



THE COMPASS



May 2008

Grand Knight's Log

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Outside Guard	David Rodriguez	384-3650
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Newsletter	Greg Thomas	754-6710
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To volunteer for any Committee, contact the Chairman.

We have an active schedule planned for the year, and all assistance will be greatly appreciated

GRAND KNIGHT'S LOG

Brothers,

We are coming to the end of our fraternal year. We have accomplished many things. There have been many wonderful dinners at our Lenten fish fries, and we served our last Sunday breakfast for this fraternal year. Some of the other activities we can be proud of was the Soccer Challenge and doing very well in the Free-Throw Championship.

This month we will nominate the officers and committee chairs for the upcoming year.

Our last function this month will be the Ladies' and Clergy Appreciation Dinner, which will be held on May 17th at Jim's East Restaurant.

Look for the date of the Police and Firemen's Appreciation Breakfast.

I invite you all of you to come to our last two meetings in order that you can participate in the important events that will end this fraternal year and begin the 2008-2009 term. Be a part of what we will accomplish in the new year.

VIVAT JESUS

CJ Burti

News & Announcements

Ladies and Clergy Appreciation Dinner on May 17th at Jim's Place East. Please make plans to join us.

Elections will be held during the May business meeting on 5/1. The slate of officers is on page 2.

***** Council By-law Change *****

A motion was made and seconded at the February business meeting to increase the annual dues from \$36.00 to \$42.00. This increase is needed to help cover the council operating expense. The motion will be voted on at the June business meeting.

Happy May Birthday to James Cantrell, Thomas Carty, Ronald Fennell, Robert McDonnell, James Lammey, Gerald, Steckline, Frank Nahlen, Jonathan Elledge, Mark Filion, Joseph Knight, James Lochbihler, Glen Green, Charlie Peterson, Sean Reagan, Robert Duncan, John Clark, David Nelson, Lawrence Ichniowski, Joseph Deluco, David Madeksho, Derek Denman, William Harris, Gregory Pilcher, Raymond Guasco, Timothy Riley, Archie Bennett, Thomas Zavodny, Phillip Spencer, Michael Christensen, Michael Jewell, Fred McGoff, William Selvo, and Norbert Nalan.

Dep. Grand Knight Log

Brothers,

As I'm sure you know by now, the Knights of Columbus have suffered a crippling blow. Our beloved Brother Ed Kitts has gone from our midst to be with his Maker, and frankly we will feel a great loss. Ed lived and breathed the Knights. I've never seen the numbers but I've seen our roster/list of proposers for new Knights and I believe Ed brought in more new Brothers than any other Knight in our history. That makes him an "All Star Knight"...of course, we knew that. He was also a warrior, gallantly fighting health issues and adversity, ever with a devilish smile on his face and a joking, fun-loving demeanor. That's the way we want to remember Ed. The good thing is that Ed isn't "gone" gone; he is still in our hearts. And if we listen to him and let him guide us, we will all begin to love the Knights of Columbus as he did and we will all start asking our fellow Catholics "Are you a Knight? If so, please come back...come to the meetings and get to know us again. And if you're not, why not? We'd love to educate you about who we are and what we stand for and we'd love to have you join us!" That's the best way I can think of for us to honor Ed's memory.

Several Brothers attended the Social Meeting/Insurance night this week although it was a relatively poor turnout for a council this size. John Ross gave a wonderful presentation about life insurance and an equally important slide show on Long Term Care. That's something we should all take a hard look at given that the medicine can keep you alive longer now, but not necessarily in great shape. Give John a call and meet with him for an evaluation of your current insurance needs. If you don't need additional coverage, John will be the first to say so, but he's there to help if your needs have changed.

We've had our last parish breakfast for this fraternal year, and CJ and I want to say thanks to all those who put in long hours over the last nine months to make them a success. I think the parishioners look forward to our breakfasts and your hard work is appreciated by all.

And lastly, please extend a hearty welcome to our newest First Degree members...John McCutchen, Sean West and Dr. Mark Brint.

VIVAT JESUS!

Frank Hess

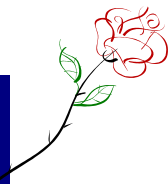
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If you have news, big or small, that you want in the next issue of THE COMPASS, please email it to rhiannonthomas79@gmail.com or give it to any of the officers.

Pro Life



Saturday, April 5th Pope Benedict XVI outlined appropriate pastoral responses to what he called the "wounds of abortion and divorce," which he said "involve so much suffering in the lives of individuals, families and society."

Benedict opened his remarks by saying there is a "conspiracy of silence" that often leaves victims "stripped and wounded" and "often without anyone to listen to their cry for help." Both abortion and divorce, he said, arise out of a civilization that is increasingly individualistic and hedonistic and that often fails to offer solidarity and support to those who are facing the difficult circumstances that lead people to choose abortion or divorce as a solution.

The Holy Father pointed out that while both abortion and divorce can be painful and destructive for those who believe they must choose them, there is the added evil of entirely innocent victims - "the baby that has just been conceived but not yet born, the children involved in the breakdown of family ties."

"The Church's ethical judgment concerning abortion and divorce is clear and well-known to everyone," he said. "They are grave sins which - in various ways and with due evaluation of subjective responsibilities - injure the dignity of the human person, involve a profound injustice in human and social relationships, and offend God Himself, the guarantor of the marital bond and the architect of life".

However, Benedict observed that the best response to these great evils is not condemnation, but "the attitude of merciful love," through which we can "bring help and enable victims to rise up again and resume the course of their lives." In this effort "the Church has the primary duty to approach them with love and sensitivity, with maternal care and attention, to proclaim the closeness of the merciful God in Jesus Christ."

Benedict pointed out that the Church has always had great confidence in the ability of human beings to make the choice to do what is right, even in the most difficult of circumstances.

And while many criticize the Church for a seemingly restrictive morality that curtails freedom, "it may be seen that the 'nos' pronounced by the Church in her moral guidelines, and upon which public opinion sometimes unilaterally fixes its attention, are in fact so many 'yesses' to the dignity of human beings, their lives and their capacity to love".

News & Announcements

Congratulations to Larry Casinghino, Joseph Meadows, and Wendell Strickland on making on making their third degree in our order on April 19, 2008.

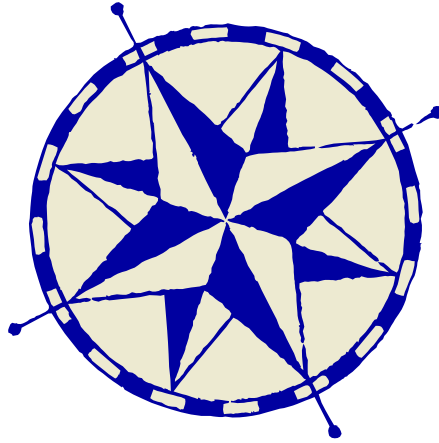
Youth 2000 Retreat

Council 7170 volunteered for adoration during Friday Night/Saturday Morning hours of the Youth 2000 Retreat held at St. Benedict High School and to provide lunch for approximately 200 youth and leaders. A lunch consisting of Hot Dogs, chips, fruit, snacks, and lemonade where severed. Council 7170 Church Chairman, Charles Ross, organized the men for the adoration covering the hours Friday 9:PM - Saturday 7:00 AM. The meals and supplies where spear headed by Brother Knight Carl Heinrich and food preparation was organized and lead by Brother Knight Joe DeGeorge. The Youth of the Diocese of Memphis thanks the Brother Knights that gave of their time as effort.

**NEXT BUSINESS MEETING – Thursday, May 1 7:00 P.M. McGivney Hall
Rosary, upstairs in St. Joachim Chapel, begins 6:15 P.M.**



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