



The Voyager



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Grand Knight's Report

Knight of the Month: Robert Cutler

Family of the Month: Jim and Mary Lewis

In Memoriam

Elizabeth Roso Gauthier, mother of PSD Romeo Gauthier and grandmother of DD Joe Gauthier.

DD Kevin Jeffords who passed away in March.

Membership

April is our month for the Recruiting Blitz. We are in need of additional members.

Let us start now, and keep going strong and be the STAR COUNCIL that we should be! Contact GK or membership director Jim Nuzzo with any interested contacts.

Degrees for 1st Quarter of 2006

1st Degree April 5th @ 5208

1st Degree May 3rd @ 5208

2nd Degree March 28th, St. Josephs Taneytown

3rd Degree held at Archbishop Fulton J Sheen on May 26th.

Programs

We are having a great year, having accomplished so much; yet so much more is left to do. Thanks to all of you for what we have done so far. Chairmen to be contacting brothers for assistance to finish projects for this year, please help in every way to finish up our goals for this year. If you have any ideas for programs, please contact the Chairmen or GK.

If you have a program and are struggling to get it done, then please let the GK and Chairmen know how we can assist to accomplish the program and have fun.

Bylaws

Committee led by Advocate Robert Cutler will be handing out copies of the current bylaws at April 5th meeting. Please review and submit all recommendations to him by April 21st. Discussion to be held at May 3rd meeting and then submitted to Voyager for printing and then voting at June 7th meeting. One of the main purposes to this committee is to ensure that we are not in conflict with Supreme.

Golf Tournament

Please sign up to be on this year's committee. Contact Tom Pfeffer 410.840.0833 or Dino Grier 443.220.6988 if interested. Golf Tournament to be held in June. We need lots of Golfers and Sponsors to get off the tee now to be successful.

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Chaplain's Report

As we continue our Lenten journey with Jesus, we cannot and must not avoid confronting the *cross*. It is so central to our faith and to our faithful service in our Order as disciples of Jesus.

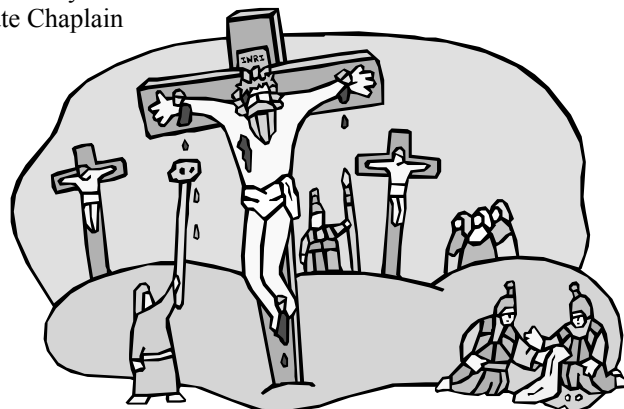
We recently heard proclaimed at Sunday liturgy the reflection of St. Paul from the first chapter of *I Corinthians* on the place of the cross in our faith. It is a *stumbling block* for Jews; it is *foolishness* for Greeks. But for us, it is everything. It is Christ, the "*Power of God* and the *Wisdom of God*." And "God's weakness is stronger than our human strength."

Many of the saints have realized that, when they were most conscious of their weakness, then they were most open to receiving God's strength. We are certainly conscious of our weakness, our sinfulness, how totally dependent we are on God. It is God's marvelous love that is manifested in the cross of Jesus. It is our healing, our strength, our hope, our joy as we enter the season of joy we call Easter.

In these remaining days of Lent and right into the Easter season, we can do no better than to meditate on the cross and the sufferings of Jesus. They are the measure of God's love for us, and it is beyond measure. May we realize more fully the great mystery of how the cross of Jesus gives meaning to our lives, how our sufferings, all of our efforts to serve others, every aspect of our lives, is our way of participating in the cross and resurrection of our Savior. And may we emerge as more faithful Christians, more enthusiastic Knights, proud to claim the cross of Jesus as our banner.

D and I wish each of you and your families the fullest possible measure of Easter joy. May God shower his choicest blessings upon us, his Knights, during this holiest of seasons.

Deacon Jim Ryan
Associate Chaplain



Catechism

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As you all probably know Maryland for the last few months has had what could be called a Spiritual battle going on in Annapolis on the Stem Cell Research Bill. The battle is between the use of Embryonic Stem Cells versus Adult Stem Cells for research to find cures for

various diseases. Adult Stem Cells have had success, and Embryonic Stem Cells have not had any success to date. Embryonic Stem Cell research destroys living embryos, which are very young human lives, a point at which all of our lives began. Despite the lack of success the majority of Senators and Delegates favor the use of Embryonic Stem Cell Research as do all the secular media. We should all follow this closely, learn about what is involved in the processes and help defeat the use of embryos for any kind of research. The Catechism does not specifically address Stem Cell Research, but does mention embryos and the fact that life begins at conception.

2273 The inalienable right to life of every innocent human individual is a constitutive element of a civil society and it's legislation:

"The inalienable rights of the person must be recognized and respected by civil society and the political authority. These human rights depend neither on single individuals nor on parents; nor do they represent a concession made by society and the state; they belong to human nature and are inherent in the person by virtue of the creative act from which the person took his origin. Among such fundamental rights one should mention in this regard every human being's right to life and physical integrity from the moment of conception until death."

"The moment a positive law deprives a category of human beings of the protection which civil legislation ought to accord them, the state is denying the equality of all before the law. When the state does not place its power at the service of the rights of each citizen, and in particular of the more vulnerable, the very foundations of a state based on law are undermined.... As a consequence of the respect and protection which must be ensured for the unborn child from the moment of conception, the law must provide appropriate penal sanctions for every deliberate violation of the child's rights."

2274 Since it must be treated from conception as a person, the embryo must be defended in its integrity, cared for, and healed, as far as possible, like any other human being. Prenatal diagnosis is morally licit, "if it respects the life and integrity of the embryo and the human fetus and is directed toward its safe guarding or healing as an individual.... It is gravely opposed to the moral law when this is done with the thought of possibly inducing an abortion, depending upon the results: a diagnosis must not be the equivalent of a death sentence."

2275 "One must hold as licit procedures carried out on the human embryo which respect the life and integrity of the embryo and do not involve disproportionate risks for it, but are directed toward its healing the improvement of its condition of health, or its individual survival."

"It is immoral to produce human embryos intended for exploitation as disposable biological material." "Certain attempts to influence chromosomic or genetic inheritance are not therapeutic but are aimed at producing human beings selected according to sex or other predetermined qualities. Such manipulations are contrary to the personal dignity of the human being and his integrity and identity" which are unique and unrepeatable.

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THE DEADLINE FOR ALL ARTICLES IS

THE 20th OF THE MONTH

Pro-Life

We were glad to get to the annual Annapolis March for Life, this year held in the evening on March 5. The march started from St. Mary's Church in chilly but otherwise good weather and proceeded the mile or so to the square fronting the State House. (We were pleased to encounter PGK Quentin Sedney; as one of the parade marshalls, Quentin made a very positive contribution to the event.) According to the Associated Press account of the Rally (printed in the Carroll County Times March 6), there were more than 200 at the vigil; we think that was a conservative estimate. The main speaker was Stephen Peroutka, one of a succession of addresses by important Maryland pro-life leaders; a number of legislators - both Senators and Delegates - were introduced, their appearance more dramatic in view of the battle over embryonic stem-cell research during this 2006 legislative session. The South Dakota law banning most abortions in that State was repeatedly mentioned during the Vigil. As of that evening, there was still a real possibility of a filibuster against the bill in the Maryland Senate proposing State funding of ESCR; this added to the excitement of the evening, although the filibuster ultimately was a brief one. This annual March and Rally is an important witness to pro-life in the capital of this State where political power, especially in our Legislature, strongly supports the other side. While people like us think we do well just to get to the event, the efforts of the actual organizers each year are enough to humble the rest of us!

Maryland Legislative Update

The 2006 session of the Legislature will end early this month, with or without a bill to finance embryonic stem-cell research. As this is written, we already know that both Senate and House of Delegates have passed their respective versions of such a bill. An article in the March 10 Baltimore Sun summarizes the difference between the two versions. Although the Senate does not favor ESCR over adult stem-cell research (as the House proposal does), both proposed laws certainly will provide financing of embryonic research. The bills are expected to go to a conference committee in an attempt to reconcile their differences. While the newspaper article does not predict the outcome, we hear that the likely result is a single bill, with

some kind of ESCR financing agreed to by both Houses, going to the Governor, who would have 30 days in which to decide whether to sign or veto it. Since the embryonic aspect is so utterly objectionable to those on our side, we can anticipate a campaign to urge a veto. Stay tuned!

Life-Issues in Washington

The main piece of proposed pro-life legislation before Congress remains (as it was a month ago) the Human Cloning Ban Act (Bill S. 658, sponsored by Senators Brownback and Landrieu and H.R.1357 by Resps. Weldon and Stupak in the House). Reportedly there has been no movement in the past month. We are encouraged to hear this could change when Congress comes back on Apr. 24 after a two-week recess. (Unlike our Maryland Legislature, Congress continues during the summer, so we can hope that the full Senate may get a chance to vote on the Ban; the House isn't the problem.)

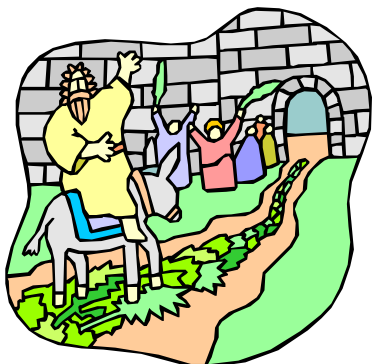
Pro-Life Vigils

The reminder in last month's Voyager about weekly vigils in Owings Mills and monthly ones at Greater Baltimore Medical Center and at St. Joseph's Fullerton is still pertinent. (Those of us who regularly go Saturday mornings to Owings Mills will be grateful for any warmer spring temperatures!) Don't hesitate to give us a call at 239-2085 if you'd like details about, or directions to, any of these three efforts.

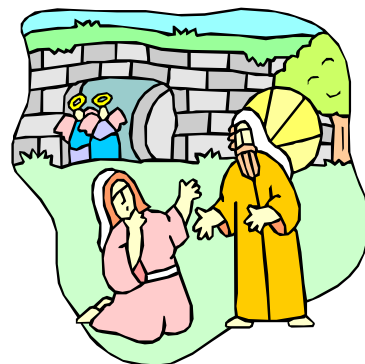
As mentioned during the March 15 Council meeting, the Grand Knight and others are exploring a possibility of having an outside speaker come to our Parish sometime yet this spring to make a pro-life presentation. While it was not possible to have this on Annunciation, March 25, our Advocate PGK Cutler has organized a Rosary to follow the 6:00pm Mass that Saturday afternoon. We hope many of us can support that event, which has become an international effort (also called the Day of the Unborn Child) in support of life; we'll know how well by the time you see this.

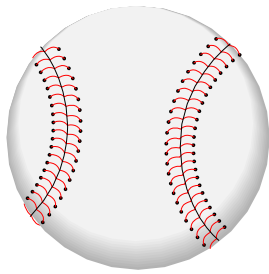
Mary & Jim Lewis

Calendar Items



- 4/1** Sheen Councils Safety Expo at the parking lot of Wal-Mart in Eldersburg
- 4/7** Westminster Councils Spring Dance
- 4/7** State Bowie Baysox Game
- 4/9** PALM SUNDAY
- 4/15** Convention Registration due
- 4/16** EASTER
- 4/29** MDA Stride & Ride Volunteers needed
- 5/19-21** Convention (See GK if Interested In attending in Ocean City)





Orioles Concession Stand

We will be working the concession stand at Camden Yards on Friday May 12 , Thursday June 22 and Friday August 25 .

We are planning on working a game with St. Ann's and one with the Squires parents. I would like for us to work one game where it is only the Knights (so we don't have to share the funds raised) but I want to make sure we will have enough workers.

Please review the dates listed above and let me know if there are definite dates where you know you can be at the ballpark or if there are some where you will definitely not be able to make it. Remember that you can always bring along a friend or family member to help -- the only requirement is that they must be at least 18 years old.

Rick Siebert, DGK
(410) 861-8642



Fourth Degree

James Cardinal Gibbons Assembly meets on the 4th Monday of each month at the ARC of Carroll County at 8:00 P.M. All Sir Knights are invited to attend.

Congratulations to our newest Sir Knights. 16 members were Knighted at the Fourth Degree Exemplification in Hagerstown on March 25th. Welcome to our Assembly.

(Editor's note: Congratulations to **SK Mike Goodson** and **SK Craig Roe** of Immaculate Lady Council on making their 4th degree!)

Recruitment is not a once a year endeavor. Please continue to ask the members of your Councils to become members of the Fourth Degree. There is no greater honor in our Order.

My thanks to our Assembly's Color Corps who presented the Colors at the Exemplification and the Banquet this year. These men have worked very hard and should be proud of their professionalism and their excellent performance.

The Assembly is looking for a dedicated Sir Knight who will be willing to chair the Patriotic Essay Contest this year. All those who are interested, please contact me.

Make plans to join us.

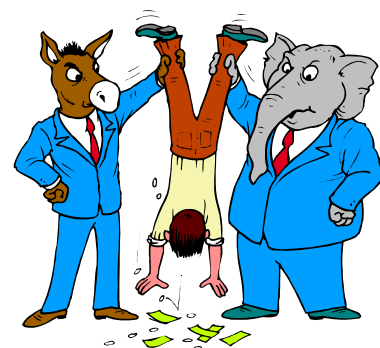
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April Membership Anniversaries

Years	Knight
1	Joe Braswell Nikos Daley Peter Daley Christopher Fronheiser Mike Goodson David Hannibal Michael Johnson Michael Wallace
3	Stanley Cierlitsky Ivor Lewis Tom O'Donnell
6	John Whitney
8	Stanley Behnken Brian Herboldsheimer
9	John Golombieski Brian Noll
12	Jerry Schaum PGK Quentin Sedney
18	George Warner (1 year continuous)
19	Jim Lewis Bob Matthews
21	Dave Stone
22	Joe Durishin
24	Carl Walker
33	Joe Mandara (27 years continuous)
37	PGK John Bidinger PGK Ed Sedlar
38	Tom Burnett
46	PGK Stan Cochran
47	John Boyle

Remember
Income Tax Day
April 18th





Get Involved, Make a Difference!

Program Chairmen are needed for the upcoming council year.

If you are interested in being a program chairman, please contact Rick Siebert at 410-861-8642. This is an excellent opportunity to get involved in our council activities.

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Council Directory

We hope to email a copy to all with an email address in March and mail a copy to the rest of the membership.

May 17th Meeting

Due to a scheduling conflict, our meeting needs to be rescheduled, stay tuned for details.

My family and I wish all of you and your families a Happy Easter. We will be leaving for our vacation on April 7th, when we fly to Ireland and Paris. We return on April 23rd.

Jesus Christ is the reason for the Lenten Season!

Vivat Jesus,
Grand Knight Tom O'Donnell

Request for Seminarian Assistance

The council has become aware of a seminarian who is having financial difficulties, and does not have financial support from his family. He has had some recent extraordinary expenses which he cannot afford to pay. At the council meeting on April 5th a proposal will be made to give him \$850 out of the Council's general fund to order pay this expense so that he can continue his studies for the priesthood without worrying how to pay his debt.

Lenten Meal

I wish to thank all who helped out at the March 24 Lenten Meal. I can proudly say that we had more help than we needed, and that is very good!!!!

Again, many thanks, and best wishes to everyone this Easter Season.

Stan LaSov, PGK
Church Co-Chairman



Encourage a Young Man to Join the Squires Program

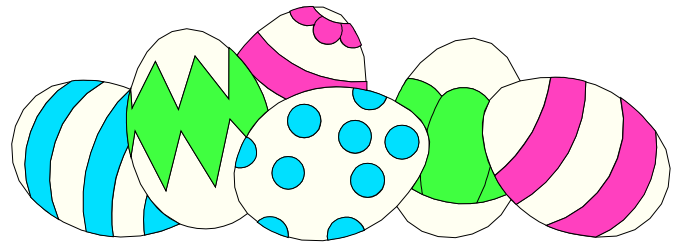
Who is it for: Young Catholic men 10 - 17 years old.

What is it: Squires' activities are many, varying from spiritual to active service for the Church and community. We are a Catholic organization that builds character and develops leadership.

When: 7:00 - 8:00 PM
1st and 3rd Monday of the Month

Where: Room 223 (Youth lounge)
2nd floor of Sacred Heart School

Contact Info: Matt Noll (membership director) 410-526-7788
sbouchard_kofcsquires@yahoo.com
or - just show up at one of the meetings
(parent must sign applicant's application)



Easter Egg Hunt

Greetings and Happy Easter. It is time for the annual Easter Egg hunt. We will need Brothers to help the Easter Bunny hide eggs Saturday April 7th. Please be at the Fr. Hooper soccer field at 8:30 AM. Call me to let me know if you can help. My number is 410-526-8336. This is a lot of fun every year for the little ones. This is one of my favorite events.

Thank you for your help.
PGK Steve Topper (410) 526-8336
Dino Greer (443) 220-6988



Relics of Priest Martyrs Begin U.S. Pilgrimage

The relics of six Knights of Columbus canonized by Pope John Paul II in 2000 have begun a tour of the United States.

The six priests – Pedro de Jesus Maldonado Lucero, Miguel de la Mora de la Mora, Jose Maria Robles Hurtado, Luis Batiz Sainz, Rodrigo Aguilar Alemán, and Mateo Correa Magallanes – were martyred for their faith by the Mexican government during the religious persecution in Mexico in the 1920s.

“This pilgrimage seeks to promote knowledge of and devotion to the Knights of Columbus priest martyrs of Mexico and all those who sacrificed their lives for their faith during the Mexican persecution,” explained Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson, who will be attending the opening ceremonies in Dallas.

The pilgrimage began March 18 with a procession to the Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe in Dallas, where a special Mass was celebrated.

The pilgrimage of the relics began in Mexico City in September 2005, to mark the centennial of the Knights of Columbus in Mexico. From there, the reliquary traveled to cities throughout Mexico. After traveling to several major U.S. cities, the pilgrimage will conclude in Orlando at the Knights of Columbus' 124th Supreme Convention in August 2006.

Date	City	Location
March 18-22	Dallas, Texas	Guadalupe Cathedral
March 23-24	Brownsville-Mission, Texas	Our Lady of Lourdes
March 25-26	El Paso, Texas	Cathedral of St. Patrick
May 5-6	Denver	Colorado Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
May 20-21	Santa Fe, N.M.	Cathedral of St. Francis
June 3	Philadelphia	St. Thomas Aquinas
June 6-26	New Haven	Knights of Columbus Museum
Aug. 1-3	Orlando, Fla.	Supreme Convention