

# Chaplain's Corner



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Grand  
Knight's  
Message



Anoka Council recently hosted the Installation of Officers at St. Stephens. A heartfelt thank you goes out to Fr. Jack Long for allowing the Knights, on short notice, to utilize the Holy Cross Chapel and Faith Community Center. A big thank you goes out to our Chaplain, Fr. Kevin Manthey, for presiding at the mass and for accepting another year as our Chaplain.

During the homily, I gave the elected officers a few questions to think about when making their decisions during the year.

Is it good for the **community**?  
Is it good for the **Church**?  
Does it glorify **God** in its completion?

In every decision they make, in everything they do, do it for the glory of God.

The summer months can be very distracting and we get a little "lax" on our religious journey as fun and relaxation take a front seat. I offered a small piece of advice to the officers as they make the journey leading the Knights this year and I offer it to you and your families this summer.

Take time to think – It is the **source** of power.

Take time to read – It is the **foundation** of wisdom.

Take time to play – It is the **secret** of staying young.

Take time to be quiet – It is the **opportunity** to seek God.

Take time to be aware – It is the **opportunity** to help others.

Take time to love and be loved – It is God's **greatest** gift.

Take time to laugh – It is the **music** of the soul.

Take time to be friendly – It is the **road** to happiness.

Take time to dream – It is what the **future** is made of.

Take time to pray – It is the **greatest** power on earth.

Gale Sayers, the great Chicago Bears running back and Hall of Famer, had a saying: "I am third!"

This is what he meant:  
God is first!  
My family and friends are second!  
And I... am third!

What a wonderful and easy way to remember the two greatest commandments, to Love God and Neighbor, that Jesus gave us.

Whatever you do, do it for the glory of God. Set the welfare of others before your own.

To say, I am third, allows us to walk **humbly** in the footsteps of our Lord... on our journey through life.

Vivat Jesus,



## 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; Rick Aberle.

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

Brother Knights and significant others,

I am honored that you have elected and entrusted me with this leadership position for our great council! Thanks to Joe Soler for doing a great job of leading the council this past year. I am looking forward to a successful run, with your help and support!

I grew up attending St. Stephens Church and School. After successful completion of my degree from Saint Cloud State U., I have managed many employees as a Restaurant, Warehouse, Distribution, or Operations Manager, and many in Youth Baseball. The restaurant is where I met my wife Cathy, and we have been married for 23 years. We have two children, Michaela (22), and Alex (soon to be 21). We enjoy softball, baseball (yes, I am playing baseball!), reading, and spending time up north.

We are fortunate to have a very active and successful council. While many donate funds to support our events, we also need a donation of time. I invite you to attend at least one of our meetings this upcoming year- enjoy a snack and a beverage at the conclusion of the meeting! Or if Tuesdays do not work, please find an event to your liking and call or email the chairperson to show interest in helping out. We are very fortunate to have a large council with lots of talent- please don't be shy! I do have a few positions open that need to be filled, please contact me if interested.

And on a final note- I wish all of your families a safe and Happy July 4<sup>th</sup>! Let your patriotism show!

Gary Kempf  
Grand Knight

## History 2018 1924

I have a few firsts for ya' this month: This FIRST item has a familiar ring to it. The film board in New York State accused Hollywood of producing films that promote the bad stuff (obviously, nothing has changed in 91 years); the FIRST Communist head of state in Russia, Vladimir Ilyich Lenin, died on January 2<sup>nd</sup> at the age of 54; the FIRST Winter Olympics were held in Chamonix, France, on January 31<sup>st</sup>, with American, 1,500 meter speed skater, Charlie Rextrow, taking home the gold; and the gas chamber was used for the FIRST time in the U.S. to execute a murderer on February 8<sup>th</sup>.

Former President Woodrow Wilson (#28) died in his sleep on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, at the age of 67 and not as yet President Jimmy Carter (#39) was born on October 10<sup>th</sup>.

With Ford Motor Co. stock valued at \$1 billion, Henry Ford wasn't afraid to make some controversial comments: he praised the KKK as a group of patriots and stated that high taxes on the rich hurt the poor. I believe he even supported Hitler. This guy would have been a regular lightning rod, by today's standards.

We have been hearing a lot about the drought and water shortage in California recently, so this next item is quite appropriate. Farmers in the Owen Valley of California were protesting the diversion of water to Los Angeles. Someone even went so far as to blow up a portion of an aqueduct. I'm sure that also diverted some water.

Ye' Olde Teapot Dome Scandal was rearing its ugly head and beginning to count up casualties. It all started with the leasing of federal oil reserves to private enterprise. Navy Secretary Edwin Denby and Attorney General Henry Daugherty both resigned. Although neither was accused of wrongdoing, Daugherty had ordered federal agents to spy on senators who were looking into the fiasco.

Well, I'm out the door and not because my time is up. I don't know when you will read this, but as I write it, it's NAPTIME! See ya' next month.

Mike Petschl, historian

## Consider A KC Annuity For Real Safety!

You may have heard that the Knights of Columbus have a GREAT annuity program, but what is an annuity and how does it work? A Knights of Columbus annuity is basically a retirement savings plan that provides you with various income options in retirement. There are two periods of time you should be familiar with:

**Funding and Growth period:** You may fund a Knights of Columbus annuity with systematic contributions or in one lump sum (such as a rollover/transfer from a 401k, a CD, IRA or Roth IRA.) Your dollars will earn interest and grow tax-deferred until you take them out.

**Distribution Period:** You may take your money out systematically (monthly, quarterly, semiannually or annually) or in lump sums of your choosing. Some people use annuities as a savings plan and will dip into the dollars only as they need it. Dollars that are left in the annuity are paid to the beneficiary of your choosing upon death.

Unlike many companies Knights of Columbus annuities do not have annual fees. Surrender charges will apply for a certain period of time and taxes are due on growth when monies are removed. If your money is "tax qualified" (i.e. an IRA), then principal and growth is taxed when removed. Call me for additional details.

Why should you consider a Knights of Columbus annuity? Here are some GREAT reasons:

- **Guaranteed income and tax-deferred growth!**
- **Safety!** There is no higher rated company than the Knights of Columbus and you will never have to worry about the volatility of the stock market.
- **Compare us to your CD and savings account rates!** You will likely be pleased!
- **Bypass probate!** Annuities monies generally pass privately to your heirs without going through probate.
- You may roll your 401k, IRA, Roth IRA, SEP, or SIMPLE plan to the Knights of Columbus.

Call or email me today to learn more and to determine if a Knights of Columbus annuity is right for you. As always, you will never be pressured into buying anything. I give you my word.

God bless,  
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# The SHIELD



Planning Meeting every 1st Tuesday

Council Meeting every 2nd Tuesday

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- July 4 Independence Day
- July 7 Planning Meeting, 7PM  
KC Hall
- July 14 First Degree, 7PM  
Business Meeting to follow  
KC Hall

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## Halloween Parade Help Needed

We are looking for leadership and help for entering a float in the annual Halloween Parade held in Anoka in the fall. We did not have a float last year, but would like to submit one for this year. The permit deadline is July 31st, so if you are interested, please contact Grand Knight Gary Kempf at [kempffamily@msn.com](mailto:kempffamily@msn.com) or at 763-785-2206. Families are encouraged to participate!

## THOUGHTS

If you look at the world, you'll be distressed. If you look within, you'll be depressed. But, if you look at Christ, you'll be at rest!  
 Corrie ten Boom  
 a Nazi death camp survivor

Forgiveness is giving up my right to hurt you as you have hurt me.  
 (written on the blackboard of an Amish one room school.)

Age is an issue of mind over matter. If you don't mind, it doesn't matter.

Mark Twain

## Installation July 14th

The membership meeting on July 14th will begin with a First Degree installation ceremony. It is actually part of the regular meeting. It will begin at 7:00 PM the same as normal. If anyone has a potential candidate they need to be at the KC Hall by 6:30 PM. There will be paperwork that needs to be done as well as a fee that is required before a new member is installed. Please give me a call in advance so we can prepare for the proper number of candidates. This will be a great opportunity to help welcome new members to the council. Give me a call at 763-421-0116 for more information. The regular meeting will continue right after the installation is completed.

Al Kempf  
 Membership Chairman

## Bless Me, O Lord

Heavenly Father, Almighty God, I humble myself before your presence. What a joy it is to come to you. I thank you and I praise your infinite majesty, omnipotence and perfections. Please forgive me all of my sins. Lord I come to you in my nothingness. I want to worship you and adore you, to love you with all my heart, with all my mind, with all my soul and with all my strength. I want to burn with desire for you like an angel. I need you my Lord. I am nothing without you. I ask you to raise me before your glory. Shine your light upon me, Allow me to walk with you And always do your holy will. Protect me and bless me o merciful Lord. Fill me with your Holy Spirit, Grant me peace, love and joy. Heal me, bless me and sanctify me o Lord; Make me a blessing for all those around me.