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KNIGHTLY NEWS

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GRAND KNIGHT'S NEWS

In Solidarity with Our Bishops and Priests

I would like to welcome the New Brothers that have completed their Admission Degree or transferred to Sts. Cosmas and Damian Council. At of this writing the Council has 11 new members and 214 total membership.

On April 26 we will host an Admission Degree at OLA, at 8 PM.

We are 3 men short of Star Council. Our Membership and Retention Committee is working hard to get the 3 new members to the degree that will put us over the top of the goal set for us by Supreme.

B George Lurz assures me his Team will be doing everything they can to reach Our Council Goal of archiving Double Star Council. They need your help. Sponsor a new Member soon.

If you have not been to an Admission degree (1st degree) since you completed yours, or it has been a while, this would be a good time to attend and welcome in new Brothers.

Thank you to Our Membership and Retention Committee for the great work they are doing for Our Council.

If you would like to see what they are doing, you are welcome to attend one of their regular Friday morning meeting in SH 2 after the 8 AM Mass. All Council members are welcome to attend.

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GRAND KNIGHT'S NEWS cont.

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If you would like to volunteer or nominate someone for an office, please contact PGK Andy Velichko or Jim Mazurek. We will be publish names submitted by the nomination committee before our meeting on May 5th. You may submit names until the meeting at which time nominations will be closed. Elections will be held at the June 2nd meeting.

*Remember in Your Prayers for those on Our Prayer list,
Our deceased Brothers.
Brothers sick and in distress.*

May God Bless Each of You For Your Good Works.

Grand Knight, Bob Hellner

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

We pray for: Paul Herzing, Donna Reed and daughter Darcie, Omar and Vivian Desrosier, Jerry and Mary Healy, Pete Galvez, Warren Glasow, Daniel Kegg, Peter – friend of Bill Camastro, Richard Bohan, hurting and struggling K of C Members, Carol Alesi, Jeff Jarr, Deacon Rick Zandy, Donna Makovec, Andy Alesi, Deacon Hugh Muller, Dan Multon, Dennis O'Connor, Joe Stachniak, Pat Kuehn, Ginger Swihura, Mary Lee Bastianelli, Carol Lafortune, Jack Warble, Ed Mazurek, Mike Graves, Annie Hayes, Ralph Rossi, Arie Rodriguez, Fr Bob Unger, all elected officials, unborn children, Rumaldo Baez, Jim Malley, Jordan Peak, Noe Rodriguez, Linda Soller, John Manfra, Jim Mazurek. Carol Brazas, Renee Harrison, Linda Soller and Louis Justeng.

COUNCIL 13341 ON FACEBOOK

*View the Council's new FaceBook Page
www.facebook.com/knights13341*

Don't forget to click 'LIKE' after reading!!

HAPPY APRIL BIRTHDAY WISHES

Jeffrey Barg, Cory Benedetto, Michael Burk, Paul Chickadel, James Grace, Richard Greendonner, Mark Laderer, Gary Lupina, Richard Mangiere, Thomas Moran, John Morgando, John Noone, Mark O'Brien, Dennis O'Connor, Gordon Ormerod, David Rondeau, Fr. Leszek Trojanowski, and Jeffrey Yanevich.

TOOTSIE ROLL CAMPAIGN

*Brothers,
B Paul Browne has openings for helpers for the last weekend of the Tootsie Roll Campaign, May 5th and 6th.*

We will be at two Publix's that weekend. LWR & St Road 64 and the Publix on University Boulevard & Market Street. Opportunities are available at LWR & 64 in the 10-12, 12-2, 2-4, time slots. University and Market Street, 10-2, 12-2, 2-4, 4-6.

Get your names in and bring along a friend to help support this worthy Cause. This is your last opportunity for this year drive.

If the above times do not work for you contact us and we will work you in whenever. Contact Paul Browne, thepalaceteam@aol.com or call 941 232 8647, or email hellner.bob@aol.com.

I will get you a good spot!

GK Bob Hellner

OLA CHURCH CLEANERS NEEDED

Brothers are needed to help clean the Church after the 8 a.m. Mass on Thursday mornings. Ample supply of brooms and mops are available.

If you can spare an hour or so, please contact:

GK Bob Hellner bjhsr@aol.com

FELLOW ED SMITH VOLUNTEERS

What a great year thanks to the time you spent working at the ballpark. I just received the check and it totals \$16,826.64. The biggest one yet by far. Add that to the over \$2,000 in tips and we made almost \$19,000. Our gross sales was \$183 thousand subtract .0751 for tax and \$132 for the shirts we got this year and we have the \$16.8K.

We are going to open the stand for the Concert in the Park on Saturday night, May 14th. We have 13 volunteers so far and that should be enough, but if you want to work (and maybe look in on the concert) please let me know.

Thanks again,

DD Chris Treston

PATRIOTIC ROSARY

The Patriotic Rosary, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, continues every Wednesday from 6:15 pm to 7 pm. The Patriotic Rosary is being prayed in response to the Bishops call for prayer for Religious Freedom including the overturn of the mandate and for the Christians being persecuted and even killed in the Middle East. It is a very powerful Rosary. If the brother Knights can attend a couple or three times a month it would make a difference, because there is power in Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Sir Knight Sam Bastianelli

SALVATION ON SCREEN

Please read story at end of this newsletter.

BLOOD DRIVE SIGN UP SUNDAY

We are in need of Knights to sign up blood donors outside Church the weekend of 4/30 & 5/1 for our next drive. This takes just a few minutes of our time after the Masses we attend anyway.

Note!!! We're not asking YOU to sign up to donate. We're asking you to sign other people up to donate.

We need at least 2 Brothers for:

8 A.M. Mass, Sunday, May 1.

Please reply to this email with your choice of Mass times.

*In His Service,
Brothers Bill WREMPE@verizon.net ,
Dave DAVE2117@aol.com &
Steve SBALAZIC@verizon.net*

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY NEEDS OUR HELP

Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit organization that builds simple, decent, affordable housing in partnership with people in need. Join your fellow Knights by volunteering your time in helping to build these homes for families in need, thereby bringing and keeping families together with a life of dignity.

Please contact GK Bob Hellner bjhsr@aol.com

ALUMINUM CANS AND CAN PULL RINGS

Don't forget to collect aluminum cans and deposit in white fenced area nearest OLA Memorial Garden. Money collected from sale of cans is used to support Seminarians preparing for Priesthood.

Aluminum can pull rings are also collected to be used for making accessories for the handicapped.

Thank you.

ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

The Annual Parish Easter Egg Hunt was held Saturday, March 19, 2016 in Sacred Heart Hall and in the surrounding grounds. We had children and their families come for a Pancake Breakfast, now with blueberries, made by our Pancake Brigade. Then a mad rush to find the Easter Eggs in two groups – younger beginners (1-5 years old) and then the pros (6-9 years old) both led by helpers of our Parish Youth Ministry. Many members from the Youth Ministry and other children helped out including Angela, Marissa, Sarah, Christian, Emilee, Justin, Kyle, Isabella, Noah, Ryan, and Kelley.



OLA Youth Ministry and others helped Easter Bunny and Easter Egg Hunt.

This year we had our highest attendance, based on good promotion and help from the New Mothers Group, led by Rachal Wiedeman, and all the young children in our Parish. This year we had golden eggs with a special prize inside. Those lucky hunters won tickets to the Lakewood Ranch Sarasota film Society Movie Theatre! The Grand Prize winner also won an official egg from the Easter Egg Roll from the White House.

After Hunt, the children were entertained by Granny Goose, who has been here before. She had an arts and craft table, gave prizes for best pictures and handed out even more prizes.

***Frank Shea, Council Director
Council 13341***

ADDITIONAL EASTER EGG HUNT PHOTOS



Golden egg winners.



Smallest Golden egg winner.



Kenly and Mom.



Greeters.



Sister and Brother.

FOUNDERS DAY CELEBRATION

Our Council's Membership & Retention Committee, led by Brother George Lurz, held a FOUNDERS DAY CELEBRATION on 31 March 2016 in Sacred Heart Hall to commemorate and honor the founder of the Knights of Columbus in 1882 by the Venerable Michael J. McGivney in Hartford, CT. This night was focused on orientating New Knights and Prospective Knights on our organization. We had over 40 participants including wives.

A common theme wove through the night's presentations by #13341 Officers, and our District Insurance Agent Jerry Hayes – the commitment of the Knights of Columbus to its members and families from day one of its founding to offer spiritual, fraternal, and financial support and guidance. A highlight of the event was Carol Herzing describing how the Knight's Organization (through Jerry Hayes) helped her with getting her life and finances in order after the death of her first husband (Brother Robert Lafortune.) She commented on the difference it made to her personally. We had the presence of Vincent Cipriano, past KofC Florida State Program Director.

After a brief overview of our Council's activities, how to get involved, demographics, and mission; we moved to some awards and certificates:

Family of the Month: William & Laurie Jarema;

Knight of the Month: Mark O'Brien

1st Degree: Brothers Brian Biermann, Lawrence McCarthy, and Anthony Rizzi.

Certificates of Appreciation to Brothers

Certificates of Appreciation: Samuel Bastianelli, Carmine Maida, Matthew Cangemi, Father John Nifong.



(l) Father John with B Ron Jezowit.

Easter Egg Hunt certificate of appreciation to Brothers James Coon, James Ryan, GK Robert Hellner, and Frank Shea.

Afterwards, refreshments and libations were served before wrapping up for the night.



Council Director Frank Shea (c)

***Frank Shea
Council Director
Knights of Columbus Council 13341***

PATRIOTS PAGE

PATRIOTIC BALL

San Damiano Assembly 3192 held a Military Patriotic Ball on 28 February 2016 at Tara Country Club in Bradenton, FL as a patriotic activity to honor our veterans and current US military service men and women. We had close to 200 guests in formal and military attire gather for a night of reflection, remembrance, and fun.



(l) US Air Force Veteran Morgan Watt and service dog Foley. Military-Patriotic Ball Chairman, Faithful Captain, SK Ernie Soller(r).

Our Guests of Honor were US Air Force Veteran Morgan Watt and his service dog Foley. Morgan had been involved in explosion detection duties while serving tours in Kuwait and Okinawa. When he returned home he was plagued with severe service-related migraine headaches and was treated at the Mayo Clinic. Fortunately, he was provided Foley by the Paws for Patriots

Program at Southeastern Guide Dogs, one of the largest chapters in the USA providing over 100 service dogs each year to veterans. It is located in Palmetto which is great for our local servicemen and women.

Morgan spoke for a bit about how Foley has helped him cope and become healthier. He referred to “Foley’s Rules: Breathe, Relax, Trust Your Senses, Create Space, Share Weaknesses, and most importantly Keep Compartmentalization to a Minimum. And what dogs do best - Live in the Present! Foley has helped him transform from the rigid life of a soldier to a citizen more comfortable with the world he lives in now. Quite a big job.

A Military Trivia Contest was held, quickly followed by some lively musical entertainment provided by Marc Anthony, himself a Military Police Officer stationed in Washington DC. After a rousing rendition of all the branches of the US Military he moved into current favorites which brought a crowd to the dance floor.

San Damiano Assembly also donated generously from our proceeds to Southeast Guide Dogs.

***Frank Shea
Council Director
Council # 13341***



Award of Merit presented by Faithful Navigator, Andy Velichko to Faithful Captain, Ernie Soller, Faithful Comptroller, Vinnie Cipriano, Sir Knight, Frank Shea, for leadership in planning and organizing the Patriotic Ball.

PATRIOTS PAGE (CONT.)

LAKWOOD RANCH MEMORIAL DAY "TRIBUTE TO HEROES" PARADE

MAY 29 LAKEWOOD RANCH MAIN ST. 5:00 PM. OVER THREE DOZEN FLOATS, BANDS, CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS IN THE PROCESSION. VETERAN'S POPPY READING, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PARADE, WHICH IS THE "TRIBUTE TO HEROES," FOLLOWED BY A WHITE DOVE RELEASE.

THE ASSEMBLY HAS PAID THE ENTRY FEE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS YEAR'S PARADE. ALL SIR KNIGHTS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO PARTICIPATE. COLOR CORPS MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO WEAR REGALIA WHICH IS THE MOST RECOGNIZABLE SYMBOL OF THE KNIGHTS. ALL BROTHER KNIGHTS SHOULD WEAR THEIR ASSEMBLY OR COUNCIL SHIRT .

THIS IS ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW THE K OF C'S DEDICATION TO OUR COUNTRY'S MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE SERVED OUR NATION. A BOOTH WILL BE AVAILABLE TO US TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO PARADE WATCHERS ABOUT THE K OF C ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIP OPPORTUNITY.

WE WILL BE ASKING OTHER ASSEMBLIES' COLOR CORPS TO JOIN US. SEPARATE EMAILS WILL BE SENT CONTAINING MORE INFORMATION, REGARDING WHERE AND WHEN TO ASSEMBLE AND DETAILS ABOUT THE March.

SK Andy Velichko



***(r) Council Advocate/Chairman
of LWR Irish Celtic Festival Frank Shea
and Marva Velichko..***

RAISING AWARENESS ABOUT LIFE INSURANCE

Each September since 2003 has been designated as Life Insurance Awareness Month. Like most awareness-raising campaigns, Life Insurance Awareness Month was created because there is an overwhelming lack of understanding of life insurance, its uses, its benefits, and its variations among the general public. Each year, the Life Insurance Market Research Association (LIMRA) puts out the results from a recent survey, and unfortunately, the numbers they report continue to be discouraging.

A recent survey found that more than 75 percent of people polled did not have a personal financial advisor, even though 68 percent of them said their opinion of the current economic conditions was somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable.

In other words, a majority of those surveyed were uncomfortable with the economy and the uncertainty it brings, yet they did not seek professional assistance. Maybe they spoke with their friends and family. Maybe they hoped the instability would go away on its own. Maybe they did not know to whom to turn.

If you fall into this category, please remember that as a member of the Knights of Columbus, you have a full-time, professional agent you can call your own. My primary responsibility is the care and service of your family's life insurance, retirement and long-term care needs. I'll answer your questions because I want your decisions to be informed ones. I want to help.

Another LIMRA statistic said 43 percent of people did not buy life insurance because they worry about "making the wrong decision." Talk with me, your agent, and, afterwards, you'll understand that the only wrong decision was not purchasing sooner to protect your family's future.

Vivat Jesus,

*Jerry Hayes, Field Agent
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2016 Saints Cosmas and Damian Council #13341 Fraternal Year End Activities

APRIL

***4-23-24-16, State Bowling tournament, Lakeland
4-27-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome
4-28-16, Officer & Directors Meeting, 7 PM SH 2***

MAY

***5- 4-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome
5- 5-16, Council Bus. meeting, SH 2, 7 PM
5-5-16, Blood Drive, OLA, 2-7 PM.
5-11-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome
5-12-16, Assembly Meeting, Holy Cross, Palmetto
5-14-16, Fourth Degree Exemplification, Naples.
5-18-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome
5-19-16, First Degree, St Patrick.
5-21-16, Social Meeting, SHH, Pot Luck 7 PM, All Are Welcome
5-25-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome
5-26-16, Officer & Directors Meeting, 7 PM SH 2
5-27-28-16, State Convention, Orlando.
5-29-16, Tribute to heroes Parade, 5PM Lakewood Ranch.***

**2016 Saints Cosmas and Damian Council #13341
Fraternal Year End Activities (cont.)**

JUNE

6- 1-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome
6- 2-16, Council Bus. meeting, SH 2, 7 PM
6- 8-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome
6- 8-16, First Degree, Incarnation.
6- 9-16, Assembly Meeting, OLA, SHH 7 PM
6-11-16, Corporate Communion Mass, 4 PM Mass
6-15-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome
6-15-16, Second Degree, St. Joseph ?
6-16-16, Social Meeting, SHH, Pot Luck 7 PM, All Are Welcome
6-22-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome
6-23-16, Installation of Council Officer, OLA, Church. 7 PM, Reception to follow,
6-26-14, Annual Awards Brunch, time and venue to be announced.
6-29-16, Patriotic Rosary, 6:15, In the Church, All Are Welcome
6-30-16, Office & Directors Meeting, 7 PM SH 2

**SAN DAMIANO ASSEMBLY #3192
Tentative events for 2015-2016**

Thurs., May 12th7:00pm **Bsn. Meeting** @Holy Cross
Sunday, May 29th 5:00pm **Tribute to Heroes Parade at Lakewood Ranch****
Thurs., June 19th7:00pm **Bsn. Meeting** @OLA

Note: Host Council Location will provide refreshments

MEETINGS 2ND THURSDAY OF MONTH @ 7:00PM

** Color Corps Requested

SALVATION ON SCREEN *

Sister Helena Burns, FSP

Three captivating and complementary movies signal a return of the Bible film genre. Actors Bahia Haiji and Noam Jenkins play the roles of Mary and Peter in Full of Grace, a film about the beginnings of the Church. (Courtesy of Outside da Box)

Ever since the runaway success of Mel Gibson's The Passion of the Christ (2004), Hollywood has been trying to replicate Gibson's juggernaut. But tinseltown has struggled to unlock the secret of what Christian audiences will embrace. Why the struggle? For starters, The Passion set the quality bar very, very high. On top of that, Christians delighted in seeing Jesus rather than just another Christian-themed movie.

Profitable Christian filmmaking eventually hit its stride in 2011, with feature films that were each stylistically unique and heavy on authenticity and humanity: Of Gods and Men, Soul Surfer, Courageous, The Way, Tree of Life. Roma Downey and Mark Burnett then launched their cinematically literalist Old and New Testament, the Bible TV miniseries in 2013. Despite a chorus of naysaying Hollywood insiders, audiences took to it like ducks to water, so much so that a movie was extracted from it: Son of God. Although the quality of The Bible was nowhere near The

SALVATION ON SCREEN (cont.)

Passion of the Christ, I'd wager that our visual society was simply hankering for anything biblical they could see. Two epic Bible films from nonbelievers then graced the big screen in 2014: Noah and Exodus: Gods and Kings to mixed reviews (though I appreciated both efforts immensely).

Now, in recent months, Risen (a Roman soldier confronts the risen Christ), Full of Grace (the post-Resurrection Mary, Peter and Apostles) and The Young Messiah (one year in the life of the 7-year-old Jesus) have tumbled out – almost as if planned as a harmonious trilogy. Two are backed by big-name producers, and one is an art-house film (Full of Grace) by a Catholic company.

In each of these three films, I find a new maturity in both filmmaking and audience reception. What does this “maturity” entail? For one, a more “ethnic” Jesus along with other Bible figures, together with a much more human portrayal of their personages in contrast to stiff, oratorical, transcendent characters – while still preserving the divinity of Jesus. And what’s good about this newfound relatability? The fact of the Incarnation and a God who chooses to work through matter and through people, flawed as we are. The fact that many people of the Bible are not so different from us.

RISEN *

The film Risen tells the story of a fictitious Roman tribune named Clavius (Joseph Fiennes), commissioned not only with overseeing the crucifixion of Jesus the Nazarene, but also tamping down his whole movement, starting with his inner circle: the Apostles.

Risen explores parts of the New Testament rarely seen on film, and it's glorious – in a bumbling sort of way (it's meant to be bumbling). In it, the Apostles don't have all the answers.

One of the best things about Risen is its unpredictability. If it was simply the Bible itself with a few fictitious subplots, we'd know what's coming. But this is the story of Clavius, a stern but not ruthless man, who is torn between carrying out his mission of destruction and his attraction to the Jesus that witnesses describe. We sense a man at the end of his rope, a man intimately acquainted with the pax romana – peace and order imposed through conquering brutality – who is wondering what the point of it all is.

The whole point of the movie comes down to the question: “Where is the body?” At one point, Clavius interviews various followers and disciples about Jesus and his “dead” body's whereabouts: a device that could have been trite and boring, but is nothing of the sort.

This is not a child's Bible picture book come to life. This is a carefully and cleverly imagined, fairly airtight “what if” film that keeps faithfully within the bounds of the sacred text. Much of the dialogue is outstanding. We begin to see the logic of all the parties involved at this “fullness of time” into which the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity chose to enter human history.

****Now playing at Parkway Cinema on Lockwood Ridge/University Parkway***

FULL OF GRACE

After viewing Risen, you're ready for an in-depth, contemplative film depicting the early Church's birth pangs (while the Mother of God is still in its midst to guide, comfort and inspire)! In Full of Grace: The Story of Mary the Mother of Jesus, written and directed by Andrew Hyatt, Mary's story is interwoven with the plight of Peter, who – although the Church is growing – is faced with distortions of the

FULL OF GRACE (cont.)

Faith in thought and practice. Our Lady summons Peter and the Apostles, because she knows she is getting ready to go to the Father's house.

Mary is able to strengthen Peter's faith (and ours as we listen to her!), not only by recounting details of the Annunciation and Jesus' life and ministry, but through her own reflection and wisdom about what it all means and "where to go from here," when the Apostles and first Christians had no Church history to fall back on. Imaginatively faithful and well-scripted, Full of Grace is based in part on the ancient Christian text known as the Didache and on what we know of the early Church.

Mary (Bahia Haifi) and Peter (Noam Jenkins) are not primarily focused on Church structures, rules and internal strife. They know that's not the heart of the matter. The heart of the matter is the Risen Lord, and Mary instructs the Apostles as to how they, too, can have her faith.

At the very end of the film, it is Peter who has the payoff lines regarding the solution to the multiple impasses facing the Church. God's ways are always simpler than we think. Never easy, but always sure and true. And the Truth — who never leaves us all alone — will also set us free.

THE YOUNG MESSIAH

Released March 11, The Young Messiah is, in my opinion, the best Jesus movie ever. It combines the latest and best in filmmaking, the dramatic arts, biblical scholarship, theology and imagination. Jesus' humanity is perfectly balanced with his divinity. The filmmakers wanted to make a "favorite" Jesus film that families will watch together over and over again. Plausible plot points are skillfully woven in to support the Scriptures, not draw away from them.

Adam Greaves-Neal plays the 7-year-old Jesus with childlike openness, earnestness and chutzpah. His facial expressions and reactions are completely natural. Mary and Joseph are the consistently best Mary and Joseph the screen has seen. They don't have all the answers, but they know this precious and precocious kid is God's Son, and their own profound faith and love encompass him. As director Cyrus Nowrasteh put it in an interview, "It is a story about the family, and we take you inside the Holy Family."

Little Jesus is moved by human misery, suffering and sickness, and realizes that when he prays over people healings occur, miracles happen. But Herod Jr. — as despicable as his father — begins to get wind of a little healer boy that is just the right age to be the Messiah. Maybe this child escaped the Bethlehem bloodbath. Herod sends his centurion, Severus (Sean Bean), to find and kill the boy Jesus. This constant, believable danger, with its intrigue and narrow escapes, imparts an urgency to the whole film.

This five-star film manages to make the gentleness of Jesus tough and cool — even in the face of the savage might of Rome. Hollywood has been trying to make a Jesus movie that will move and wow crowds once again? They just did.

SISTER HELENA BURNS is a member of the Daughters of St. Paul, an international congregation founded to communicate God's Word through the media. She is a vocations director for the congregation and writes movie reviews at HellBurns.blogspot.com.

***Submitted by Brother Frank Shea**