



Knights of Columbus Council 996 Pius XII Press



GREETINGS FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

Brothers,

Our 4th of July Picnic was a great success. The food was all delicious and the grounds looked great. Dickie Spahn and Jerry Spahn reworked all the horseshoe pits and they were awesome to play on. To everyone else who helped out getting the grounds ready for the picnic: Thank You!

We cooked for the sisters at St. Scholastica on Saturday the 12th. They were extremely happy to see us and we enjoyed cooking for them and eating with them. I invite more knights and families to participate in the future when we do this again.

We will be starting up family nights again in August. We will have family nights on August 8th and 22nd. On the second family night we will also be showing a movie in the hall. We plan on showing "God is Not Dead". We will start the movie at 7pm. There will be no charge for the movie. Come out and enjoy a great family movie.

On Sunday August the 10th, we will be ushering for Christ the King at the 11:30am mass. Show up about 20 minutes before the start of mass if you wish to help.

Oktoberfest is just around the corner. We will have a quick meeting following the business meeting on August the 6th. Please make plans to attend.

In Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism

Gary Barker GK



COLUMBUS ACRES

DICKIE SPAHN

Thank you to the following people who helped to fix the horseshoe pits in time for our Fourth of July Picnic: Matthew Moschner, Rick Gramlich, Waylon Horn and sons Jacob, Ryan, and Sammy, and Jerry Spahn.



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



2nd-Chris Hahn
 5th-Jerry Abbott, John Meyers
 6th-Lawrence Komp
 7th-Stephen Criswell
 10th-Timothy Davis
 11th-Robert Foldvary
 14th-Jeffrey Medlock, Joseph Schwartz,
 Fr. Vince Flusche
 15th-Richard Spears

17th-Roger Donald, Jason Morland, David Kent
 18th-William Kerr, Kevin Mallon
 19th-William Boothman, Joseph Fagan
 21st-Joe Nolte
 22nd-Kerry Bercher
 23rd-Phillip Hindman, Jeffrey Hines,
 Gerald Miller
 25th-Austin Ervin, Tim Schumacher
 28th-Vitas Birgelis

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FROM YOUR BROTHER KNIGHTS!!!

FAMILIES IN NEED OF PRAYER

Sick:

Marilyn Reed, daughter of Brother Knight Lawrence Komp, Betsy Schluterman, Dr. Eric Stein, Mary Drake, granddaughter of our former insurance agent Bob Moellers, Mary Carolyn Borengasser, mother of Brother and Sir Knight Richard, Gretchen Rideout (Art), Christine Wheeler (Pat), Kathleen Weidman (Daniel), Susan Abbott (Jerry), Betty Chaney (Clyde), Brother and Sir Knight Gus Weisenfels, Brother Knight Gerald Miller, Gigi Giuliani, father of Brother Knight Mark Giuliani, Stella Blaschke, wife of Brother Knight Kenneth Blaschke, Emily Ray (Sammy), Kenneth Wille, father of Brother and Sir Knight Harold Wille, Brother Knight John "Duge" Gramlich, Brother and Sir Knight J.B. Meyers, Brother Knight Bud Gouger, Brother Knight Joe Nolte, Brother and Sir Knight Fr. Joseph Terra, F.S.S.P., critically wounded in shooting in Phoenix, AZ. He started the Knights council 15576 at his church, Mater Misericordiae Mission, Brother and Sir Knight Fred Goebel who had surgery on July 1st for a bladder tumor, Helen Echols, mother of Brother Knight Walter Echols, Patricia Chaffin, wife of Faithful Navigator, Brother and Sir Knight Don Chaffin, and Brother and Sir Knight Bill DuBois.

Military:

2nd Class Petty Officer Jake Dahlem, on board the USS George HW Bush, stationed in the Persian Gulf. He is the nephew of Marilyn Boyd (Teddy, dc.), Susan DuBois, (Bill), Patty Borengasser, (Richard), and Rick Dahlem. He is also the grandson of the late PSD, PFN Herman and the late Louise Dahlem.

Deaths:

Brother and Sir Knight Charles "Chuck" Boerner, Dolores Stoddard mother of Brother and Sir Knight Tom Stoddard, Judith Udouj Maxwell, sister of Brother Knights Richard and Michael Udouj, Edward Kleck, brother of Luann Moschner (George), Leonard Lewis, father of Heather (Curt) Buechter.



COLUMBUS CLUB

GUS COPENHAVER

The next meeting is August 13th at 6:30. As everyone can see we have a slight mess in the hall. We have been changing the lights in the ballroom. Big Thanks go out to Robert Collins, Mark Urban, Gary Barker, Sammy and Emily Ray, and Dickie and Jayne Spahn for coming out and helping change out the fixtures.

COUNCIL LECTURER

DC. GREG PAIR

This is the 1st of 4 parts

Personal Testimony as a husband and father on the Eucharist and faith in his life

Theme of the day: Exploring and Celebrating the Communion of Marriage and Family

50th International Eucharistic Congress (Ireland)

June 12, 2012 3:00pm

Carl Anderson

Our Lord told us with extraordinary clarity about the centrality of the Eucharist: “Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you.”¹

Our Church teaches that the Eucharist is the “source and summit” of Christian life.² And so, our Congress is really about life—about life with the Eucharist, and about the absence of life without it. It is also about imparting the gift of natural life, and laying the groundwork for eternal life in our families. Of course, those who do not receive the Eucharist still live in one sense. So we have to ask ourselves, what is different about life with the Eucharist; what is different about a Eucharistic life?

The Eucharist affects our entire life. It is the source that enables us to live Christ’s great commandment—that we love God completely and our neighbor as our self. The Eucharist brings us into deeper communion with God and with our neighbor.

In his beautiful Exhortation on the Eucharist, Pope Benedict described the nexus between Eucharistic Communion and the Communion of Persons that is our families. He wrote: Communion always and inseparably has both a vertical and a horizontal sense: it is communion with God and communion with our brothers and sisters. Both dimensions mysteriously converge in the gift of the Eucharist. “Wherever communion with God, which is communion with the Father, with the Son and with the Holy Spirit, is destroyed, the root and source of our communion with one another is destroyed. And wherever we do not live communion among ourselves, communion with the Triune God is not alive and true either.”³ In these words, the pope defined the relationship that makes up the theme of today’s conference.

The horizontal dimension of the Eucharist is the reason why we can have today’s theme of Eucharistic marriage and family. It is easy to see that the Eucharist is central to the life of priest. But it is no less central and vital to the life of a lay person. Without the Eucharist, our communion with others is cut off from what sanctifies it, for “it is through the Eucharist that Christ guides our lives and builds our communities of love, understanding and mercy.”⁴

For this reason, Pope John Paul II challenged lay persons to see the Eucharist, not our works, as the “ultimate criterion” of our life of faith. Pointing beyond individuals, Blessed John Paul II proposed what might seem like a radical test for judging the life of our society.

He said, “The real test of the Christian vitality of the village, the parish, the diocese and the nation is found in the answer to the question: What place does the Holy Eucharist have in your lives? For it is through sharing in the Paschal Mystery of his Death and Resurrection that Jesus makes us effective collaborators in spreading his Kingdom on earth.”

At the headquarters of the Knights of Columbus—the Catholic fraternal and charitable organization I lead—we have a very physical reminder of the Eucharist as the source of life. In the middle of our office building is a chapel where daily Mass is offered. On the doors of the tabernacle are two Greek words—*Ho Awn*—meaning “The Being”, or “The One Who Is,” the “I am who am” of the Old Testament, incarnated in the New Covenant. The source and summit of

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our faith, of our lives, and of our families and communities is thus defined. The chapel is filled with mosaics by Fr. Marco Rupnik, whose icons grace also the Redemptoris Mater chapel in the papal apartments, as well as at the Basilica at Lourdes as well as that of San Giovanni Rotundo. The mosaics in our chapel depict four mysteries of the rosary, each of which is Eucharistic and depicts a connection between the Eucharist and the communion of the family, through which the laity live out the Gospel of Love, the Gospel of Life, and the Gospel of Work. These Eucharistic mysteries also represent some of the important ways the Eucharist dramatically impacts our lives as Catholic laity—as spouse, parent, and laborer—encouraging us in our work of building “communities of love, understanding and mercy.”

The Resurrection—Discovery of man and his works

When you walk into the Knights of Columbus Chapel, through doors flanked by Angels, it is as if you are walking out of the worldly tomb. Outside the chapel, in the world, there lingers the taste of a great void—of the temptation to live without Christ. But inside the chapel, the Lord is present in the Blessed Sacrament. We are in the home of the resurrected Christ, whom we meet on the altar in what Blessed John Paul II called “the supreme gift of God's love in his plan of redemption.”⁵

When one leaves Mass, the angels inside the chapel by the door beckon us, like they did to the apostles, to step outside and discover signs of the Lord's resurrection in the world. Like the early apostles, we will discover signs of his life and actions. We will see his face in the faces of those we meet. We will discover the transformative power of Christ's life-giving love, and becoming people of hope, we will “live differently”.⁶

Blessed Teresa of Calcutta often told us to “Take time to love Jesus in the poor.” She was able to do this so powerfully because of the hours she and her Missionaries of Charity spend loving Jesus in the Eucharist. Rediscovery is a part of the plan of redemption, Pope John Paul reminded us in his reflections on his priesthood. He said, In these fifty years of priestly life, I have come to realize that the Redemption, the price which had to be paid for sin, entails a renewed discovery, a kind of a “new creation” of the whole created order: “the rediscovery of man as a person, of man created by God as male and female, [and] a rediscovery of the deepest truth about all man's works, his culture and civilization, about all his achievements and creative abilities.”⁷

This “new creation” expresses the different life of Christians, built upon the rediscovery of man and man's works. The Eucharist is central to this discovery; it enables and clarifies in our hearts those truths about who we are as men and women and what it is we are to do. This rediscovery takes a lifetime as we enter ever more deeply into what our Holy Father has recently called the “sacrament of the charity of Christ.” Every vocation has a unique role in the new created order of redemption. In marriage and family, the closeness of family members means we are caught up together in a common journey of redemption. We learn our roles from one another, because the mere presence of another person proposes a relationship that advances us on that journey. A clear example is when parents bring home their newborn child—the child's mere presence awakens a new part of them. Parents care for their child, but the child guides his or her parents to draw deeper from the well of humanity—parents draw closer to the child and to each other. The child teaches the parents the extraordinary meaning of the gift of self in the transmission and sustaining of human life.

And the child leads the parents to realize something more—that reality expressed so beautifully since the time of St. Augustine: “the measure of love is to love without measure.”⁸

The child teaches the parents that to live in the authentic mystery of life one has to draw more and more from God himself. Only God's love, God's perseverance, God's compassion, God's truth—God's gift of himself to us is what alone can satisfy us.

AUGUST 2014

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10 <i>Ushering @ CTK 11:30am</i>	11	12 <i>Bingo 7pm</i>	13 <i>Catholic Schools Return Columbus Club Mtg. @ 6:30pm</i>	14	15 <i>Assumption of Mary</i>	16 <i>Hall Rented</i>	
17	18 <i>Public Schools Return</i>	19 <i>Bingo 7pm</i>	20 <i>Social Mtg. @ 7:30pm</i>	21	22 <i>Family Night 6pm; Movie Night Starts @ 7pm</i>	23	
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Daniel Moore	<i>at 6:30 PM.</i>
Mike Heathcott	<i>All Council 996</i>
Dickie Spahn	<i>members are invited</i>
Robert Collins	<i>and encouraged</i>
	<i>to attend.</i>

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