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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN...

My friends in the Knights of Columbus:

In St. John's Gospel, I love the verse "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me."

All of us experience anxiety and anguish, but if "being troubled" becomes habitual, then we live in a state of captivity. Every day, we permit ourselves to be chained by negative emotions and thoughts; shackled by resentments from the past, we are incapable of investing in our future. At the same time, we miss out on the present moment because we are too consumed by the worries and cares of yesterday and tomorrow. To put it simply, we are prisoners of our own bad news.

Jesus continually invites us to be free, to let go of our burdens and above all, to trust in him. This does not guarantee that the furnace will last another winter, that our children will get in to the colleges of their choice or that our game of golf will improve. However, it does mean that it is possible to live in freedom, regardless of the problems we face. Faith permits us to find peace when we realize God is with us. Faith teaches us to laugh in the face of the face of adversity because God always has the last laugh.

God bless you all and I hope to see you at the next chapter meeting.

Fr. Naos

UPCOMING EVENTS

Columbus Day Dinner
October 11, 2009
Crown Plaza
Moon Township, PA
\$25/dinner

Bishop's Project Dinner
April 19, 2010

*Ascension of Our Lord
Thursday,
May 21, 2009*

**ARE YOU READING
SOMEONE ELSE'S COPY
OF THE PITTSBURGH
KNIGHT?
DO YOU WANT YOUR
OWN COPY?**

Please send your e-mail address to
Mike Conroy at
patnmike5@comcast.net
if you want to be placed on the
Pittsburgh Chapter mailing list.

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAPTER PRESIDENT...

My Brother Knights:



The 50th Bishop of Pittsburgh Project is now history. On Monday April 20 I, as the 2008-2009 Bishop's Project Chairman had the honor of presenting to Bishop Zubik a check for \$185,000. This pushed the Project's 50 year effort over the \$5,000,000 mark in total contributions to the St. Anthony's School program and the McGuire Home. As the 2008-2009 Bishop's Project Chairman I want to commend all the councils of the diocese for their effort. As the Pittsburgh Chapter President, I am especially proud of the contributions of the councils in our Chapter. And to the top ten councils for the 2008-2009 campaign and to the top ten councils over the fifty years, congratulations for a super effort.

I would be remiss if I did point out that the Pittsburgh Chapter raised 84% of the \$185,000 presented to Bishop Zubik this year. During the

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PITTSBURGH CHAPTER MEETING

May 5, 2009

Our Lady of Joy

Plum Council #12219

**PITTSBURGH
CHAPTER MEETINGS
FIRST TUESDAY OF
EACH MONTH!
7:30 PM**

**Directions to:
Our Lady of Joy Council
(Plum) #12219**

**From Route 28 north of Pitts-
burgh:**

- ◆ Leave route 28 at exit 14; go toward New Kensington;
- ◆ Cross the New Kensington-Tarentum Bridge (route 366);
- ◆ Continue on route 366 until you reach the Camp Joan area which intersects with route 380;
- ◆ Exit right onto route 380 toward Monroeville;
- ◆ At the top of the hill after entering route 380, you will see Cooper's Trailers/Campers – turn right at this point – you will still be on route 380;
- ◆ Continue until you see O'Block Road – turn left onto O'Block;
- ◆ Our Lady of Joy is a couple of hundred yards on the left.

**From Pittsburgh area and
Parkway East:**

- ◆ Continue on parkway and depart on route 22 – exit on the Route 286/Holiday Park ramp;
- ◆ Continue on route 286 until you see a Burger King on the left – this will be New Texas Road;
- ◆ Turn left on New Texas Road;
- ◆ Continue until you reach a 4-way stop sign - this is the intersection with route 380;
- ◆ Turn right onto 380 and look for O'Block Road – turn right onto O'Block Road;
- ◆ Our Lady of Joy is a couple of hundred yards on the left.



**PICTURES FROM THE
BISHOP'S PROJECT
DINNER....**

At the Bishop's Project Dinner, Grand Knight Geoff Crowe of Council #4242 took 220 photos of the evening's activities. Many of you that were there may have already ordered some pictures from him at the dinner. However, for those of you who did not order at that time or did not attend the dinner but are interested in some of the pictures, he has made a website available to view and purchase these pictures.

The website is:
www.geoffcrowephoto.com

Once you access this site on the Internet, click on the Gallery button and then click on the link provided to preview the gallery (the link is ggcrowe.zenfolio.com).

Geoff's e-mail address is:
geoff@geoffcrowephoto.com

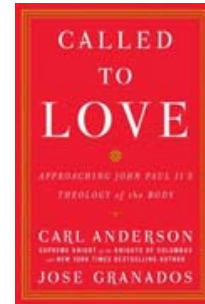
His phone number is:
1-412-915-5217

**Special Grand Knight
Quarterly Incentive!**

For every council that recruits five (5) new members gross between April 1 and June 30, 2009, its grand knight of record will be entered into a drawing for one of 10 \$125 Visa® Gift Cards. Each grand knight whose council nets five new members during every quarter of the 2008-09 fraternal year will be entered into a grand prize drawing for one of two \$500 Visa® Gift Cards.

UPCOMING MEETING

**June, 2009
Wexford
Our Lady of Olives
Council #3907**



**Supreme
Knight's
Book on the
Theology of
the Body Now
Available**

In 1979, Pope John Paul II, drawing from the whole of the Catholic tradition, introduced his "theology of the body," giving a much richer presentation of the Church's teaching on sexuality and the relationship of spirituality and the physical body. In *Called to Love* (Doubleday Religion, \$24), *New York Times* best-selling author Carl Anderson and Father José Granados build upon these teachings and further examine the tremendous gift that they offer to each of us.

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50 year history, our Chapter has raised 80% of the \$5,000,000 contributed. What a noble effort by the Knights of the Pittsburgh Chapter! Thank you, congratulations, and keep up the good work.

Finally, the chapter is in the nominations process, and elections for chapter officers will take place at the June meeting. If you are interested in serving the chapter, submit your name to the Nominating Committee Chairman Dick Miksic. Remember, this is your chapter, and we should not be complaining if we do not offer our time as officer candidates.

Vivat Jesus,

**Joseph S. Yourish, PSD
Chapter President**



**WILLIAM HARPER
PAST
STATE DEPUTY**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
PITTSBURGH CHAPTER**



STEEL CITY COUNCIL
Pittsburgh East End Council # 3530
March #2 2009

Name and Description of Project: (1) Recruitment Program using marketing letter and socials. We used a "Marketing Letter" or "Promo Piece," placing it in the church bulletins and with our quarter newsletter. We left some in the back of the churches we serve. (copy attached).

(2) We also had coffee & donut socials after K of C functions @ two churches where we used "Promo Piece."

Cost estimates – Item(s) – Total: The cost of copying the paper was most of the cost. Paper (colored & bright) cost \$7.00-\$9.00 per 500 sheet packs. Cost of copy \$.06 or \$30.00 per 500 sheets.

Materials required: Colorful paper 500-1000 sheets \$14.00-\$18.00. Copy process - \$30.0 to \$60.00.

Preparations necessary: Marketing or Promo copy experience needed to write the copy . Time to prepare.

Manpower/Hours required: 1 person writing the piece = 2-3 hours. 1 person purchasing paper and copying = 2 hours. 4 people placing in bulleting and churches = 4 hours total.

Miscellaneous: Time needed to discuss program with priest of each church.

*Additional forms for the Steel City Council award are available at
www.pittsburghchapterkofc.org/forms.htm*

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
PITTSBURGH CHAPTER**



STEEL CITY COUNCIL
Our Lady of Joy Council #12219
April 2009

Name and Description of Project: Seminarian/CCD Student Dinner and Q&A. Our council hosted a dinner for the 8th grade CCD students and the 3 seminarians supported by the Knights of Columbus and the Holy Name Society. We had rigatoni, meatballs, bread, salad, pop and cake for dessert. After the seminarians arrived (between 6:15 PM and 6:30 PM), we introduced everybody and then served dinner. At 7:00 PM, we had a question and answer session with all 3 seminarians until 8:00 PM. All in all, there were approximately 70 people attending the event. The CCD staff and the seminarians asked if we could do this again next year. With approval from Fr. Dave, our pastor, we hope to make this an annual event.

Cost estimates – Item(s) – Total: Approximately \$200.00 for food and supplies.

Materials required: Food (as mentioned above) and dinnerware etc.

Preparations necessary: Scheduling times and dates for all to be able to attend. Prepare the meal and set up the hall for the event.

Manpower/Hours required: 10 knights arrived at around 5:30 PM to begin meal preparations and setting up the hall. They stayed for the event and clean up followed. About 4 hours per knight = 40 hours.

Miscellaneous: This was the second year we held this event. Participation improved. Our goal is to give students an idea of the life of a seminarian in their preparation for the priesthood. And, hopefully, some will consider a vocation to the priesthood or religious life.

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K of C Insurance

Protect Your Money Machine



Imagine if you only could purchase a machine that would print legal \$100 bills when you inserted a blank piece of paper!

What price would you put on it? Could you put a price on it?

But suppose for a moment that there was such a machine available and you owned it. Wouldn't you want to protect it from all hazards such as fire, earthquakes, theft, breakdown, etc.? Sure you would!

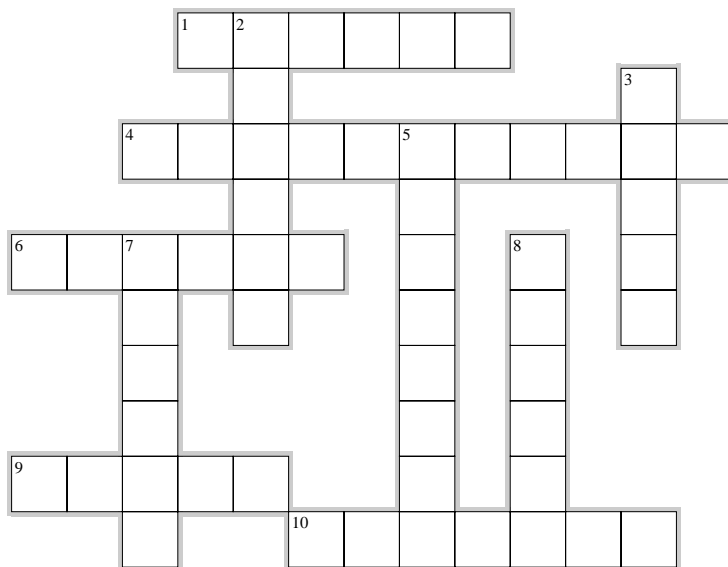
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In fact, isn't everyone a "money machine"? We use all our talents, skills, education and disciplines to "manufacture" money.

What will happen to production of this money if you "break down"? If your ability to make money is destroyed by an untimely death, how will your money machine be replaced?

With a properly prepared and coordinated program that is **guaranteed** by the Knights of Columbus, you can continue the flow of money to your loved ones at the time of your death.

QUICK CROSSWORD #3



Across

1. The chaplain on the Pittsburgh Chapter
4. STATE WHERE THE SUPREME COUNCIL IS LOCATED
6. CENTER FIELDER FOR PITTSBURGH PIRATES IN 1960
9. COUNCIL #5021 - FATHER DAVID
10. COUNCIL #12355 - REGIS J.

Down

2. COUNCIL #2602 - THOMAS P.
3. BISHOP OF PITTSBURGH IN 2009
5. ROBERTO
7. COUNCIL #9984 - ARTHUR J.
8. NHL SCORING LEADER IN 2009

Lock Your Car and Why.....contributed by J. Yourish

Read the following story...protect yourself:

I locked my car --- as I walked away I heard my car door unlock I went back and locked my car again three times. I looked around and there were two guys sitting in a car in the fire lane next to the store. When I looked straight at them they did not unlock my car again.

How to lock your car safely -

While traveling, my son stopped at a roadside park. He came out to his car less than 4-5 minutes later and found someone had gotten into his car, and stolen his cell phone, laptop computer, GPS navigator briefcase.....you name it...

He called the police and since there were no signs of his car being broken into - the police told him that there is a device that robbers are using now to clone your security code when you lock your doors on your car using your key-chain locking device..

They sit a distance away and watch for their next victim. They know you are going inside of the store, restaurant, or bathroom and have a few minutes to steal and run.

The police officer said to manually lock your car door-by hitting the lock button inside the car, that way if there is someone sitting in a parking lot watching for their next victim it will not be you.

When you hit the lock button on your car upon exiting...it does not send the security code, but if you walk away and use the door lock on your key chain - it sends the code through the airwaves where it can be stolen. Something totally new to us...and real.

Be aware of this and please pass this note on...look how many times we all lock our doors with our remote...just to be sure we remembered to lock them....and bingo someone has our code...and whatever was in the car...can be stolen.



Women at the Kariobangi HIV Clinic near Nairobi, Kenya, view a sewing machine donated by Our Lady of the Ridge Council 13201 in Chicago Ridge, Ill. The council sent sewing machines to widows in Kenya who are HIV positive so that they could earn a living while caring for their children at home. The sewing machines were sent to Kathleen Harrison of Loyola University in Chicago, who arranged shipment to Kenya through Project Harambee, which is Swahili for “all pull together.”

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCILS HELP
THROUGHOUT THE WORLD**