



Knights of Columbus Monthly Newsletter



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On the first day of this year...
I make a wish that happiness be at your door
May it knock early, stay late
And leave the gift of God's Peace,
Love, Joy & Good Health Behind!
May this year be the best of all
Happy New Year 2013

Sandy Hook

Brothers, the following message was sent to you in an email last month. Its message is so important, we decided to include it here in its entirety.

“Brothers, attached is a pro-life homily on the Sandy Hook Massacre in Newtown, Connecticut. This is a must read for us as we keep the slaughtered children and their families in our daily prayers.

Roger Muller
State Deputy

3rd Sunday of Advent 2012

Fr. Michael DePalma, New Mexico, USA

Instead of preaching about the Third Sunday of Advent, the Sunday where we light the rose colored candle signifying the joy of knowing that the Christ Child is coming soon, I am going to do what many priests will do this Sunday: preach about what took place this past Friday at the Sandy Hook School in Newtown, Connecticut.

Now the first thing to keep in mind is the most important: we have to be united with all of those families who have lost children and loved ones. We all have to grieve. Innocent people are now dead. As human beings and as Catholics—since so many of the dead were Catholic—we are all connected, no one ever lives totally alone, so this tragedy is our tragedy as well. This means that we have to show the highest amount of compassion for those who are suffering through what is an extraordinarily horrible tragedy.

But here is what we now have to be painfully aware of: We as a nation, we as Americans are all part of a culture and a society that now produces this sort of behavior with more and more frequency. Just in the past few months we have witnessed in the news the shooting at the movie theater in Aurora, Colorado, the shooting at the mall in Oregon and now, this totally shocking act where it made no difference who was to be killed, even if you were a young child.

There are so many factors, ingredients if you will, in our country today that can cause us to say, since these types of horrific, violent acts are hardly ever seen in other countries, that we are producing more and more children and young adults who are mentally and emotionally broken, and for some of them, because of their mental and emotional instability, we are producing people who are capable of absolute evil.

How did we get to this point? After hearing the news of the school shooting, so many of us I’m sure were tempted to say, “Man, what the hell is going on around here?” And though that type of talk is not normal in a Sunday homily, it is still factual: *hell is going on around here*, all around us.

What are some of the factors, what are some of the things that we can’t ignore anymore?

One of the biggest is that we live in a post-Christian age. Let’s stop kidding around; we are no longer a Christian nation, despite the fact that about 80% of all Americans say they believe in God. Only 20% of all Americans even go to church on Sundays. Catholics are a bit better, with about 40% who go to Mass on Sundays.

But there is less and less of the stabilizing effect that religion used to give to so many people. And if religion has less and less of a voice, then what is going to be directly affected? Morality.

Look at any culture throughout the history of the world, even the pagan societies. All of their moral laws were based on how they perceived religion. God drives religion, which drives morality, which influences our laws and how we live; it’s all connected.

But God has been abandoned in our country. Part of the reason why is because people have literally become too busy for God, or who have become spiritually bored, or who have adopted the philosophical attitude where the individual, the self, has replaced God. And if there is no God, or very little influence coming down to our communities from God, then there will be no morality.

The horrible attitude that so many people of today subscribe to, “You believe what you want to believe, I’ll believe what I want to believe,” has horrifying consequences. Because what you believe will directly affect what you do. “You do what you want to do; I’ll do what I want to do.” But what is left out? What does God want us to do?

And so what becomes set in concrete is the attitude that whatever I want to do is fine because I make up my own world, I make up my own rules, I make up my own version of reality. And what will get lost every single time in this mindset, most of the time on purpose, is sin. There is no sin if you take away the rules. And you take away the rules by taking God out of the picture.

Another ingredient in this mess is that we are totally surrounded by what John Paul II called the “culture of death.” Death is all around us: in the news, on the internet, most especially in the video games and of course in a culture that kills its own children with the great sin of abortion.

There is not a single person born in this country under the age of 35 who has known a day when abortion has not been legal. And so what that fact has caused in the minds of so many children is that instead of life being precious and wonderful and beautiful, it is now just a roll of the dice. “Why did I survive, when a brother or a sister, or a cousin of mine did not?” That’s a horrible way to live.

But consider some other ingredients which contribute to the mess that we are in, and these are given by Msgr. Charles Pope: “We harm our children in so many ways through abortion, fornication and intentional single motherhood/absent fatherhood, divorce, exposing them to pornography and things that harm their innocence, violence, abuse, poor schooling, indoctrination and on and on and on. It is a terrible time to be a child in our culture. If one is not outright killed in the womb, so often they are born into irregular situations and exposed to the endless bad behavior of adults at every level. Increasingly rare are the children who live in anything resembling the loving two-parent mother and father family that they deserve, who provide them a time of innocence to develop virtue and experience the love of God.”

One of the biggest problems in our country today, and many of you know this first hand, is that our children are angry. Oh, we are not talking about being a little bit upset, so many children are furious, because children, especially with their ability to wonder and to place their trust in God, look at the world around them—Godless, hopeless, dark, full of death, with a dad who is never around, with a mother who is more caught up in her pain than in her motherhood—and they know that this was not how it was supposed to be! What about those children who survived the shootings in Connecticut? They will never be able to get over that fact: *this was not how it was supposed to be.*

So what can we do? Pope Benedict once said, “In the face of horror ... there is no other answer than the cross of Christ: Love that descends to the abyss of evil.”

We need Christ to suffer with us. We need Christ to bring us from our *mourning and weeping in this valley of tears* to bring us to say as Jesus himself said, *The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.* But how is Christ going to be received in a world that has almost completely rejected God and religion? Now, more than ever in the history of our world, we need saints.

We need men, women and children who are willing to stand up for God and say, “My Lord Jesus, I will be your voice, I will be your hands, I will be your presence in this world.” Now that takes a lot of guts, because they crucified Jesus, they will crucify you too. But saints and a whole lot of them are exactly what we need.

And where are they going to come from? Right here, in front of me.

All of you need to strive to become saints, because what does a saint do? A saint working with God restores hope, faith, and love. And you all can do this by bringing about in everything that you say and do, what is known as the transcendentals of God. God is true. God is good. God is beautiful.

Grieve with the people who lost terribly in this tragedy. But then get out there and accept nothing that is false—absolutely nothing. God is true; Jesus himself said that he is the Truth. Only deal then with what is true. And if you don’t know what is true and what is false, then it’s time to stop playing around and it’s time to start reading the Bible, the Catechism and the lives of the saints.

God is good. So do nothing, think nothing that is also not purely good. Keep your minds and your hearts pure. Don’t dwell on anything evil; don’t even think about anything evil. Stay completely surrounded by a God who is Goodness itself.

And, no more ugliness. God is beautiful. And He gives us beautiful things, the greatest of which is life. So accept nothing that takes away beauty. Reject all that is ugly, hideous or revolting. Let us all bring beauty back into this world.

And finally, you parents love your children as God loves them, as He loves you as a matter of fact: completely, unconditionally. And you children, honor your parents, and begin to dream once again. Begin to dream as the Baby Jesus dreamt when he was held in the arms of his mother Mary. The world that he was born into was dark and dangerous and ugly, just like ours is. But Jesus, the Christ Child dreamt of making all things new. He now needs his saints to help him do just that.”

•Grand Knight's Message



Paul Sciera

Brother Knights,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all.

2012 was a great year for our Council. Due to the efforts of all of you we were able to achieve **Star Council** for 2012.

Several great things were done over this past year. To mention them all would take up this whole letter so I am just going to mention a few high points.

- We started our Newsletter in April. It has been a great product thanks to Herb Engler our editor and publisher. Thanks to all who contributed articles.
- Our two fish fry's during Lent gave us an opportunity to sample some great fish and fellowship thanks to our cooks Gary & Joe and staff.
- Our State Convention was a great success in that we brought home a trove of awards for your efforts during the year.



- The Church Rectory was completed this year and a fund raising drive by the

Parish with matching funds of \$5000.00 was donated by the Council for furnishing the Rectory and improvements to the Church, which included a beautiful gold Monstrance.



- Our 20th anniversary celebration was a great success with our Bishop and State Dignitaries in attendance.



- We had lots of great Breakfasts and Beer & Brats throughout the year.



- We completed the cleanup and constructed the Rosary Walk on the Diocese property.



- Our Thanksgiving Basket drive along with our Tootsie Roll Drive set new records. This enabled us to help lots of people in need in our community.



- We ended the year with a great Christmas party celebration that saw lots of gifts given out to good children. Our annual Christmas gift to the Church was greatly appreciated by Fr. Brian & Fr. Jim.



A special recognition for all our Knights and Family's of the Month . Thanks for all your efforts during the year

Month	Knight of the Month	Family of the Month
Jan	Dick Mills	John Hilton
Feb	Ron Mazer	Dennis Colln
Mar	Phil Rubino	Joe Musso
Apr	Herb Engler	Guy Hopkins
May	James Brady	Mike Callahan
Jun	Barney Meyer	Roger Guidici
Jul	Alan Brown	Ron Mazer
Aug	Roger Guidici	John Starkey
Sep	Max Gramly	Tony Yarosh
Oct	Bob Luckner	Alan Brown
Nov	Chris Kennedy	John Davis
Dec		

Our Family of the Year for 2012 is Roger & Sue Giudici.



Our Knight of the Year for 2012 is Joe Musso.



Looking forward to a great 2013.

Vivat Jesus,
Paul Sciera
Grand Knight

Financial Secretary News



Roger Giudici

Membership News



Keith Haley

(Membership Drive, First Degree Team)

I am getting ready to order shirts.
If I have an order from you already, I have sent you a verification message about that order.
If you did not receive an email and you feel you have ordered a shirt, please let me know.
If you haven't ordered a shirt and would like one, please send me an email with your size and type of shirt you'd like.
A copy of the order form is included below

Knights of Columbus

**Rev. Robert F. Houlihan, S.J.
Council 10937**

Pax Christi Assembly 3353

Shirt Order Form

Name: _____

Name to be embroidered on

the shirt: _____

Phone: _____

eMail: _____

If you are interested in purchasing one or more shirts, please fill out the form. Before shirts are ordered, I will email you with exact cost and to verify the order.

Size: _____

(Select from M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, LT, XLT, 2XLT, 3XLT)

NOTE: Hawaiian shirts are not available in tall sizes.

Quantity:

Council Shirts:

___ Red Hawaiian Shirt

___ Turquoise Hawaiian Shirt

___ Gray Hawaiian Shirt

___ Short sleeve maroon polo shirt **with** pocket

___ Short sleeve maroon polo shirt **without** pocket

___ Long sleeve maroon polo shirt **with** pocket

___ Long sleeve maroon polo shirt **without** pocket

Assembly Shirts

___ Short sleeve navy dress shirt

___ Long sleeve navy dress shirt

Spring Social

I am setting up our spring social at Pappadeaux Seafood Kitchen for Sunday March 17th from 1 pm to 3:30 pm.

We will need to have at least 20 attendees but can have at most 44 attendees.

I expect the price per person to be about \$40 including tax and tip, but that is subject to change as I get the final details in place.

We have corporate mass at the 10:30 am mass on March 17th, so we will go to mass and then head up to Pappadeaux.

Let me know if you have any questions.

I will be looking for commitments after the new year.

Roger

Rogerguidici@comcast.net

Membership

1st Degree

No new members in November.

Attention all 1st Degree members!!!
Opportunity to get your 2nd & 3rd Degrees.

Major Degree Exemplifications
go to colordokofc.org for complete details on degrees

Date: January 26, 2013
Council: 3285 – Monsignor Roy Figlino
Location: St. Augustine Parish Center
178 South 6th Ave.
Brighton, CO 80601

Fourth Degree Exemplifications
go to colordofourth.org for complete details on degrees

Date: April 13, 2013
Assembly: 3300 – Jesus, Light of the World
Location: Littleton, CO

Date: May 19, 2013
Assembly: 96 – Holy Family
Location: Security, CO

Treasurer Report



Dennis Cullen

As of 12/8/12:

Bank Balance	\$17,429.42
Available Funds	\$11,221.30

Church News



Ron Rietsch

(Reconciliation Dinner, Christmas and Easter Parking, Seminarian Support, Beer and Brats, Adoration, Donuts)

rrgirles@msn.com

Brothers,
We served dinner on. December 20th to all the Priests after the reconciliation service. This went well. Joe Musso, Gary Mayfield, Ben Stancati, and Ron Rietsch cooked up a storm. We had your standard fare of cheese and crackers with apples and caramel for dipping and chocolate covered strawberries and oranges for starters. Gary made his famous garlic mashed potatoes with gorgonzola cheese. Joe put together the salad and garlic bread. Joe, Ben and I got the shrimp ready to be sautéed in garlic and butter sauce while Gary was grilling the NY strips. We made green beans with peppers and onions also. Before prep began, Joe got the table set for 8-9 Priests. Dinner was served with 8 ready to eat. The ninth showed up a little late. We were ready to serve him though. A tenth showed up and we served whatever we had left. An eleventh showed up and he got salad

that was left. We have never run out of food before and I guarantee we will never run out again. Bring them on!! There was both Hot apple pie and vanilla ice cream for dessert. Only a couple were able to partake of that. Fr. Jim had both. Glad to see you enjoy the service Fr. Jim. Father John from St Marks requested a couple of our secret recipes. That made us feel good. I think dinner was a great success and it made going to reconciliation service a bit easier afterwards.

Ron Rietsch



Thanks to the guys who put up the Keep Christ in Christmas banner and to anyone that has been able to sell Christmas cards after Masses.

Your Brother in Christ,
Ron Rietsch

Community News



Bob Luckner

(Adopt-a-Highway, Tootsie Roll Drive, Bicycle Drive, Fr. Woody's, Denver Rescue Mission)

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AARP TAX Aide

Knights and Lady Knights

Again, AARP Tax-Aide is looking for volunteers that are good with numbers

but don't need to know how to do income taxes, as we teach you. Your help would provide free tax services to seniors and the less fortunate in downtown Denver. Every year, many seniors and low-income families have to pay for tax preparation. Sadly, their refund goes to the tax preparer. Our service is free!

Our group is called AARP Tax-Aide, a not-for-profit arm of the AARP Foundation. AARP Tax-Aide is the nation's largest, free, volunteer-run tax assistance service. For over 40 years, AARP, in conjunction with the IRS, has provided this tax service for low to middle-income families and taxpayers 60 and older. Jointly, AARP and the IRS, provide all the necessary training, training materials, supplies, and computers

There currently are not enough tax preparers or greeters. Many days, we must turn people away because we can only complete a limited number of returns. AARP needs your help to prepare and file their taxes.

AARP also needs volunteers to greet the clients that come into our tax sites. To be a greeter, these volunteers should be comfortable around people and have good organizational abilities.

Tax preparers become certified after taking 3 days of classroom training and passing the IRS exam in January. Greeters only need to take 2 hour training on one day in January. The actual tax preparation is done February 1st until April 17th, at the downtown Denver site, Monday through Friday from 10:00 AM until 3:00 PM. Volunteers can work from 1 to 5 days a week during the tax season.

We are very blessed. Please pay it forward and help the less fortunate with your God given abilities. Call or email me at the contact information

below to sign up or get more information about this great volunteer opportunity. You can also go to the AARP Web Site at www.aarp.org/taxaide for more information.

Vivat Jesus

Dave Martz
AARP Tax-Aide CO-Denver
LC, INST, ERO, TC
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martz20@comcast.net

Council News



Leonard Leyba

(Family Social Hour, Monthly Pancake Breakfast and Burritos, Peaches, Fish Fry)

Lenrd2001@yahoo.com

Men's Choir Makes Christmas Brighter

The 12 voice Men's Choir sang at the 9:00 PM Mass on Christmas Eve. After 4 rehearsals, the sound and execution was fantastic. One comment was that we made a big difference in contributing to the reverence, celebration and beauty of the Mass celebrating Christ's Birth.

A big thank you and congratulations on a great performance. This was the brain child of Ben Stancati. Thanks Ben.

The choir is made up of the following Knights of Columbus members and CRHP alumni.

Herb Engler
Michael Burkett
Dave Petteys
Mike Bolen
Brian Murphy
Bill Miller

Bill Hensen
Jim West
Ben Stancati
Dennis Rosengarten
Alan Brown
Keith Haley
Donnie Heinrich - Director
Ann West – Accompanist



Knight of the Month - November

It is my pleasure to announce our Knight of the Month for November, 2012.

Christopher Kennedy Membership # 3001311

10207 S. Andee Way

Highlands Ranch, CO 80130

Council 10937 Highlands Ranch, Colorado

Grand Knight – Paul Sciera

Chris is a 4th Degree Knight and has been a Knight since 1991.

As our 3rd Year Trustee, Chris has been instrumental in maintaining the success and stability of our Council since he became our Past Grand Knight 1 - 1/2 years ago. He has always been quick to go the extra mile to make certain that our council judgment and leadership is good and that our Programs maintain on track with fresh new ideas. His orchestration of the building of a

Rosary Garden on church grounds is a fine example of his work.

This month was no different. Chris made certain that we had everything we needed to get complete meals to all 314 families. The families receiving the baskets were very appreciative as they might have otherwise gone without a Thanksgiving meal if not for these baskets.

I am thrilled to have Chris Kennedy as our clear Knight of the Month.

Vivat Jesus,

Joe Musso

Deputy Grand Knight

Family of the Month – November

John Davis Family

JOHN DAVIS
1118 RIDDLEWOOD LANE
HIGHLANDS RANCH, CO 80129

It is always a pleasure to have a long standing Knight and his family receive the recognition of Family of the Month. John has been a Knight since 2010 and has continually encouraged his family, TONYA, CHLOE 9, TYLER 7 and PAIGE 5 to be involved in our parish and our council activities. Tonya is co-chair of the Mom's Group and is involved in Helping Hands. This month John's family was front and center when it came time to get our Thanksgiving Baskets assembled and distributed to 314 needy families at Thanksgiving. The effort of John's family really helped put the finishing touches on our baskets as they got ready for delivery. It is my pleasure to announce John Davis and his family

Family News



Bill Hensen

(Spaghetti Dinners, Take Dad to the Ball Park, Family Hikes, Air Force Football, Christmas Party)

Annual Christmas Party

Dear Brothers,

On Dec. 14, we had our annual Christmas dinner for all of the Knights families. We had lots of help getting the Christmas tree decorated and setting up the great hall. This year's program started out with Father Jim presiding over the Marion Prayer Service. The service was well attended and gave all of us a great perspective and history of Our Lady of Guadalupe.



The dinner part of the evening was a Pot Luck with the main course provided by the Knights. The 3 turkeys were cooked by Ron Gerber, and the ham was prepared by Gary Mayfield. The balance of the meal was many traditional dishes, salads and wonderful desserts from the families attending.

Grand Knight, Paul Sceria took time after dinner to recognize the leadership and those knights who made special efforts by giving us a review of all the Knights and families of the month from 2012. After much

deliberation, he presented the prestigious award for Knight of the Year for 2012 to Joe Musso.



With the meal and business concluded, next came the highlight of the evening, the appearance of Santa Claus. Santa (Brian Murphy) did a wonderful job of handing out the gifts but also took time to making sure each child had a personal conversation with Santa about how they had behaved over the last 12 months. The excitement of the kids was worth the price of admission.



The head count for the event was 104. Everyone seemed to have a great time and it was a wonderful way to get prepared for the Christmas season.

Thank you all for helping to make this year's event a success.

Sincerely,

Bill Hensen

Family Activity Director

Fourth Degree News



Victor Ogunmodede

Sir Knights,

Brother Knights,

As you may or may not be aware, the Pax Christi Assembly sponsors a corporate mass monthly at Pax Christi. This is not "corporate" as in a company, but "corporate" as a body of members.

All Knights are invited, along with their families to sit with the group. 4th degree members are requested to attend in social regalia (Tuxedo, social baldric, and 4th degree pin). Other knights are asked to be dressed nicely. We cycle through the masses so that we attend each mass 3 times a year. The corporate mass is on the third weekend of the month.

The schedule for this fraternal year is:

Saturday Jan 19th 5pm mass

Sunday Feb 17th 8:30am mass

Sunday Mar 17th 10:30am mass

Sunday Apr 21st 5pm mass

Saturday May 18th 5pm mass

Sunday June 16th 8:30am mass

If you are attending the mass, please come and sit with the group so the parish can see us as more than just the guys who cook for parish events.

Roger

[Visit this link to learn more about the Fourth Degree.](#)

Insurance News

Greg Archunde

Greg is our insurance field agent. Please contact him with all your insurance concerns.

720 985-5753 or 866 610-8402 toll free.

Gregory.archunde@kofc.org

Lady Knights News



Jennifer Sciera

The Lady Knights are an informal group of Knights wives. We do what we can to support the Knights activities and charitable causes.

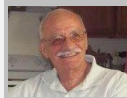
We meet every other month. If your wife would like to receive our email communications, please send an email to jsciera@q.com.

Lecturer Message

Ben Stancati

*The Rev. Robert F. Houlihan, S.J.
Educators Series, number 6.0*

Pro Life News



Mike McGinnis

(Ultra Sound Project, Walk for Alternatives, Pro Life Rosary, Right to Life Mass)

michaelmcginnisco@comcast.net

Statistics from 40 Days For Life fall 2012 campaign:

- 821 babies were saved from abortions.
- 6 abortion workers quit their jobs.

- 1 Planned Parenthood Center closed its doors 5 days after the campaign ended.
- Since the first 40 Days For Life Campaign:
- There have been 2,210 campaigns in 481 cities.
- There have been 550,000 participants who have joined together to pray and fast.
- 15,500 Church congregations have participated.
- 6,749 lives have been saved from abortion.
- 75 abortion workers have quit their jobs.
- 25 abortion centers have closed.

The next 40 Days For Life campaign is from Feb. 13th, 2013 to March 24th, 2013.

Picketing Planned Parenthood Dec 15:

We started with a prayer led by Mnsgr Schmidt around 0915 followed by a procession around the block on which the Aurora Planned Parenthood is situated. The Procession was led by the District Master Buljung.

Following him was an image of Our Lady of Guadeloupe rolled on a dolly by a Franciscan brother. It was a special image: an exact digital reproduction of the image hanging in the Cathedral in Mexico City in color and size. The image was flanked by two more Knights. We prayed the rosary as we went.

After once around the block, the procession entered the vacant lot across from the Planned Parenthood and Mnsgr Schmidt concluded with a litany and a closing blessing around 10 AM.



There were about 80 people in the procession, praying earnestly for the lives of the babies at risk as the cars bearing young women turned into this facility of evil. Others on ladders called out as the individuals went up the steps, others tried to hand out literature to the cars as they turned into the entrance of this death factory.



Sir Knights: this is the front line of the cultural wars. As Patriotic Fourth Degree members, it is our duty to stand up for life and for the defense of our Judeo-Christian values. The call went out to every Assembly on the Denver and Colorado Springs Dioceses! What a tragedy that of all the thousands of Knights who received the call, **only three of us showed up!** I call on every Sir Knight to examine his conscience and ask "what else was I doing that Saturday morning that was more important than

the fight for the lives of these little innocents?"

Jesus Vivat

Dave Petteys

Broken Women



I was 18 and dating a man my parents strongly disapproved of. When I told my parents I was pregnant, they told me they would kick me out if I didn't have an abortion. Everyone told me that abortion was the best route for me.

The abortion did not "solve all my problems", I was everyone had promised. My parents still kicked me out - I had to quit school - and I married the boyfriend He was an alcoholic and a drug addict. He beat me up and brought other women into our bed.

He held a knife to my chest one night during a drunken spree. I told him to kill me, that I wanted to die. I had nothing. No parents, no husband, really, no baby, and no self-respect. I had killed our child I was a murderer. I truly wanted to die.

Soon after this we were separated and divorced. The abortion left a scene of destruction. My family, my first marriage, my image of myself - all a total wreck. Nothing will ever be the same.

God is merciful. I didn't know Him then like I do now. I've had one child since then, and I'm pregnant again. These children are my joy and my forgiveness from God If I had only known how sweet and wonderful a baby is, I never would have had the abortion - not in two million years.

Alternatives Pregnancy Center – Prayer Requests – December 18, 2012

1. Please pray for a client and her partner as they consider having an abortion. Please pray that they will become open to discussing their life-giving options with one another and that they would be encouraged through a strong support system.
2. Please pray for a pregnant client who is considering having an abortion. Pray that the hesitation she is feeling in her heart will be stronger than the pressure to choose this option. Lord, please intervene in her life and show her as well as her family how she can choose one of her life-giving options.
3. Please pray for a client who is experiencing tough circumstances and who is thinking that having an abortion is her only option. Pray for physical healing of her body and also pray that she recognizes the life giving option that will fit into her future plans.
4. Praise the Lord for several clients that have changed their minds about having an abortion and have decided to parent their children. Thank you, Lord, that they have chosen life!
5. Praise the Lord that a pregnant client is choosing to place her child for adoption. Please pray that she can remain strong in her choice as she is experiencing some negative feedback because of her decision. Pray that the

Lord would grant her peace through her pregnancy and that He would open the hearts and eyes of her support system so they can become an encouragement to her for this life-giving choice!

6. Please pray for a client as she seeks answers to her medical concerns. Pray that she is empowered to become her own advocate and that she becomes knowledgeable about what questions to ask. Lord, please grant her peace during this time of uncertainty and bring her answers that she can accept.

7. Please pray for a client who is facing her pregnancy without her partner - the father of her baby. Pray that she can remain strong and that she is surrounded by supportive people so she is not alone.

8. Praise the Lord that a client has a desire to abstain from sex until she is married. Pray that she and her boyfriend remain strong and encouraging to one another as they live out this commitment.

9. Please pray for a client who is struggling to leave an abusive relationship. Pray that she is able to see a hopeful future for herself and her baby.

10. Praise the Lord for a client who changed her mind about having an abortion and has delivered a healthy baby! We also praise God that the father of the baby has chosen to stay and that together this couple can raise their child together. Thank you, Lord, for these lives.

11. Please pray for a client who is feeling overwhelmed at the news that she is pregnant. Pray for this woman to have the strength to ask for help and also for her to experience financial relief so that she can feel confident in herself and in a life-giving decision for her pregnancy.

12. Please pray for a client whose heart is telling her to parent; however, due to outside pressures, she is feeling conflicted about this choice.

13. Please pray for a client to remain strong in her decision to leave an abusive relationship for the sake of her baby.

14. Please pray for a client who is in need of medical care. Pray that she is able to locate and be cared for by a physician soon.

15. Please pray for a client who is choosing to have an abortion. Praise the Lord that she is open to receiving an ultrasound at Alternatives. Please pray that during the time between now and that appointment that her heart will be softened on behalf of her baby.

**Let us help each other to love others
and to do good.**

Hebrews 10:24

Prayer Line

Please pray for the following
Brothers, and/or their families:

Jim DeRose, Chris Kennedy Family,
Ken Bertrand Carol Barrett, Bob
Chubbick

Public Relations News



Herb Engler

If you have a communications item,
please let Herb Engler know and he
will include it here.

Advertising an Event

You can advertise a Knights event in
the Highlands Ranch Herald by
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<http://www.ourcoloradonews.com/calendar/>

Left click Post Your Event.

Then Login with council10937 and
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Complete the form and submit.

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To Read The Highlands Ranch Herald

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Left click on Highlands Ranch Herald

Our History:

Last month you learned who our past
Grand Knights were. With the naming
of Joe Musso as Knight of the Year, I
thought you might like to know who
our past honorees were.

1992	Ron Gerber
1993	John Akers
1994	William Reichert
1995	Keith Sears
1996	William Duster
1997	Michael Melo
1998	Jack Doyle
1999	John Eiler
2000	Thomas Odle
2001	Brian LeFever
2002	Dan Timmerman
2003	Michael Burkett
2004	Matt Sheffield
2005	Chris Kennedy
2006	Jason Mumm

2007	James Curcio
2008	John Alfeld
2009	Don Zirkelbach
2010	Ron Rietsch
2011	Gary Mayfield
2012	Joe Musso

And Roger and Sue Giudici, our Family of the Year, join the following outstanding families.

1992	Patty and James Delay
1993	Deanne and Ron Gerber
1994	Patricia and Thomas Harding, Jr
1995	Linda and John Akers
1996	Joanne and Alvin Schopp
1997	Katherine and Mel Claytor
1998	Christine and Michael Melo
1999	Pat and Donald Stanley
2000	Jennifer and Paul Sciera
2001	Laura and Steve Schaffer
2002	Gary and Shawn Johnson
2003	Bridget and Chris Mosley
2004	Paul and Kim DeCoste Mike and Anne Marie Roy
2005	Sue and Roger Giudici
2006	Cathy and Jim Egan
2007	Anne and Dennis Thumann
2008	Dawn and Tim Pimmel
2009	Terri and Gary Mayfield
2010	Jerri and Max Gramley
2011	Michelle and Chris Kennedy
2012	Roger and Sue Giudici

And, an editorial note:

I keep thinking that Keeping Christ in Christmas is much more than putting up a banner at the church entrance. We may feel that we have done all we can do by placing those words in a place where they can be seen by all who enter Pax Christi.

But what about the thousands who drive by and pay no attention. I think that more people drive around looking at Christmas Lights than actually read that banner.

How many of us who display Christmas Lights also display the Holy Family? I must admit that I am one who has not. But, that will change next Christmas. The Holy Family will be displayed on my lawn; so that the

drive by lookers know that I am keeping Christ in Christmas and wish that they will too.

I am going on a personal year long crusade to have all Knights display the Holy Family somewhere in their outdoor Christmas display, preferably at the center and forefront of your display. You have a whole year to plan your display. Where will you display the Birth of our Lord?

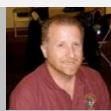
Will you join me in making that commitment? And, while we are at it, how about encouraging our non-Catholic Christian friends to do the same.

I just read recently, that if we all do this, it should not make any difference if municipalities include a reference to the Birth of Christ in their "Holiday Display". There is more than one way to get around the ACLU!

Reading This Newsletter

This is a survey. If you have read this newsletter in its entirety, please send me an email with the words "Have Read" to herbe805@gmail.com

.Vocations News



Gary Mayfield

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Please support and pray for our two new seminarians – Mark Longstaff and Nathan Hinds.

Youth News



Dennis Thumann

(Free Throw Contest, Soccer Shoot out, Scholarship, Financial Planning for Youth)

Brothers,

Knights of Columbus Sponsors Youth Basketball Free Throw Championship

All boys and girls ages 10 to 14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2013 Knights of Columbus Basketball Free Throw Championship. Participants will compete with their respective age group. The competition will be held:

Date: January 20, 2013

Time: 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Place: Rocky Heights Middle School Gym

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually, with winners progressing through local, district, and state competitions. Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent at the event.

I need 6 to 8 volunteers for the Free Throw Championship on Sunday January 20th at Rocky Heights Middle School. We begin setup at 12:30 pm and will be finished by 2 pm. Please respond by email if you can attend. No experience necessary.

Also, if you have children or grandchildren ages 10 to 14, bring them out to compete.

For more information contact:

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Knights of Columbus Supreme Site	How to Pray the Rosary

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