

Council Crier



Santo Rosario K of C Council #14449
Indianapolis, IN

March 2014

<http://kofcsantorosario.org/>

Next business meeting is Monday, April 7, 2014 @ 6:45 - Please plan to attend

Grand Knight, SK Timothy Rushenberg



What is Lent?

Lent is upon us! The Church tells us that “by the solemn forty days of Lent the Church unites herself each year to the mystery of Jesus in the desert.” *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, p. 540. In preparation for the feast of Easter, the custom in the early Church was to abstain entirely from food on the two days before the holy day. The length of this period was gradually increased, but the fast grew easier until the middle Third Century when it reached 40 days. Rev. George Johnson, Ph.D., et al., *The Story of the Church*, n. 50 (1980).

Each year, on the occasion of Lent, the Church invites us to a sincere review of our life in light of the teachings of the Gospel. Benedict XVI, *Message of His Holiness Benedict XVI For Lent 2010*, available at

http://www.vatican.va/holy_father/benedict_xvi/messages/lent/documents/hf_ben-xvi_mes_20091030_lent-2010_en.html (last visited March 16, 2013). Lent is more than just about fasting (only one full meal a day) and abstinence (forbids use of meat) on certain days. It’s also about conversion and prayer. In her letter for Lent 1996, Blessed Teresa of Calcutta wrote to her lay co-workers: “We need this deep connection with God in our daily life. How can we obtain it? By prayer.” Benedict XVI, Encyclical Letter, *Deus Caritas Est*, available at http://www.vatican.va/holy_father/benedict_xvi/encyclicals/documents/hf_ben-xvi_enc_20051225_deus-caritas-est_en.html, p. 36 (2005).

Knights of Columbus Outreach Week (Saturday, March 22 thru Sunday, March 30)

In honor of the Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney, all councils have been encouraged to conduct outreach programs between Saturday, March 22 and Sunday, March 30 in commemoration of Founder’s Day in honor of our venerable founder. Specifically, Supreme Council requested we provide “outreach to those less fortunate than ourselves in our parishes and communities.” As always, the Santo Rosario Council swimmingly responded with the following activities during that eight day period:

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1. **Knights Volunteering at Holy Family Shelter** (Saturday, March 22 and Sunday, March 29: 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.) www.holyfamilyshelter.net. Brother Frank Oliver and his son are serving dinner to homeless families at an emergency shelter on Saturday evening, March 22, and Brother Jerry Friederick and his family are serving dinner at the shelter on Saturday evening, March 29.

2. **Council Prayer at Planned Parenthood for 40 Days for Life** (Saturday, March 29: 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.). As many Council members as we can gather will be joining our associate pastor, Fr Christiaan Kappes, at the Planned Parenthood facility on the northeast side of Indianapolis to pray for an end to abortion.

3. **Lenten Men's Knight of Reflection** (Saturday, March 29: 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.). Our Council is hosting a "Knight" of Reflection for all men (Knights and non-Knights) over 14 years of age for an evening of Eucharistic Adoration, prayer, a brief spiritual talk by Fr William Williams, pastor of Holy Name in Beech Grove, confession and Benediction. The evening will begin with a light meal and socializing in Priori Hall.
<http://www.kofcsantorosario.org/lentknightofref.php>.

Program Director, Brian Murrey



The Program Director's Report – 3rd Quarter of the Fraternal Year

At this point in the fraternal year the Council is once again demonstrating our commitment to serving our parish, our priest, and our community. Since the last report the Council has participated in the "Sanctity for Life" dinner, and another Parish Breakfast event. This fraternal year began on July 1st, 2013 and so far this fraternal year we have participated in 24 different events serving the parish and surrounding community. This includes the involvement of many of our members, and over 1000 man hours of service. In the next quarter we will be busy with the parish Blood Drive, Special Olympics Dinner, helping with the Street Festival, Men's Knight of Reflection, and much more. If you would like to participate in any of our events, please contact me via email or phone and I will get you in touch with the proper committee chairperson. I hope you are having a meaningful and rewarding Lent. God Bless
Brian Murrey (brian.murrey@gmail.com) 317-985-1899

Membership Director, SK Don L. Murphy



Brother Knights,

It is with great pleasure that I announce that we have 100 members!! Outstanding work and a job well done to all of you. It is important that we continue to grow as a council and that we continue to look for new ways to engage our current members. Please redouble your efforts to reach out to any brother knight who has not been active and invite them to participate. As a council and Catholic Gentlemen we need to strive be a source of help to our Pastor and Parish. We are always looking for and desperately need new ideas and programs to advance our Mission and that of our local Church.

I think it is important to remember some of the benefits we have as Knights for our own information and for others who we feel may be worthy of membership in our order.

Please feel free to use this list to describe the many benefits and opportunities that Knights of Columbus members and their families enjoy.

- *COLUMBIA* MAGAZINE – Free subscription to the Order’s monthly magazine examining issues of concern to Knights, Catholics and families.
- KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS ROSARY – Blessed by the supreme chaplain, presented during the First Degree exemplification to each new member.
- DAILY MASS OF REMEMBRANCE AT ST. MARY’S CHURCH – Mass for deceased members and their wives, and deceased members of the Squires program, at birthplace of the Order.
- INSURANCE – Portfolio of top-quality life insurance, long-term care, and annuity products exclusively for members and their families.
- FAMILY FRATERNAL BENEFIT – For eligible families: a) Pays \$1,500 for the child who dies before the age of 61 days; b) Pays \$750 for the child who is stillborn at least 20 weeks after conception; c) Offers guaranteed-issue insurance up to \$5,000 to any child under age 18.
- ORPHAN BENEFIT – \$80 monthly allotment for orphans of eligible families; up to \$7,000 in college scholarships available.
- MEMBER/SPOUSE FRATERNAL BENEFIT – Accidental death coverage for member and spouse at no cost.
- WIDOW BENEFITS – a) Continues to be covered under the Member/Spouse Fraternal Benefit; b) May purchase life insurance, long-term care insurance, or annuities up to one year after insured member’s death; c) Receives a free lifetime subscription to *Columbia*; d) Eligible with her children for scholarships, student loans, etc.
- SCHOLARSHIPS – Scholarship programs for higher education available to members, their spouses and children.

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- LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT – Opportunity to build personal leadership skills, public speaking ability, organization skills, etc.
- FOURTH DEGREE – Eligibility to join the “Patriotic Degree.”
- HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP at Age 70 with 25 years of membership.
- MEMBERSHIP CARD – Entitles participation in all Catholic, fraternal and social activities in nearly 13,000 councils throughout the world.
- ACTIVITIES – FAMILY/YOUTH/RELIGIOUS/SOCIAL/ATHLETIC – Participation in a variety of programs and activities conducted by local councils.

Please feel free to contact me directly if you have any membership questions.

Don L Murphy PGK
Membership Director

SK Don R. Murphy, FICF Field Agent



Insurance Check-Up for 2014

Where did 2013 go? It seems like time just flies by! I hope you and your family had a great finish to 2013. Now, the first quarter of 2014 is flying by.

Hopefully, you've established a few goals for this year. I've learned a great tip regarding resolutions. First, write them down. It's not too late if you haven't already done this. Commit your goals to paper and post it someplace you will see it often. Writing down a goal is the first step towards achieving it. It may not make sense at first, but I'm sure you have heard stories of the success this simple task can bring. Whether your goal is to exercise more, give more to charity, read more or watch less television, you're more likely to accomplish it if you write it down.

Second, resolve to have an expert look at your finances. I recommend that you have a team of experts help you, and I would love to be the first you sit with. Let's schedule some time to meet together, and I, your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, will provide an “insurance check-up” (at no cost!) that will evaluate any gaps in your family's life insurance protection. Now might be the perfect time to fill those gaps, not later. Keep in mind that unlike many other products, you don't just need money to obtain life insurance; you also need good health, and no one knows when your health could change.

Did I mention my check-up is free of charge? When was the last time you received something for free that could provide value to you and your family? Contact me at;

don.murphy@kofc.org

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Church Director, Brad Williams



Santo Rosario Council's annual men's Lenten Knight of Reflection will be held on Saturday, March 29. The evening, open to all men high-school age and above, begins with a meal and social hour in Priori Hall at 6 p.m. At 7, we move upstairs to the sanctuary for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, sermon, recitation of the Holy Rosary, singing of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and the Litany of the Saints, and the opportunity for individual confession. Proceeds from the event will be donated to The Bishop Bruté College Seminary. As always, members of other parishes and guests are welcome.

Special thanks go in advance to Angel Lorenz who again shouldered the duties of preparing her usual wonderful meal, to Father McCarthy and the other priests in attendance, to David Walden for composing a poster announcing the event which is itself suitable for framing, and to all those assisting in setup and cleanup.

Chancellor, Council Director and Newsletter Editor SK Don Benson



Parish Breakfast. March 2 our committee produced another parish breakfast with the help of 11 volunteers from our council and I would to thank all of those members who supported the breakfast with a special thanks to council committee members Don L Murphy and Charlie Stevens who without them would not of taken place. The breakfast was shortened with the snow storm that pounded our area that day, but all in all the breakfast was a success as we served roughly 150 parishioners a hot meal on otherwise a very cold day.

As a reminder Council Shirts - can be purchased by logging in at <http://www.kofcsantorosario.org> and the selecting the link shown below.

K of C Santo Rosario Shirts
Click here to find out how to get a council shirt.

Council shirts are a great way to project a sense of unity and let our own parish community know the good works our council does.

Supreme Knight, Carl A. Anderson



Becoming the thirteenth supreme knight of the Knights of Columbus in 2000, Carl Anderson has led the Knights and their families to unprecedented levels of charitable giving and support for their communities and Church. Most recently, under Mr. Anderson's leadership the Knights have donated more than \$158 million to charity and provided more than 70 million volunteer hours of charitable service. Over the past decade, under his guidance, the Knights of Columbus has donated more than 664 million hours of service to charity and \$1.4 billion to charity.

Supreme Knight Anderson has also led the Knights in a variety of charitable endeavors, including:

- Establishing the Heroes Fund to provide immediate assistance to the families of first responders who lost their lives on 9/11;
- Raising and donating close to \$10 million to help rebuild Catholic churches and schools in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina in the U.S. Gulf Coast;
- Distributing more than 30,000 wheelchairs to those in need in Afghanistan, Vietnam and numerous other Third World countries;
- Establishing the Pacem in Terris Fund to assist Catholic schools in the Holy Land;
- Giving more than 70,000 winter coats to children throughout the United States and Canada since 2009;
- Financing the construction of the new national Catholic seminary in Cuba;
- Providing, along with Project Medishare, artificial limbs to the nearly 1,000 children in Haiti who lost legs in the 2010 earthquake that devastated that country;
- Printing and donating more than half a million Catholic prayer books to U.S. military personnel deployed overseas;
- Building schools and food distribution centers for AIDS orphans in Kenya and Uganda;
- Donating over 268 ultrasound machines valued at more than \$14 million to crisis pregnancy resource centers in 44 states and Canada;
- Establishing, at the Catholic University of America, Father Michael J. McGivney Hall, as the new home of the Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family;

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• And most recently, the Knights have purchased the John Paul II Cultural Center in Washington, DC - and have established there an Archdiocesan Shrine to Blessed John Paul II. This Shrine will

be devoted to this great pope and will soon house a world-class museum dedicated to his life, his pontificate and his teaching.

In over a decade as the chief executive officer of the Order, Anderson has overseen strong growth in the Knights' financial resources — many of which have nearly doubled during his tenure. Life insurance in force has doubled from \$40.4 billion to over \$86 billion — an increase of nearly 7% a year. Annual life insurance sales have also increased — from \$4.0 billion in 2000 to nearly \$8 billion in 2011 — an annual growth rate of 6.4%.

Prior to becoming the leader of the Knights of Columbus, Mr. Anderson had a distinguished career as a public servant and educator. He worked for a number of years in the White House — including acting director of the White House Office of Public Liaison. He also served for a decade as a member of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. He taught family law at the Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family at the Pontifical Lateran University in Rome and was the founding vice president and first dean of the Washington, D.C., session of this graduate school of theology now located at The Catholic University of America.

In addition he is the author of several books including the New York Times bestseller, *A Civilization of Love: What Every Catholic Can Do to Transform the World*.

Supreme Knight Anderson has been appointed by Pope John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI to positions on a number of Vatican commissions. He also serves on a number of committees of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

He and his wife, Dorian, are the parents of five children.

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Council Officers

Grand Knight	Timothy Rushenberg
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