



THE PATRIOT



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Very Reverend Jeremiah J. Murphy Assembly 211 NEWSLETTER

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Eugene Meyer
Faithful Navigator



Pentecost



One bright Sunday morning, Benson's mother hurries into her son's bedroom and wakes him up. "Benson, it's Sunday. Time to get up!" Benson mumbles from under the covers, "I don't want to go." "What do you mean you don't want to go?" says the mother. "That's silly. Now get up and get dressed and go to church!" Benson goes, "No, I don't want to go and I'll give you two reasons why I don't want to go." He sits up on the bed and continues, "First, I don't like them and second, they don't like me." His mother replies, "Now, that's just plain nonsense. You've got to go to church and I'll give you two reasons why you must. First, you're now forty years old and, second, you're the pastor!"

This sleepy Benson could as well be any of the apostles whom Jesus had commissioned to be his witnesses in Jerusalem, in Judea, in Samaria and to the ends of the earth. But as soon as Jesus leaves them, what do they do? They retire to their upper rooms and hide themselves. They were afraid of the Jews. Like Benson they knew that the people did not like them, they knew that their message was different from the popular message of the time, and they just felt like wrapping themselves up in bed and not having to get up and face the hostile society. We too are often like that, going to church quietly, receiving Jesus in our hearts quietly, and going home again quietly to say our morning and evening prayers quietly. But what about the charge that Jesus left for you and me to be his witnesses and to share the Good News of God's love with all humankind? No. People do not like to be reminded of God. I am afraid they are going to tell me off if I speak to them about God. I am afraid they will not listen to me. I am afraid they will call me a freak out of touch with reality. They don't like us and we don't like them. And so, like Benson, we give up on our God-given duty and go on enjoying our comfortable silence, our comfortable sleep.

Fortunately, Pastor Benson has a guide, his mother, who wakes him and persuades him to go out and preach. This is the kind of work that the Holy Spirit does in the hearts of believers. When fear of trouble tends to freeze our faith into silent submission to despair, the Holy Spirit warms us up and empowers us to go out there and make a difference. They Holy Spirit reminds us, as Benson's mother reminded him, that we have a mission. Our mission is to tell everybody the Good News that God is their Father, that God is the Father of us all, that in spite of all the visible difference of language and culture and social status, we are all one family and should therefore live as brothers and sisters. Our mission is to break the barriers between "us" and "them," between male and female, between Jew and Gentile, between rich and poor, between Black and White, between First World and Third World, and to bring all humankind to speak the one universal language of brotherly love. This is possible only through the working of the Holy Spirit.

Deacon Greg Sullivan

Memorial Day May 26, 2008

Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

" Here Rests In Honored Glory An American

Soldier Known But To God"




"The Sentinels Creed"

"My dedication to this sacred duty is total and wholehearted.
In the responsibility bestowed on me never will I falter.
And with dignity and perseverance my standard will remain perfection.
Through the years of diligence and praise and the discomfort of the elements
I will walk my tour in humble reverence to the best of my ability.
It is he who commands the respect I protect
His bravery that made us so proud.
Surrounded by well meaning crowds by day alone in the thoughtful peace of night.
This soldier will in honored glory rest under my eternal vigilance."

Upcoming Events

May 21st 2008 Officers meeting 6:00 PM.
4th degree meeting 7:00 PM.
Election of officers.

May 26th 2008 Memorial Day Mass
Calvary Cemetery
Full  Regalia


White Coats and no Capes

June 18th 2008 Officer's meeting 6:00 PM.
4th degree meeting 7:00 PM.

July 16th 2008 Officer's meeting 6:00 PM.
4th degree meeting 7:00 PM.

July 2008 Installation of Officers 4:00PM
St. Patrick. Mass and Dinner to follow.

Date and time TBA

Aug 2ND 2008 Decatur Celebration Parade
4th degree Color & Honor Guards march
Full  Regalia.

White Coats and NO Capes.

Family Mass Schedule



May 24, 2008 Our Lady of Lourdes - Decatur
Mass @ 4:30 PM.
Dinner - **Diamond's**

June 21, 2008 Holy Spirit-Mt. Zion.
Mass @ 9:30 AM (**Sunday**)
Breakfast-Tuscany

July, 2008 NO Family Mass
Installation of Officer's
Date, location and dinner
TBA

Aug. 23, 2008 - Holy Family Decatur
Mass @ 4:30 PM.
Dinner - **Felicia's**

Sept. 20, 2008- St. Columcille -Sullivan
Mass @ 5:00 PM
Dinner **Bennigan's** Mt. Zion.

Oct. 18, 2008- St. Thomas- Decatur
Mass @ 4:30 PM.
Dinner - **RUSTY'S**

Nov. 22, 2008 - St. Mary's-Assumption
Mass @ 8:00 A.M. (**Sunday**)
Breakfast- Sophie's

Sir Knight of the Month



Sir Knight Leon Vemmer is our selection for Sir Knight of the month. Leon has been a Third Degree Knight since 11/1/1958 and Fourth Degree since 6/11/1988. Leon attendance at meetings and honor guards is honorable and deeply appreciated. Leon is also a PFN and is now serving as Commander.

*We honor and salute you.
Distinguished Sir Knight:
Leon J. Vemmer*

Please Pray for the Sick:



Joe Meyers	John Troia
Joe Sepich	Lloyd Hanstedt
Hiram Petersen	Bob Bracelin
Harold Kramer	James Brown

May 2008:

Celebrating Birthdays

1. Michael J. Dawson
5. Joseph Hyde
5. Jeffery Long
7. Rev. Jeff Grant
9. Tom Kullik
18. Patrick Althoff
22. Graham Bradley
22. James McNamara
28. Kelly Marrs

Many, many birthday wishes to all Sir Knights celebrating this month.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Recommendations:

The following slate of officers were announced on on April 16, 2008 meeting night as followers.

Faithful Navigator	Steve Bowman
Faithful Captain	Donald Klinker
Faithful Pilot	Lowell Brosamer
Faithful Controller	Lyle Tappendorf
Faithful Purser	Lee Cook
Faithful Scribe	Daniel Ashenfelter
Faithful Admiral	Eugene Meyer
Faithful Inter Sentinel	Kenneth Burns
Faithful Outer Sentinel	Michael Brettl
Faithful Trustee 3 Years	Larry Clark
Faithful Trustee 2 Years	Jack McCoy
Faithful Trustee 1 Year	Leon Vemmer

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Lord grant eternal rest to the soul of
Dorothy (Dottie) Jestis

April 8, 1925 to April 2, 2008

Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary
Wife of deceased Sir Knight Jim Jestis PFN.

Honorary Life Membership

Sir Knight James L. Staples was
presented Honorary Life Membership
on March 19, 2008 meeting night.



Chapeaux Off :



*Please contact SK Terry Heiland to fill out or
update your Chalice Cards.*

**A chalice can only be left to a Priest, Church,
Mission or St. Teresa Educational Fund.**
It cannot be left to a family member.

Honor Guard News: Divine Mercy

The following were in the Honor Guard:
March 30, 2008

Commander	Leon Vemmer
F.N.	Eugene Meyer
P.F.N.	Larry Clark
P.F.N.	Steve Richardson
F.C.	Steve Bowman
S.K.	Don Klinker
S.K.	John Eckert
S.K.	Lee Cook

Thanks for a good turn out.

Honor Guard Requested:

Full



Regalia

White Coats and NO Capes
Memorial Day Mass at 10:00 A.M.
Calvary Cemetery
May 26, 2008

Assembly #211

May 21, 2008 meeting night to be held in the lower
level of St. Patrick's Church

Election of officers for 2008-2009.