



The Cross and Compass

St. Joseph Council #7528
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A Message from the Grand Knight

St. Joseph Council won the State Church Activity Award at this year's State Convention in Spokane. Our entry was "Garden of Innocence." Brother Ralph Horner wrote the article. Brother Roy Nelson had the idea, Brother Father Tom led the process and you Brother Knights made it possible with the fundraising and assistance to Father Tom. As the article was being read within seconds the room become very quite. The servers stopped to listen, side conversations ended. There was 100% focus on what the Statue meant and how it has helped many individuals in the short time of its existence. Later in the evening Knights from other councils mentioned they plan to visit our "Garden of Innocence."

We entered the winners of our local Pro-life poster and essay contest at the State convention. Two were selected as first place poster winners: Mariah Brooks (3rd) and Jacinda Camboia (6th) both received \$100.00 checks from the State.

We received a certificate showing we met our goal for "Pennies for Heaven." We were also able to send \$500.00 to five seminarians to help support their education on their way to serving Catholic parishes.

The State convention was organized and always on time. Our State leaders are extremely capable, and are willing to help all councils in the State of Washington to help us all reach a new level helping those in need.

Vivat Jesus!

Ken Baune, GK

A Note from your Chancellor

By Jeffrey Lee, Chancellor



Hello Brother Knights,
This will be my last letter in the Cross & Compass as Chancellor, but it won't be my last letter ever. Any Knight can submit a letter to the Cross & Compass. It is not just for officers and chairmen, so

let's see it get as thick as a phone book. You can tell us about your yard, children, family, friends or something about the Knights. Anything you would like to, its all of ours to read and I enjoy receiving it.

It has been a busy year for us all, and I am going to stay busy in the coming year. I have been asked by other Christian churches to help out with some things and, of course, I said yes, so this and the Knights will keep me on my toes.

I am on line now and will be giving my email address to the ones that I choose.

Take care of yourselves in the summer months and keep Christ next to your heart.

Now for a word of the wise:

To make yourself look good, tell someone to do a job, not how to do it!

Family of the Month

April - the David Caton Family

Knight of the Month

April - Alan Engel

Council Website



All members are encouraged to create an account at the council's website. The address is: <http://www.kofc7528.org>. Follow the instructions which are given on the "Before you try to login" page. There is a link to

that page at the upper left of the home page. You will need your membership number to create your account and log in, but once you do, there will be additional material available to you. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact Tim Philomeno or me at webmaster@kofc7528.org.

Feel free to explore the site and come back often to see what has changed. We will continue to update information throughout the summer, and new items will be added as fast as we can think them up and create them. There are several new pages in the works, and will be added as time permits. Feedback and suggestions are welcome. Just send an email with your ideas to: webmaster@kofc7528.org.

The "members only" pages include the Council Roster and Good of the Order pages. The Council Roster provides the contact information of all of your brothers in the council. It is as accurate as the information that has been provided to us. If your information is incorrect, or not listed, please contact us at webmaster@kofc7528.org with the corrections.

There are a number of pages and lots of information available to everyone without logging in... and links to other important websites. As information that is posted on our site does change from time to time, it is a good idea to check back often. One option to help you to see some of the changes would be to make our site your browser home page. Then each time you open your Internet browser, you would at least glance at our council home page.

Attend a Squires Meeting

Did you know that we support a Columbian Squires Circle? Apostle Circle #4571 meets the 3rd Sunday of each month at 2:00pm in Room "A". Any Knight of Columbus is welcome and encouraged to attend. Why not attend and show your support for our future.

Membership

By Mike Fay, PGK, Membership Chairman



As the Immediate Past Grand Knight and the Membership Director for Council #7528 it was my honor along with my wife Maureen to represent the council at the 105th Annual Convention

of the Washington State Council held in Spokane, Wa. May 16, 17, 18, 2008. Attending the annual convention, where brother knights gathered from all corners of the beautiful state of Washington, reinforces the reason that I am a member of the Knights of Columbus. The Knights stand as one in support of the Bishops and Priests, the dignity of life from conception to natural death, and by their service to each other when a brother knight needs that help.

Recruiting Catholic gentlemen who share these beliefs rests on the shoulders of the membership of our council and the other 140 councils throughout Washington State. The most common reason that a Catholic gentleman hasn't become a Knight is that he has never been asked to join. I encourage you to extend the invitation "Have you considered joining the Knights of Columbus?" to a relative or friend that is over 18 years of age and is a practicing Catholic.

For any questions and comments regarding membership contact Mike Fay, 253.838.6852 or mwfay@comcast.net.

2007-2008 Knights of Columbus Washington State Council Church Activity Award Winner

St. Vincent's "Garden of Innocence"

Thanks to the inspiration of a Knight in St. Joseph Council 7528 in Federal Way, Washington, the parish now has a memorial to the unborn and to children who have died young. After several years of planning and design, this past year saw the culmination of many efforts when a memorial was dedicated.

Several years ago, Roy Nelson, a long-term 4th Degree Brother of the Council and member of St. Vincent's, was thinking of several siblings who died before or during birth. He remembered the pain his parents endured after each death and the fact that there was no place to honor

these babies.....no focused place to go and remember them. Brother Nelson's parents had lost 17 babies over the course of several years. Only 5 survived. As time went on, Roy, who was the maintenance supervisor for the parish, read several articles in The Columbian about parishes having a special place on their parish grounds to memorialize babies who died before or after birth. He thought St. Vincent's should have something similar. His original idea was to use the baptismal font from the old church as a "Tribute to the Unborn." Over time, that would evolve to a memorial to those babies and unborn who have died and a place of healing where parents and others could go to pray and reflect on their loss.

At the time, St. Vincent's had undertaken a ten year building and renovation project including a new church, addition to the Parish school and remodel of existing facilities. During this time, Brother Nelson raised his idea to the Knight's leadership as well as Father Tom Vandenberg, Pastor of St. Vincent's. Both embraced the idea of creating such a memorial when the building project was completed. The Council determined that they would provide financial support to the memorial as well as surface ideas for its design to the Pastor.

As time went on, ideas were generated, discarded, rethought and regenerated again from the original "seed" that the Knights of Columbus had planted. Over time, Father Tom worked with the Knights and eventually both a place for the

memorial and the design for it evolved.



Father Tom Vandenberg, Pastor, St. Vincent's and Roy Nelson, 4th Degree Knight, Council 7528 at the dedication of the "Garden of Innocence"

After construction of the new church was completed and the school addition and other renovations were finished, the next decision was where to put the memorial. A courtyard off the south narthex of the new church was selected by both Father Tom and the Knights. This was an ideal spot in that it was outside and got much sun during the day. Additionally, it was visible from the narthex of the church and would be a reminder that the memorial was real and in place.

Next, was the design of the memorial. Various ideas surfaced and it was important that

a sculptured design of materials able to weather the elements be selected. Much thought was given to this design—a design that truly would reflect the "hand of God" in both the caring of the babies as well as provide a reminder that the unborn and babies were at peace in the "hand of God."

Finally, a design emerged which caught the eye of everyone. As Father Tom explained,

"The statue of the child resting in the hand of God is the work of the Chinese artist Lee Dongfei. The child can be seen as either a boy or a girl, who has found comfort and peace. The child is innocent, meaning that it never did anything we would ever consider to be immoral or wrong. Like all of humanity, however, the child is under the shadow of the terrible fall of Adam and Eve that shattered the peace of the Garden of Eden. Though the child died through no fault of its own, its death is a reminder of the shadow cast over all of humankind by original sin. While we may never know why children die, we do know that God's mercy still embraces them, that God still say, "Let the children come to me".

The hand is the hand of God. As the child may be seen as either male or female, the hand is both strong and soft, representing both the fatherhood and motherhood of God. There is not evidence of fear on the face of the child. It is resting, for in the hand of God there is unparalleled serenity. The child is okay."

The chosen design by Father Tom in collaboration with the Knights of Columbus St Joseph Council 7528:



Since the dedication of the Garden of Innocence in 2007, a bench has been added as well as lighting at night.

The Knights of Columbus, St. Joseph Council 7528 has played an integral part in the formation of the original "seed" for the idea for this memorial as well as financial support and consultation with the pastor on the design of the memorial.

Needless to say, our Fourth Degree Knights were very much present during the dedication as shown by the pictures below:



This project exemplifies the Knight's mission of supporting the Pastor of the parish. It is an excellent example of the results of good collaboration and what can happen when both the Pastor and the Knights unite to achieve outstanding results!



Good of the Order

Listed are all of the those Brother Knights or family members who are Sick or in Distress

Sick

Jeanne Hitchcock and family Kailynn Hude and family	Taylor Freyberg and family Maureen, Fay
Joe Clemens and family	Jim Slawson Tony Robinson's nephew
Samantha Slawson (Tony Robinson's neice)	Jake Slawson (Tony Robinson's cousin)
Tony and Pam Frifcioni	Bob Valley (Tony Robinson's cousin)
Dave Myers' Father	Alex Plys
Dave Green	Gilson Neil
Lowell Larson	Horace Suinn
Diane Gowin	Robert Thornton(father of Tom)

Deceased

David Ditter

All those who were sick and ailing this year

All those who have joined Our Lord in Heaven this year

Please keep these Knights and family members in your prayers. Thanks!

NOTE: Please contact Joe Penwell if you have knowledge of anyone sick or in distress.

THE 365 CLUB BY MAIL

Supporting Vocations is simple! All you have to do is join The Pennies For Heaven Crusade. The best way to do this is by becoming a member of The 365 Club. Donate a penny-a-day for a year (\$3.65 or more if you can) and offer a prayer a day for a year for Vocations! Pennies add up quickly and the prayers help. For Brothers who cannot always join us at our meetings, here is your chance to stand up and be counted as a supporter.

CLIP AND MAIL

To: Jeff Markwith, 365 Chairman

Yes, count me in as a Member of The 365 Club! I want to do my part to support Vocations.

Here is my contribution of \$ _____ Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Mail your check to:

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Birthdays and Anniversaries

June Birthdays

3	Thomas Appleton	15	William Vadino	27	Kenneth Chartier	14	Rhonda Sweeney
4	Peter Vetter	16	Casey McConville	28	Thomas Kornell	15	Isabel Tessier
6	Daniel Reeb	19	John Horan	28	Ricardo Herman	20	Valelia Atonio
7	Ted Gimlin	20	Dennis Huss	29	Randall Gagner	22	Jove Hyde
8	Jack Powers	22	Joshua Markwith			25	Chelley Marvin
9	Hiroshi Suzuki	24	Philip Phillips	2	Lorraine Davila McQuiston	27	Linda Herbert
13	Michael Fay	24	Cary Wright	3	Joyce Pirola	29	Genoveva Favela
13	Joseph Panico	25	Brian Caton	12	Karen Markwith		
13	Michael Marvin	26	Michael Hemmer	13	Locki Batterberry		

June Anniversaries

3	Patrick and Amy McGuire	10	Romeo and Anita Mayor	24	William and Francis Thomas
6	Ernesto and Ida Beltran	10	Charles and Linette Lasher	25	Robert and Norma Anderson
7	Peter and Christine Williams	13	Mitch and Mary Czuk	26	Frank and Christine Zink
7	Alejandro and Anita Paves	13	Varghese and Betty Payappilly	27	Craig and Karen Schiedermayer
8	Daniel and Valerie Dornoff	14	Joseph and Tracey Rockwell	28	Edward and Peggy Novak
9	Kenneth and Suzie Shattock	14	Gerald and Janice DeLaFontaine	29	Gerald and Trese Graddon
9	James and Trish Ellingson	23	Ralph and Peggy Horner	30	Rohan and Dona Fernando
9	Edmund and Christine Molina	24	Jose and Mary Bolanos		

Council Calendar of Events

June 2008

3rd	General Meeting	7:30pm Narthex and Rosary 7:00pm Chapel
17th	Planning Meeting	7:30pm in Room "A" - 1st Degree at 7:00pm
21st	4th Degree Exemplification	We are serving Lunch and Dinner
21st	Nativity House Breakfast	Contact Mike Hemmer, PGK
24th	Fr. Tom Golf Outing	Northshore CC, contact Tony Robinson, PGK, FN

July 2008

1st	General Meeting	None...Summer Meeting
15th	Planning Meeting	7:30pm in Room "A" - 1st Degree at 7:00pm
19th	Annual Awards Banquet	After 5:00pm Mass in the Hall
24th	Blood Drive	Parish Hall

Check out our website at <http://www.kc7528.org> for all of these events and more!

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