

Chaplain's Corner



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Receive the Holy Spirit!

Do you know and experience in your own life the gift and power of the Holy Spirit? After his death and resurrection Jesus promised to give his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit. He said to them, *Receive the Holy Spirit! (John 20:22)* Jesus knew that his disciples would need the power of the Holy Spirit to carry out the mission entrusted to them. The gift of the Holy Spirit was conditional upon the ascension of Jesus to the right hand of the Father. That is why Jesus instructed the apostles to *wait in Jerusalem until you are clothed with power from on high (Luke 24:49)*.

Why did they need *power from on high*? The Gospels tell us that Jesus was filled with the Holy Spirit when he was baptized at the Jordan River: "And John bore witness, 'I saw the Spirit descend as a dove from heaven, and it remained on him... this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit'" (John 1:32,33; Mark 1:8; Matthew 3:11).

Just as Jesus was anointed with the Spirit at the beginning of his ministry, so the disciples needed the anointing of the Holy Spirit to carry out the mission entrusted to them by Jesus. The Holy Spirit is given to all who are baptized into Jesus Christ to enable us to live a new way of life - a life of love, peace, joy, and righteousness (Romans 14:17). The Holy Spirit fills our hearts with the



love of God (Romans 5:7), and he gives us the strength and courage we need in order to live as faith-filled disciples of the Lord Jesus.

Isaiah foretold the seven-fold gifts that the Spirit would give: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord (Isaiah 11:2).

The gift of Pentecost - the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and the spiritual gifts and blessings of God - are made possible through the death, resurrection, and ascension of the Lord Jesus.

Vivat Jesus

In Memoriam

Jim Vedro, former pastor of St. Stephen's and council chaplain passed away in Murrieta, CA, at the age of 77. Please remember Jim and his family in your prayers.



Prayer List

Please pray for all those on our prayer list:

Jim Lovsted; Patrick O'Gorman; Blake Wahlberg; Michael Lehn; John Gobernatz; PGK John Johanson; Brian Hoffman; Wayne Blue; Bill Ayers; Mathias Schaust; Jim Meyer; Michael Abbott; Vern Lieser; Florian Backowski; Theresa Filkins (wife of Bob); Bob Belousek; Steve Waterman; Ed Melnarik; PGK Steve Seman; Tom O'Connell.

If you wish to add a name to the list, please contact Shield Editor Mike Petschl at 763-421-7926 or mickeyp1543@gmail.com.

Grand Knight's Message



Hello Brother Knights,

As I sit here wondering what to write for this month's Shield, I thought it would be useful to remind us all of who and what we are, just as a refresher.

The Knights of Columbus began way back in 1882, by Father McGivney, in New Haven Connecticut. Our Anoka Council 2018 began in May 1920; that's 95 years ago.

There were four principles set up originally and they still hold today.

CHARITY-to share our time, talent and treasures with those in need.

UNITY-to band together to accomplish deeds not obtainable individually.

FRATERNITY-to assist our brother and his family and to provide insurance protection for them.

PATRIOTISM-to serve and honor our country in the Church and in our community.

Here are just a few of our many activities:

Church: Memorial Day Mass at Calvary Cemetery, Sponsorship of Seminarians and Deacons, Memorial Mass held for members who passed during the year, & Corpus Christi Mass Procession.

Family: Family Night at Target Field, Mid-Winter Breakfast, Mid-Winter Party, Special Olympics Bowling

Council: Spaghetti Dinner & Dance, Tom & Jerry Night, Golf League & Tournament, & Awards Banquet

Community: Tootsie Roll Drive, Haunted House, River Fest Food Sale, Turkey & Ham Binges

Youth: Free Throw Contest, Sponsorship of Scout Troup, Marathon for Non-Public Education, & Legionville

Culture of Life: Sponsor Bus for March for Life at the Capital, Mother's Day Corsage Sale, Lecturer's Program, & Donate Money to Woman's Source

An enormous THANK YOU goes out to all. I am always overwhelmed with the great leadership and all the volunteered manpower we have that makes Council 2018 work. Joe Soler, Grand Knight

History 2018 - 1922

Let's begin with three notable deaths and a notable birth. 1) Sir Ernest Shackleton, the Antarctic explorer, died on January 5th at the age of 47 and 2) Pope Benedict the XV died of pneumonia on the 22nd. He was elected on September 19, 1914, and served through WWI. His successor, Pope Pius XI was elected on February 12th. 3) A Chippewa Indian from Cass Lake, MN, believed to be the oldest living human, died on February 7th, at the ripe old age of 137. As for that birth, Judy Garland (born Francis Ethel Gumm), of 'Wizard of Oz' fame, was born on June 10th, in Grand Rapids, MN.

Here's one for the sports fans: The Rose Bowl on New Year's Day ended up in a 0-0 tie between the University of California and Washington and Jefferson College. How do you split the trophy in half? (Must not have had a plan in place for this eventuality.)

That publication of condensed articles, the Reader's Digest, hit newsstands for the first time on February 5th.

The governing body in Honolulu created a policy that Waikiki beach goers were required to wear clothes. We were there twice, in 1969 and again about 1982, and I'm sure they were all wearing clothes. That's not something you would easily forget!

With prohibition in place the death rate due to alcohol was down 21%. Do the math with me here and we see a death rate of 79% yet, which means there were lots of people who disregarded the law. But, never fear the Feds are here! They decided to crack down on people having hip flasks in restaurants and dance halls and made it illegal for any ship with alcohol on board to enter a U.S. port. That meant most shipping went north to Canada. Mom had a saying for actions like that, 'that's cutting off your nose to spite your face'.

And finally, Miss America contestants were not allowed to use sweet smelling perfumes, powders or flowers, because they might sway the judges. (Only if they were blind, in my estimation.) Okay, don't yell at me, I'm ready to leave anyway, 'cuz my time is up! See ya' next month.

Mike Petschl, historian

MEMORIAL DAY MASS

The Mass will be held in Calvary Cemetery on Highway 10 at 9AM on Monday, May 25th. If the weather is uncooperative, it will be held in the church at 9:30AM.

We will need a couple people to assist with getting the altar and the sound system out there. Meet at the KC Hall at 7:30AM.

THE BEST WAY TO PASS ON YOUR ASSETS BY GIFTING

(Part 1)

My previous article generated a great deal of interest from folks, so I decided to do a more in depth series on this topic.

Most people realize they will be leaving assets to their children but they are really interested in learning the *most effective way* of doing so. Interestingly, *life insurance* may be your perfect answer. Yup! Life insurance! Now, do yourself a favor and spend a few moments reading the rest of this short article to learn why.

A Knights of Columbus "second-to-die" life insurance policy is one of the most valuable tools in your estate planning portfolio because of its "*leveraging power.*" It pays on the last death (husband or wife) and significantly increases your legacy. Let's look at a few examples.

ASSUMPTIONS: A husband and wife in decent, but not perfect health, paying an annual premium of \$28,000 for only 10 years (\$280,000 total). This premium is based on 2015 IRS gifting regulations allowing husband and wife to each gift \$14,000 annually. **Premiums are flexible:** you can change the amount, how long you want to pay, and can even pay it in one lump sum!

EXAMPLE 1. Husband and wife are age 60: \$280,000 total premiums over 10 years instantly creates a **TAX FREE** benefit of **over \$1,200,000** that is GUARANTEED never to lapse!

EXAMPLE 2. Husband and wife are age 68: \$280,000 total premiums over 10 years instantly creates a **TAX FREE** benefit of **over \$725,000** that is GUARANTEED never to lapse!

EXAMPLE 3. Husband and wife are age 75: \$280,000 total premiums over 10 years instantly creates a **TAX FREE** benefit of **over \$550,000** that is GUARANTEED never to lapse!

These are examples only. You may fund this as little or as much as you want. Your results will depend on your specific age and health. Give me a call and I will show you how this Knights of Columbus policy can be of great benefit to those you love. You have nothing to lose but a little of your time, and as always you will never be pressured to buy anything. I promise.

God bless,

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Nominees for Officers

Fraternal Year 2015-2016

Grand Knight - Gary Kempf

Deputy Grand Knight - Open

Chancellor - Open

Recorder - Kevin Setterholm

Treasurer - Vern Rausch

Advocate - Phil Harter

Warden - Phil Loner

Inside Guard - George Kusterman

Outside Guard - Greg Giessinger

3 Year Trustee - Joe Soler

2 Year Trustee - David Hudoba

1 Year Trustee - Ken Erkens

Nominations will remain open until voting at the business meeting on June 2,

Opportunities Available

The new fraternal year is fast approaching, with the election of officers coming up at our June meeting. While I have assembled and retained a solid, experienced team, I still have opportunities available to anyone interested in becoming more involved in our council. I intend to be Grand Knight for 2 years, to allow the next Deputy Grand Knight to develop and feel comfortable with the ensuing role of Grand Knight. This position is open at this time. I am also looking for a Chancellor, a position that assists the Deputy and Grand Knight, while strengthening members' interest in council activities. There are many out there who have great leadership skills! These positions are not too stressful, so, if interested, please let me know. I can be contacted through email at kempffamily@msn.com or at 763-785-2206.

I am also recruiting for a Program Director, Community Activities Director, and Family Activities Director. These roles support our chairmen of activities that fall under each of these titles. This is a great way to help lead our many activities held throughout the year!

And finally, we are all asked to help recruit new members to our council. One person cannot be expected to be responsible for the growth of our council. With that being said, I would like to add a couple of members to assist and become part of the membership and admission committee. These members would assist in the 'show and tell' of our council and the great activities we do, how we interact with the church and the community, and the charities we support.

Gary Kempf
Grand Knight 2015-2016



The SHIELD



Planning Meeting every 1st Tuesday

Business Meeting every 2nd Tuesday

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 2 Awards Banquet
KC Hall
- May 5 Planning Meeting, 7PM
KC Hall
- May 9 Mothers Day
- May 12 Business Meeting, 7PM
KC Hall
- May 25 Memorial Day Mass, 9AM
Calvary Cemetery, Anoka

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HAM BINGO UPDATE

Our Ham Bingo event this year was a success. We gave out 40 hams to lucky bingo winners. Thanks to the many volunteers for your dedicated work. A big thank you goes to the Boy Scouts for handling the concessions. Everyone had a good time.

At the end of the night three lucky names were drawn for a bone-in ham. Congratulations to Kelly Danzl, Graeme Braithwaite and Donna Mevissen.

We also gave away Easter baskets that were donated to the event as free door prizes. The basket winners were Joshua Dubai, Noah Ranem, Mary Ann Sallman, Charlene Harter and Diane MacKenzie.

Vern Rausch, Bingo Co-Chair

ANOKA HOME ASSOCIATION

I have tentatively set Tuesday, May 5, 2015 for the annual meeting of the Anoka Home Association. The Anoka Home Association is the actual owner of the KC Hall building. Members of the Anoka Council who have purchased a share of stock in the building are eligible to serve as board members and have voting rights in any decisions made at

the annual meeting. Any current council member may purchase a share at any time. This is a tentative date because I haven't contacted all the board members to see if they are all available. If anyone other than a board member is interested in attending the meeting please give me a call at 763-421-0116 to verify that the meeting is indeed to take place that evening. Thanks!!!

Al Kempf, AHA President

Fish Fry Update

We had a very successful year once again, with many volunteers. This year we were delighted to serve **2,500 people** for the Best Fish Dinner in Anoka County. (I stole that from St. Pat's advertising of their Fish Fry.)

And what did 2,500 people consume, you ask? Well let me tell you: 1,100 lbs. of fish; 475 lbs. of apple crisp; 550 lbs. of baked beans; 390 lbs. of mac & cheese; and 465 lbs. of potatoes.

It took, roughly, 360 of the greatest volunteers to pull this off and we greatly appreciate everyone's help. It was our privilege in coordinating this wonderful event.

Jeff & Rhonda Kieffer, Joe & Carole Santer Co-chairs



Mothers Day Flower Sale

The Knights will be conducting their annual "Thanks Mom for Life" Mother's Day flower sale on May 9th and 10th. Orchid and carnation corsages, long stem carnations and roses with water tubes, and African violet plants will be available. They will be found at three entrances to the St. Stephen's Church before and after the Masses on Saturday and Sunday morning and only before the 12:30 PM Mass. All proceeds will go to Pro-Life activities.

Volunteers will be needed to assemble the carnation corsages on Saturday afternoon at 1:00 PM in FCC 6 and 7 and also to help with the sales before and after the Masses. Please call Kevin or Annette Setterholm at 763-757-9786 if available to help with this activity. Please help with the purchase of a flower for your mom or the love of your life as well !!!