



The St. Jude Journal

Knights of Columbus Council 5801
Gahanna, OH

August 2008

"So that in all things God may be glorified."—Rule of St. Benedict

Dates to Remember:

- August 13, 2008
Business Meeting
8 p.m., K of C Room
- August 27, 2008
Social Meeting
8 p.m., K of C Room

Letter From Our Grand Knight:

I would like to start by saying "Thank You" to everyone that helped with the success of the festival and also the completion of the landscape at the PSC. At the festival, everywhere I looked, there were Knights volunteering their time at the grill, at the beer wagon, in the kitchen, at the poker tables, and at the games. It makes me proud to be part of an organization that supports the parish in many ways.

A few weeks back from the Gospel of Matthew (Ch.13), Jesus tells us the parable of the farmer that sows grain and is concerned where the grain lands. The grain lands on good soil, rocky soil or finally the hard path. I see this as a good comparison to Columbianism. The four principles of the Knights of Columbus; Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism are good ideals individually but when combined along with the solid foundation of being a Catholic gentleman, great results can happen.

On Sunday, July 20th, I attended a meeting to introduce the year's program to the new Grand Knights. At this meeting, it was obvious how much of an impact we, as Knights, make in the whole state. I have always been amazed by how our relatively small and young council affects our community. The impact the Knights of Columbus has in the state is truly inspiring.

This month is going to be a slow one. I would like to see some council events other than the social meeting happen this month. If someone could plan an evening for a baseball game or an Olympic event. I know that there is always a need for more people to step up and volunteer, there are a few positions that we do need filled ASAP. Some of these are General Program Director, Degree Team positions, and Fraternal Activities Director. Let me know if you are interested.

Fraternally,
Brian Novotny

Annual Golf Outing

Our 10th Annual Memorial Golf Tournament is fast approaching! Saturday, September 20 at The Links at Echo Springs. Shotgun start at 9am. Registration is \$75 per player and includes your golf, unlimited beverages, lunch and a guaranteed good time.

Proceeds from the outing will be used to support the Knights' charitable activities, including Juvenile Diabetes and CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children).

Contact Bill Holehouse (939-9591) or Steve Dinan (475-2834).

First Degree

A First Degree program will take place on August 14th at Bishop Ready High School. If you know anyone who needs to go through the program, please contact Brian.

Got Refrigerator?

As some of you may be aware, we are having some trouble keeping our refrigerator going. Any donated refrigerators would be greatly appreciated.

Exciting Donation Offer

The Knights have received an offer that will allow us to receive a donation for every Real Estate transaction completed through fellow Knight Andy Rose at Triumph Realty, Inc. To qualify for the donation, the Buyer or Seller will need to call Andy Rose at 933-8933 and let him know that they are a Knight or were referred by a Knight. Anyone will qualify for this donation. Andy will donate one half percent of the purchase price of the home after closing. On a \$200,000 home he will donate \$1,000. Please take advantage of this generous offer.

Endorse The Knights

I am going to compile a collection of thoughts about why WE became Knights. If I could get statements from the other Knights, from one sentence to short essays, I will put them together and keep a few copies around the Knights room so we can share them with prospective members. I don't think there is a better way to show how great this organization is than from its own members.

– Brian

Food Booth at The Gahanna Flea Market

One of our fund raisers for Catholic High School scholarships and The Northeast School is putting together a Food Booth at the Gahanna Flea Market. This year's booth will be located in the same area as last year's booth, just off Hamilton road in the parking lot of Gahanna Lincoln High School.

The date is Sunday, September 21 and the booth working hours are from 8 to 5.

I would ask that you volunteer for a few hours **OR** donate food to sell at the event. Items wanted are:

Lemons ... up to 5 dozen

Peppers ... up to 2 dozen

Onions ... up to 2 dozen

Cheese ... 100 slices

Hot dog buns ... enough for 100 Hot Dogs

Hamburger buns ... enough for 64 Hamburgers

Hoagie buns ... enough for 64 Italian Sausages

Pop ... up to 120 cans

Paper Plates 9" – up to 200 to hold the Funnel Cakes

Fresh Baked Goods ... For Breakfast or Lunch

For more info, to volunteer and to donate items email Allen Perk at Allen.Perk@XLNsystems.com or call Allen at 614.579.9561



Degree Team

Did going through the 1st, 2nd and 3rd degrees of Knighthood make an impression on you? It's been suggested that building a new degree team would benefit our council. Interested? If so, please let Brian know.

Fr. Aquinas Guilbeau to Speak at Humanae Vitae 40th Anniversary Dinner

Imagine that the Pope were to come out with an encyclical, which essentially reaffirmed the constant and inerrant teaching of the Catholic Church. Imagine then that an overwhelming majority of Catholic theologians were to condemn this encyclical and state plainly that this papal teaching should be utterly ignored. Well, that is exactly what happened 40 years ago when Pope Paul VI promulgated *Humanae Vitae*.



The Stella Maris chapter of Catholics United for the Faith is hosting a dinner and talk to celebrate the encyclical's 40th anniversary and to call attention to this profound and prophetic teaching of Pope Paul VI.

Humanae Vitae ("Of Human Life") was written during the turbulent '60's and released on July 25, 1968. The amount of hostility directed toward *Humanae Vitae* has been so great that most people are astonished when they first learn that contraception was not always a hotly debated issue. All Christian churches were united in their opposition to contraception until as recently as the early decades of the 20th century. It was not until 1930 that the Anglican Church went on record as saying that contraception was permissible, for grave reasons, within marriage. It was also at this time, however, that Pope Pius XI issued the encyclical *Casti Connubii* ("On Christian Marriage"), in which he reiterated what has been the constant teaching of the Catholic Church: contraception is intrinsically wrong.

It's interesting to note that Pope Paul VI did not condemn the use of contraception because it is an act that has bad consequences. Rather, he asserted that since contraception is an intrinsically evil action, it is predictable that it will have bad consequences.

And what are those consequences? Well, perhaps it would be best to encourage your attendance at the *Humanae Vitae* Dinner and Talk, which will be held at Our Lady of Victory's parish hall on Saturday, August 23rd beginning at 6:30 PM. Our Lady of Victory is located at 1559 Roxbury Road in Columbus. Our speaker is Fr. Aquinas Guilbeau, O.P., a Dominican priest from St. Vincent Ferrer parish in New York City. Fr. Guilbeau was ordained in 2002 and is known for his Advent talks sponsored by the Catholic Exchange. The cost of the dinner is \$25 per person and the Stella Maris chapter of Catholics United for the Faith is taking reservations right now.

Young people and couples preparing for marriage are especially encouraged to attend this exciting celebration, but the event is for everyone. You won't be disappointed. For more information, or to make a reservation, please contact Tom Ryan at (614) 337-0509 or by e-mail at tfryan61@yahoo.com.

From Our Chaplain:

My Dear Brother Knights and Ladies,

When I shared this condensed version of Bishop William E. Lori's column in the *Columbian* magazine, it caused a "stir" among some of our members, which leads me to believe it is worth repeating in this month's newsletter, so it can be shared with all of our members. For the original column, please refer to the July 2008 issue. This is what I shared at the July meeting.

Few things cause heated discussions more than the question of whether evolution or creationism or evolutionism should be taught in public schools. What I personally find amazing is that the debate has hardly progressed since the famous "Scopes" trial in 1925. William Jennings Bryan and Clarence Darrow argues over whether John Scopes, a Tennessee high school teacher, should be permitted to teach his students ideas borrowed from Charles Darwin's book, *The origin of Species*". Today, in many quarters, the public debate is still creationism vs. evolution.

We learn from the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, that "We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth." Indeed, the Creed speaks of God as "creator of heaven and earth." Let us consider the ordinary ways we use the words creator and creation. We often speak of innovative composers, designers and writers as creators, and their works as creations.

Of course, their works are not entirely original, but always depend upon what came before. Only God is Creator in the strict sense. He created the universe "out of nothing". Regardless of how old it is, the universe did not always exist. It came into being thanks to God's creative hand.

The biblical accounts of creation are not meant to be scientific accounts, nor does the Church require us to interpret the creation accounts in Genesis literally." Rather, they have theological purpose. They show us that creation is the foundation of all of God's plans. The world's order and goodness, ... it's beauty and wonder, are not ends in themselves. They are meant to open us to the goodness and beauty of the inner life and love of the Trinity in which each of us are called to share. Because of that, it should be clear that the world is not the result of any necessity, nor of blind fate, nor of chance. Rather, the world exists for God's glory. Creation reflects God's providential care for us. Through life's joy's and sorrows, God leads us toward our final destiny to share His life and love with all the redeemed.

Both the bible and the Creed treat creation as the foundation of God's plan of redemption, not simply a matter of science. With a proper understanding of how the scriptures were written, we can easily see that the "stories and epics" contained in the Old Testament, especially Genesis, were certainly not meant to be taken as historical fact. It is perfectly fine to accept the theory of evolution as the likely way in which we came to be. There can never be contradiction between science and faith. Both seek TRUTH, and there is only one truth. The important thing to remember is that at a critical point in the evolution process, God Breathed a Soul into the Human Body, thus intervening directly in our being, bringing to completion His crowning creation. It is unimportant whether there was a "FIRST MAN AND A FIRST WOMAN", OR A TRIBE OR COMMUNITY THAT DEVELOPED INTO OUR BEGINNINGS. WHAT IS IMPORTANT IS THAT WE ARE ABLE TO SEE GOD'S CREATIVE HAND IN THE PROCESS HE BEGAN WHEN HE CAUSED THE "BIG BANG" TO COME INTO BEING, AND OVER VAST PERIODS OF TIME, TO CONTINUE, EVEN AS WE SPEAK.

I have no doubts that those who accept a "literal" interpretation of the bible will continue to argue and debate, and that's OK. We are free to embrace either. For myself (Harry), I feel certain that we have evolved, from lesser forms, into who we are today. I also believe that humans will continue to evolve, slowly completing God's eternal, creative plan.

Yours In Christ,

Deacon Harry L. Turner

August: St. Jude Council Activities



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For the Good of the Order:

Please pray for:

- John Hage
- Debbie Gerald
- Tom Huth
- Joe and Mamie Murphy
- Rebecca Gebhart--
Bryan Gebhart's new baby
- Harry Turner, Sr.
- Victims of Burma and
China natural disasters
- Bill Arthur
- Roger Miller
- Nick Takach
- Marion Lever's mother
- Hildegard Schmiedebusch
- Father Michael J.
- Adam Boyden
- Nick Shonk

Knight of the Month

The Knight of the Month for August goes to Allen Perk for his help in working on the landscaping. He was there through the planning stages and multiple attempts and differing plans. He was there for many hours helping digging for plants, moving mulch, lifting stone, etc. Thank you very much for your help. We have gotten many compliments on our work.

New Email Address

Don't forget, we've got a new email address to contact our Grand Knight: 5801GK@live.com

Chuckle with Eckl

Humor for Lexophiles (*lovers of words*)

- Police were called to a day care where a 3-yr-old was resisting a rest.
- Did you hear about the guy whose whole left side was blown off? He's all right now.
- The roundest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference.
- To write with a broken pencil is pointless.
- When fish are in schools, they sometimes take debate.
- The short fortune teller who escaped from prison was a small medium at large.
- A thief who stole a calendar got 12 months.
- A thief fell & broke his leg in wet cement. He became a hardened criminal.
- When the smog lifts in Los Angeles, U.C.L.A.
- The dead batteries were given out free of charge.
- A dentist & a manicurist fought tooth and nail.
- A bicycle can't stand alone; it is two tired.
- A will is a dead giveaway.
- Time flies like an arrow; fruit flies like a banana.
- A backward poet writes inverse.
- In a democracy it's your vote that counts; in feudalism, it's your Count that votes.
- A chicken crossing the road: poultry in motion.
- If you don't pay your exorcist you can get repossessed.
- Show me a piano falling down a mine shaft & I'll show you A-flat miner.
- The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine was fully recovered.
- A grenade fell onto a kitchen floor in France, resulting in Linoleum Blownapart.
- You are stuck with your debt if you can't budge it.
- A calendar's days are numbered.
- A lot of money is tainted: 'Taint yours, and 'taint mine.
- A boiled egg is hard to beat.
- He had a photographic memory, but it was out of film.
- Those who get too big for their britches will be exposed in the end.
- When you've seen one shopping center, you've seen a mall.
- When she saw her first strands of gray hair, she thought she'd dye.
- Bakers trade bread recipes on a knead to know basis.
- Santa's helpers are subordinate clauses.
- Acupuncture is a jab well done.

Chuckle with Eckl

Love him or hate him, he sure hits the nail on the head with this! Bill Gates gave a speech at a High School about 11 things they did not and will not learn in school. He talks about how feel-good, politically correct teachings created a generation of kids with no concept of reality and how this concept set them up for failure in the real world.

Rule 1: Life is not fair - get used to it!

Rule 2: The world won't care about your self-esteem. The world will expect you to accomplish something BEFORE you feel good about yourself.

Rule 3: You will NOT make \$60,000 a year right out of high school. You won't be a vice-president with a car phone until you earn both.

Rule 4: If you think your teacher is tough, wait till you get a boss.

Rule 5: Flipping burgers is not beneath your dignity. Your Grandparents had a different word for burger flipping: they called it opportunity.

Rule 6: If you mess up, it's not your parents' fault, so don't whine about your mistakes, learn from them.

Rule 7: Before you were born, your parents weren't as boring as they are now. They got that way from paying your bills, cleaning your clothes and listening to you talk about how cool you thought you were. So before you save the rain forest from the parasites of your parent's generation, try delousing the closet in your own room.

Rule 8: Your school may have done away with winners and losers, but life HAS NOT. In some schools, they have abolished failing grades and they'll give you as MANY TIMES as you want to get the right answer. This doesn't bear the slightest resemblance to ANYTHING in real life.

Rule 9: Life is not divided into semesters. You don't get summers off and very few employers are interested in helping you FIND YOURSELF. Do that on your own time..

Rule 10: Television is NOT real life. In real life people actually have to leave the coffee shop and go to jobs.

Rule 11: Be nice to nerds. Chances are you'll end up working for one.

If you can read this - Thank a teacher!