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July 2019

A Message from the Grand Knight...

As we prepare to begin a new year with new leadership, I thought I would take this opportunity to introduce myself to those who might not know me.

This will be the second time I have served as Grand Knight for our Council. I have held various roles in our Council such as Membership Chairman, Chancellor, and Deputy Grand Knight. My wife, Robin, and I joined the parish in 2007 when we both were received into the Church at the Easter Vigil. We really enjoyed the whole RCIA process and volunteered as sponsors for several new Catholics as well. I have also been involved in the Faith Formation program, St. Vincent de Paul, and the festival committee.

I look forward to serving as your Grand Knight and getting to know you better as we work together for our Council.



Sean Stone

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Chaplain's Corner Fr. Ed Shikina

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As we celebrate our Independence Day this month, we think immediately of our freedoms – freedom from oppression, freedom to govern ourselves, freedom to express ourselves. But we should also carefully define what we mean by freedom. A Google search for the word freedom comes up with what would seem a common definition: “the power or right to act, speak, or think as one wants without hindrance or restraint.” The problem in the definition is to do it without hindrance or restraint. Just because somebody wants to do something, or has the freedom, or right to do it does not mean it should be done. Maybe a better definition of true freedom is the power to act, speak, or think to do what is right. Of course, there will always be endless debates about what is right, or what is for the common good, but at least our freedom will be directed toward that purpose, rather than the freedom seen as, “I can do what I want because it’s a free country!” which is more about license. Freedom does not mean we should have the license to do anything.

St. Paul tells us that we were called for freedom, but “do not use this freedom as an opportunity for the flesh” (Galatians 5:13). He says, “the whole law is fulfilled in one statement, namely, You shall love your neighbor as yourself” (Gal 5:14). So for Paul, our freedom is a power that we are to use to serve others, rather than to serve ourselves, our own fleshly desires. Our goal then, as Americans, and as Christians, is to use the freedom that our country provides for us to be able to serve each other. Let us live by the Spirit and be guided by the Spirit to fulfill what God, and our country, desires for us to do: to love one another.

God bless you!
Fr Ed



We had another successful event at the Ohio Special Olympics Summer Games on Saturday June 29th. Our 19th year as Knights of Columbus volunteering to host our "Roll the Ball" Game which is an entertainment venue for the 2,500 Special Athletes from around the State of Ohio meeting to compete in Bowling, cycling, gymnastics, power lifting, softball, volleyball and tennis among the competitive events. We had 19 Knights help out assisted by several spouses, children and grandchildren, a special thank you to all that were able to help. **Roger File**



1st Degree Report

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Our next 1st Degree has not been scheduled yet but we are planning to have a 1st Degree in July so please ask a friend to join our wonderful organization. Just ask, "Are you a Knight?" A personal invitation is the best form of recruitment. Use the new Council contact card that was handed out previously. If you have any questions please contact Bob Eggerichs via email: reggeric@columbus.rr.com or phone 614-771-9624.

4TH Degree Report

There will not be an Assembly 2727 Fourth Degree meeting on July 3rd. Please enjoy the July 4th Holliday with your friends and family.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, August 7, 2019 at Our Lady of Victory church, 1559 Roxbury Rd, Columbus, OH 43212. We will meet in lower level below the main church as usual. We will start with the Rosary at 6:30 PM, meal at 7:00 PM and business meeting at 7:30 PM. Hope to see you there. For further information please contact Bob Eggerichs via email: reggeric@columbus.rr.com or phone 614-771-9624.



From Ohio Right to Life:

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Abortion Pill Reversal Information Act

No Bill Number Yet

Status:

Awaiting Introduction

The proposed legislation requires doctors prescribing abortion-inducing drugs to also provide written information informing the patient of scientifically proven abortion reversal procedures in the event she changes her mind.

The Mifeprex chemical abortion procedure is a two-day regimen used to terminate early pregnancies by blocking the hormone progesterone needed to sustain pregnancy. A second drug, Misoprostol, stimulates uterine contraction to expel the dead baby. Women who choose chemical abortion and regret it within the first two days of taking the first drug have a chance to save their baby, as long as they have not taken the second drug. The reversal procedure has been proven to be successful in 64-68% of cases. The procedure involves administering progesterone to the mother, which can reverse the impact of the first drug and allow the baby to continue normal development.

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Our Order is among the highest rated life insurers in North America. AM Best has rated the Knights of Columbus "A++, Superior" for 40 consecutive years. It's a testament to our track record for excellence and security.

I would suggest that a principal reason that we were able to achieve those accolades is because we remain steadfastly committed to the vision of Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney by providing life insurance by brother Knights for brother Knights.

That commitment is an essential core value of the Knights of Columbus, and our core values permeate all levels of our organization. We pledge to serve our brother Knights, and their families, according to our Golden Rule: "In all my professional relationships, I pledge myself to the following rule of conduct: I shall, in light of all conditions surrounding those I serve, render that service which, under the same circumstances, I would apply to myself."

Let's talk soon to discuss how our products can bring that peace of mind to you and your family.

Please call Mark Mandel at 614-308-2294 or email me at mark.mandel@kofc.org



By Courtney Grogan – Catholic News Agency

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI said in an article published June 28 that the unity of the Church has always prevailed over internal struggles and affirmed that there is currently only one pope.

"The Pope is one, it is Francis," Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI said in an interview with an Italian magazine published by Corriere Della Sera June 28.

"The unity of the Church has always been in danger, for centuries," Benedict said. "It has been for all its history. Wars, internal conflicts, centrifugal forces, threats of schisms."

"In the end the awareness that the Church is and must remain united has always prevailed. Its unity has always been stronger than internal struggles and wars," the pope emeritus explained.

Italian journalist Massimo Franco interviewed Benedict XVI in the Vatican gardens on the feast of Corpus Christi June 23, but only published a few direct quotes in his five-page magazine article about the meeting. Franco claimed that "when the history of these secret years" of Pope Emeritus Benedict will be written, "it will not be possible to disregard the highly reserved cardinals and bishops who have come to his door looking for reassurances, and expressing their criticisms and their perplexity towards the current pontificate."

Concerns which the Italian journalist implied were met with answers that emphasized the importance of Church unity, noting "Benedict's obsession with the unity of the Church ... is more acute than ever."

In Feb. 2013 Benedict shocked the world with a Latin-language announcement of his resignation. He cited his advanced age and his lack of strength as unsuitable to the exercise of his office. Benedict XVI was the first Roman Pontiff to resign from office in almost 600 years. Benedict has led a life of prayer after the election of Pope Francis, occasionally consulting with and meeting with his successor.

"Italy has always been a beautiful country, but a bit chaotic," Benedict said softly and slowly, according to Franco, who noted that 92 year-old former pontiff showed "an enviable speed of thought."

June 29 marked the 68th ordination anniversary of Pope Benedict, then Joseph Ratzinger, to the priesthood. The pope emeritus plans to spend the summer peacefully with the usual visit of his brother Georg and few private meetings with guests for breakfast or lunch, according to ACI Stampa.



To our Brother Knights in July

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Upcoming Council & Church Events

August 9-10



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Membership Meeting

July 17

Planning Meeting

July 31

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