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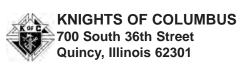
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COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING, 2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

The summer is upon us, flying by fast. The BBQ will be upon us soon in about 6/7 weeks, August 11,12,13. Help will be needed the weekend before to set the tents up and get the grounds ready for the "Big" weekend. We need some new (young) blood to help.

The Big Raffle has started up again. The current jackpot is over \$20,000.

The K of C grounds are busy with volleyball, baseball, driving range, and par 3. Come out and enjoy some good food and take in a game.

Msgr. Leo J. Enlow, Pastor of St. Peter Church, attended our Council meeting on June 13. Father talked about making Quincy a Sanctuary City to keep abortion out and to prevent the selling of abortion pills. Because we are just a bridge away from an anti-abortion State there is a real possibility that Quincy could be a target for abortion vans or clinics to be set up.

We can all do our part by going on-line and signing the Online Petition to make Quincy a Sanctuary city. Online Petition (sanctuarycitiesfortheunborn.com) You can also help by contacting your alderman to express support for this initiative. www.quincyil.gov/city-government/city-council This a chance to say no to abortion, "NOT IN OUR CITY."

Msgr. Enlow also talked about The Good Shepherd Society for Priestly Vocations. This information can be found in the June 11 issue of the Catholic Times on page 16. I said at the meeting that it costs around \$40,000 to educate a seminarian. I was mistaken, the CT states \$37,612. Do what you can to support our seminarians.

Bishop Paprocki always has a good and timely article in the Catholic Times. It usually begins on page 4. Don't forget to read the Hey Father articles each edition. Lots of good informative articles in our Catholic Times. I hope everyone has a safe and happy 4th of July, food for thought, if we had lost the War for Independence, King Charles would be the head of our country.

As always, pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us.

Thomas Maas, Grand Knight 217-885-3301 • 217-885-3322 juliamaas@att.net

Help Promote the BBQ!

FOURTH DEGREE

I will start this newsletter off by letting everyone know that we will be having a 2023 BBQ. We have been hearing from people that we will not have a BBQ. This is not true. That being said, if you would like to work at this years BBQ, please step forward and volunteer your time, let one of the officers know that you would like to work. Thanks in advance.

The July meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 18, 2023, at 7 p.m. in Fr. McGivney Hall. hope to see you there.

> Your Faithful Navigator, Terry Obert (217) 592-6400 or (217) 257-3161

2023-2024 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS OFFICERS

JULY 1, 2023-JUNE 30, 2024

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St. Peters Parish Picnic August 26, 2023 More details next month!

Life's Long Road! Reinhold Niebuhr, a noted Protestant theologian once observed:

Nothing that is worth doing can be achieved in our lifetime; therefore we must be saved by hope. Nothing which is true or beautiful or good makes complete sense in any immediate context of history; therefore we must be saved by faith. Nothing we do, however virtuous, can be accomplished alone; therefore we are saved by love. No virtuous act is quite as virtuous from the standpoint of our friend or foe as it is from

(From the "Irony of American History")

Niebuhr is looking at the building of God's Kingdom from the perspective of all history. He is not suggesting that what we do is insignificant, but rather that what we do is part of a much greater scope than we can perceive. Truly great and fundamental change often happens over a vast scale and time.

our standpoint. Therefore we must be saved by the

final form of love, which is forgiveness.

And so, the challenge for you and I who will not see these changes but rarely in our own lives, is to maintain our direction and focus, what Eugene Peterson meant by "A long obedience in the same direction."

That orientation is maintained in the virtues of Faith, Hope and Charity. In these virtues we are saved. That is the message of the late Holy Father Benedict XVI in his encyclical, Spei Salvi. He wrote:

iSpe salvi facti sumus"—in hope we were saved, says Saint Paul to the Romans, and likewise to us (). According to the Christian faith, "redemption" salvation—is not simply a given. Redemption is offered to us in the sense that we have been given hope, trustworthy hope, by virtue of which we can face our present: the present, even if it is arduous, can be lived and accepted if it leads towards a goal.

The Holy Father ties together the three virtues mentioned by Niebuhr, Faith, Hope and Charity. For these "theological virtues" are linked in their origin - which is God. As the writer of Hebrews teaches, "Now faith is the substance of things to be hoped for, the evidence of things that appear not." (11:1).

What Hebrews is telling us is the good news that if we have Faith (or hope or charity) we have God, for it is he for which we have faith, hope and charity!

While we travel life's way, when things seem hopeless -they are not! When we wonder whether we can trust -- we can! When we wonder if Love matters -- it does! For in each instance, what we seek in Faith, Hope and Charity is not only distant in time, but is also inside our very hearts, right now. God dwells in us!

The "Good News" is indeed true, "The Kingdom of God IS at hand! (It just takes time)

Fr. Don Blickhan

OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

On January 29 we welcomed the following new members into our Council 583:

- John (Jack) Kuhlman of Quincy. Jack spent most of his career in the Chicago area. He is now retired and is a member of St. Anthony Parish.
- Peter Bond of Quincy. Pete is married and works at Timewell Tile.
- Gary Hilgenbrinck of Quincy, is the owner of Hilgenbrinck Excavating
- **Dr. Michael Welch** of Quincy. Mike is a Research Veterinarian with Carthage Innovative Swine Solutions, LLC
- Joe Goerlich of Quincy. Joe works for Sem Minerals.

In the last month or so we have we have welcomed the following new members into our Council 583:

- **Seth Anderson** of Quincy. Seth is currently attending St. Louis University and playing soccer there. He's a son of Brian and Jeanne Anderson and a member of St. Peter Parish.
- **Hunter Jones** of Quincy. Hunter is attending the University of Missouri, is the son of David and Christie Jones and a member of St. Peter Parish.
- Tanner Anderson of Quincy. He is going to be attending St. Louis University in the fall and playing soccer. He is a member of St. Peter Parish and the son of Brian and Jeanne Anderson
- Quentin Vahlkamp of Quincy. Quentin is the son of Dan Vahlkamp and a member of St. Anthony Parish. Quentin works at Knapheides.
- **Brant Arnold** of Quincy. Brant is a military retiree and now works for the Post Office. He's a member of St. Peter Parish.

In less than an hour they observed the video imparting the lessons of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity of the Knights of Columbus.

When you see any of these gentlemen, please welcome them to our council.

Tom Maas, G. K.

THANKS TO ALL WHO CAME OUT AND ENJOYED KARAOKE. WE WILL TAKE THE SUMMER OFF AND WILL RETURN IN THE FALL!

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COUNCIL #583 MEETINGS SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH 7:00 P.M.

FOURTH DEGREE MEETING **JULY 18. 2023** •••••

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Much may be done in those little shreds and patches of time which every day produces, and which most men throw away.

-Charles Caleb Colton

JULY SCHEDULE FOR THE TV MASS FOR SHUT-INS

JULY 4, 2023 Priest: Fr. Tom Meyer

Hosts: John Terstriep Mass Intention: Robert Koch

JULY 11, 2023

Priest: Fr. Tom Donovan Hosts: Terry Obert

Mass Intention: Edward Hinkamper

JULY 18, 2023

Priest: Msgr. Leo Enlow Hosts: Tom Alford, Mike Baker

Mass Intention: John Maxwell

JULY 25, 2023

Priest: Fr. Zachary Samples Hosts: John Farwell, Tom Maas Mass Intention: Danny Seals

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