communities, and grow the church.

The few things that personally stand out are the Holy Father's ability to demonstrate his love and humility through strong example. While countless dignitaries were quick to jump in reception lines at airports, churches and the halls of congress (many of which were not supporters of life). Pope Francis showed dignity and grace in dealing with them. He also spent much time away from the dignitaries and visiting the people in our society that are often overlooked; the homeless, prisoners, and the disabled. Those examples are inspirational to the way Jesus reached out to the forgotten people of Israel. I hope that the impact of Pope Francis' visit stays strong in all our hearts for many years to come long after the fan fair is gone.

Back to the business of the Council; we recently participated in one Parish Picnic at St. Francis Cabrini and one Ministry Fair after all the masses at Queen of the Universe in the month of September. I want to thank all the members who came out and supported these events. We met many wonderful parishioners, served over 200 hot dogs, and registered seven new members to our council. I want to thank both parishes for their gracious invitations.

October through December is our busiest time of year for our mission. We do a great deal of charity work that benefits the community and our churches. The more that participate, the more good work we can do. I would encourage each member
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Lady, who showed him the victory in a vision among the heavy Mohammedan overlay in 1683 which swept through Europe and laid siege to Vienna the city was relieved by an army under John Sobieski, King of Poland. The victory goes to the Rosary. September 12, is a day consecrated to the Holy Name of Mary by the Pope as a result of this victory. In 1717 the Turkish was once more hurled back by Our Lady. The Pope Clement XI established the feast of the most Holy Rosary for the universal Church.” (The Rosary In Action, John S. Johnson pp. 35-38). In the 21st century are the words directly from Our Lady at Fatima’s Rosary plea in the year 1917:

- * May 13 -- “Pray the Rosary every day in order to obtain peace in the world and the end of the war.”
- * June 13 -- “I want you to pray the Rosary every day.”
- * July 13 – “Continue to pray the Rosary every day in honor of Our Lady in order to obtain peace for the world.”
- * August 19 – “Continue to pray the Rosary every day.”
- * September 13 – “Continue to pray the Rosary.”
- * October 13 – “I am the Lady of the Rosary! Continue to pray the Rosary every day.”

As a nation dedicated to Her Immaculate Conception, the Most Holy Rosary Crusade will be said by all Knights of Columbus councils worldwide, and by Catholics, and Christians internationally BEFORE EACH MEETING. We pray and ask most fervently that this endeavor placed under the patronage of Blessed Francesco Martin, our chosen patron of this crusade, show us the path of God’s will.

3 minutes to say it - little for SO MUCH from BVM in return!

Yours in Christ,

Father Edward Kelty, Chaplain



Sick and Visitation

Please keep the following members in your prayers:

- Albert Bonczyk
- David O’Callahan
- Frank Orlando
- Tony Tenaglia
- Bill Anderson



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Our finances for the home association continue to be an urgent problem. I invite you to attend the next home meeting (held the 2nd Tuesday of the month at the council home at 7:00 PM) to brainstorm ideas to save our home association. We are in desperate need of some income. In the interim, we need your patronage.

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!!

Vivat Jesus,

Alan Wersler, PGK, Home President

For the entertainment schedule, please visit the home association page at www.kofc4215.com for more details.

COAL Tickets

Coal tickets has been mailed. This year’s COAL Chairman is Ed Patton. Please return your COAL tickets and money in the return envelope that was enclosed in your ticket package.

Please support this fundraiser.

Coats for Kids Program

The annual Coats for Kids program is up and running again. If you are aware of a child that could use a coat, please contact Chancellor Terry Hughes or any council officer.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October

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| 10/6/2015 | Business Meeting; 8:00 PM – Council Hall |
| 10/10/2015 | Columbus Day Dinner Dance: 6:00 PM - Nest |
| 10/13/2015 | Home Assn. Meeting at 7:00 PM – Council Hall |
| 10/17/2015 | Beef & Beer for God's Special Children: 7:00 PM |
| 10/20/2015 | Social Night at 6:30 PM - Crow's Nest |
| 10/21/2015 | 1 st Degree: 7:00 PM – Council Hall |
| 10/24/2015 | Horseshoe Tournament |
| 10/27/2015 | Officers Meeting at 7:30 PM - Charter Room |

November

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| 11/3/2015 | Business Meeting; 8:00 PM – Council Chambers |
| 11/6/2015 | Memorial mass; 7:00 PM – Council Chambers |
| 11/10/2015 | Home Assn. Meet at 7:00 PM - Charter Room |
| 11/15/2015 | Seniors Thanksgiving Dinner: 10:00 AM - Hall |
| 11/17/2015 | Social Night at 6:30 PM - Crow's Nest |
| 11/24/2015 | Officer's meeting 7:00 PM - Charter Room |
| 11/28/2015 | Keep Christ in Christmas Signs – 9:00 AM |

December

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| 12/1/2015 | Business Meeting at 8:00 PM |
| 12/8/2015 | Home Assn. Meet at 7:00 PM - Charter Room |
| 12/12/2015 | Kids Christmas Party – 11:00 AM – Crow's Nest |
| 12/15/2015 | Social Night at 6:30 PM - Crow's Nest |
| 12/20/2015 | Members Christmas Party – 6:00 PM - Nest |
| 12/29/2015 | Officer's meeting 7:00 PM - Charter Room |

to read our calendar of events in this very publication and step up for one of the mentioned events and bring a friend along. There's also many fun social events planned as well; feel free to join us. Participation is what makes us a great council.

The COALS Books have been mailed. You should receive them soon if you haven't already. Please support this program if you can. This fundraiser supports parochial education in our state. Tickets are just a dollar each, a book of eight for \$6. There are many cool big ticket prizes that you will be eligible to win.

Finally thank you for your support. After 60 years, SJW 4215 continues to be a strong partner to our churches, and community because of our solid membership, engagement, and willingness to do the right thing.

Vivat Jesus,



In Memoriam

Brother Stephen M. Roman
Regular Member
1923 – 2015

Brother Thomas E. Neville
Regular Member
1928 – 2015

Brother Thomas M. Ford
Life Member
1927 – 2015

Brother Harold J. McAndrew
Life Member
1925 – 2015

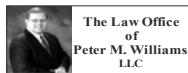
Brother Carmine J. Mammone
Life Member
1928 – 2015



Memorial Mass

As a reminder, the annual Memorial Mass to honor all our deceased brothers, with special attention given to those who we lost this past year, will be held on Friday, November 6, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the council home. Please come out and pray for our deceased brothers, and their families.

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The Seventh Annual Horseshoes for Hunger Tournament Scheduled for Saturday October 3rd Has been Postponed due to Inclement Weather.

**The New Date is Saturday October 24th
12pm Sign In 12:30 Start.**

The Cost is \$35, which includes the double elimination round, all you can eat and drink. Prize money for the first three placed teams, along with raffle prizes and games. Any questions reach out to Furman Miles 609 209 3528

On Behalf of the Officers of Council #4215



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A decorative border of holly leaves and red berries surrounds the central text area. The background is a gradient from light pink to red.

You Are Cordially Invited To:

*St. Joseph the Worker 4215
2015 Members Christmas Party*

*Sunday December 20th 6pm
In the Nest.*

*Buffet Dinner, Open Bar until 9pm, Music,
Dancing. Bring a Tree Ornament to Ex-
change.*

*The event is of no cost to
Members and Their Spouses.
Questions call 609-209-3528*

Come Join us for an evening of elegance, fun, and show of support for the PGK's, along with celebrating our past years accomplishments; at the....

SJW 4215 2015

Past Grand Knights Dinner Dance

Saturday October 10th in The Nest

From 6-11pm

Cost is \$35 per person. \$65 per Couple

Includes:

*Pick and Peel Shrimp and other Hors d'oeuvres
Slow Roasted Pot Roast and Chicken Marsala
Open Bar*

Fantastic desserts, Music, and Dancing.

For more information reach out to Grand Knight

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Pope Francis' Historic Visit to Philadelphia and His Resounding Message That God is Love.

It is nearly impossible to summarize all the emotions felt, and what lasting impact Pope Francis' visit to the United States for the World Meeting of Families has had on those who were either there in person, or who watched on television. I will do my best to encapsulate the core message of our Holy Fathers trip to meet his flock in America.

Within moments of landing; it became evident, that compassion, love, humility, service and family were the central themes he would share over the course of the week. What the world, and more specifically Americans, had a chance to experience were the actions behind the message. As Pope Francis stepped off his plane in Washington, D.C. his first action was to go over and kiss a young disabled man. This should come as no surprise to anyone; after all, Francis is the peoples Pope. He has a compassionate heart. He made himself very clear as he spoke to the nations Bishop's, "We are here to Pastor. We must get out of the sacristy and into the community." Pope Francis leads by example. He has left behind the papal palace and lives in modest quarters. During his visit in Philadelphia, he chose to stay amongst the seminarians at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in order to interact with these young men, and soon to be priests, personally. Rather than having dinner with Washington's political elite, Pope Francis chose to feed and dine with the homeless and downtrodden alongside the Little Sisters of the Poor.

Over and over again, Pope Francis' message echoed the importance of all human life and how we all have a responsibility to both look after our planet, our nation and all people, from the moment of conception to our natural death. This message, while it may be new for some, is not new at all, it dates back to the very beginning of time. It is simply the Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ. As Pope Francis met with the young and old, rich and poor, the imprisoned, immigrants and those from other religious beliefs, what we witnessed was a man, who has, through the trials and tribulations of his own life, gained the insight and wisdom of Christ. For God is love and if we are to be his disciples, we will also love one another. We must take upon ourselves the responsibility of being Christian mothers, fathers, brothers, and sister in our own homes. We must teach our children the beauty of the Gospel and not be afraid to share our love of Christ with others. That is what it means to be a disciple of Jesus.

As time goes by, and Pope Francis' visit slowly fades from our memories, we must hold tight to our Holy Fathers example of love. Let us go forth and live boldly our Lord's instruction to love one another as He has loved us. If we do that, imagine the lasting change we might see in our nation!!! May God bless you and may He bless the United States of America!

Vivat Jesus!

Brian Odelli
Outside Guard

Pro Life Report

Tom McLaughlin

Pope Francis stated "I appreciate the unfailing commitment of the church in America to cause of life and that of the family, which is the primary reason for my present visit." The future dignity of our society is at stake. The Knights of Columbus continues to be a noble defender of the Pope's, and the church's, teachings. The Pope's address to Congress was met with amusement from some of our politicians, who are steadfast to their anti-life belief and defiance in all aspects of the POPE's speeches. Christianity is not politically correct.

Rights of religious freedom and conscientious objection with OBAMA CARE is defying such rights, which was discussed with the White House. A recent House bill passed to allow states to defund Planned Parenthood. However, much work is yet to be done. An example: The banning of abortion after

20 weeks was defeated by the cultural of death party by a filibuster in the Senate. Cecile Richards testified of her delight in selling body parts from live babies.

www.defendthevatican.org Sign the petition to support the Holy See. -Catholic Family and Human Rights Institute



Venerable Fr. Michael McGivney

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Tom McLaughlin, Pro-Life Chairman

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