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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

Happy January Birthday to

Walter Nega, Benito Andreuccetti, Robert Niederhuaser, William Rasch, Aaron Long, Richard Jeffreys, Carl Heinrich, Shawn Mahaffey, Tony Mulrooney, Bruce Glaser, Larry Chambers, Baloy Vasquez, David Carter, Steve Murphy, Mike Padilla, Gene Green, John Fee, Sylvanus Santee, James Orsak, Paul Posey, Brian Anderson, Jonathon Wood Benjamin Duhart, and , Josh Holtgrewe

Grand Knight's Log

Happy New Year, my Brothers,

I hope this finds you and your families well. May the New Year bring you many blessings and many opportunities to share those blessings with others.

Our Breakfast with Santa was a huge success. We served a huge crowd at the breakfast and Santa had his picture made with over 100 kids (including Fr. Coy). We had a large time and I want to thank Carl and Eddie for putting it all together and all of the volunteer brothers who pulled it off. This event would not happen each year without the good works of all of you guys that help and I really think that everyone enjoys the event.

We had a great turnout for the Christmas Social. The hall was fairly full and I believe everyone had a good time. The food was excellent as was the camaraderie. We made the holidays for three single mothers and their children. Thanks to the generous donations from the members who regularly attend the meetings, and a couple of other brothers, we were able to almost completely fill their "wish lists". Many thanks to Gary and Senedra Tircuit for taking on the chore of shopping for and wrapping each gift with TLC. I really think we made a difference and I feel that the mothers, Tammy, Tawanda and Heather we moved by your generosity. Thanks also to Tom Willett and my wife, Jerri for decorating the hall and putting together the "fixin's" for the meal.

Brothers, I invite you to attend this month's business meeting (Jan. 8th at 7pm) as there is a motion on the floor to spend a large amount of money. I'm sure there will be much discussion, as there should be. Be there to hear the comments and to participate in the meeting. Who knows, maybe you'll see someone you haven't seen in a while and will want to come back again and again.

God Bless you all.

VIVAT JESUS
Frank Hess



WISE MEN STILL
SEEK HIM.

news & announcements

Have you ever thought about the amount of planning and labor that goes into the cleaning and decoration and preparation of the church and chapel for the many masses held at St. Ann each week? The St. Leo's Altar Society is responsible for the upkeep of the sanctuaries and surrounding space and the group has dwindled to just a few volunteers. Many times there is no one there to help Jerri Hess, who leads the group. She can't do it all by herself; she relies heavily on volunteers. She doesn't need many people to help, but if there are two helpers each Saturday, things go a lot smoother. With two volunteers, we get done in 2 hours or less per Saturday. We have male and female volunteers and occasionally young people come by to get service hours. If 10 people sign up, each would only need to show up every other month for two hours. Please consider signing up for one weekend...bring the wife. Come see that it's not all that tough, and you might even develop some new friendships. What better way to show your love for our God than to help clean his house?

Call Jerri at 409-2126, to find out more.

Soccer challenge

The Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge was a big success this year. We held the Council and the District challenge all on the same day. St Ann's Council 7170 sponsored the event at our athletic field and St Francis and Germantown councils both participated.

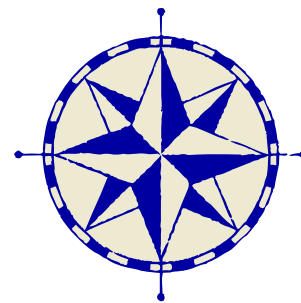
We had twenty participants compete from the three councils and a lot of family and friends were there to cheer them on. Over a dozen Knights were there to keep things organized from St Francis and Germantown. Four athletes from our parish were named District champions of the 2008 Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge and earned the right to compete at the Regional Level.

From St. Ann's Council, Andrew Fink was the 10-year old boy's winner. Katie McCaffery won the 12-year old girl's champion along with Brian Fink winning for the 12-year old boys. Emily Rodriguez won the 13-year old girl's.

These winners went on to compete in the regional competition held in Jackson Tennessee on November 2nd. Our St. Ann's athletes showed up to win in all the brackets yet we only pulled out one. Emily Rodriguez had some serious competition, but with her tenacious athletic ability, Emily was able to crush all those who challenged her.

Emily went on to compete at the state level on November 16th in Nashville and dominated again. Congratulations to Emily Rodriguez for being the first athlete from St. Ann's Council 7170 to win the Knights of Columbus State Soccer Challenge. Please join me in acknowledging a truly great youth from our parish....Emily Rodriguez.

Eddie Robinson

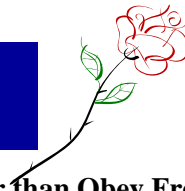


COMING EVENTS

JANUARY

- ♦ Jan 5 - Officers meeting
- ♦ Jan 8 - Business meeting
- ♦ Jan 11 - Parish Breakfast
- ♦ Jan 15 - Squires meeting
- ♦ Jan 17 - Mid-year meeting in Nashville
- ♦ Jan 22 - Social

pro life



Catholic Bishop: "Go Right Ahead and Arrest Me" Rather than Obey Freedom of Choice Act – Vatican says it will be WAR!

By Kathleen Gilbert

ARLINGTON, Virginia, December 2, 2008 (LifeSiteNews.com) - Bishop Paul Loverde of the diocese of Arlington weighed in on the Freedom of Choice Act (FOCA) last week, saying that if he oversaw a Catholic hospital he would neither close the facility nor allow it to perform abortions if FOCA were to become law.

The bishop spoke defiantly against FOCA, which would force all health care providers to procure abortions at any stage of development, regardless of their moral or religious objection.

"I would say, 'Yeah, I'm not going to close the hospital, you're going to arrest me, go right ahead,'" Bishop Loverde told a group of mostly young adults at a diocesan event, according to a CNS report. "You'll have to drag me out, go right ahead. I'm not closing this hospital, we will not perform abortions, and you can go take a flying leap."

At a 2007 Planned Parenthood conference, Obama promised that one of his highest priorities as president would be to pass FOCA, rendering illegal all state and federal limits on abortion. This would include abortion clinic regulations, parental notification requirements, bars to taxpayer abortion funding, and the partial-birth abortion ban, in addition to laws protecting doctors' rights to conscientious objection.

"It's quite a title, let me tell you," Bishop Loverde said of the Freedom of Choice Act. "It's a misnomer, it's neither free nor choice, so I don't know where they got the name of the act, because it's just crazy, because it has no freedom, and it has no choice."

Catholic and pro-life voices have raised the alarm on the unprecedented danger the bill represents for unborn Americans, with Catholic officials particularly concerned that U.S. Catholic hospitals will be forced to close en masse in the face of mandatory abortion.

Chicago Cardinal Francis George, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), issued in November a statement on behalf of all Catholic bishops warning Obama that "aggressive pro-abortion policies, legislation and executive orders will permanently alienate tens of millions of Americans, and would be seen by many as an attack on the free exercise of their religion."

One unnamed senior Vatican official recently told TIME magazine that the passage of FOCA would mean "the equivalent of a war" between Mr. Obama and the Catholic Church.

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WHAT IF?

If you knew that today was the last chance you would ever have to buy additional life insurance, how much would you buy? If you had a money-making machine, that once broken, could never be repaired, how much would you insure it for?

If you knew that today was the last time you would have the opportunity to guarantee your family an income if something happened to you, how much income would you give them? If you knew that today marked the end of your ability to buy future retirement security, how much would you buy?

Isn't it safe to say that you would put some additional dollars into more life insurance protection that could be used for family or retirement benefits?

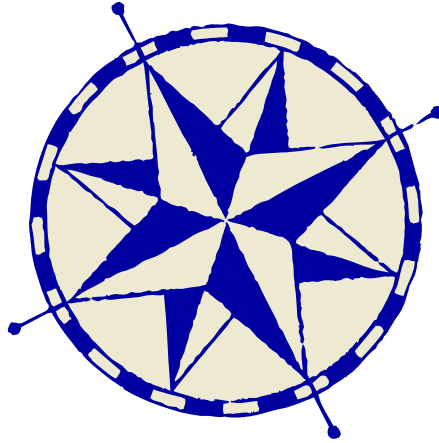
Chances are that you will be around for a long time, but life is full of "ifs" and surprises, isn't it?

Let me help you plan for the future. Call me today.

**NEXT BUSINESS MEETING – Thursday, January 8 7:00 P.M. McGivney Hall
Rosary, upstairs in St. Joachim Chapel, begins 6:15 P.M.**



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