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## **Grand Knight's Message**

Lately I've been reflecting and meditating on the nature of creativity. I was born with a creative bent and taught to suppress it as I was growing up. It wasn't until I was well into my adulthood that I began exploring that side of my personality. I have come to see creativity in many people, many of whom haven't even recognized it in themselves. I have come around to the belief that God creates everyone, yes, everyone, with some form of creativity. Matthew Kelly in his book *Rediscover Catholicism* says, "[I]n creating us, God endowed us each with certain talents and abilities. He gave us these particular gifts as tools for life. He knew what talents and abilities we would need in our own unique journey. When we hear our talents calling us forth, we hear the voice of God inviting us to fully participate in the adventure of salvation."

Understand that being creative doesn't necessarily mean you need to be an artist. Steve Jobs was creative in the field of technology. Warren Buffet is creative in the world of business. Our own John Kabel is creative when it comes to building houses. Jasper Dunlap is a creative cook. Bob Niedzwicki is creative in finding ways for our council to interact in parish activities. Creativity takes many forms. Unfortunately day-to-day life, the mere busy-ness of existing can dull our awareness of our God-given creativity. It becomes our task then to make time to explore the talents God has imbued us with. This can require effort on our part especially if we have never thought of ourselves as having a creative stripe, or like me you were taught to suppress and follow a more "dependable" life path. But it isn't until we tap into our own inborn creativity, those talents and abilities that God specifically gifted to us, that we can begin to live fully the life that God has intended for us. I encourage all of you to take time to pray about the talents and abilities you have been gifted with, and how best to put them to use. For most this is something that will not happen overnight. It will take some deep, introspective reflection and prayer. If you've never explored your creative side you could be looking at years before you find a comfort level with the notion that you are creative. But the exploration will prove worth it. Taking the first step is the most important part. As the Eastern philosopher Lao Tzu said, "The journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step."

**COMING UP:** In place of our November meeting on November 10 we will be having a social. See below for a message from PGK John Kable for the details. Also in November on the 13<sup>th</sup> will be our **Pancake Breakfast**. Vivat Iesus.

## The Calendar for 2011/2012

The calendar for the fraternal year 2011/2012 has been approved by the church office. These are the dates that events will be taking place.

November 13: Pancake Breakfast

January or February: Darts Tournament (charity fundraiser)(date not determined, looking for venue) **Committee members needed to plan and execute this event.**

April 14: Rummage Sale

*And don't forget that May will bring our Annual State Convention to Asheville at The Crowne Plaza Hotel. Many volunteers will be needed so don't hesitate to step forward.*

## November Birthdays

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Stephen Stewart  
Groce Robinson  
Bernie Streberger  
Frank Sposato  
Joe Kraft  
Rupert Muana  
James Farmer

November 4  
November 12  
November 18  
November 22  
November 23  
November 25  
November 30



**PGK JOHN KABEL:**

## **NOVEMBER FIRST RESPONDERS SOCIAL**

Brother Knights in Christ, be aware of our  
**Appreciations night for the first responders.**

Our Buncombe County Sheriff, Asheville Police Chief and Asheville Fire Chief are scheduled to attend our November 10<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting to receive Plaques designed by Worthy Trustee Lanny Dimmick in appreciation for their selfless work for our community.

This will be a Social Meeting. Our wives and guests are welcome. It will be a great time and everyone is asked to *bring a dish to pass*. Let's make this a great turn out for the Council and our First Responders. I am looking forward to seeing a lot of members present.

In addition there will be a short film presented by our Field Agent Brother Jim Welter on all the new programs the Knights Insurance Dept. has to offer.

Again I am asking all the members to try and attend this meeting.

Vivat Jesus

**Brother John Kabel, PGK**

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### **November Events**

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>11/10/11</b>	<b>Monthly Business Meeting: First Responders Recognition and Social</b>
<b>11/13/11</b>	<b>Pancake Breakfast</b>
<b>12/03/11</b>	<b>First Saturday Knights in the Basilica at 7:30 a.m.</b>

## **Important Message and Request from our Worthy Lecturer**

### **ARE YOU A FIRST SATURDAY KNIGHT ?**

FIRST SATURDAY KNIGHTS assemble at the Basilica of St. Lawrence to pray the Rosary on the first Saturday of each month. Since this event is designed to coincide with the long-standing Saturday morning devotions at the Basilica (Mass, Benediction and Rosary), it is an excellent opportunity for us to join with our fellow parishioners to worship and to pray together.

The Mass begins at 7:30 AM, followed by Benediction and the Rosary at 8:00 AM and concluding at 8:30 AM. Will you give Our Lord one hour of your time? Will you become a First Saturday Knight?

Please join our Brother Knights so that together we may ask for God's favor and blessings on our Priests, our Parish Family and our Council.

Bob Niedzwicki, Worthy Lecturer



## **Good of the Order**

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**Please keep these Brothers and their families in your prayers**

Knight Lou and Alice Discenza  
Deborah Farmer, wife of Knight  
Jim Farmer  
Knight John Gilliam  
Knight Raymond Simko  
Knight Joseph Lamy  
Knight Jim Drummond  
Betty Moderno, wife of Knight  
Larry Moderno  
Harriet Manley, wife of Knight  
Francis Manley  
Knight Bill Flynn  
Knight Mark Hansman  
Knight Barney Raffield, PDGK  
Major Craig D. Kolasch, M.D.  
Son of Knight Don Kolash  
Serving In Afghanistan  
Knight Lanny Dimmick, Trustee

**Please pray for the repose of the Souls of the departed loved ones and their families**

Knight Clement Drish  
Knight John Sugg  
Knight William Flynn  
Catholic Daughter and Past Regent  
Marjorie Maxwell  
Parishioner John Achenreiter  
Ann Bodosky, mother of Knight  
Matt Bodosky  
  
Dorothy Trunk DeFerie, mother of  
Knight David DeFerie  
Knight William Baker  
Josie Stone, Catholic Daughter and sister of  
Knight and Warden Leo Stone  
  
Knight Lawrence Burns  
Knight Arthur Welter, father of Knight Jim Welter

\*To add or remove a Knight or a Knight's family from the "Good of the Order" prayer list, please e-mail Grand Knight Michael LaFlamme ([mrlaflamme@gmail.com](mailto:mrlaflamme@gmail.com))

## Lectio Divina

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### From Scripture:

One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?"

"The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these." Mark 12:28-31

*Editorial Note: Above is a teaching from our Savior on how we should view the world. Jesus Himself taught that these were the two most important commandments on how we should follow Him and conduct ourselves. Unfortunately, being human, many of us fail to live out this teaching. Below is a quote reflecting how the world sees us when we drop the ball.*

### From Mohandas Ghandi:

I like your Christ, I do not like your Christians.  
Your Christians are so unlike your Christ.

