



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

MILTON COUNCIL 7027



Coming Events

April	Time	Event	Location
2	7:00 PM	SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING	KNIGHT'S HALL
3	6:30 PM	CCMI & KC PLANNING MEETING	KNIGHT'S HALL
4	9 AM - 5 PM	CITIZENS W/DISABILITIES FUND DRIVE	CONTACT MCT LEADER
4	4:00 PM	FIRST FRIDAY CHAPEL	CHAPEL
5	9 AM - 5 PM	CITIZENS W/DISABILITIES FUND DRIVE	CONTACT MCT LEADER
9	8:00 AM	KOC HOT DOG DAY VA HOSPITAL	PARISH HALL
9	9:00 AM	KOC LADIES AUXILIARY MEETING	KNIGHT'S HALL
	10:30 AM	(GUEST SPKR - JEFF FISCHER - LONG TERM CARE)	KNIGHT'S HALL
10	7:00 PM	KOC BUSINESS MTG (CHAPEL @ 6 P.M.)	KNIGHT'S HALL
13		PALM SUNDAY - NO BREAKFAST	
17	7:00 PM	KOC ASSEMBLY 2823	KNIGHT'S HALL
18		GOOD FRIDAY	
19		HOLY SATURDAY	
20		EASTER	
25	5:30 PM	KOC SOCIAL	KNIGHT'S HALL
26	9:00 AM	KOC PARK AVE CLEAN UP	PARISH HALL
26	10:30 AM	LADIES AUX CRAZY BINGO	PARISH HALL
26	4:00 PM	KOC CORPORATE COMMUNION	MASS SAINT ROSE
27	4:00 PM	PRESENTATION OF SCHOLARSHIPS	MASS SAINT ROSE
27		Newsletter Articles Due	

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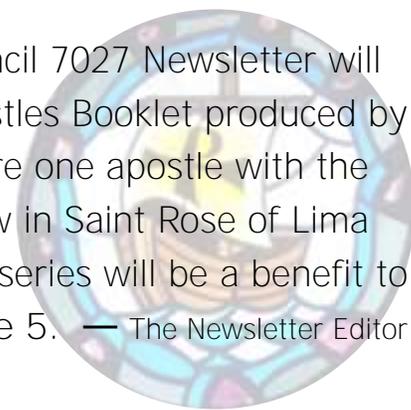
Editor's Note

It's your newsletter. Officers and committee chairmen are encouraged to submit articles. Anyone who would like to contribute an article please send it to 7027newsletter@gmail.com by the last Sunday of the month to be published in the next month's newsletter.

The Newsletter Editor



In the coming months the Council 7027 Newsletter will reprint the excerpts of the Apostles Booklet produced by Dolores Gardner. We will feature one apostle with the associated stained glass window in Saint Rose of Lima Catholic Church. We hope this series will be a benefit to your spiritual growth. See page 5. — The Newsletter Editor





Grand Knight's Report



In 1927 the silent film *Wings*, a World War I film about two American aviators, won the first Academy Award for Best Picture. When it was being filmed, production stopped for several days. Frustrated producers asked the director why. He responded: "All we have is blue sky. The conflict in the air will not be as visible without clouds. Clouds bring perspective." He was right. Only by seeing aerial combat with clouds as a backdrop could the viewer see what was really going on.

We often wish for blue skies instead of storm clouds. But cloudy skies may reveal God's faithfulness. We gain perspective on how God has been faithful in our trials as we look back on the clouds.

At the beginning of his terrible suffering, Job lamented: "May the day perish on which I was born May a cloud settle on it" (Job 3:3-5). His experience of despair continued for a long time until God spoke. Then Job exclaimed, "I have heard of You . . . but now my eye sees You" (42-5). Job had encountered the sovereign Creator, and that changed his perspective on God's purposes.

Do clouds of trouble fill your skies today? Sooner than you think, God may use these clouds to help you gain perspective on His faithfulness.

Dennis Fisher "Our Daily Bread"



Our Bishop, the Most Reverend Gregory Parkes, has engaged the Catholic Leadership Institute (www.CatholicLeaders.org) to facilitate an Envisioning Process with the goal of discerning priorities to be addressed in the next few years. More specifically, Bishop Parkes has commissioned the formation of an Envisioning Leadership Team to help him in discerning, defining and proclaiming a "Mutually Shared Vision" for the Diocese. This Envisioning Leadership Team, composed of laity, religious and clergy from different parts of the Diocese has been engaged in this project since January. The time has now come to hear voices of those called to assist the pastors in the organization of ministry in the parishes.

As a member of the Knights of Columbus your input is considered valued and necessary for this process. Members of Bishop Parke's Envisioning Leadership Team will be conducting a Listening Session in our area on Tuesday, May 6th, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church on Hillview Road near UWF's South entrance. This session will last only 90 minutes. As Knights deeply involved in many ministries of our parish, you're asked to take the time to participate in this process by attending this session. There are other dates, but this is the one which Monsignor Reed is encouraging St. Rose of Lima parishioners to attend. It's also asked that we give our prayerful support to this process and the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee.

Yours in Christ,
Rusty Bradberry
Grand Knight



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Field Agent's Report

Have You Insured Your Most Valuable Asset?

Is your income protected if you become sick or injured and cannot work? Your ability to work and earn an income is your most valuable asset. Yet a disability could prevent you from earning that income. Just one year of a disability could eliminate your savings.

Income Armor, an individual disability income insurance product from the Knights of Columbus, **should be a key part of your overall financial plan and family's protection.**

If you are ill or injured, Income Armor provides tax-free monthly benefits to help you meet living expenses and maintain you and your family's standard of living. Your monthly benefits help you pay your mortgage and other monthly bills, while your savings and retirement assets remain intact.

In short, if you have a job and don't have a way to protect that paycheck, you should seriously consider Income Armor today. I look forward to meeting with you.



May God Bless You All,
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Knights and Family of the Month



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DEACON'S TEACHING By Deacon Chris Christopher



Why Do Catholics Pray Repetitious Prayers?

The Psalms formed the prayer book and hymnal of the ancient Jewish people. Psalm 136 has twenty-six lines, each one ending with the refrain: **"God's love endures forever!"** This, and similar psalms which were chanted responsively, are the forerunners of several popular forms of repetitive prayer Catholics inherited from Judaism.

In light of such biblical examples, it's puzzling how some Christians claim that Jesus condemns repetitious prayers. They quote his words: **"In praying, do not babble like the pagans, who think that they will be heard because of their many words"** (Mt. 6:7; King James Version still popular among many Protestants, refers to *"vain repetitions"*). They would contend that Jesus established the new covenant that superseded the old one and thus previous Jewish practices were annulled.

But Jesus was also faithful Jew who took part in weekly Sabbath worship at the synagogue (Lk 4:16), so He himself would have prayed psalms with repetitious elements. In his *Agony In The Garden* (Matt 26:36-44), He prayed the same prayer three times in a row, **"My father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me..."**

In both Jewish and Catholic worship and prayer, repetition simply indicates emphasis on the importance of a thought. Repetition, then, isn't a bad thing in itself. Rather, Jesus is condemning empty repetition. The Greek word used here is, *battalogo*, which means *"to repeat idly"* or *"meaningless and mechanically repeated phrases,"* as in pagan (not Jewish) modes of prayer. Our Lord is thus rejecting prayers uttered without the proper reverence for God. **"Babbling like the pagans"** though, can also be applied to reciting the Our Father, or any form of free prayer that is spoken or sung, while one's mind is elsewhere.

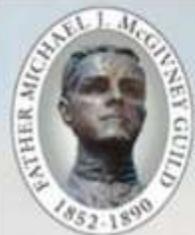
As usual, Jesus is concerned with the inner dispositions of the worshiper (Mt. 7:21-23; 15:8-9), not with mere outward appearance. **"The Lord looks into the heart"** (1 Sm. 16:7).

The same is true of *formal* prayers, that is, prayers whose words have a set form. Again, some Christians think that Jesus' words quoted above condemn such prayers. But Jesus himself would have used formal prayers in the synagogue. In fact, after warning against babbling, our Lord goes on to provide us one of the most famous *formal* prayers of all: the *Our Father* (Mt. 6:9-13).

Actually, all Christians probably make use of spiritual songs whose words have a set form. Since many of these songs are prayers addressed to God, then all of these Christians in fact use formal prayers, just as Catholics do.

Formal prayer allows groups of believers to pray in unison, not just in a particular gathering but also all over the world and even across generations – an important expression of the unity of our faith. At the same time, formal prayers, especially those taken from sacred Scripture and Tradition, shape our thoughts and desires as we pray, making them more in keeping with God's revelation.

Next month we'll look into: Why Do Catholics Worship Mary, the Mother of Jesus?



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The Apostles

St. Philip

(Some Greeks) came to Philip, who was Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, **“Sir, we would like to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ~ Jn 12:21-22**



Philip was present with Jesus at the miracle of the loaves and fishes. He is represented by two loaves of bread and the Apostles' Cross. According to tradition Philip preached in Greece and was crucified upside down. Philip's feast day is May 3rd. He is the patron saint of cooks and bakers.

O God, who gladden us each year with the feast day of the Apostles Philip and James, grant us, through their prayers, a share in the Passion and Resurrection of your Only Begotten Son, so that we may merit to behold you for eternity. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

(The Roman Missal. English translation according to the third typical edition. 2011)

In November 1991 ground breaking was held for the present Church of St. Rose of Lima. On December 24, 1992 the then-Bishop, Most Reverend John M. Smith, dedicated the Church. The Church has served the spiritual needs of Catholics of the central and northern parts of Santa Rosa County. Part of the beauty of the Church consists in the stain-glassed windows which adorn and add to the spiritual experience of those worshipping and visiting the Church.

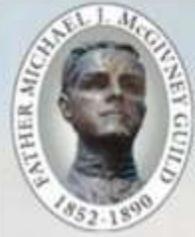
If one looks up towards the heavens, one can see twelve circular stain-glass windows. These represent the twelve apostles. These articles will examine the twelve stain-glass windows, explain the symbolism of the images, and give a short history of the saint, the feast day of the saint, along with the opening prayers from the Roman Missal for the feast day of the saint.

This information was originally presented to the parish as a booklet on Easter, 2013, at the request of the then pastor Msgr. Stephen C. Bosso and created by Mr. Richard Collins and Mrs. Dolores Gardner. Also, information was gleaned from the following sources:

Pope Benedict XVI, *The Apostles*. Huntington: Our Sunday Visitor Press, 2007.

Michael Walsh, Ed., *Butler's Lives of the Saints*. San Francisco: Harper, 1991.

(This summary was adapted from the forward to the booklet *The Apostles*.)



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From Walter Gross the greenhorn

I am Citizens since 1996, but I am still a greenhorn. Why??

I always thought that Saint Rose of Lima from our church and Saint Rose of Viterbo, adapted from our County 1842, was same person. I found out I was totally wrong.

Saint Rose of Lima was born as Isabel Floresy de Olivia in the City of Lima, then in viceroylly of Peru, on April 20, 1586. She was one of many children of Caspar Flores, a soldier in the Imperial Spanish Army, and his wife Maria de Olivia. Saint Rose's nickname comes from a incident in her babyhood. A servant claimed to have seen her face transform into a rose. As a young girl she began to fast three times a week and performed severe penances in secret. When she was admired for her beauty, Rose cut off her hair and smeared pepper on her face, upset that suitors where beginning to take notice of her. She rejected all suitors against the objections of her family and friends. She was determined to take a vow of virginity, which was opposed by her parents, who wishes her to marry.

After daily fasting, she took to permanently abstaining from eating meat and helped the sick and hungry around her community. Her wish was to become a nun, but her father forbade it, so she **instead enter to the THIRD ORDER OF ST. DOMINIC, while living in her parents' home. In her twentieth year she donned a heavy crown with very small spikes on the inside in emulation of the Crown of Thorns, worn by Jesus Christ. For eleven years she lived this way. Saint Rose of Lima died on August 24. 1617 at age 31. It is said that she prophesied the date of her death.**

Here is the other, Rose de Viterbo.

Santa Rosa County was created in 1842 and named for the Roman Catholic Santa Rosa de Viterbo. She was born 1233 in an ancient City in the Lazio region of Central Italy and spend her life in voluntary reclusion from the public and from society. As a child she prayed for the conversion of sinners. St. Rosa was not yet 10 years old when the blessed Virgin Maria is reputed to have instructed her to enroll herself in the THIRD ORDER OF St. FRANCIS and preach penance to Viterbo. Santa Rosa adapted at age 15 its religious habits, a simple tunic with a cord around her waist while walking the street with a crucifix in her hand. She died on March 1251, she was 18 years old, in her **father's home.**

Maybe everybody in our community knows this - now I know this too.

God bless you'll

Walter the greenhorn and proud to be a Knight of Columbus



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Seamus Kennedy

Tickets for our fundraiser to support our seminarians are now available. Seamus Kennedy, the nationally acclaimed Irish entertainer, will perform for one night only on Saturday, June 7 in the Parish Hall. The show is a project of Council 7027's Vocations Committee. Please plan to attend this great evening of music and laughter, and invite your friends to join

us. Tickets are \$20, and will be available at council meetings and at other places to be announced soon.

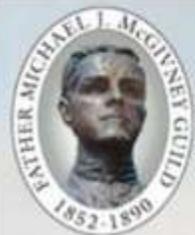
For more information, please contact our Vocations Chairman, George Elliott, at (850) 981-2362 or gre13@yahoo.com.



LENTEN ABSTINENCE & FASTING

Abstinence from meat (beast or fowl) is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. This obligation prohibits the eating of meat, but not eggs, milk products, or condiments of any kind, even though made from animal fat.

Fasting means limiting oneself to one full meal on a given fast day. Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59 are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On fast days, two additional smaller meals are permitted if necessary to main strength. However, the two smaller meals together may not equal one full meal. Moreover, eating solid foods between meals on fast days is not permitted.



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The Crucifixion

When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him and the criminals there, one on his right, the other on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do." They divided his garments by casting lots. The people stood by and watched; the rulers, meanwhile, sneered at him and said, "He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Messiah of God." Even the soldiers jeered at him. As they approached to offer him wine they called out, "If you are King of the Jews, save yourself." Above him there was an inscription that read, "This is the King of the Jews." Now one of the criminals hanging there reviled Jesus, saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us." The other, however, rebuking him, said in reply, "Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And indeed, we have been condemned justly, for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." It was now about noon and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon because of an eclipse of the sun. Then the veil of the temple was torn down the middle. Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit"; and when he had said this he breathed his last. The centurion who witnessed what had happened glorified God and said, "This man was innocent beyond doubt." When all the people who had gathered for this spectacle saw what had happened, they returned home beating their breasts; but all his acquaintances stood at a distance, including the women who had followed him from Galilee and saw these events. (Luke 23:33-49)



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