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Grand Knight Input

Brothers All,

I have not heard any of our Brothers being infected with the coronavirus. God is Good. We will have a meeting this month in person or virtually. We have some business to attend to. The slate of officers for the next fraternal year needs to be published and voted on this month. I will forward the slate by e-mail next week.

We have the Golf Tournament coming up in Sept. I'm sure the committee will have info by the next meeting.

'm sure you know Fr. Hans offers daily Mass from his home on Facebook, and Fr. Nick is available for outdoor confession Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday. 5 PM thru 6 PM.

Sunday Mass is at 9:00 AM channel 7 EWTN or 10:00 AM on Facebook with Fr. Nick.

Pray hard this will be over soon.

God Bless.

Vivat Jesus, Joe D'Andrea Jr. G.K.



<u>Golf</u>

By the end of May we should know if we will be having a golf tournament this year! Getting sponsors might be a real tough if we are shut down past May.

Don McLane Golf Tournament Chair



Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

Spiritual Director Corner

Worthy Brother Knights:

By the time this letter is published we should be in Phase 1 of re-opening society. We live in the era of a new normal. I can't imagine what our former cultural and ritual niceties will look like in the months to come. It will be for us "life as unusual." Human beings adapt (mutate) according to time and history, it's what we have always done. Time is created too. Time quite simply marks the degrees of change. God is immutable because He is not created, dwelling in His "eternal now" where nothing changes. Yes, God is distinct from His creation but always involved. God is what He always is: Infinite (unlimited) in power, intellect and will. God is the perfection of unity (Three Persons sharing One Divine Nature.) God is pure spirit (simple, as Aquinas teaches, God has no parts - He is not composed in any way). In God, essence and existence are the same thing. Because God is limitless in power He is the perfection of truth, goodness and beauty.

The world changes, that's not new, so you and I should live in this life with one foot on earth and the other in heaven - with a holy and prudential eye on the here and now with a trusting gaze on the everlasting life to come.

Vivat Jesus! Dcn. Dave Opsahl



2020 Slate of Officers

Please see the slate of officers for the 2020 Fraternal year.

We need to vote this month. If you would like to add your name to any position please e-mail me and you will be added.

Officers 2020

Don Mclane - Grand Knight

Pat Sullivan Deputy Grand Knight

Tom Vanek -Treasurer Jimmy Avancena -Chancellor Wayne Lorenzana-Recorder Gerry Frese-Lecturer Gene Mialki-Advocate Joe Wierzbinski-Warden Jim Tetzler-Inside Guard **Bob Caputer Outside Guard** Joe D'Andrea-Three Yr. Trustee Joe Ricci Two Yr Trustee Jim Barber One yr. Trustee

Vivat Jesus,

Joe D'Andrea Jr. G.K.



Please Pray for our Seminarians
Gabriel Sabado &
Dcn. Estevan Wetzel
Peter Lukaszewski
Christopher Lukaszewski



Our KofC Members in need of prayers

Eileen Ricci Bob Buchholtz Pete Kendall Peter Podlecki Ed Huntlev Dcn Dave Opsahl Sam Salgado Leanne Connelly Paul Javete Lou Jutzi, Gene Mialki, Gene Gaudio, Estel Ryan, Carlos Saenz, Dcn. Luke, Sal Pinzone, Charlie Keenan, Sonny Chavez, James (Toby) Tobias, Vicki Townsend, Andy Sabado Steve Musto, Glenn Whittman John Finan, Steve Salata, Bob Kris Joe Ricci

Brothers that would enjoy a call or visit. Please call prior to visiting

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Important Dates Mark Your Calendars

Every Day April and May

Stay home;
Social Distance;
Wash your hands
Stay healthy and above all—- Pray

Seminarian Comments

Well I do not know the nature of my ordination yet, but I'm pretty confident it will be on the same date. What a time to be alive. Its all so strange still for me. When I left for Honduras on March 7, the US was fine and everything was normal. When I returned on March 14th, Trump had already declared a state of emergency. I pray all is well, I have just been taking this time to study, write and watch a couple shows. I am at peace and cannot complain. But I intentionally pray for those who are suffering dearly. I remember you all who are at risk and I pray you stay smart, stay safe, and stay holy. Remember that on May 1st at 12pm, Archbishop Gomez is consecrating our nation (at the same time as Canada's bishops) to Mary. Look for the live feed on youtube or facebook. In Christ,

Deacon Estevan C. Wetzel

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I sent out a card a few weeks ago just expressing my gratitude for your prayers and continued support. I am finishing up the semester. Next week is our last week of classes, then we have a week of final exams. I am very excited to be finished. This week has been hard because we had Easter Sunday and Monday off and resumed classes Tuesday.

As of today, I am still unaware of what our summer assignments will look like. Will send an update as we find out.

Thanks again for all your support, Gabriel Sabado



Happy Birthday!!

Council members who are celebrating a Birthday this month

1-May	Thomas Mc Carthy
2-May	Lawrence Hodgins
3-May	Tony Hernandez
8-May	Patrick Francia
9-May	Gene Trinks
12-May	James Peterson
14-May	Michael Cassano
20-May	Joseph Scheib
23-May	Thomas Reidnauer
24-May	David Scholler
27-May	Michael Irving
29-May	Sylvester Modebei
29-May	Jesus Ibarra
29-May	James Tetzler
29-Mav	Tom Weier

Litany to Mary

Approved by Pope Sixtus V in 1587 Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, hear us.

Christ, graciously hear us. God the Father of Heaven,

Have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

Have mercy on us. God the Holy Ghost,

Have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, one God, Have mercy on us.

Holy Mary,

pray for us.

Holy Mother of God,

(*Repeat "**pray for us**" after each invoca-

tion.)

Holy Virgin of virgins,

Mother of Christ,

Mother of divine grace,

Mother most pure,

Mother most chaste,

Mother inviolate,

Mother undefiled,

Mother most amiable,

Mother most admirable,

Mother of good counsel,

Mother of our Creator,

Mother of our Savior,

Virgin most prudent,

Virgin most venerable,

Virgin most renowned,

Virgin most powerful,

Virgin most merciful,

Virgin most faithful,

Mirror of justice,

Seat of wisdom,

Cause of our joy,

Spiritual vessel,

Vessel of honor,

Singular vessel of devotion,

Mystical rose,

Tower of David,

Tower of ivory,

House of gold,

Ark of the Covenant,

Gate of Heaven,

Morning star,

Health of the sick,

Refuge of sinners,

Comforter of the afflicted,

Help of Christians,

Queen of angels,

Queen of patriarchs,

Queen of prophets,

Queen of apostles,

Queen of martyrs,

Queen of confessors,

Queen of virgins,

Queen of all saints,

Queen conceived without Original Sin,

Queen assumed into Heaven,

Queen of the most holy Rosary;

Queen of peace,

pray for us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of

the world,

Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of

the world,

Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us.

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God,

That we may be made worthy of the

promises of Christ.

Grant, we beseech Thee, O Lord God, that we Thy Servants may enjoy perpetual health of mind and body and by the glorious intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin, be delivered from present sorrow and enjoy eternal happiness. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

St. Michael Protect Us from the Coronavirus.

Have you heard this miraculous story about the Castel Sant'Angelo?

The Castel Sant'Angelo is a large fortress near Vatican City with a gigantic St. Michael the Archangel statue on top. This statue signifies a magnificent story of God's love and care for his people through the angels.

Around 590 A.D., Rome suffered a terrible plague causing many deaths. Pope St. Gregory the Great plead for the angels' help to fight this epidemic. The pontiff celebrated Masses and tirelessly processed through Rome with prayers and incense.

St. Michael later appeared on top of the castle with his sword.

In the book *The Golden Legend: Readings on the Saints*, author Jacobus de Voragine writes:

"The plague was still ravaging Rome, and Gregory ordered the procession to continue to make the circuit of the city, the marchers chanting litanies. An image of the Blessed Mary ever Virgin was carried in the procession.

And lo and behold! The poisonous uncleanness of the air yielded to the image as if fleeing from it and being unable to withstand its presence: the passage of the picture brought about a wonderful serenity and purity in the air. We are also told that the voices of the angels were heard around the image, singing..."

"Then the pope saw an angel of the Lord standing atop the castle of Crescentius, wiping a bloody sword and sheathing it. Gregory understood that that put an end to the plague, as, indeed, happened. Thereafter the castle was called the Castle of the Holy Angel."

Pope St. Gregory the Great then built the St. Michael statue on top of the castle, representing his protection over Rome and the Church.

Let us turn to St. Michael the Archangel in defeating the coronavirus pandemic! St. Michael the Archangel, please defend us in this day of battle!

(Above Article from ChurchPOP.com)

Jim Barber Trustee PGK