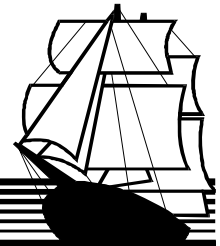


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GET READY FOR SELLING CHRISTMAS TREES

Our Christmas tree-selling season kicks off right after Thanksgiving Day. On Friday morning November 23, between 7:30 and 8:00 a.m., we will be off loading the tractor trailer carrying our Christmas trees (over 800 of them) at the Historic Church parking lot and staging them for selling to the public. What better way to get rid of that stuffy feeling you accumulated the day before than by helping in the off-loading process? Mark your calendars. It only takes about one hour to off load the tractor trailer. Then another hour to stage the trees on the Christmas tree stands.

Selling Christmas trees involves just about every knight in our council. If you can't do any heavy lifting we can still use your skills as a cashier during a shift. This year the schedule is being prepared by Brother Hank Chalkley and is posted on our website. Don't hesitate to contact Brother Hank if you want to work an extra shift. He can be reached at e-mail hchalkley@earthlink.net

Official sale of Christmas trees begins Saturday, November 24, and will end on Saturday, December 22. The operating hours of the lot is Monday through Friday from about 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. On Saturdays our lot opens at 9:00 a.m. and closes at 9 p.m. On Sundays our lot opens at 11 a.m. and closes at 8 p.m.

Supporting this project is crucial to our council. Our ultimate goal is to sell every tree in the lot. If we do that,

we can generate about \$25,000 net for the council. That's a significant amount that lets us help many charitable programs, including Marian Homes Inc. and the Paul Steffan Foundation.

Grand Knight's Message



Dear Brother Knights,

October is usually associated with Oktoberfest and the smiles it brings to our faces. We may even think of October as the beginning of the football season and the end of the baseball season. Certainly October is the realization snowflakes are just around the corner and the snowman will be visiting our front yards. Thinking of October in such ways is all good, but this October it is more meaningful than beer, sports and snow.

We may not realize this, but Thursday, October 11, 2012, is a glorious day for all Catholics. We may have forgotten that a year ago, with his Apostolic Letter of October 11, 2011, *Porta Fidei*, our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, declared that a *Year of Faith* will begin on October 11, 2012, and be concluded on November 24, 2013.

So here we are, as the *Year of Faith* begins. Yes, an important event in our lifetime has begun. Are you (we) ready? Have you thought about what the *Year of Faith* will mean for you and your family? Ask that question yourself and I guar-

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antee that you will be asking other questions like; what action will I take? Will I continue to do the same as last week? Does it really matter...I go to church regularly...I am faithful to my wife...I provide for my family...I provide for my ailing mother...I give my time and my treasures...what more do you want, Lord?

When the *Year of Faith* was announced by our Holy Father, it was announced in honor of the 50th anniversary of the Second Vatican Council and the 20th anniversary of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, with the intent to “strengthen the faith of Catholics and draw the world to faith by their example” In other words, ***the Year of Faith is an opportunity for Catholics to experience a conversion to turn back to Jesus and enter into a deeper relationship with Him.*** Sounds something like I want to do, so how do I accomplish this? Where do I begin?

A couple of weeks ago, Bishop David L. Ricken of Green Bay, Wisconsin, who chairs the U.S. Bishop's Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis, issued some guidelines for making your *Year of Faith*. As reported by the Catholic News Agency (CNA) on September 24, in an article by Michelle Bauman, here are Bishop Ricken's comments to make your *Year of Faith*:

Among Bishop Ricken's suggestions – which were founded upon the guidelines issued by Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith – was ***regular participation in the Mass.***

“The *Year of Faith* is meant to promote the personal encounter with Jesus,” he said. “This occurs most immediately in the Eucharist.”

He explained that regular Mass attendance can strengthen one's faith “through the Scriptures, the Creed, other prayers, sacred music, the homily, receiving Communion and being part of a faith community.”

In addition to simply attending Mass, ***the faithful can also invite their friends to Mass,*** the bishop added, explaining that although the *Year of Faith* has a global focus, “real change occurs at the local level.”

“A personal invitation can make all the difference to someone who has drifted from the faith or feels alienated from the Church,” he said.

Furthermore, he said that the Sacrament of Reconciliation can play an important role in spiritual growth.

“*Confession urges people to turn back to God,* express sorrow for falling short and open their lives to the power of God's healing grace,” he said. “It forgives the injuries of the past and provides strength for the future.”

The bishop also encouraged Catholics to ***learn about the saints,*** whose witness offers us hope and teaches us how to live as Christians. These holy men and women were sinners who continually strove to grow in their relationship with God, he said, and they give us an example of service through ministry, charity, prayer and everyday life.

Bishop Ricken encouraged Catholics to ***read the Bible every day during the Year of Faith in order to “become more attuned to the Word of God”*** and to ***study the Catechism*** to deepen their understanding of the Church's “beliefs, moral teachings, prayer and sacraments.”

He also recommended ***reading the documents of the Second Vatican Council,*** which “ushered in a great renewal of the Church.”

The council affected the celebration of the Mass, the laity's role and the Church's understanding of itself and those of other faiths, he said, adding that Catholics must understand the council in order to “continue this renewal.”

In addition to prayer and study, the bishop emphasized, ***the foundational Church teachings “must translate into action.”*** He suggested participation at the parish level, in roles such as lector, liturgical musician or catechist, to contribute to the community.

He also recommended ***donations to charity and volunteering to aid those in need.***

“This means to personally encounter Christ in the poor, marginalized and vulnerable,” he explained. “Helping others brings Catholics face-to-face with Christ and creates an example for the rest of the world.”

Finally, Bishop Ricken encouraged ***Catholics to work in their daily lives to adhere to the Be-attitudes,*** which offer an example of virtue and “a rich blueprint for Christian living. It's precisely the example of lived faith needed to draw people to the Church in the year ahead.”

The *Year of Faith* is about having, wanting and working for a deeper relationship with Jesus, and the guidelines offered by Bishop Ricken have given me a new

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ST. MARY'S AND THE CAR MINISTRY

This year one of the agencies that St. Mary's Tithing Fund is helping is The Car Ministry, 929 West Broad Street, Falls Church, VA 22046. Two of our knights, Pete Garry and Carlos Gargiulo, are the St. Mary's point people for helping The Car Ministry, a small not-for-profit charity that processes and repairs donated vehicles that are then given to needy families and persons who have been referred by pastors and social work-

ers. The vehicles are thoroughly checked and fixed to ensure they pass inspection and then given at no cost to someone in need of transportation. Social workers have said that having a car is the number one ingredient in keeping people employed. A car transforms a person's life because it can make him or her able to obtain a job and become self-sufficient.

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focus to achieve some changes in my life. For me personally, it means a greater commitment to exercising the Sacrament of Reconciliation more often. It means learning more about the lives of the saints, such as Junipero Serra, and finally about letting go of past hurts. I hope Bishop Ricken's guidelines will be a value to you as you begin your *Year of Faith*. Let's commit ourselves, by example, to bringing the messages of Jesus to everyone in our world. Be His Light.

Viva Cristo Rey!
R. David Lopez

Through a concerted effort, reconditioned vehicles were made available to 38 people who urgently needed them. For the most part, employment opportunities for the needy, whom The Car Ministry serves, are entry-level jobs, such as construction, home cleaning, lawn service, providing health care assistance, etc. A vehicle is essential to maintain such employment. The Car Ministry also places a priority on helping single mothers and those in full-time ministry. The Car Ministry works closely with the Lamb Center for those coming out of homelessness.



Volunteers can assist in this vital work by:

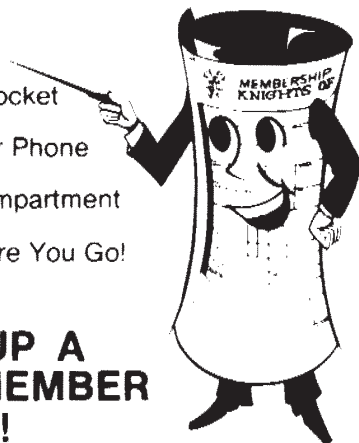
- Helping with publicity**, such as marketing the need for car donations;
- Developing and mailing** promotional materials and appeals for financial assistance;
- Visiting churches** to get them on board with financial support and car donations;
- Referring those with cars** to donate to the Car Ministry;
- Spreading the word** about the work of The Car Ministry to businesses, organizations and professionals; and

Providing prayer and financial support.

We urge you to find out more about The Car Ministry and how you could help by calling Brother Knights Peter Garry (703-978-1163) or Carlos Gargiulo (703-426-4564) or Car Ministry President Roger Penn (703-278-9299). Their excellent website is a storehouse of information at www.carministry.org We also ask that you consider donating a car to The Car Ministry. Not only would you have the satisfaction of making a big difference in the life of another person by providing them with life-changing transportation but also the IRS will allow you to take the fair market value of the car for tax purposes. This is a huge financial advantage over most other charities that simply sell the cars they receive.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Chaplain's Corner

THE INFUSED VIRTUES



The infused virtues are habits that operate within us that are placed into us by God (infused into our souls) so that we can use them according to the direction of our mind guided by what we know to be true about God and how he wants us to live our lives. As in the process of “osmosis” (the passing of one kind of fluid from one side of a semi-permeable membrane to another, as through the wall of a living cell), God infuses these virtues into us so we can act/react to situations in the world as Christ would.

Operative habits are qualities ingrained within us that dispose us to easily and quickly function/react in a certain way in a particular circumstance. These virtues are infused by God into us versus virtues that are acquired. We get natural or acquired virtues by means of repeated acts. Supernatural or infused virtues are given to us by God, and they make us capable of performing supernatural acts. Through these virtues, we become capable of conducting ourselves as sons and daughters of God, imitating Christ in all that we do. These infused virtues work for the good of others because our acts are dictated by love of God and love of neighbor.

There are seven infused virtues: faith, hope, love, prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance. Faith, hope and love are called theological virtues. The theological virtues help us get close to God. Faith helps us to know that what God teaches us and what we are taught about

God is true. Hope enables us to desire God because he is good for us. Love helps us get close to God and to love him. Prudence, justice, fortitude and temperance are called moral virtues. Moral virtues help us to act in a Christ-like manner in all that we do.

Through the infused virtues we develop habits that enable us to be moved easily and promptly by the Holy Spirit through his gifts. The Gifts of the Holy Spirit are the perfection of the infused virtues. In other words, the Holy Spirit has to have something to work with. The infused virtues prepare the soul so it can be actuated by the Holy Spirit through the gifts. As such, the gifts like the virtues are operative habits, i.e., qualities ingrained within us that dispose us to easily and quickly function/react in a certain way in a particular circumstance.

In order for the Holy Spirit to infuse these virtues and gifts into us, we need to spend some time each day sitting quietly in the presence of God away from the noise that takes our focus away from God. We can reflect and ponder on some spiritual reading, on the mysteries of the Rosary, on Scripture, or just sit quietly before the Blessed Sacrament. We need to focus on the Lord and what He has to say to us about our life. As we sit in the presence of God, our imagination, memory, and emotions, as well as our intellect and will, will

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OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE PRAYER PROGRAM

Our council and church were honored to have Our Lady here for two months.

She first appeared at the council meeting of July 17, 2012, and the Rosary was recited. The number of knights in attendance that night was 45. She then established residence at the grand knight's home until July 20.

Beginning with the Vigil Mass on July 21, Our Lady was displayed at the front of the lector's podium at the Parish

Center. On Friday, July 27 our pastor conducted the Exposition of the Eucharist; the Guadalupe prayer program was also conducted with over 50 knights in attendance. The image remained at the lector's podium from July 20 until after the morning Mass of Saturday, September 15. September 15 was a special day for the parish because it was the feast day for St. Mary of Sorrows. Over 400 parishioners were in attendance at Mass and over 100 parishioners were concentered to Jesus through Mary according to St. Louis De Montfort, including over a dozen knights.

Our Lady re-established residence at the grand knight's home until September 18. On the evening of September 18, Council 8600 hosted a First Degree exemplification and she was in our presence during the complete ceremony, where five new brother knights were joined to our order. After the exemplification, Our Lady established presence at the home of Brother Tom Silva and she remained there until Sunday, September 30.

On October 1 Our Lady was transferred to Mount Vernon Council 5998.



FROM OUR YOUTH COMMITTEE DIRECTOR . . .

The youth of today will be the leaders of the future, and we as knights need to offer them challenges, promote their faith and trust and give them responsibility that they can and will achieve. Youths of today are influenced by many factors, chief among them are their peers and the uncontrolled negative actions of a minority of young people.

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be touched by God's action. The infused virtues are like flowers in a garden that grow and flourish as they are watered by the Holy Spirit, as we spend time with Him in prayer each day.



God bless you all,
Father James S. Barkett

As Knights of Columbus, it is our responsibility to provide youths with the means and the opportunities to become personally committed and involved in meeting the challenges of our times. One way the Knights have done this is through sporting activities. The Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge is a competition designed for players to demonstrate the most basic soccer skill — the penalty kick. Open to all boys and girls in your community, ages 10-14, each player will be allowed 15 shots at the goal from the penalty line (12 yards from the goal). This past fraternal year we had several youths compete at the local level with one going on to the district competition. Winners progress to the district, regional, state and international levels. If soccer is not for them the Knights offer a basketball free-throw competition for boys and girls between the ages of 10 and 14. As with the soccer challenge, the contestants compete within their own gender and age group. All competition starts at the local level. Winners move on to the district, regional, and state or provincial levels. From there, some make it

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to the international level for the championship.

Besides challenging youths physically to compete, we also challenge them mentally. The Knights of Columbus offers up an essay contest to all Catholic students — in public, private or parochial schools — in grades 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 during the current school year. The contest has also been expanded to go through the different levels of competition to the international level.

The theme of this past essay contest was “The Responsibility of the Catholic Citizen in a Free Society.” The contest opens the doors of young minds, enabling the entrants to be creative, thoughtful and introspective in their work. This past year we had over 10 essays submitted, three youths went on to compete at the state level with one winning the state for her grade.

The winners of the essay contest for first place received a check for \$300, second-place winners receive a check for \$200 and the third place winners receive a check for \$100.

As outh chair, I have many youth organizations under my umbrella that I oversee and offer assistance when needed. I am the conduit contact person that these organizations have with the Knights of Columbus Council for St. Mary’s of Sorrows. I am constantly seeking ways to improve our youth programs by recruiting more men from the council level to work with young people. These adult leaders will help to mold today’s youths into the influential citizens of tomorrow. Adults can exert more positive and constructive influence on our young people by becoming involved with them, paying more attention to what they are saying and, more importantly, leading by example.

Besides being the youth chair I am also the chief squire counselor for Circle 3992 of St. Mary’s of Sorrows. What makes this organization special is that its main focus is to provide for young Catholic men an organization to reinforce strong MORAL VALUES, develop strong CHARACTER, and provide for positive LEADERSHIP responsibilities. Membership is restricted to young Catholic men ages 10 to 18.

Our meetings are held once a month (usually on the second Sunday in conjunction with our pancake breakfasts) except for July and August. Our membership comes from a variety of grade schools, junior high schools and senior high schools. Members are active in school

and travel sport teams, national honor society, school and outside music and theater activities, debate teams, and other school and outside activities. Some are in Boy Scouts, Youth Ministry; altar servers, and other church activities. Yes their plates are full, but they can handle the Squire activities and projects they lead. They are college bound. Some of the universities they have or are attending are: the University of Virginia, James Madison University, Virginia Tech, Mary Washington University, George Mason University, Catholic University, University of North Carolina, University of South Carolina, Virginia Military Institute, Duke University, the Naval Academy, and other locations in the United States. Past members have become engineers, lawyers, teachers, educators, doctors, service men and women, and small business owners.

We encourage them to take part in many different activities. Program areas include Circle/Leadership, Spiritual, Service/Civic, Family, and Membership projects and activities each year. This provides the opportunity for growth in areas such as decisionmaking, delegation of responsibility, project development, administration, public speaking, public relations, record-keeping, financial responsibility, and program promotion. This past year Squires came up with ideas such as the Shoe Box Collection. The Squires asked for donations for items such as hats, gloves, socks, underwear, personal hygiene items like toothbrushes, toothpaste, combs and other clothing items that can fit in a shoebox. These families are not on the Christmas gift programs sponsored by St. Mary’s Church. They represent people who fall in the shadows of poverty and near poverty that we hear about but rarely see. The shoeboxes were dropped off to the less fortunate at various charities in Northern Virginia, like the Northern Virginia Training Center, the Lamb Center at Fairfax circle and BARN. Last but not least, the Squires have fun by going bowling, competing in laser tag, pizza parties, movie nights, children’s Christmas party, Halloween hay rides. If what I have written here interests you, think about joining me and get involved with the Youth Committee.

As we enter the holiday season the Squires will be holding meetings in October and November to discuss and determine what adventures await us for the New Year!

Have a Great Fall!
Stephen Morales

NEW MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN 2012-2013

“Be His Light”



(Size of challenge coin 1.75", weight 1.5 oz.)

Recruit a Knight

To reward Brother Knights of Council 8600 during the fraternal year July 1, 2012, to June 30, 2013:

- Recruit one member to our order and receive this beautiful challenge coin, finished in antique bronze with beautiful detailed design and colors, which depicts our order's principles: charity, unity, fraternity, patriotism; with the American Flag, a Bible and a Rosary. A challenge coin to cherish and to pass to a son or daughter
- Recruit a second member to our order and receive a framed "First Day of Issue" stamp envelope cover depicting a stamp with George Washington, our nation's first president, and a second stamp depicting a Patriotic Quill Pen and Inkwell.
- Recruit a third member to our order and receive a Special Certificate of Appreciation presented by District 14 Deputy Frank B. Guest.
- Recruit a fourth member to our order and receive a \$25 gift card to "First Watch Restaurant" at 9600 Main Street, Fairfax, VA 22031.

R. David Lopez
Grand Knight

Paul's Dream

Sir Knight Paul Maltagliati was our Worthy Grand Knight for Fraternal Year 2008-2009. Paul, who died unexpectedly this past summer, was a retired high ranking officer in the Fairfax County Sheriff's Department. Paul was passionate about his work in law enforcement, the Knights of Columbus, the St. Mary of Sorrows community and taking care of his family.

Additionally, Paul was passionate about wrestling. As George Mason University's (GMU) first qualifier for the NCAA Division 1 Wrestling Tournament, he felt he could have grown even faster and more accomplished in the sport with additional support from an affiliated wrestling club. After graduating from GMU, he remained close to the sport and recognized an increased need for an outside program to help student athletes at GMU. This spurred him in his last year of his life to join forces with former wrestlers and coaches from GMU to form the Patriot Elite Wrestling Club. The goal of the Patriot Elite Wrestling



Club is to improve participants' skills in all aspects of wrestling and to implant the highest quality training, techniques and work ethic into each individual. A strong work ethic, discipline and mental toughness are imperative to being successful not only as a wrestler but also in any aspect of life. The Patriot Elite Wrestling Club, is a 501 (C) (3) tax exempt charitable organization with a mailing address of 4400 University Drive, MSN 3A5, Fairfax, VA 22030, telephone number 703-993-3299. They held the Inaugural Paul Maltagliati Memorial Golf Tournament on October 29, 2012, to support their club at the Bull Run Golf Club, located at 3520 James Madison Hwy, Haymarket, VA 20169. For additional information about the golf tournament please check out this link on the Internet <http://www.virginiawrestling.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/09/PaulMaltagliatiEventFlyer.pdf>

RECRUITMENT IS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS

Recruitment as you know is EVERYONE'S business, not just one or two people in our council. The most valuable resource in a council for recruiting is you. When you approach a prospect, show the confidence of a winner, someone who has something special that you want to share with them and their families. And make no mistake we are special as our growth attests to. But we can't grow

without you but with your efforts you set the example of what can be done. You all joined for reasons known only to you. Tell them what the Knights have meant for you and your family. Make it personal and if he joins, **DO NOT FORGET HIM**. Mentor him, introduce him to his brothers, and accompany him as takes his degrees. You follow these simple steps and you will have a brother and friend for life.



Our council hosted a first degree exemplification on September 18, 2012. Five new brother knights joined our council on that special day. Shown here are (from left) District 14 Deputy Frank Guest, new knights Joseph Stroh, Ron Jones, Don Mailki, Carlos Loayza-Martinez and David Bulova, followed by Grand Knight David Lopez and Deputy Grand Knight Fidel Rodriguez. The honoree for our September 18 degree was Sir Knight Ray Connolly.

MARIAN HOMES CRUISE, A BIG SUCCESS

On September 20, the New England/Canada Cruise on the Enchantment of the Seas sailed from Baltimore, Maryland, carrying over 2,000 passengers, including 70 from our parish, and sailed to historic ports at Portland, Maine; Bar Harbor, Maine; St. John, New Brunswick and Halifax, Nova Scotia.

This special cruise, coordinated by PGK Jim Rannazzissi, benefited our legacy program, Marian Homes Inc. Marian Homes received a nice five-digit check, which will help those with intellectual disabilities. PGK Rannazzissi commented at the end of the trip “Once again, a mysterious but often observed phenomenon occurred on the cruise that returned on September 28, 2012: several guests reported that their entire wardrobe shrunk by at least one size! This has been reported to the cruise line for further action.” Please note, PGK



Rannazzissi’s wardrobe actually shrunk by two sizes. Life is Good, La Vida es Buena.

!!!!BINGO!!!!



Our first Bingo session was held on Sunday, October 7, in Farrell Hall of St. Mary of Sorrows Church from 2-4 p.m. About 85 people sit down to play Bingo, but we actually sold 134 tickets to the event. Held to help the Archdiocese of Military Services, USA; for Christmas we will be able to send them a nice check to help their mission of providing the Catholic Church’s full range of pastoral ministries, spiritual services and care to those in the United States Armed Forces. We had folks from ages 12 to 80 participating, but everyone was young at heart. Mark your calendars for our next council-sponsored Bingo to be on Sunday, January 13, 2013.



PLENARY INDULGENCE ANNOUNCED FOR THE YEAR OF FAITH

Vatican City, Oct. 5, 2012, 6:05 p.m. (CNA/EWTN News)—The Holy See announced that Pope Benedict XVI has granted a plenary indulgence for the *Year of Faith*, which will last from Oct. 11, 2012, to Nov. 24, 2013.

The decree announcing the indulgence was signed Sept. 14 by Cardinal Manuel de Castro, Major Penitentiary, and Bishop Krysztof Nykiel, Regent, of the Apostolic Penitentiary. The penitentiary is the part of the Roman Curia responsible for indulgences and governing the sacrament of confession.

One plenary indulgence per day may be gained by an individual, which they can use for themselves or apply to a soul in purgatory. The indulgence remits the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven.

During the *Year of Faith*, there are four means of gaining an indulgence:

First, by attending at least three sermons “during the Holy Missions” or reading at least three lessons from the documents of the Second Vatican Council or the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

The second way is by making a pilgrimage to a basilica, catacomb, cathedral or location designated by the local bishop for the *Year of Faith*, and either participating there in a sacred celebration, praying or meditating. The act of prayer should finish with an Our Father, a recitation of the Creed and a prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The third method of gaining an indulgence is by participating in Mass or the Liturgy of the Hours on a day chosen by the local ordinary, and reciting the Creed.

Finally, people can visit their place of baptism and renew their baptismal promises there.

Military Veterans

You can replace your military records, medals and awards. For information go to the DoD Archives website at: <http://www.archives.gov/veterans/evetrecs/>

Those who cannot attend such celebrations for serious reasons may still obtain the indulgence if they pray an Our Father and a Creed and other prayers that agree with the objectives of the *Year of Faith*.

A plenary indulgence also requires that the individual be in the state of grace, have complete detachment from sin, and pray for the Pope’s intentions. The person must also sacramentally confess his/her sins and receive Communion up to about 20 days before or after completing the other acts.

The Year of Faith is meant to “recall the precious gift of faith” and “its correct interpretation.” It marks the 50th anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council. Its opening also coincides with a general synod of bishops on the New Evangelization, which is taking place Oct. 7-28 at the Vatican.



PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

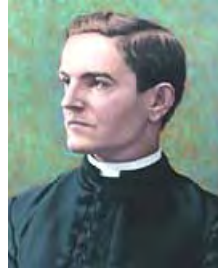
Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host – by the Power of God – cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Pope Leo XIII (1878-1903)

SUPPORT FATHER MCGIVNEY — JOIN THE GUILD

The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild serves as a source for information about the life, works and spirituality of Father McGivney. The guild distributes informational materials about him, receives reports of favors granted through his intercession and oversees the distribution of relics. Guild members receive regular updates on the progress of Father McGivney's cause for canonization and are invited to participate in promoting devotion to this Servant of God. Members of the Knights of Columbus are not automatically guild members and must elect to join the guild, (<http://www.fathermcgivney.org/en/index.html>). The *Father Michael J. McGivney Guild Newsletter*

is published bimonthly except July—August and is sent free to guild members.



There is no charge to join the guild. Your mailing address and email address will not be sold or distributed to any organization.

Father Michael McGivney
(August 12, 1852—August 14, 1890)

“Father McGivney’s vision remains as relevant as ever in the changed circumstances of today’s church and society.” — Pope John Paul II

THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKET DRIVE SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2012, AT THE PARISH CENTER

Surprising as it seems, even in Fairfax County we have many families and single people living in our community who are hungry. Our council has an opportunity once again this holiday season to perform a corporal act of mercy by providing a Thanksgiving food basket to a less fortunate person or family. Please consider joining in on this effort. We will collect meals on Saturday morning, November 17, from 8 to 9 AM at the Parish Center. Pete Garry (703-978-1173 or pgarry1@verizon.net) is our Council coordinator. Please contact Pete if you can provide a Thanksgiving food basket.

Suggested food items are 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

Our council food basket drive supports our parish and is part of a well-organized countywide 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 deliver a few meals, the Parish could use your help from as early as 9 a.m. to about 12 noon on Saturday, November 17th.

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. Thank you so much.



COLUMBUS DAY AT UNION STATION



On October 8, the Nation's Capital Celebrated the 100th Anniversary of the Unveiling of the Nation's Memorial honoring the great discoverer Christopher Columbus. The Columbus Memorial, which is located in front of Union Station, Washington, D.C., was first unveiled on June 8, 1912, when William Howard Taft was president of the United States. Over 100 Sir Knights in full regalia attended the 2012 festivities. Pictured in this group are Sir Knights from Council 8600: Grand Knight Dave Lopez, Past Grand Knight Dick Lee, Past Grand Knight Johnny Restivo and Chancellor Gerry Rutkowski.

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