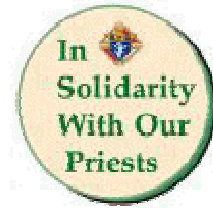




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Grand Knight's Message

Last night I had the pleasure of attending the mass in commemoration of Saint Lorenzo Ruiz and the meal that followed in Laurentine Hall. The event was organized and executed by the Filipino community. Though over the years I have met and gotten to know several of the Filipino members of our parish this was the first time I was able to observe them all together as a community. The solidarity and cohesiveness of this group was an inspiration. Watching them pray together, sing together, work together, play together, and laugh together touched me in a special way.

Last week I was blessed with a similar experience when I went to the Greek Festival at The Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Montford. There, too, I saw a community pulling together in work and play and acting as one unit in pursuit of a common goal. I have seen this strength of identity and unity in our Latino communities, here in the parish and where I work. Growing up in Southeastern Massachusetts I witnessed it among the Portuguese and Cape Verdian communities.

Last night after I finished eating some amazing roast pig (and I mean pig, the whole thing was there; snout, hooves and all) as well other amazing dishes I sat watching the Filipinos interacting with each other and with their guests. It occurred to me that here was an illustration of what it means when we talk about the Church being the Body of Christ. As this community was pulling together to celebrate their saint I saw in my minds eye how amazing and powerful it can be when the body of believers pull together to celebrate our Lord and to share his awesome Love with the world around us.

Just as the Filipinos, the Greeks, the Latinos, the Portuguese, the Cape Verdians and the numerous other ethnic groups throughout this wonderful world God created find commonality in their national heritage, so, too, The Body of Christ finds commonality in His identity no matter what our earthly national origin. In the same way that strong ethnic groups pull together, the Body of Christ in all its members can pull together. If a small group of Filipinos or Greeks in the Asheville area can have an impact by pulling together on a special occasion, imagine how powerful it will be when we all learn to pull together to work for God.

COMING UP: We have a number of things coming up on our calendar. On **October 8** we have our first dinner/fund raiser/social, **The Taco and Chili Bar**. There is still a lot of work to be done on it so don't be shy. Step up and offer a hand. We still need people to cook, set up, clean up, take money, run a 50/50, and serve. All this and the event is less than a week away.

The Catholic Daughters are having a **Bake and Craft Sale** to raise money to assist parish families at Christmas. This event is taking place **October 21, 22 & 23**. When the Knights had our bake sale in August the Daughters went above and beyond to help us. It is my opinion that Council 1695 is honor bound to reciprocate. They need people to bake and make crafts that they can sell. Let us show the Catholic Daughters that we are the Catholic gentlemen we claim to be and step up to the plate to help them as they helped us.

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 13th 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.

October 8: A Chili and Taco Buffet NEXT UP-WORKERS NEEDED

November 13: Pancake Breakfast

December: Christmas Celebration (date to be determined, dependent on what the District is planning)

January or February: Darts Tournament (charity fundraiser)(date not determined, looking for venue)

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.

October Birthdays

Mark Hansman	October 2
Francis McBride	October 7
Jeffrey Koch	October 10
Ralph Keil	October 12
Hugh Groce	October 14
Joseph Lamy	October 18
Matthew Codd	October 26



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS BAKE SALE

REMINDER: THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS BAKE & CRAFT SALE IS TAKING PLACE THE WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 21-23. JUST AS THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS REACHED OUT TO HELP UP IN OUR EFFORTS WE NEED TO REACH OUT AS CATHOLIC GENTLEMEN AND HELP THEM WITH THEIR FUNDRAISER. YOU MAY CONTACT GRAND KNIGHT MICHAEL LAFLAMME (216-3640) OR REGENT NANCY HOFFMAN (299-1922) FOR FURTHER DETAILS.

EVERY KNIGHT WHO ASSISTS THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS WILL HAVE THEIR NAME ENTERED IN A DRAWING FOR A PRIZE AT THE END OF OCTOBER.

PGK JOHN KABLE: 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 10th 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

October Events

Date	Event
10/01/11	First Saturday Knights in the Basilica at 7:30 a.m.
10/08/11	Taco & Chili Dinner – 6:30 pm Laurentine Hall
10/09/11	Traveling Gavel going to Burnsville
10/13/11	MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING – all members are not only welcome, but expected.
10/21-23/11	Catholic Daughters Bake & Craft Sale – do you part
11/05/11	First Saturday Knights in the Basilica at 7:30 a.m.

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

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

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)

Lectio Divina

From Scripture:

Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. **Philippians 4:8**

From Brother Lawrence:

Let us think often that our only business in this life is to please God. Perhaps all besides is but folly and vanity.

