

St. Mary's Sanctuary of Life Statue Has Arrived

The New Sanctuary for Life has come to St. Mary of Sorrows. The statue of the Holy Family which is the centerpiece for the new Sanctuary has recently arrived. The erection of this Sanctuary will take place in the near future when the base arrives.

The Sanctuary will be placed in between the old parking lot and the worship center facing the Church. The erection of the new Sanctuary will be a culmination of several years of hard work by the Knights of Columbus and their point man on this project, Bob Ritchie.

The Sanctuary is a very beautiful expression of the Knight's desire to witness to Christ and His Gospel of Life. We live in very difficult times in which it is very easy to see life as a commodity or something expendable.

In looking at the Holy Family we are led to the beautiful conclusion of the sacredness of life. Each life has

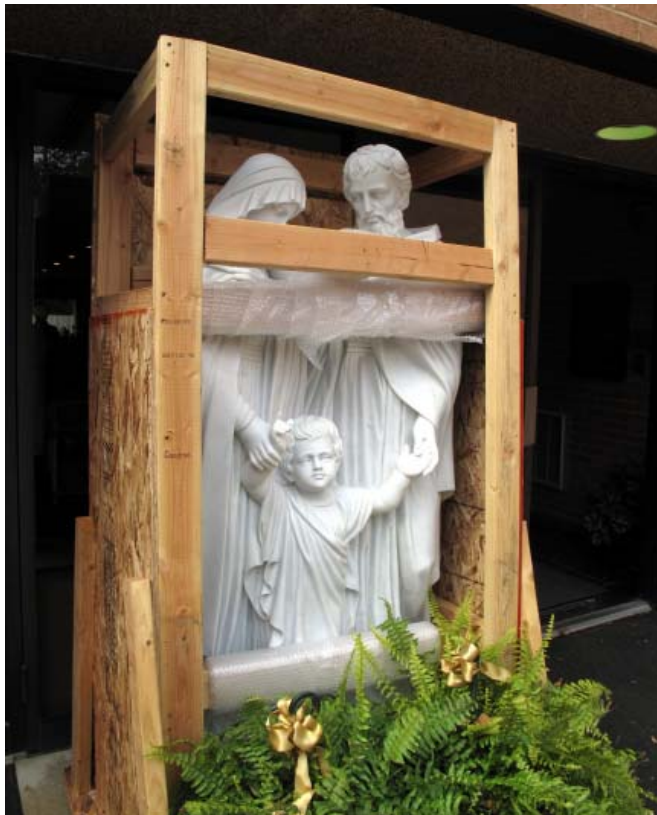
value and meaning. Each life is precious and wanted. This Sanctuary reminds us that life should be supported and guarded, especially in the unborn.

My prayer is that all those who see and pray at this Sanctuary will come away with a renewed commitment that we are all brothers and sisters in the Lord. Each of us has a sacred duty to each other and to our God.

It will be with great joy that I will be able to consecrate this Sanctuary during this celebration of our 150th year as a parish family.



In Christ through Mary,
Rev. James S. Barkett



Grand Knight's Message



Brothers,

E.J. Dionne, a *Washington Post* columnist and a proclaimed Catholic, has written several editorials in the recent month concerning issues of Catholic faith. In describing Catholics, he uses the terms progressive and conservative, as if one could categorize those of our Faith. His reference is that somehow Catholics are free to be one or the other and can choose beliefs as one might do from a menu. *(Continued on Page 2.)*

Grand Knight's Message

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By the time you read this the 2008 election process will have been concluded. We, Americans, will have a new President. No matter who wins there will be cries of foul and some will want to criticize or bemoan the resulting direction that the election infers. (The race will be close and whoever wins will need to tread carefully so as not to offend too greatly the other side.) However we as Americans have to come together around our new President and new elected officials. Truly, those in the Knight's of Columbus know the importance of unity. Let us be the example for all to follow.

As Election Day drew near, I received many e-mails of concern about one candidate or another. At the root of much of the apprehension was the concern about direction of country as it relates to our Faith. I had several tell me that our Faith was somehow at risk. While it is true that our society is plague by cultural and moral relativism, we, Knights, of all people, should not be worried about our Church or our Faith.

Remember when our Lord and Savior established the Church, he also proclaimed that the "gates of the underworld can never hold out against it." Historically, men have attacked our beliefs and our Church. Men

have held high positions in the Church and abused those positions. Always the problems that have surrounded the Church have been the work of men. However since the founding of the Church, the basic tenets have never changed. God protects and guides his Church.

So as we prepare for the coming years, the need for leadership from the Knight's is greater than ever. A year ago our theme was "Be not afraid." This year's theme, Ad Gloriam Dei, is a perfect complement. Our work in the days to come is to be examples to others, but most of all for God's Great Glory. We have much to do in November and December, so search for your place to contribute (Christmas tree sales, Keep Christ in Christmas campaign, food baskets for the needy, etc.).

Also, I wish to alert you so you can mark the date of the Grand Knight's Christmas Open House on your calendars: December 21, 1-5 p.m. at LaRue 123 in Fairfax City.

God Bless and Keep you.



Vivat Jesus!
Paul Maltagliati

2008 Thanksgiving Food Basket Drive Saturday November 22 at The Parish Center

Even in Fairfax County we have many families and single people living in our community who are hungry. Our council has an opportunity again this holiday season to help by serving with a corporal act of mercy; feeding the hungry. Please plan to help by providing a Thanksgiving food basket. We will collect meals on Saturday morning, November 22, from 8 to 9 AM at the Parish Center. Mark Haaland, 703.944.4898, is our Council coordinator. Please contact Mark if you can provide a Thanksgiving food basket.

Suggested food items for a family of 5 – 6. Please add additional items as desired to make the meal special.

- 1) \$15 - \$20 grocery card from Giant or Safeway
- 2) disposable foil roaster pan
- 3) stuffing mix (such as "Stovetop")
- 4) fresh white potatoes
- 5) packaged gravy
- 6) canned sweet potatoes
- 7) bag of marshmallows
- 8) 2 cans of yellow and 2 cans of green vegetables
- 9) canned pumpkin pie mix (spices included in ingredients)
- 10) evaporated milk for pumpkin pie mix
- 11) pie crust
- 12) any additional items as desired

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The Chaplain's Corner

THE GRADES OF PRAYER

Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



Father Jordan Aumann in his book, *Spiritual Theology*, talks about St. Teresa of Avila's classifications of the grades of prayer. St. Teresa of Avila said, *The intensity of one's prayer life coincides with the intensity of one's charity.*

The grades of prayer are: (1) vocal prayer, (2) meditation, (3) affective prayer, (4) prayer of simplicity, (5) infused contemplation, (6) prayer of quiet, (7) prayer of union, (8) prayer of conforming union, and (9) prayer of transforming union. The first four are associated with the ascetical phase of the spiritual life and the last five with the mystical phase. We should point out that these classifications are meant to describe the type of prayer predominant in a person's life at a particular time. However, there may be mystical prayer in the early phases of the spiritual life, and a person might return to ascetic prayer even though they are well in to the mystical life. In this article we will discuss the grades of prayer in the ascetical phase.

In the ascetical phase we practice to acquire the skill of prayer. Prayer is often difficult and requires concentration and attention.

Vocal prayer. In vocal prayer we use words, whether written or spoken, to interact with God. It is the kind of prayer we often use in public such as in liturgical celebrations. It is also used in our private

and public prayer times for our prayers of petition, adoration, thanksgiving and contrition. These prayers should be recited with attention and devotion. We need to be aware of what we are doing in the here and now and direct our wills to God in love, humility, reverence, confidence and perseverance.

Meditation or mental prayer. Meditation is the reasoned application of the mind to some supernatural truth in order to penetrate its meaning, love it (act of love is aroused in the will), and carry it into practice with an act of grace (application of the truth to our life and a resolution to do something about it). Attention and concentration are indispensable in meditation. As soon as our minds start to wander, we are no longer meditating. Examples of meditation are praying with scripture or some spiritual reading, the Rosary, Ignatian prayer, and the Stations of the Cross.

Affective prayer. Affective prayer can be seen as a simplified version of meditation in which love prevails. We give ourselves to movements of love, desire for God and all that is good. It is an activity of the will. Meditation and spiritual reading supply the material that stimulates this activity of the will. Transition into this prayer is gradual and often easy, depending on one's temperament. Initially in meditation these

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moments of love and affection for God will be few, but as time goes by they will become more frequent in occurrence, and we can transition from meditation to affective prayer.

P*rayer of simplicity.* The prayer of simplicity consists of a simple loving gaze upon some divine object such as God himself, Christ, or some Christian truth. Meditation on some material can be used to enter into this prayer, but should be abandoned as soon as our loving attention is fixed on God. The prayer of simplicity is the bridge between ascetical and mystical prayer. It is the final disposition before the Holy Spirit begins to operate on the soul by means of His gifts. When the loving gaze begins to waver we should return to affective prayer or meditation.

Here are some useful definitions used by Father Aumann:

The intellect. This is the spiritual quality by which we understand things through ideas and concepts versus knowing things through our senses. Intellectual functions

include simple apprehension, judgment, and reasoning. The object is to get to the point where we judge all things by the light of faith, and see all things as God sees them. The "memory" as used by John of the Cross is part of the intellect.

The will. The will is the faculty by which we seek the good as known by the intellect. The proper act of the will is love, or the effective union of the will with a known good.

From the above discussion, it is apparent that in order to progress in the grades of prayer, we need to take time each day to pray. It should be a priority in our lives.

God bless you all,

Father James S. Barkett



Thanksgiving Food Basket Drive

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Our council food basket drive supports our Parish and is part of a well-organized county-wide social action event. Conducted each year the Saturday before Thanksgiving, Saint Mary's, with the help of our council, collects and distributes more than 150 meals. If you are also able to help deliver a few meals, the Parish could use your help from as early as 9 a.m. to about 12 noon on Saturday, November 22.

Those who have been able to help in the past, particularly with distributing meals to families, know first hand that our efforts are greatly appreciated by those who receive a Thanksgiving meal. Our council helps to make a difference through this simple yet important corporal act of mercy.

Mark Haaland



CHRISTMAS TREE SCHEDULE FOR 2008

S - Geoff Smith, Coordinator Christmas Tree Sales (703) 250-0429 cell (703) 919-0582

C - Jim Cella, Sales Assistant (703) 239-2483

L - Dave Lopez, Assistant/Scheduler (703) 764-3713

* = Shift Captain

NOVEMBER 14: ORDER NEW LUMBER

James	Cella	(703)	239-2483
Geoffrey	Smith	(703)	250-0429

NOVEMBER 21: 1 p.m. PRE-SET UP NEED 2 MORE VOLUNTEERS FRIDAY AFTERNOON, 1 HOUR

Geoffrey	Smith *	(703)	250-0429
Brian	Moynihan	(703)	764-0377
James	Cella	(703)	239-2483
David	Lopez	(703)	764-3713

NOVEMBER 22: 8 a.m. SET UP SATURDAY

Michael	Stephens *	(703)	250-5388
Geoffrey	Smith	(703)	250-0429
James	Cella	(703)	239-2483
David	Lopez	(703)	764-3713
Brian	Moynihan	(703)	764-0377
Stephen	Morales	(703)	385-2737
Michael	Burbach	(703)	426-0314
Paul	Armstrong	(703)	273-2239
Brian	Prindle	(757)	673-2619
Francis	Adams	(703)	978-0836

NOVEMBER 22-28 ELECTRICAL AND LIGHTING SET UP

Michael	Perri	(703)	591-5896
David	Lopez	(703)	764-3713

NOVEMBER 28: 8 a.m. FRIDAY OFF LOAD AND SET UP FOR SALES

Geoffrey	Smith *	(703)	250-0429
James	Cella	(703)	239-2483
David	Lopez	(703)	764-3713
Anthony	Ramos	(703)	425-4722
	BOY SCOUTS		
David	Sharp	(703)	323-9007
Russell	De Rose	(703)	743-1171
	SQUIRES		

FROM 4 PM TO 8 PM

Geoffrey	Smith *	(703)	250-0429
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NEED 2 MORE VOLUNTEERS

SALES BEGIN

S. SATURDAY NOV. 29, 9 AM TO 1PM

Sean	Alger	(703)	359-0079
Richard	Fridley	(703)	764-9659
John	Gaffigan	(703)	250-5505
David	Lopez	(703)	764-3713
J. Kevin	O'Brien *	(703)	250-9559
Marcus	Quint	(703)	393-9034
Alan	Sullivan	(703)	690-0650
William	Von Holle	(703)	323-7884
Frederick	Walker	(703)	278-8375

S. SATURDAY NOV. 29, 1PM TO 5 PM

J	Basanes	(703)	503-8541
Paul	Bazan	(703)	266-4914
Victor	Bosko	(703)	922-4701
Timothy	Brown	(703)	323-5927
Robert	Burlingame	(703)	430-4163
Donald	Champagny *	(703)	250-6804
Lucio	D'Andrea	(703)	978-7896
Michael	Kropaczek	(703)	426-9618
Robert	Strehle	(703)	978-3448
Craig	White	(703)	543-6395

S. SATURDAY NOV. 29, 5 PM TO 9 PM

James	Autry	(703)	938-8472
Richard	Bevilacqua Jr.	(703)	250-6427
Stephen	Brown	(703)	978-8649
Sean	Cassidy	(703)	323-1235
Glenn	Cassidy	(703)	323-1235
John	Enzmann	(703)	425-1104
Timothy	Henry	(703)	435-5622
Michael	LaRosa	(703)	543-7362
John	LaRosa *	(703)	425-2343
John	Lee	(703)	323-8957
Jonathan	Lenaburg	(703)	803-4650
Larry	Mikesell	(703)	239-1447

C. SUNDAY NOV. 30, 12 NOON TO 4 PM

Peter	Alberse	(703)	385-0455
Edward	Barker Jr	(703)	690-5792
John	Beauchemin	(703)	250-1472
Richard	Berger	(703)	222-3623
James	Cella *	(703)	239-2483
Arthur	De Los Santos	(703)	273-6769
Joseph	Kabeiseman	(703)	383-1263
James	Kearney	(703)	250-5844
Jean	Kolb	(703)	830-3808
Paul	Kourtz	(703)	631-9179
Frank	Maguire	(703)	978-1224
Kevin	McAlevy	(703)	591-9175
Joseph	Rovansek	(703)	764-1636
William	White	(703)	451-6172

C. SUNDAY NOV. 30, 4 PM TO 8 PM

Kevin	Bohli	(703)	978-5131
James	Cella *	(703)	239-2483
James	Connors	(703)	321-2042
Kevin	Costello	(703)	591-7133
Gerard	Durback	(703)	278-8767
Robert	Hildner	(703)	278-8129
John	Keenan	(703)	250-2257
George	Koch	(703)	273-1403
Michael	Major	(703)	395-4496
Michael	Mannion	(703)	239-0202
Peter	Piscitelli	(703)	492-7567

L. MONDAY DEC. 1, 6 PM TO 9 PM

Robert	Albracht	(703)	426-2618
Craig	Anderson	(703)	503-3257
Hugo	Bonuccelli	(703)	323-4932
Adolph	Ernst	(703)	249-0108
Daniel	Evans	(703)	978-5182
David	McDaniel	(703)	627-6244
Nathan	McMurrer	(703)	754-8226
Donald	Wilkinson *	(703)	278-5435

S. TUESDAY DEC 2, 6 PM TO 9 PM

Robert	Bollig	(703)	250-1543
James	Coleman	(703)	830-2324
Thomas	Connelly	(703)	764-0697
Kevin	O'Neill	(703)	425-6946
William	Purkert	(703)	425-2823
Elmer	May *	(757)	259-9905

C. WEDNESDAY DEC. 3, 6 PM TO 9 PM

Colin	Burkhalter	(202)	438-1227
John	Burkhalter	(703)	278-9296
Daniel	Cronin *	(703)	250-0411
David	Evans	(703)	425-7246
Richard	Nygaard	(703)	855-5348
Thomas	Parker	(703)	577-6160
Gerald	Pelano	(703)	250-5711
Anthony	Raymond	(703)	278-8610
John	Ryan	(703)	323-1020
Robert	Sussan	(703)	717-3358
Robert	Graham	(703)	591-2123

L. THURSDAY DEC. 4, 6 PM TO 9 PM

Raymond	Connolly *	(703)	250-9048
Jim	Davis	(703)	690-7098
Daniel	Joyce	(703)	978-6907
Al	Kaberline	(703)	266-2742
Laurence	Kohler	(703)	273-3334
Peter	Marzluff	(703)	250-4322
Donald	Ross	(703)	425-0511

S. FRIDAY DEC.5, 6 PM TO 9PM

Ausberto	Garcia	(703)	250-4640
Paul	Maltagliati *	(703)	691-2712
Edward	Moscatelli	(703)	425-5825
Carlos	Otal	(703)	323-9366
Stephen	Pastva	(703)	978-1960
Keith	Ruby	(703)	934-9101
MK	Tribbie	(703)	249-0174
Enzo	Uliana	(703)	329-0492
Michael	Utell	(703)	992-9431

C. SATURDAY DEC 6, 9 AM TO 1 PM

Daniel	Ciatti	(703)	549-0236
Paul	Ciatti	(703)	978-9610
Dennis	Dress	(703)	352-8308
Daniel	Hanley	(703)	239-9412
Carl	Kaczmarek	(703)	278-8461
Eugene	Molinelli *	(703)	250-3927
Michael	O'Donnell	(703)	631-6611
Joseph	Osborne	(703)	250-8332
Waverly	Rainey	(703)	425-6896
Ian	Scott	(703)	385-4535
Stephen	Smith	(703)	323-1016

C. SATURDAY, DEC 6, 1 PM TO 5 PM

Samuel	Dominick	(703)	830-4708
John	Fitzgerald	(703)	278-8842
James	Manning	(703)	250-8376
Joseph	Marotta	(703)	250-6125
James	Mays	(703)	978-0317
Robert	Orlosky	(703)	250-5259
Patrick	Phillips	(703)	239-8631
Robert	Portland	(703)	817-0101
John	Rafferty	(703)	978-4860
Frank	Romano	(703)	250-8988
Philip	Sparta	(703)	239-9713
Daniel	Turgeon *	(703)	239-8644

C. SATURDAY, DEC 6, 5 PM TO 9 PM

Michael	Burbach	(703)	426-0314
William	Crowder	(703)	239-2581
David	Lopez *	(703)	764-3713
Kevin	Miller	(703)	503-5855
Hilario	Moncada	(703)	250-5570
Michael	Muldoon	(703)	425-9099
Charles	Mullarkey	(703)	425-2897
Richard	Murphy	(703)	426-0755
Mick	Sanzotta	(703)	865-6228
John	Steinbicker	(703)	250-1482
Jack	Strasser	(703)	323-6840
Kenneth	Wall	(703)	644-7858

L. SUNDAY DEC. 7, 12 NOON TO 4 PM

Richard	Bevilacqua	(703)	250-6427
Karl	Dahlhauser	(703)	250-4088
Stephen	Ells	(703)	323-6918
Peter	Garry	(703)	978-1163
Jacques	Gerard	(703)	591-8626
Charles	Johnson	(703)	503-9888
Walter	Kleiman	(703)	266-4663
Scott	Leitch	(703)	503-5260
Lawrence	Liedtke	(703)	978-5039
Stephen	Morales	(703)	385-2737
John	Purkat	(703)	425-5025
Johnny	Restivo *	(703)	250-7830
Gregory	Scott	(703)	323-7072
Richard	Tenga	(703)	323-3629
Paul	Weckman	(703)	865-6277
Eusebio	Bernabe	(913)	517-1713

L. SUNDAY DEC. 7, 4 PM TO 8 PM

Lorenzo	Atienza	(703)	426-5469
Thomas	Clohisy	(703)	250-6943
Dennis	Connaughton	(703)	425-1414
Anthony	DeStefano	(703)	278-9114
Richard	Holihan	(703)	249-8194
Charles	Hoover	(703)	978-5086
Kirk	Lambert	(703)	250-3338
Stephen	Lisi	(703)	690-1650
Peter	Nevlud	(703)	825-1947
Allen	Rabayda	(703)	426-1944
Walter	Vanderbeek *	(703)	978-4320
Robert	Warakomsky	(703)	323-0891
Gerald	Weigand	(703)	250-5414

S. MONDAY DEC. 8, 6 PM TO 9 PM

John	Leech	(577)	522-1459
Dale	Avery	(703)	503-0309
Larry	Brindza	(703)	866-4803
Gary	Comerford	(703)	543-6933
William	Fields	(703)	250-2833
Dennis	Hutson	(703)	691-8907
Ronald	Martel	(703)	830-3449
Gregory	Reinhart	(703)	250-6128
John	Russo	(703)	978-8612
Timothy	Shea *	(703)	250-8716

C. TUESDAY DEC. 9, 6 PM TO 9 PM

Donald	Devane	(703)	425-6473
John	Devaney	(703)	830-3422
John	Devaney	(703)	278-8352
David	Evans *	(703)	425-7246
Charles	Gildon	(703)	250-1097
Antonio	Munera	(703)	978-9118
Joseph	Pomager	(703)	503-8028
John	Rensbarger	(703)	978-4982
Michael	Thieman	(703)	887-1547

L. WEDNESDAY DEC. 10, 6 PM TO 9 PM

David	Burke	(703)	978-7530
James	Cocco	(703)	426-4075
Francis	Gniazdowski	(703)	239-1886
Richard	Lee *	(703)	323-8957
John	Lee	(703)	323-8957
Vincent	Obi	(703)	250-2149
David	Sharp	(703)	323-9007
Gerald	Turley	(703)	968-3543

S. THURSDAY DEC. 11, 6 PM TO 9 PM

Russell	De Rose	(703)	743-1171
Daniel	Joyce	(703)	978-6907
Craig	Koszycki	(703)	278-1018
Edward	Miller	(703)	352-2969
Paul	Simmons	(703)	591-0054
Martin	Spolarich	(703)	385-1548
Tung	Tran	(703)	978-0387
Elmer	May	(757)	259-9905
Brian	Prindle *	(757)	673-2619

C. FRIDAY DEC. 12, 6 PM TO 9 PM

Thomas	Hansen	(703)	425-2699
Gerald	Hovan *	(703)	754-8556
Sebastien	Laroche	(703)	543-8533
Mark	Melson	(703)	978-3128
John	Needham	(703)	250-3502
Gregory	Scott	(703)	323-7072
Robert	Storch	(703)	239-0715
Robert	Strehle	(703)	978-3448
Thomas	Sullivan	(703)	866-0875

L. SATURDAY DEC, 13, 9 AM TO 1 PM

Ulises	Martinez	(202)	256-0210
Harold	Brown	(703)	691-2033
James	Butler	(703)	764-2578
George	Hertig	(703)	978-3631
Joseph	Lowry	(703)	250-8036
David	Maurer	(703)	425-3676
Alphonse	Obuchowski *	(703)	352-1380
Alex	Obuchowski	(703)	629-4843
Paul	Rinderle	(703)	323-7878
Thomas	Silva	(703)	425-8167
Edward	Sullivan	(703)	978-0312
Richard	Talbert	(703)	691-0215

L. SATURDAY DEC. 13, 1 PM TO 5 PM

William	Purkert	(703)	425-2823
Christopher	Lotfabadi	no tel.	Cbody26@vt.edu
Joseph	Boyle *	(703)	646-5576
John	Gaffigan	(703)	250-5505
Randall	Jennings	(703)	250-1747
Thomas	Milos	(703)	643-0410
John	Moar	(703)	591-7940
Patrick	O'Neill	(703)	503-1165
Robert	Plebanek	(703)	764-0231
John	Ryan	(703)	323-1020
Michael	Searson	(703)	250-8878
Patrick	Taitano	(703)	250-5783
Francis	Villapando	(703)	317-7583
Virgilio	Villapando	(703)	503-9416

L. SATURDAY DEC. 13, 5 PM TO 9 PM

Mark	Bednar	(703)	865-6149
Paul	Caton	(703)	978-1330
Timothy	Donovan	(703)	323-9207
John	Dulan	(703)	830-3066
Mark	Haaland *	(703)	239-1609
Louie	Leitao	(703)	425-7241
Michael	Ly	(703)	385-9477
Ronald	Martel	(703)	830-3449
Charles	McElroy	(703)	323-7139
David	Pedneau	(703)	278-8198
Michael	Soroka	(703)	250-4877
Richard	Sparaco	(703)	250-4703
Edward	Stephens	(703)	323-8588

S. SUNDAY DEC. 14, 12 NOON TO 4 PM

Richard	Allen	(703)	503-5950
Anthony	De Cristofaro	(703)	323-5013
Salvatore	DiBartolo	(703)	250-3348
John	Gaffigan	(703)	250-5505
Sherrill	Hebert	(703)	323-0896
Daniel	Joyce	(703)	978-6907
Joseph	Kornhoff	(703)	273-8477
Theodore	Kornhoff	(703)	273-8477
Edward	Koucheravy *	(703)	978-2208
William	Lilley	(703)	425-2272
Michael	Lyden	(703)	743-1958
C. Michael	Mayer	(703)	385-4747
Alex	Obuchowski	(703)	629-4843
Anthony	Ramos	(703)	425-4722
James	Wallis	(703)	426-5196

S. SUNDAY DEC. 14, 4 PM TO 8 PM

Richard	Bulova	(703)	502-3023
John	Burden	(703)	323-6076
Brian	Cummins	(703)	425-8793
Anthony	DiGregorio	(703)	278-8919
Daniel	Graser	(703)	425-7813
Charlie	Gulac	(703)	323-6694
Dennis	Halpin	(703)	426-8629
Richard	Holihan	(703)	249-8194
John	Lafalce	(703)	425-1637
Kirk	Lambert	(703)	250-3338
Paul	Maltagliati	(703)	691-2712
Paul	McNulty	(703)	503-9353
Bruce	Neilson	(703)	323-0457
Fidel	Rodriguez	(703)	239-0121
Julius	Rothstein	(703)	278-8607
Steven	Schaefer	(703)	426-2733
David	Sharp *	(703)	323-9007
William	Wolf	(703)	764-3841

C. MONDAY DEC. 15, 6 PM TO 9 PM

Christopher	Stephens	(410)	336-3412
Michael	Burbach *	(703)	426-0314
Randall	Jennings	(703)	250-1747
Jerry	Lenaburg	(703)	803-4650
A. Victor	Pena	(703)	250-2549

L. TUESDAY DEC. 16, 6 PM TO 9 PM

John	Finnerty	(703)	591-7422
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McGIVNEY'S CORNER

Before There Were Knights There Were Sons

Have you ever thought how the Knights of Columbus got its name? Early on the founding fathers of the organization toyed with calling themselves the “Connecticut Order of Catholic Foresters” because they liked how it sounded. However, Father McGivney wanted the new “purely original organization” to have its own identity from the start. At one meeting, when the consensus against naming the organization the Connecticut Order of Catholic Foresters became evident, Father McGivney suggested “Sons of Columbus”.

More interesting details on the evolution of the name can be found by reading *Parish Priest: Father Michael McGivney and American Catholicism* by Douglas Brinkley and Julie M. Foster. Below is an interesting excerpt on the evolution of our organizations name and why Columbus was selected. By reading pages 118-119 you will also discover the basis for using “knight”. Can you guess why?

“Christopher Columbus being Italian, it was a remarkable proposal to make to a committee composed entirely of Irish Americans. Aside from Reverend McGivney, the roll call that day consisted of Messrs. Caroll, Colwell, Driscoll, Geary, Healy, Kerrigan, McMahon, Mullen, and O’Connor. Yet they realized at

once the brilliance of the idea. Even in the anti-Catholic climate of the late nineteenth century, Columbus figured as a national hero.

A few years before, the Connecticut Catholic had run a front-page editorial on the importance of the explorer. It said, “Although it may be, and we believe it is true, that the Northmen discovered and made settlements in Greenland and new England in the ninth and tenth centuries, yet this fact does not dim by one iota the true fame and merit of Columbus. As American Catholics, we do not know of anyone who more deserves our grateful remembrance than the great and noble man, the pious, zealous, and the faithful Catholic—the enterprising navigator, and the large hearted sailor, Christopher Columbus: The Christ Bearing Dove as his name signifies”.



Dave Lopez

† Weekend Retreat, a Great Success †

Nine Knights from St. Mary of Sorrows attended a weekend retreat at Dominican Retreat, McLean, Va., Oct. 17-19. Knights attending included Dave Burke, Pete Garry, Tony Munera, Bob Ritchie, Frank Romano, Dick Schaad, Bob Starch, Virgil Villapand and Nick Annabel. Retreat Master Fr. Bart Karachi, OFM, CONV, along with the Dominican Sisters did a fabulous job. The retreat focused on “Love of God, Love of Neighbor, and Love of Self.” There were many pearls of wisdom, including the following:

God loves us the way we are, but so much that he is not going to let us stay that way.

God loves us unconditionally.

Rejoice in hope, be patient under trial, persevere in prayer.

Happiness is an inside job.

The unanimous opinion is that it was a fantastic retreat. Please consider going next year to the men’s retreat in October 2009.



2008-09 CALENDAR YEAR

NOVEMBER

- 1 Crowder Farm, 11 a.m. until ???
- 4 Council Meeting, 8 p.m., OSMH
- 7-8 First Friday Adoration, Worship Center
- 8 Spaghetti Dinner, after 5 p.m. Mass, Parish Center
- 9 Pancake Breakfast, 6 a.m-12:45 p.m., FH Team Marotta, Squires (Want to help? Contact Fidel Rodrigues.)
- 11 Marian Homes Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m. OSMH
- 18 Council Meeting, First Degree, 8 p.m., OSMH
- 22 Thanksgiving Basket Collection 9 a.m. to 12 noon, OSMH
- 27 Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

- 2 Council Meeting, 8 p.m., OSMH
- 5-6 First Friday Adoration, Worship Center
- 6 Rt. 123 Cleanup
Contact Dave Evans, 703-425-7246
- 9 Marian Homes Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m. OSMH
- 13 Children's Christmas Party, 12 to 3:30 p.m. Parish Center,
- 13 Spaghetti Dinner, after 5 p.m. Mass, Parish Center
- 14 Pancake Breakfast, 6 a.m-12:45 p.m., FH Team Ciatti, Squires (Want to help? Contact Fidel Rodrigues.)
- 16 Council Meeting, 8 p.m., OSMH
- 21 Grand Knight's Christmas Open House 1-5 p.m. at LaRue 123 in Fairfax City
- 25 Christmas

JANUARY

- 3-4 First Friday Adoration, Worship Center
- 4 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest
- 6 Council Meeting, 8 p.m.
Rosary at 7:45 p.m. OSMH

- 10 Spaghetti Dinner, after 5 p.m. Mass Parish Center
- 11 Pancake Breakfast (Team Barone) Parish Center, Squires at OSMH
- 19 Council Meeting, 8 p.m.
Rosary at 7:45 p.m. OSMH

Marian HomesArt Auction

The October 18th Art Auction in Farrell Hall was a great success! Even though this was our first effort of this type and attendance was less than expected, the enthusiastic bidding resulted in a healthy profit for Marian Homes fund raising efforts. More than \$7700 was collected from ticket sales, the silent auction, the live auction and donations from Council members. Importantly, all who attended had a great time and plenty of good food and drink. Accordingly, the Board of Directors thanks all those who participated in this worthy effort.

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