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BUSINESS MEETING, Jan 2, 7:30PM ♦ ALL MEETINGS @7:30PM IN PERSON ONLY!

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✠ *From the Desk of the Grand Knight*

January 2025

As I write this, our annual Christmas party is in the rearview mirror. It was great to see so many people, and to relax with a good meal. We were happy to host the Sisters of Life and to present to them a check in the amount of \$3076.00 to help them in their pro-life efforts. Many thanks to our Brothers and their families who generously donated baby items. These items miraculously fit perfectly in the Sisters' car trunk; I love it when a plan comes together.



Our annual magnet and greeting card sale was successful. Many thanks to the Brothers who staffed the masses at St. Cecilia on Saturday 12-7 and Sunday 12-8. We co-existed (peacefully) with Troop 290 as they sold Christmas wreaths.

Several of our Brothers, with the Ladies Auxiliary, decorated St. Cecilia's auditorium for the Sisters of Life's Christmas Party to help families in need. We had to break down this event quickly in order to set up for another annual event, the St. Cecilia Giving Tree. Our Brothers and Ladies, as well as parish members, showed up in force to accept donations from parishioners, sort, label and box those items for several area charities and lastly to transport the boxes to the recipients. It was very stirring to witness first-hand the extreme generosity of the parish to help people they will never meet. This is faith in action.

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Our Ladies Auxiliary and our Knights assisted in setting up the Craft Fair at Resurrection on Friday 12-13 and staffed the event on Saturday 12-14, ensuring its success.

I am especially proud of our Brothers and Ladies involvement in these events, as well as what they have accomplished during this past year. I hope we are able to do more in the coming year, but we need the involvement of our members. Some of us old timers won't be able to keep up the pace much longer. I expect anyone who calls himself a Knight to become actively involved in our efforts.

One last note: Our council will no longer have a meal after our monthly Business meetings, beginning with January 2025's meeting. The meeting time will revert to 7:30PM, as with all of our meetings.

Until next month.

Vivat Jesus,
Mike Pinkl
Grand Knight



There was much to celebrate this Christmas season! We had our Christmas Party, donated to the Sisters of Life, and served others in need! Thank you, Brother Knights and Ladies Auxiliary for all you do to support others in 2024. We are looking forward to a wonderful 2025!

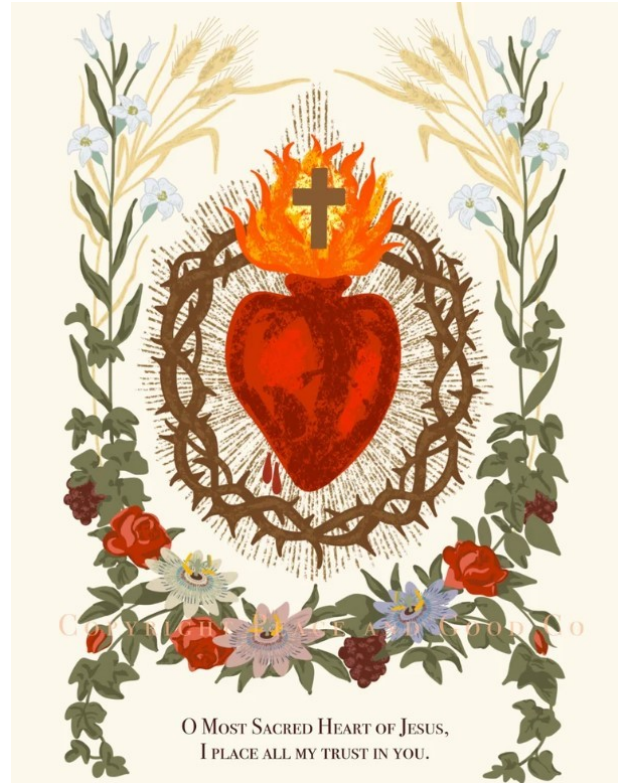
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Sacred Heart of Jesus, I Place My Trust in You

Praying the Divine Mercy, I pray, “Eternal Father, I offer you, the body and blood, soul and divinity, of your dearly beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ in atonement for our sins, and those of the whole world.”

This prayer seems callous, uncaring, hard-hearted. Am I glad Jesus suffered and died, because he did it for selfish me? I’m praying what seems ungrateful and selfish, sinful.

I’m offering up to you, Heavenly father, your own son whom you dearly love more than I love my son and grandsons. I didn’t earn or do anything, Jesus did it all. What’s going on here?



This is difficult for me to comprehend, it’s so upside-down and contrary, but it must be what God wants. He loves me that much that he accepts my offering of His only son Jesus Christ, His dearly beloved son as compensation for my sins. Jesus freely pays my debt, for my rejection of Him; for my selfish ego and pride; for my selfish gluttony; I am not worthy, but like the Forgiving Father of the Prodigal Son, He stands before me with open arms, loving me more than I can ever know, welcomes me, embraces me, forgives me, makes me worthy at an immeasurable cost (not to me).

Father in Heaven, Lord Jesus Christ, Holy Spirit, Holy Trinity I want to fully understand and be grateful for your love. I want to feel so emotionally full of love for you that my only desire is to be with you all day, every moment. Nothing else should take precedent over you, nothing else more important than thinking of you, loving you, being with you in gratitude.

But that’s not what I do. Am I dishonest or a fraud? Some say that when we pass and instantly come face-to-face with Our Lord, we will find out we were better than we realized. I hope it is so.

We as Catholics are truly blessed and loved by God to have the Eucharist to receive into our bodies and become part of the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of you dearly beloved son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world. For the sake of His sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.



Happy Birthday to all Knights born in January!

Mark Dillon
Domenic J. DiMarco
Thomas T Durkin
Timothy Durkin
Thomas P Frank
John J. Foley

Frank Geiger
William Keane
Francis C. Layton
John F. Lehane
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William P Schagren
William Appell Schmitt
Daniel V Small
George W. Smith, III
Thomas C Voisard
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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR BROTHER KNIGHTS & LADIES

*Also, please pray for an end to war everywhere. Please pray for victims of gun violence.
Please call or email Mike Pinkl with the names of all ill Brother Knights and Ladies.*

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