

St. Denis Knights of Columbus

ST. DENIS COUNCIL 11260

March 2009

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

The Annual Pastoral Awards and Dinner Dance took place on February 21st. If you haven't been to this yearly event, you are missing a wonderful evening. I was very humbled to have been one of the awardees. I accepted the award on behalf of you, my Brother Knights. I was asked to draw a ticket for one of the \$1000.00 prizes and I was happy to draw the ticket of Brother Roy Arroyo, who recently transferred into our Council from Pico Rivera. Nice welcome to our Council, eh?

Speaking of newcomers, I'd like to welcome Frank Lujan who recently attained his 1st degree. Brother Adolfo Mijares is a really good recruiter.

He's been a member for just a couple of months but he's recruited two members and has a third one standing by. The lifeblood of our Council is depended upon our recruiting new members who are anxious to help our Council with various activities. If you have a friend or family member, please consider inviting him to join the largest Catholic fraternity in the world.

We celebrated Ash Wednesday on February 25th. Instead of "giving up something for Lent" I am going to try to do something a little more spiritual, such as pray the Rosary as often as I can. The intent is to focus on the importance of this time of year as we prepare for the death and resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Remember, during Lent various ministries and organizations are providing "Lenten Soup" each Friday night. Our turn will be on March 27th, after the 6:30 pm Mass. Donations will be accepted and the funds raised will be used to feed the poor through Operation Rice Bowl.

Our second night to help feed the homeless will be on March 6th at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and a second venue that will be held at the Pomona Armory. I will be sending out emails requesting assistance in this endeavor. If you can help, let me know. I was advised that we had a great turnout for the homeless feed at St. Martha's on February 6th.

I was given a list of those who participated: Pablo Blaso, Jess and Rosemarie Carbajal, Don and Lucille Daymon, Joel Ignacio, Alton Martin, Tom Meagher, Adolfo and Adam Mijares, Archie Miller, Al Rodriguez, Emilio and Lydia Romero and Bill Wiggins. If I missed anyone, I humbly apologize!

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DEGREE CEREMONIES

First Degree	March 11 at 7 pm at Father Maguire
	March 18 at 7pm at Sheperd of Ars
Second Degree	March 25 at 7 pm at Father Maguire
Third Degree	March 20 at 1 pm at Father Maguire

The Whittier Life Center's Walk for Life 2009 event will be held on Saturday, March 28th, at St. Bruno in Whittier. The Walk will begin at 9:00 AM. This is not a race, so everyone walks at their own pace. The walk is approximately 10 miles in length, however, one may walk as much or as little as they chose. St. Bruno is located on Santa Gertrudes north of Lambert Rd. The WLC offers this Walk during the Lenten season, so they can get as many people to walk as a sacrifice, for the innocent unborn and unwanted aborted babies. They will gladly accept donations which will help them continue the fight against abortion. Due to the potential passage of the Freedom of Choice Act (FOCA), it would be a very worthwhile cause to show our opposition to its passage, by ensuring that we have a massive turnout of walkers. I will be there and I encourage all to attend.

At 2:00 PM on March 28th, there will be a Founders Day Mass in honor of our venerable Father Michael J. Mc Givney. The San Gabriel Valley Chapter is hosting this Mass at St. Therese Catholic Church, 510 N. El Molina St. Alhambra. All Brothers are invited. If you intend on attending this Mass, please let me know ASAP.

Diamond Bar's Annual Birthday Party will be held on Saturday, April 18th at Pantera Park. This is a fun event for our families and it's one of our biggest fundraisers. There will be carnival rides and arts and craft booths as well as entertainment for the whole family. We will be selling breakfast burritos, bratwursts and/or steak sandwiches. More to follow as we get closer to the date.

Our Annual Mass and Luncheon has been scheduled for Saturday, May 2nd. Menu and guest speaker is still to be decided. Please mark your calendar for this celebration.

I encourage any of our Brothers who have thoughts, ideas or opinions as to what you believe our Council should be doing to help our Parish, to please contact me. Or, come to our business meetings and add your opinions. We have several new members and I am hopeful they will become active in our Council activities.

Vivat Jesus

Art Herrera,
Grand Knight

FIELD AGENTS REPORT

How's the "Difference"?

Having been in the business for a long time, I have heard the arguments against buying permanent, cash value life insurance. For years, others – temporarily popular talking heads who make a name for themselves by dispensing bad advice – have tried to define whole life insurance. I bought my first whole life policy a long time ago, and what I hear, and what I see happening in my policy, are worlds apart.

For the record, there is nothing wrong with term insurance. We have a great term product that will provide coverage, for a limited term, at a very attractive price.

But the most popular myth these experts talk about is avoiding cash value (permanent) insurance, and "buying term and investing the difference" to achieve the same result. The theory is that you insure your life at a much lower premium cost (term

insurance), take the difference between that premium and the higher whole life premium and invest it yourself. Some companies even have small funds they manage into which you can place that “difference.” Perhaps you know someone who has followed this advice and decided to “buy term and invest the difference.” I wonder how the difference is doing.

My guess is not so good. A couple of things could have happened.

First, most people never get around to investing the difference. Although it sounds good in theory, actually diverting that cash hardly ever happens. There are lots of places for your money to go, and the “buy term and invest the difference” enthusiasm dies quickly.

There are a few people who are actually disciplined enough to really invest the difference. And, if they are like most investors, it’s been a difficult ride. The “difference” isn’t making much of a difference.

I can tell you that every year I keep my whole life policy in force, it increases in value. It has a nice positive internal rate of return and, more importantly, will take care of my family if something should happen to me sooner than expected. Guaranteed. I decided to let the Knights of Columbus invest my difference for me, and it’s working out quite nicely.

You might want to do the same. Call me for a discussion about how permanent life insurance can help you sleep well at night.

Vivat Jesus!

Gerry Cacnio
Field Agent

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 5th - Officers Meeting, Potthoff Hall, 7:30 pm

March 6th - Feed the Homeless. St Elizabeth Ann Seton, 5:15PM.
Pomona Armory, 5:00PM

March 19th - Business Meeting in Potthoff Hall at 7:30 pm.

March 27th - Lenten Soup, after the 6:30 pm Mass

March 28th - Whittier Life Center Walk for Life, 9:00 AM at St. Bruno Catholic Church, Whittier

March 28th - Founder’s Day Mass at St. Therese in Alhambra.

April 18th - Diamond Bar City Birthday, Pantera Park

May 2nd - Annual Mass and Luncheon

May 15th – 17th K of C State Convention in San Diego

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