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NEWSLETTER

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Faithful Navigator

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Faithful Navigator's Message

Thank you Butch and Connie Gilbert for arranging the Christmas Dinner at the Club on Dec. 15th. I think everyone in attendance had a good time. Thanks to Kay Klinker for coordinating the "gift exchange game". Thanks to Dan Ashenfelter for the donation of the Crown Bottle for raffle. I would have liked to see more participation.

Our 3rd annual St. Teresa scholarship dinner will be at St. Teresa High School on Feb. 5, 2011 5:00-7:30 pm. We need to sell as many tickets as we can. All you snowbirds should buy tickets or you should make a donation. Speaking of snowbirds, I pray you have a safe trip to and from your destination and have a great winter.

All Honorary Members do not pay dues but are expected to pay the \$3.00 for the chalice fund. Starting Jan. 2011 those that choose not to pay the \$3.00 will be dropped from the program and at their death the family will not receive a chalice.

Father ... direct our steps in our everyday efforts. May the changing moods of the human heart and the limits which our failings impose on hope never blind us to you ...

Faith gives us the promise of peace and makes known the demands of love. Remove the selfishness that blurs the vision of faith ... (31st Sun)

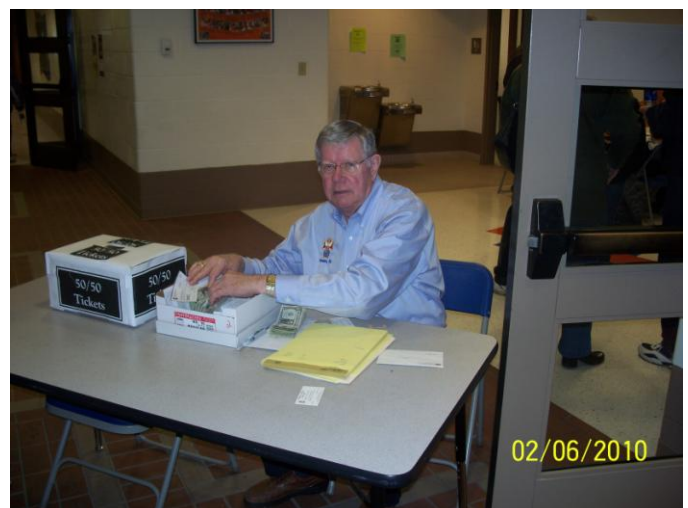
Happy New Year!
Vivat Jesus

F.N. Don Klinker

FN Don Klinker @ Santa



Lowell is ready to sell you Italian Dinner tickets.



Deacon's Message

In a couple of weeks it will be confirmed by God that we are following the right guy; for He will say plainly – “This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased.” When we fall on our faces we all need to take out that piece of scripture to remind us that we can get ourselves back on the right path -- by following Jesus.

We read of the call of Peter, Andrew, John and James. Fisherman. Ordinary guys. God has a wonderful habit of doing this kind of thing. God is filled with surprises. What a cast of characters we see called in scripture: Moses, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Peter, and Paul to name but a few. They all come up with excuses when they are called upon or prompted to get up and take action -- and to their credit they all do respond in the end.

Yet we learn that nothing is impossible with God. It is clear that God does what God wills.

Mary may have been sinless; however the cast of characters that God has chosen throughout salvation history to be his instruments of justice, mercy, love and compassion have been colorful, earthy individuals.

Still, we often do ourselves the disservice -- and Satan loves this gimmick -- of consistently disqualifying ourselves from ever considering ourselves to be called by God to be his instruments. We may understand intellectually that God has chosen many people like ourselves to be his workers; but it ends there. Spiritually we lower our heads, walk into the darkness, and jump on the ever-revolving merry-go-round of unworthiness that never stops for the hope of being called.

One of them is seeing oneself as an instrument of the love and goodness of God. Here is how it works for me: God is love. God gives us all good things. If you buy those two premises -- and I wholeheartedly do -- then it follows that anytime we have an impulse to love or do something good, then we recognize that it comes from God.

The impulse comes from God, the love comes from God, and the good things come from God. The impulse declares us called. The love and goodness flows through us as instruments.

Every prompting to share something good is a call.

Deacon Greg Sullivan

Upcoming Meeting & Event Dates

Jan 19 th 2011	Officer's meeting 6:15 PM. 4 th Degree Meeting 7:00 PM
Feb 16 th 2011	Officer's meeting 6:15 PM. 4 th Degree Meeting 7:00 PM
Mar 16 th , 2011	Officer's meeting 6:15 PM. 4 th Degree Meeting 7:00 PM
Apr 20 th , 2011	Officer's meeting 6:15 PM. 4 th Degree Meeting 7:00 PM
May 18 th , 2011	Officer's meeting 6:15 PM. 4 th Degree Meeting 7:00 PM
June 15 th , 2011	Officer's meeting 6:15 PM. 4 th Degree Meeting 7:00 PM
July	Officer's meeting 6:15 PM. 4 th Degree Meeting 7:00 PM

Family Mass Schedule



Jan 22 th 2011	St. James – Decatur Mass @ 4:00 P.M. Dinner - TBD
Feb 20 th 2011	Our Lady of Lourdes - Decatur Mass @ 10:00 A.M.
Mar 19 th 2011	Immaculate Conception – Shelbyville Mass @ 4:00 P.M.
Apr 23 rd 2011	St. Patrick – Decatur Mass @ 5:30 P.M.
May 15 th 2011	Our Lady of the Holy Spirit – MTZ Mass @ 9:30 A.M.

Save these dates and plan on attending Family Mass with the 4th Degree. No regalia – No problem, you are still welcome to join us for worship and social.

Pray for the Sick



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

Celebrating Birthdays

January 2011

Jan 3	Greg	Cleary
Jan 5	Steve	Brinkoetter
Jan 5	Mike	Haskell
Jan 8	Francis	Rush
Jan 12	Robert	Kolbeck
Jan 17	Tim	Dowd
Jan 18	Jim	Zindel
Jan 19	James	Gollings
Jan 22	Ronald	Moore
Jan 22	Donald	Moore
Jan 22	Nicholas	Schiro
Jan 24	Roger	Shepherd
Jan 30	Charlie	Bell
Jan 30	Leon	Vemmer
Jan 31	Mark	Chevron

**Many, many birthday wishes to all
Sir Knights celebrating during January.**

**I missed new Sir Knight Joe's December
birthday. Sorry and belated Happy Birthday.**

Joe Kern – December 23rd

KC 577 News

Bar Stood Open

The Annual UCP Bar Stool Open will be held on January 15th. We need your help in the kitchen, bartending, watching and scorekeeping the hole, parking lot attendant and custodial help. If you can help, please contact Tom Dilbeck at 520-1621

Steak Night

Steak Night is back on January 22nd. This year the band is Rock Of Ages. The cost is \$50 per couple \$60 at the door. This gets you a 10 oz. rib eye steak, bake potato veggie and salad bar, free draft beer, soda and wine. Cash bar available. Doors open at 5:30. Serving starts at 6:00. Band begins at 8:00. See you there!

Free Throw Competition

On January 30th, the Decatur Knights Of Columbus will host the Council Free Throw Competition for the Decatur 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 with any questions.

KC Breakfast

Breakfast is held at the Hall every 4th Sunday of the month. Serving from 7:00 AM to noon.

Family Mass News



The following were in attendance for family mass at St. Thomas in Decatur on December 19th, 2010.

F.N.	Don and Kay Klinker
Commander	Dan Ashenfelter
P.F.N.	Leon and Mary Vemmer
P.F.N.	Larry and Mary Lou Clark
P.F.N.	Steve and Shirlene Richardson
P.F.N.	Dave Rayhill
S.K.	Gene and Dee Mennel
S.K.	Butch and Connie Gilbert
S.K.	Mike and Linda Brettl
S.K.	Lyle Tappendorf
S.K.	Hank Gillmar
	Mildred Ashenfelter, Sheri Holohan
	Margaret Frinfrock

Dues Notices

The KC 4th Degree bills for annual dues for the fraternal year 2010 were mailed out in late November. Please be looking for them and more importantly, let's get them paid !

\$\$ 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 4th 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.

*** Mark Your Calendar ***

On Saturday, February 5, 2011, the 4th Degree will be holding the 3rd Annual Italian Dinner at St. Teresa High School. All proceeds from this event go to support St. T. scholarships. Please plan now on attending & supporting this important event.

Cost \$7 per adult, \$5 child.

Time 5PM – 7:30PM.

Books of tickets are now available. All Sir Knights are expected to support this event by buying and selling tickets.

See Larry Clark or Lowell Brosamar for tickets.



Thought for Today

The only way to have a friend is to be one.

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

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,
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President -Ladies Auxiliary
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2010 KC Christmas Party

