



# THE PATRIOT



Fourth Degree

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**NEWSLETTER**

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*Faithful Navigator*

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## Faithful Navigator's Message

Today is the last day of January. It has been a very gloomy month and the weather prediction doesn't seem like it will be better anytime soon. We can all thank God for the warm homes we have and the fact that spring is just around the corner.

The Italian Dinner was a great success. Thanks to all who have worked so hard selling advance tickets and those who worked that evening.

Family Mass will be at Our Lady of Lourdes Sunday Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 A.M. All members are encouraged to attend.



**F.N. Don doing what he does best at the Italian dinner.**

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God grant me the serenity to accept the  
Things I cannot change....  
Courage to change the things I can,  
And wisdom to know the difference.

Vivat Jesus

*F.N. Don Klinker*



**Lowell and David working ticket sales at the front door.**

## Deacon's Message

“You have heard that it was said,  
*You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.*  
But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you,  
that you may be children of your heavenly Father,  
for he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good,  
and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust.” MT 5:38-48

How many of us can say we follow this teaching of Jesus? Have you ever tried to love someone that has wronged your life? It is not an easy task. Can He be serious?

He is very serious. We are all created by God, made human with a divine presence within us. ALL love comes from God. Love is not something we can manifest on our own but a gift we receive and then pass along to others. So, if we are all created by God and all love comes from God, then who are we to decide who is worthy of His love?

Another angle you can look at this from is this: When we carry ill feelings toward someone, it creates baggage that we carry around with us while the one we “hate” isn’t giving it a second thought. It is a kind of “poison” that infiltrates our being and causes us unhappiness. Another reason to love them.

So how do we change this around? Pray for them. Pray that God grants them a happy and healthy life. It won’t be easy at first, but eventually you will start to really mean your prayers and you will dump the baggage you have been carrying around and flush that “poison” from your system. If you work at this, I promise it will change your life and help you grow into a more loving person.

As I like to say: We love some people for who they are and others in spite of who they are!

*Deacon Greg Sullivan*

### Upcoming Meeting & Event Dates

Feb 16 <sup>th</sup> 2011	Officer's meeting 6:15 PM. 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting 7:00 PM
Mar 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2011	Officer's meeting 6:15 PM. 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting 7:00 PM
Apr 20 <sup>th</sup> , 2011	Officer's meeting 6:15 PM. 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting 7:00 PM
May 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2011	Officer's meeting 6:15 PM. 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting 7:00 PM
June 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2011	Officer's meeting 6:15 PM. 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting 7:00 PM
July	Officer's meeting 6:15 PM. 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting 7:00 PM

### Family Mass Schedule



Feb 20 <sup>th</sup> 2011	Our Lady of Lourdes - Decatur Mass @ 9:30 A.M. Lunch – Junz in Forsyth
Mar 19 <sup>th</sup> 2011	Immaculate Conception – Shelbyville Mass @ 4:00 P.M. Dinner – Coronas (old Bennigans) In Mt. Zion
Apr 23 <sup>rd</sup> 2011	St. Patrick – Decatur Mass @ 5:30 P.M.
May 15 <sup>th</sup> 2011	Our Lady of the Holy Spirit – MTZ Mass @ 9:30 A.M.

Save these dates and plan on attending Family Mass

## Pray for the Sick



Joe Meyers	Bob Kolbeck
Joe Sepich	Lloyd Hanstedt
Della Overhuel	Terry Nelson
Graham Bradley	Harold Kramer
Don Klinker	

## KC 577 News

### Free Throw Competition

On March 13, the Decatur Knights Of Columbus will host the regional Free Throw Competition for the area boys and girls from ages 10-14. It will be held at St. Teresa Gym. Warm ups start at 12:00 and the competition will start at 1:00. Call Grand Knight Jim Hendren at 521-7595 if you can help out.

### KC Breakfast

Breakfast is held at the Hall every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month. Serving from 7:00 AM to noon. Next Breakfast is February 27th.

## Celebrating Birthdays January 2011

Feb 2	Mike	Collins
Feb 10	Paul	Whitley
Feb 11	Fred	Lohrstorfer
Feb 14	John	Short
Feb 21	Richard	Overheul
Feb 23	Greg	Brinkoetter
Feb 26	Fred	Hejna
Feb 27	Darrell	Beck

**Many, many best wishes to all  
Sir Knights celebrating birthdays during  
February.**

## Family Mass News



The following were in attendance for family mass at St. James in Decatur on January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

F.N.	Don and Kay Klinker
Commander	Dan Ashenfelter
P.F.N.	Jack and Barb McCoy
P.F.N.	Larry and Mary Lou Clark
P.F.N.	Steve and Ellen Bowman
S.K.	Jerry and Sharon Follis
S.K.	Juan Urbina & family
S.K.	Julius and Dorothy Sebok
S.K.	Hank Gillmar
	Mildred Ashenfelter

Dinner was at Tuscany's Steak & Pasta.

## 50 / 50 Winner

A 50/50 raffle was held during the St. Teresa Scholarship dinner. The winner's cut was \$233. The winner was Jan McKenzie of Decatur. She and her husband Tom, longtime supporters of St. T, kept \$100 of the winnings and donated the rest back to the scholarship fund. Bless you both for your generosity and support of catholic education.

## On the job injury

We experienced our first recordable injury during the Italian dinner. Gene Meyer developed a serious (his account) but not life threatening blister on his finger while pour drinks at the dinner. I'm glad to report he is home resting well, but kept him in your prayers during this recovery period.



## Dues Notices

The KC 4<sup>th</sup> Degree bills for annual dues for the fraternal year 2010 were mailed out in late November. As of January meeting, there are STILL many member who have not yet paid their dues. Please get these paid ASAP and avoid costs and unneeded follow-up work for our officers.

**\$\$ Dues \$\$**

Dues are \$18 Regular Members  
\$3 for Honorary Life & Disabled Members

Payment should be sent to  
**Jim Gould**  
6501 Daybrooke Dr  
Decatur, IL 62521

## Save Dates

Corpus Christi Procession  
June 23rd, 2011

Time & Place to be announced later

The 4<sup>th</sup> Degree will be asked again to provide an honor guard. We need every Sir Knight to participate. Mark your calendar.

## Got a rosary in your pocket?



All our 50/50 winners carry a rosary!!! Don't be caught without one.

Need a rosary ring? If so, see FN Don Klinker.

## \*\*\* A Night of Pasta \*\*\*

On Saturday, February 5, 2011, the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Italian Dinner at St. Teresa High School. The event was well attended given the bad weather during the previous weeks and the 3 inches of snow that morning. Close to 600 meals were served that day. A tip of the chapeau to all the Sir Knights who helped plan and work the event. A special thanks to Lowell Brosamer and Larry Clark for all their work in chairing this event for the 3<sup>rd</sup> straight year. Just a reminder that all proceeds from this event go to support St. T. scholarships.



## Thought for Today

A ship is safe in harbor, but that's not what ships are for.

William Shedd

## Regalia Recycling Program

If you have regalia that you no longer use, please consider donating back to the Assembly for our new members and those needing to fill out their attire. We currently have several tuxes and regalia pieces available for use.

Questions – contact Don Klinker  
@ 217-423-9667

## **Ladies Auxiliary Announcements**

### Ladies Night Out

We are again hosting our 3rd Annual Ladies Night Out. This event has proven to be very successful the last 2 years. We are asking if you can find it within your means to make either a gift donation to put in our auction or raffle, or a cash donation that will allow us to purchase the items needed to make the auction a success. Any donation would be greatly appreciated. We are asking if all monetary or gift donations be turned into the Knights of Columbus Hall before 2/1/10. If you cannot donate, we thank you for taking time to consider our request and cordially invite you to our event!

Please call Angie Hendren at 855-2215 or Cathy Gogerty at 412-9775 if you have any questions or would like to make a donation!

You are invited to the 3rd Annual Knights of Columbus Ladies Night Out

February 26th – Doors Open at 4:00pm

Entrance fee will be \$5.00 in advance or \$8.00 the day of the event. Advance tickets can be purchased at the Knights of Columbus Hall. This fee will include finger foods. Please join us for a special drink menu, many vendors for shopping and demonstrations, raffles and a silent auction. Music will be provided.

You don't want to miss this elegant and entertaining event. All proceeds will benefit the Knights of Columbus & Ladies Auxiliary Charitable Funds.

Sincerely,  
Ladies' Night Out Committee  
Knights of Columbus

Thank you,  
Angie Hendren  
President -Ladies Auxiliary  
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# January 2011 Family Mass



# St. Teresa Italian Scholarship Dinner 2011



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