

St. Denis Knights of Columbus

ST. DENIS COUNCIL 11260

March 2008

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

I wish you and your families the best as we continue through Lent into Easter. This is a significant time of year when we await the death and resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Our Parish is providing several opportunities for worship. See our Parish Bulletin for details on the various programs being offered.

In case you were wondering, Easter is always on the 1st Sunday after the first full moon after the spring equinox which is March 20th each year. This year is the earliest Easter any of us will see the rest of our lives. The next time Easter will be this early, March 23, will be in the year 2228. The last time it was this early was the year 1913.

On Friday, February 8th, several of our members assisted Christian Services members at the Winter Shelter program at St. Martha's Church in La Puente. Over 150 homeless individuals were given a hot meal, access to showers and donated clothing. This was a worthwhile event. If you didn't get a chance to participate in this one, the next Winter Shelter event will be held at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Rowland Heights on Friday, March 14th. Reporting time is 4:30 PM. As we know, the first principle of the Knight's of Columbus is Charity, and this event fulfills this principle.

We had our 2nd Annual Mass and family luncheon on February 23rd. Our Council Chaplin, Monsignor Loughnane celebrated Mass. We then adjourned to Potthoff Hall where Past State Deputy Ross Willour addressed our Council. We dined on a wonderful meal prepared by our Master Chef, Deputy Grand Knight, Raul Galindo. There were 26 Knights with their families plus visiting Knight's from other Councils.

We officially recognized Brother Ron Cox and Carole Cox for their dedication to our Council and Parish. We recognized Raul Galindo for the numerous hours spent in the courtyard and for his cooking ability. He makes a mighty fine meal! Thanks also to Greg Dial for the cake. I thank those who attended and I invite those who did not attend to please try to join us next year. This is a great event wherein our members and their families have the opportunity to meet other members in a very informal setting.

2007-2008 Officers

Grand Knight	Art Herrera
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DEGREE CEREMONIES

First Degree

March 12 at 7 pm at Father Maguire

March 19 at 7 pm at Shepard of Ars

Second Degree

March 26 at 7 pm at Father Maguire

Third Degree

March 30 at 12:45pm at Father Maguire

The Whittier Life Center's "Walk for Life" will be held on Saturday, March 8th, at St. Bruno's Catholic Church, 15740 Citrustree Rd., Whittier, CA 90603. It will begin at 9 am. Ron Cox, Liz Fan and I walked in this event last year. You walk as far as you want. In other words, there is no required distance to walk. You are showing your support for the nearly 50 million unborn babies who have been surgically murdered since the *Roe v. Wade* U. S. Supreme Court decision 35 years ago.

There still is time to sign the Sara's Law petition, which is in regards to parental notification concerning abortion for underage girls. Likewise, there still is time to sign the Protect Marriage definition petition. Both of these petitions are available for signing in the courtyard after Mass. Contact Carole and Ron Cox.

Speaking of Mr. Cox, Ron and I will be attending the Knight's of Columbus State Convention in San Jose May 16 and 17.

I am happy to report that with the tremendous support of Monsignor Loughnane, our Council will hold a fund raising drive the weekend on April 12 and 13 for the Wheelchair Foundation. Wheelchair Foundation spokesman, Chris Lewis, will speak at each Mass. If you have not had the opportunity to see the wheelchair distribution DVD, you most likely will because we will show them during the fund raiser. They are very moving, showing those in need receiving them free of charge. Bring your handkerchief!

CALLING POST

I have begun using this service to send messages to ALL of our members. This is a mass calling system. It will telephone all of our members within minutes of the message being sent. So, if you answer your phone and the first words you hear are "Calling Post", **DON'T HANG UP!!**, the next words you will hear are "Knight's of Columbus, St. Denis Council calling," and then you will hear my message. The message will be less than 45 seconds in order to keep the cost down. Fortunately, we have an anonymous benefactor who has agreed to pick up the cost. Each call can be made for 7½ cents, which equates to less than \$6.00 to notify the entire Council. Note: the system cannot call through a switchboard type of answering machine. It will leave a message on a typical home answering device.

God Bless
Art Herrera

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 7th - Lenten Soup sponsored by the Knights, 7:00 PM at Potthoff Hall

March 8th - Walk for Life. 9 AM at St. Bruno's in Whittier

March 14th – Winter Shelter Program, 4:30 PM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Rowland Heights

March 19th – Assembly Mtg., 7:30 PM Dolan Hall at St. John Vianney

March 20th – Business Meeting at 7:30 PM Potthoff Hall

March 21st – Chapter Meeting at 7:30 PM Fa. MaGuire

April 12 & 13th – Wheelchair Foundation Fund raiser at ALL MASSES

April 13th - St. Joseph's Table in the Courtyard at St. Denis

Brothers, don't forget to occasionally go to www.stdenisknights.org for information concerning our Council or Parrish.

FIELD AGENTS REPORT

Wouldn't it be great to be able to retire and not worry about money?

You don't have to die to benefit from life insurance. You can use it as a retirement fund for you and your wife.

It isn't luck that helps you survive in your retirement years. It is good, intelligent use of your money. Life insurance is one of the ways you can be sure to enjoy your golden years. Life insurance enables you to look forward to retirement instead of fear it.

Call me today for all the information.

Bill Lueddemann
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CATECHISM WITH MONSIGNOR LOUGHNANE

Msgr. Loughnane discussed our Catholic faith at our February business meeting. He asked us to discuss and reflect on the following discourse.

Through reason we can conclude a Supreme Being exists. The complexity in the world is proof for this. There is so much harmony in nature that it must be the work of God. All of nature is a revelation of God. We have a built in longing for God. It comes in different ways and to each of us in our own time. The human spirit is made for love, and in particular God's love.

Revelation is the further representation of His presence. The Catholic religion is the fullest expression of the Christian religion. Other church's don't have the Eucharist and in the Gospel of John it is made clear that the Eucharist is an integral part of being a Christian. Exodus tells us that even though we may turn away from God, He always wants us back. He sent his Son as his most complete Revelation.

The Scriptures are one method of revelation. Tradition is another. We have traditions in the Catholic church to help us understand God. In early centuries, information was passed on. When the printing press was invented, the traditions were codified and printed. When the Lord gave us the Magisterium, it provided us another opportunity to learn about God. The church interprets what was written and helps us understand the true nature of God.

The Msgr is asking us to read the article about Catechism in the Columbia magazine. He also gave us a handout with questions

Be Ready For The Next Business Meeting

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 6 – Officer's Meeting

March 14 - Winter Shelter Program

March 20 – Business Meeting with Msgr. Loughnane