



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

MILTON COUNCIL 7027



COMING EVENTS

Date	Time	Event	Location
4	6:30 PM	CCMI & KC PLANNING MEETING	KNIGHT'S HALL
5	3:30 PM	FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION	CHAPEL
6	9:30 AM	Usher Workshop	San Lorenzo Room
10	8:00 AM	KOC HOT DOG DAY VA HOSPITAL	PARISH HALL
10	9:30 AM	KOC LADIES AUXILIARY MEETING	KNIGHT'S HALL
11	7:00 PM	KOC BUSINESS MTG (CHAPEL @ 6 P.M.)	KNIGHT'S HALL
		(COUNCIL ELECTION OF OFFICERS)	
12	5:30 PM	KOC SOCIAL	KNIGHT'S HALL
13	8:00 AM	DIOCESAN MEN'S REFLECTION BKFAST	OUR LADY OF VICTORY, CRESTVIEW
14	8:30 AM	KOC BREAKFAST (FLAG DAY)	PARISH HALL
14-20		BOY SCOUT'S SUMMER CAMP	CAMP RAINY MTN, GEORGIA
18	7:00 PM	KOC ASSEMBLY 2823	KNIGHT'S HALL
19	5:30 PM	KOC SOCIAL	KNIGHT'S HALL
21		FATHER'S DAY	
22		July Newsletter Articles Due this week	
26		NO SOCIAL TONIGHT	
27	5:30 PM	KOC INSTALLATION DINNER	PARISH HALL
28	8:00 AM	KOC CORPORATE COMMUNION	MASS SAINT ROSE

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Attention All Ushers and Future Ushers! Please mark your calendar now and plan to attend our Ushers' Workshop on Saturday, June 6, 2015 at 9:30 am in the San Lorenzo Room. For more information, please contact **George Elliott**, cell 908-487-8622, e-mail grejr13@gmail.com. Thank you!

Keepers of His House Schedule

	Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4
Month/Yr	Day	Day	Day	Day
June, 2015	6	13	19	26
July, 2015	4	11	17	24
Aug, 2015	1, 29	8	14	21

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 4th Sunday of the month to be published in the next month's newsletter.

The Newsletter Editor



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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

The past two years seem to have flown by and I can look at all we accomplished as a council and honestly say we haven't been sitting on our laurels. Sometimes it's like pulling teeth to get you guys up and running but once you're up, ya'll are in it for the long haul. I couldn't be prouder to be a part of our council; ya'll are a great bunch of guys, and gals (Ladies Auxiliary), and I can only hope that you support the next Grand Knight and the slate of Officers as much as you have me. My unconditional thanks and support to all of you.

In the past I've tried each month to reflect on a thought, parody or a humorous story that would aide in our growth as Christians; here is the last one for my tenure as your Grand Knight. With all the rain we've been having lately, I thought it was most appropriate. I hope everyone enjoys it; it was taken from a website on Christian Short stories.

One rainy afternoon a father was driving along, taking those extra precautions necessary when the roads are wet and slick, when suddenly his daughter spoke up from her relaxed position in her seat, "Dad, I'm thinking of something."

This announcement usually meant she had been pondering some fact for a while, and was now ready to expound all that her six-year-old mind had discovered. He was eager to hear.

"What are you thinking?" he asked.

"The rain!," she began, "is like sin, and the windshield wipers are like God wiping our sins away."

After the chill bumps raced up his arms he was able to respond. "That's really good Honey."

Then my curiosity broke in. How far would this little girl take this revelation? So he asked... "Did you notice how the rain keeps on coming? What does that tell you?"

Aspen didn't hesitate one moment with her answer: "We keep on sinning, and God just keeps on forgiving us."

I don't know about everyone else but I will always remember this whenever I turn my wipers on. "In order to see the rainbow, you must first endure some rain."

Fraternally yours,

Rusty Bradberry
Grand Knight



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FIELD AGENT'S REPORT

The Value of Life Insurance for Children

As a father, you worry about your children and do everything you can to protect them. You try to raise them right and make sure they are prepared to become adults. But have you ever thought about buying life insurance for your child?

When you insure a child, you are protecting his or her future. Did you know that one out of every six adults get rated, postponed, or denied for insurance coverage? If you purchase a policy for your child from the Knights of Columbus with a guaranteed purchase option, it guarantees that more insurance can be purchased for that child at certain set dates, without proving insurability.

Unfortunately, as fathers we don't have a crystal ball, and we don't know what the future may have in store for our children's health. But did you know that right now you can purchase a child's policy, in many cases, for less than \$10 a month?

I've heard it said that people don't want to "profit" from the death of a child, so they won't purchase coverage on their children. God forbid something tragic happens, those funds can come in handy at a time when finances will be the last thing on a parent's mind. I have never heard a story about someone who regretted buying coverage on their child.

Contact me today to discuss the many policy options for child plans, including 10- and 20-Pay life insurance.



May God Bless You All,

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DEACON'S TEACHING By Deacon Chris Christopher



Why Does the Church Follow So Many Traditions?

When the Pharisees challenge Jesus for failing to practice some of their religious traditions, he rebukes them sharply: ***“You nullify the word of God in favor of your tradition that you have handed on”*** (Mk 7:13). Some Christians quote this passage to condemn Catholic tradition as a whole as something contrary to the ***“word of God.”*** But is Jesus actually condemning all tradition?

The word “tradition” means literally “that which is handed down.” Anything received from others and passed on to others is thus tradition: language, culture, scientific knowledge, and even faith itself. Jesus is certainly not condemning ***all*** of these things.

Is the Lord rejecting specifically *religious* tradition, then? If we examine other biblical passages, we must conclude that he is not. In speaking of the Eucharist, for example, St. Paul notes that he received it *from Christ himself*, to be handed down to others: ***“For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you...”*** (1 Cor 11:23). He explicitly commends the Corinthians for adhering to such traditions: ***“I praise you because you...hold fast to the traditions, just as I handed them on to you”*** (1 Cor 11:2).

Some Christians insist that only Scripture is authoritative for Christian faith and life. They deny the Catholic teaching, and the historical reality, that Scripture is actually a written portion of a much wider sacred and authoritative Tradition, which includes other elements passed down orally and by patterns of behavior. They fail to realize that if scripture were the only legitimate source of Christian belief and practice, the early Christians who lived before the New Testament was written, codified, and then circulated, could not have lived the faith.

St. Paul alludes to this reality. He tells the Thessalonians how to discern the truth from error: ***“Brothers, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught, either by an oral statement [oral tradition] or by a letter of ours, [Scripture]”*** 2 Thes 2:15). In addition, religious tradition can be *enacted*, a way of life handed down as an example: ***“Consider the outcome of [your leaders’] way of life and imitate their faith”*** (Heb 13:7).

The only traditions Jesus condemns are those that contradict what we know, from divine revelation, to be God’s will (Mt 15:3).

Next month we’ll ask, **Why Do Popes and Councils Define Doctrine?**



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Honors of the Months



GK Rusty Bradberry, KOM SK Bill Glover PDD PGK
Fr. Richard Schamber



FOM John and Margo Recke not Present (File Picture)

Alter Servers of the Year



GK Rusty Bradberry, Adrian Michael Cyr 2015
Altar Server of the Year, Fr. Richard Schamber



GK Rusty Bradberry, William D (Woody) Gibson
2015 Altar Server of the Year with parents Bill
and Audrey, Fr. Richard Schamber



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Knights of Columbus Support Farm Fresh Food Distribution Event

On Saturday, May 16, 2015, members of Knights of Columbus Council 7027 of Milton, Florida, assisted members of St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, and numerous other organizations from the Milton and Pace, Florida, communities in distributing many food items to families from the area in a Farm Fresh Food Distribution event spearheaded by Santa Rosa County Commissioner Doug Broxen. During this event, which took place at East Milton Elementary School, more than 500 families were able to receive various types of fresh food items provided by Farm Fresh Foods of Homestead, Florida, and Wal-Mart Corporation.





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Blessing of the Fleet





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The custom of Blessing the Fleet can be traced back to Old World European fishing communities where God was publicly acknowledged and was asked for a bountiful harvest and the safety of the men at sea.

Although not a maritime city, Milton's location on the Blackwater River is a focal point for many watercraft. Boaters are keenly aware of danger from wind, rain, and perils of the deep and therefore recognize the value of requesting safety while on the water.

This year's event was organized by the Coast Guard Auxiliary as part of National Boat Safety week that occurs every year just prior to Memorial Day. These photographs show the Knights of Columbus Color Guard escorting Msgr. Michael Reed to the Milton River Walk for the Blessing of the Fleet on Sunday, May 17th. The Blackwater Pyrates, a service organization dedicated to water safety and river cleanup, as well as other boaters, took part in the blessing.



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Bishop Gregory Parks receives a \$10,000 check from the Knights of Columbus councils of the diocese to buy a set of vestments to be used at concelebrated masses in Pensacola-Tallahassee.