



THE BANNER

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Please Pay Your Dues!

Your dues need to be paid, so if you haven't already please pay them now. If you have paid already, thank you!

BUSINESS MEETING, Mar 7, 7:00PM (Dinner Served!) ♦ OTHER MEETINGS @7:30PM IN PERSON & ON ZOOM!

Meet IN PERSON or on Zoom! Zoom Meeting ID 805 406 5230; passcode is VjfUN3
Business Meeting, Mar 7, 7pm; Home Mtg, Mar 14; Officers' Meeting, Mar 28.
MEETINGS WILL TAKE PLACE ON ZOOM AND IN PERSON!

BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR AN EMAIL FROM TONY DICICCO REGARDING MEETING REMINDERS.

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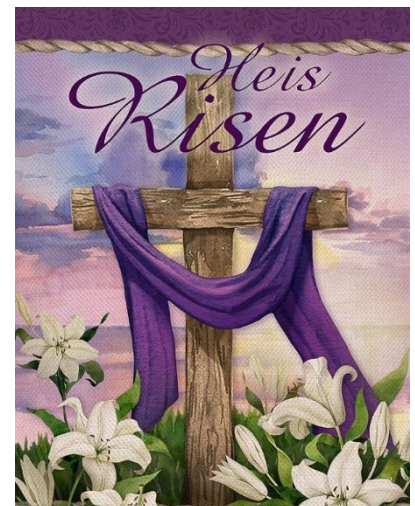
✠ *From the Desk of the Grand Knight*

March 2024

Dear Brothers:

As we enter March, we continue our Lenten journey. Midway through this time of penance, we get an opportunity to rejoice in the celebration of the Solemnity of St. Joseph on March 19th. As St Patrick's Day falls on a Sunday, there is no liturgical celebration this year. We then end the month with the Sacred Triduum and the glorious feast of Easter.

Last month after our business meeting, we were visited by the Seminarian who we are supporting. He talked about his summer program in Guatemala, where he was sent to learn Spanish. He also gave an update on the Seminary relocation plans, and how everything is going smoothly in that area.



Happy Easter! March 31!

As the fraternal year is winding down, now is the time to think about candidates for the next year. Elections are in June and nominations will be done in May and June. If you are interested in running for office, reach out to any of the current officers. We currently have three people that have shown an interest in running for an office.

Our annual Communion Breakfast is scheduled for April, more details at the March meeting and the April Banner, as well as email.

Again, I want to thank everyone for their dedication and support of this Council. Without you, there would be no Council.

Vivat Jesus,
Tony DiCicco
Grand Knight

*There will be some upcoming changes made to the chamber this summer as the room as not been updated in many years. Also, member cards will be required for entry to the chamber. **See Page 2** for more information.*

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✠ *Message from the Chancellor*

Brothers,

Our Home Association will embark on a renovation of our Chamber beginning this summer. It should be completed by the fall. This will involve repairing the ceiling, replacing ceiling tiles, adding lighting and painting the walls. The carpet will be replaced at a later date.

As part of this process, all furnishings and decorations will be removed. Upon completion, all religious icons will be replaced, as well as a limited number of award items. Many photographs will then be displayed in the Hall instead of the Chamber.

All other items, including a display case, are available to any Brother. Please examine these items at our next Business Meeting and see if there is something you would like. After 4-15-2024, all remaining unclaimed items will be discarded at the discretion of the Home Association. This is your last chance to obtain an item that may have significance to you.

Mike Pinkl
V.P., Home Association / Chancellor



The Sisters of Life are very thankful to the Knights of Columbus, cancel 5036, and the Ladies auxiliary in conjunction with humanitas of Saint Cecilia's, for sponsoring baby shower for a young family who has chosen life for their baby. It was a very successful event and a good time was had by all.



The Knights are proud to sponsor Alex Cross. He is a II Theology seminarian at St Charles Borromeo Seminary. We wish him lots of luck with his studies. Our prayers are with Alex, and we look forward to his ordination.

Admission to the Council Chamber

One of my responsibilities as Advocate for this Council is to ensure that proper protocols are adhered to for business meetings.

I have noticed that the checking of membership cards has grown lax. The Grand Knight has been advised of this and, therefore, effective with the first business meeting of 2024, all membership cards will be checked by the Guards. If the person does not have a membership card, someone will have to vouch for him, or the Guard will advise the Financial Secretary to certify that the person is a member in good standing.

Vivat Jesus,
Dave Schein, Council Advocate

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True Love

“True Love” was a 1956 hit song written by Cole Porter, introduced by Bing Crosby and Grace Kelley in the movie “High Society.” I’m writing this on St. Valentine’s Day. I researched the web to discover the meaning of TRUE LOVE.

On the internet you will find the [ancient Greek](#) language had eight different meanings of love. The highest form of love being Agape (totally committed). In today’s culture it is Eros (selfish good feelings).



Dr. Edward Sri, (theologian, author, and Catholic speaker) discusses three different types of love in Part 2, Session 7, of Symbolon (available on Formed).

- **Eros** which is a selfish love associated with sexual passion and my feelings. What’s in it for me. What I get out of the relationship.
- **True** love is “willing the good of the other.” (St. Thomas Aquinas).
- **Agape** is a total commitment to the other even to being sacrificial.

Leah Darrow (Catholic author and speaker) talks about her young life of modeling in NYC. Her idea of love was what she could get out of a relationship (Eros). She said there was always a fear of being alone and wanting to be loved and what the other person could do for her. That is in line with today’s culture. It permeates our entire civilization. Culture, movies, books, magazines; everything validates impurity, sex outside of marriage, self-gratification, and what’s in it for me.

Many people use each other today. The only thing they seek in a relationship is self-gain. If the other person doesn’t satisfy their wants, the relationship is over or never begins. Not only does the world say this is okay, but something is wrong with you, if you think otherwise.

Leah goes on to describe how the world changed for her right in the middle of a photo shoot. She suddenly faced the truth. Jesus touched her heart. She realized how experiencing ‘Eros’ love hurt. She could not sin anymore.

“This is not how I want to live anymore,” she remembers thinking.

She called her dad and he drove 2000 miles to rescue her and take her home. Once home, she went to confession and poured her heart out. She said that was the first time in a long time she experienced ‘True’ love. Her dad – Her confession. She realized this is the love she wants. True love, Agape love.

Leah revealed how it is a 2-step process,

- “First, acknowledging sinfulness and wanting to change.
- Second, realizing what is not working and getting rid of it.

True love is willing the greatest good for the other person. Before it was selfishness and fear for me, always seeking what **I** wanted.

The irony of this is that True love gets you what you want!”

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