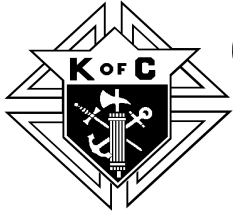


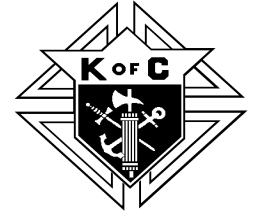
KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS COUNCIL 11634

July 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 <u>Council 11634 Business Mtg 7:00PM</u>	2	3 <u>SOUP KITCHEN at Marian House</u>	4 <u>INDEPENDENCE DAY</u> Happy Anniversary Joann & Don Ward	5
6 Happy Anniversary Tracy & Michael Hemann	7 Happy Birthday Tom Naughton	8 Happy Birthday Joe Hanson and Kelly McCarthy	9	10	11 Happy Birthday Doris Norell	12
13 <u>ST PAUL MONTHLY BREAKFAST</u> Happy Anniversary Kerri & Jerry Neuner Happy Birthday Catherine Hanson	14 Happy Birthday Ann Filbert	15 <u>K of C Rosary</u> Happy Anniversary Jeri & Greg Gallus	16 Fourth Degree Assembly #96 meets at Holy Family Happy Anniversary Mary Ann & Dick Bowles	17 <u>SOUP KITCHEN at Marian House</u> Happy Birthday Walter Berthiaume	18	19 Happy Birthday Don Ward
20 Happy Anniversary Suzanne & Art Menichiello	21	22	23	24 <u>SOUP KITCHEN at Marian House</u> First Degree Team meets at St Paul Happy Anniversary Erin & Dan Geoffroy Happy Birthday Bryan Hartwig	25 Happy Anniversary Janet & Kevin Mulvihill	26 Happy Anniversary Marilyn & Bill Lindeman and Lynda & Sonny Wright Happy Birthday Bill Aspinwall
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Monthly Newsletter July, 2008

INDEPENDENCE DAY



GRAND KNIGHTS CORNER

Dear Brothers:

We had a small turnout for our *Wives' Appreciation* lunch at the Edelweiss restaurant on Saturday, June 7th. We did, however, have a great time. **Brother Dick Wynn** did a good job of setting up the event and the food was delicious.

Induction of Officers for the 2008-9 year was held on Tuesday, June 17th, in St. Paul Church beginning at 5:30 PM followed by our monthly Rosary. We then went out to Carlos Miguel's for dinner. At the restaurant we had 18 hungry Knights. Many wives also attended.

We are looking forward to another busy year and hope to get a number of new activities initiated this year. In particular we will try to start a Ladies Auxiliary and a Columbian Squire's Circle to mention two.

Father John Auer will have left us on June 27th for St Mark Parish in Highlands Ranch. **Father Bob Jaeger** will join us sometime after this date. Currently the rectory is being renovated to comfortably house two priests and one seminarian.

The tornado in Windsor CO really played havoc with the Catholic Parish church there. **Father James Spahn** had to leave the rectory and is currently living with a parishioner until things can be repaired. If you want to help out, you can send money to the **Knights of Columbus Colorado State Charities**.

The K of C golf tourney is set for July 14th at Fort Carson beginning at 8:00 AM. So far we have two foursomes. The cost is \$75.

Our June breakfast served 123 people. After expenses, we made \$14.85 including the 43 inch pancake Todd took care of.

Since 2002 we have donated \$11,946.33 to St Paul Parish. At the picnic on June 29th we will give Father John a check for \$500 for this quarter.

Have a great summer.

Vivat Jesu Jerry L. Hahn, Grand Knight

PRAYER

Please keep in your prayers our brothers and sisters who are ill.

Especially:

Brother Al Albanesi has broken several vertebrae in his back and is currently bedridden in the hospital.

Brother Bob Seeley

Brother Glen Lorang

The Youth of our Nation

Please keep in your prayers the Unborn who are in danger of abortion.

EXCERPT FROM GOD'S LITTLE DEVOTIONAL BOOK:

Ignorance is always swift to speak.

One of the favorite stories of Arturo Toscanini, the great symphony conductor, was this:

An orchestra was playing Beethoven's Leonore overture, which has two great musical climaxes. Each of these musical high points is followed by a trumpet passage, which the composer intended to be played offstage. The first climax arrived, but no sound came from a trumpet offstage. The conductor, annoyed, went on to the second musical high point. But again -- no trumpet could be heard.

This time, the conductor rushed into the wings, fuming and with every intent of demanding full explanation. There he found the trumpet player struggling with the house security man who was insisting as he held for dear life onto the man's trumpet --- "I tell you, you can't play that trumpet back here! You'll disturb the rehearsal!"

Until you know why someone is acting the way they do, it is better not to criticize him. Until you know who has told him to act, it is better not to attempt to stop him!

Know this, my dear brothers: everyone should be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath. (James 1:19)

Contributed by Brother Walt Price

Question of the Month

The origins of World Youth Day can be found in Pope John Paul II's 1984 International Youth meeting in Rome on the occasion of the Holy Year of the Redemption. The first official World Youth Day was in 1986 at the Diocesan levels. Other international World Youth Days have been held in many countries since then including the 1993 celebration in Denver, Colorado, USA. Where is this year's World Youth Day and when is it?

Answer: World Youth Day 2008 will be another international celebration and will be held in Sydney,

Australia on July 15-20. The theme of this year's event is from the Acts of the Apostles Chapter 1 Verse 8: "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses." St. Paul Parish will have a number of parishioners attending. Let's pray for them and for a wonderful "Spirit-filled" celebration for all.

Due to changes in the schedule for daily Mass at St. Paul the monthly Council Rosary schedule may also need to be revised. A separate E-mail notice will be sent to the membership announcing the time and location of the July Rosary.

Contributed by Brother Sonny Wright

SAINT OF THE MONTH

St. Christina

Died: Circa 297

Feast Day: July 24.

In 1974, my wife, my son, and I, traveled to the old capital city of Orvieto, Italy, to visit the site of the miracle of Corpus Christi at the Grotto of St. Christina. The only facts that we know for sure about the saint, for which the grotto is named, is that she was a young pious girl of about 12 years of age who was devoted to Christ. The miracle of Corpus Christi occurred in the Grotto of St. Christina. Although, little is known regarding this saint since she lived in antiquity, an awesome and inspiring story is associated with her life. It is included below.

St. Christina was the daughter of a rich and powerful magistrate named Urbain. Her father was a pagan and had a number of golden idols, which Christina destroyed. She then distributed the pieces of gold among the poor. Infuriated by this act, Urbain had her whipped with rods and then thrown into a dungeon. Christina remained unshaken in her faith. Her tormentor then had her body torn by iron hooks, and fastened her to a rack beneath which a fire was kindled. It is said that God protected His servant by turning the flames upon the on-lookers. Christina was then seized and a heavy millstone tied around her neck. She was thrown into the nearby lake of Balsena in late evening, miraculously she is said to have been saved by an angel. In the morning she was

found standing on the heavy millstone. Impressions of her small feet were burned into the stone.

Following this she evidently outlived her father. After her father's death she continued to be persecuted by the pagan judge who succeeded Urbain. She was thrown into a burning furnace where she is said to have remained unhurt for five days. Then by the power of Christ, she overcame serpents amongst which she was thrown. Finally her tongue was cut out, and she gained the martyr's crown by being pierced with arrows at Tyro, a city which at that time stood on an island in Lake Balsena. Her relics are now at Palermo in Sicily. At the St. Christina's Grotto there is a large millstone on display with the imprint of small feet which are purportedly those of St. Christina.

It is at this site, St. Christina's Church, where the miracle of Corpus Christi occurred. My family and I were taken on a personal tour by the caretaker of the shrine. We saw the altar where the miracle of Corpus Christi took place. We also observed 8 small floor tiles that appeared to be stained with a red liquid. The caretaker said that drops of blood caused this stain on the tiles.

The miracle of *Corpus Christi* took place in 1263. A German Priest, Peter Prague, stopped at Balsena while on a pilgrimage to Rome. He is described as being a pious priest, but one who found it difficult to believe that Christ was actually present in the consecrated Host. While celebrating Holy Mass in the church of St. Christina directly above her tomb, he had barely spoken the words of Consecration when blood started to seep from the consecrated Host and trickle over his hands onto the altar and the corporal.

At first the priest was confused. and attempted to hide the blood, but then he interrupted the Mass and asked to be taken to the neighboring city of Orvieto, the city where Pope Urban IV was then residing. The Pope listened to the priest's account and gave him Absolution. He then sent emissaries for an immediate investigation. When all the facts were ascertained, he ordered the Bishop of the diocese to bring the Host and the linen cloth bearing the stains of blood to him. With archbishops, cardinals and other Church dignitaries in attendance, the Pope met the procession and, amid great pomp, had the relics placed in the

cathedral. The linen corporal bearing the spots of blood is still reverently enshrined and exhibited in the Cathedral of Orvieto.

It is said that Pope Urban IV was prompted by this miracle to commission St. Thomas Aquinas to compose the Proper for a Mass and an Office honoring the Holy Eucharist as the Body of Christ. One year after the miracle, in August of 1264, Pope Urban IV instituted the feast of Corpus Christi.

After visiting the Cathedral of Orvieto, many pilgrims and tourists journey to St. Christina's Church in Balsena where the miracle occurred. From the north aisle of the church one can enter the Chapel of the Miracle, where the stains on the paved floor are said to have been made by the blood from the miraculous Host. The Altar of the miracle, which is surmounted by a ninth century canopy, is now situated in the grotto of St. Christina. A reclining statue of the saint is nearby.

In August of 1964, on the 700th anniversary of the institution of the feast of Corpus Christi, Pope Paul VI celebrated Holy Mass at the altar where the holy corporal is kept in its golden shrine in the Cathedral of Orvieto.

Twelve years later, the same pontiff visited Balsena and spoke from there via television to the 41st International Eucharistic Congress, then concluding its activities in Philadelphia. During his address Pope Paul VI spoke of the Eucharist as being "a mystery great and inexhaustible".

We went to Mass in the Cathedral in Orvieto and were able to observe the Blood stained corporal which is displayed after each mass. When people come to visit the site of the miracle of Corpus Christi they also learn about St. Christina as we did.

Contributed by Brother Al Albanesi

WHY BUY LIFE INSURANCE?

Why should you buy life insurance anyway?

Because —

- if your wife does become a widow, funds are created automatically . . . immediately . . . and at the least possible cost.
- only life insurance will provide a steady income ... a guaranteed amount month after month. . . . with a check coming in monthly, she can budget accordingly. . . . life insurance gives her a precious freedom of choice:
- she can work if she wants to ... as a hobby . . . not as a necessity.
- she can live with her grown children if she pleases ... as a welcome visitor.
- she can call on charitable agencies if she likes — to offer help . . . not to ask for help.

Life insurance is nothing less than an expression of your respect, your concern and your love of your wife and your family. Call me today for an appointment. I want to hear from you.

Contributed by Brother Carl Arnold

THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS 1948-2008

On December 10, 1948 the General Assembly of the United Nations adopted and proclaimed the [Universal Declaration of Human Rights](#). This year, therefore, marks its 60th anniversary, and provides us an opportunity to examine some themes in the Declaration which deserve special emphasis.

The Declaration asserts, “[E]veryone has the right to life” (Article 3). This, of course, is the most fundamental right, since no other rights can be exercised if one does not exist. Yet this insight of common sense is easily forgotten these days. The Secular Humanist Manifesto II (1973), for example, lists many “rights,” including “the right to suicide,” but not the “right to life”!

The Universal Declaration, furthermore, refers to human rights as “equal and inalienable,” and declares that human beings have “inherent dignity” (Preamble). This is a key theme. In other words, governments can neither bestow nor remove human dignity from a human being. Governments, rather, exist to *preserve and protect* rights that are *inherent*, that is, rights which reside by definition within the human being precisely because he or she is a human being, and not because he

or she has earned or been awarded those rights by some outside entity.

Article 6 of the Declaration says that everyone has the right to be recognized as a person before the law. This, of course, was directly contradicted by the holding of the US Supreme Court, *Roe vs. Wade*, when it said, “[T]he word ‘person,’ as used in the Fourteenth Amendment, does not include the unborn.”

In articles 18 and 19, the Universal Declaration asserts the right of each person to freedom of religion and opinion on various matters, and the right to exercise that religion and express that opinion. Later in the Declaration, however, Article 30 rightfully states, “Nothing in this Declaration may be interpreted as implying for any State, group or person any right to engage in any activity or to perform any act aimed at the destruction of any of the rights and freedoms set forth herein.” For example, if I claimed to practice a religion that required me to kill another human being every Sunday as part of the worship service, although I have freedom of religion, I do not have the right to destroy the life of the other human being.

This applies also to abortion. The right to life, which is inherent and incapable of being annulled by any government, may not be trampled upon in the name of religious freedom. It is a favorite position of the defenders of abortion to claim their “right to believe what they want” and to “have their own opinion” about the status and value of the child in the womb. But the right of someone to live cannot fall simply because *someone else’s belief* does not recognize that right.

Sixty years after this Universal Declaration, let us renew our efforts to bring all nations to a strong respect for each person’s inherent rights, most fundamentally the right to life.

Excerpted from Priests for Life Newsletter
Fr. Frank Pavone, M.E.V. National Director

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