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Happy Father's Day to All!

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✠ *From the Desk of the Grand Knight*

June 2025

Dear Brothers,

Catholics everywhere are celebrating the election of Pope Leo XIV, the first American Pope. A Chicago native, the pontiff received a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics at Villanova University in 1977.

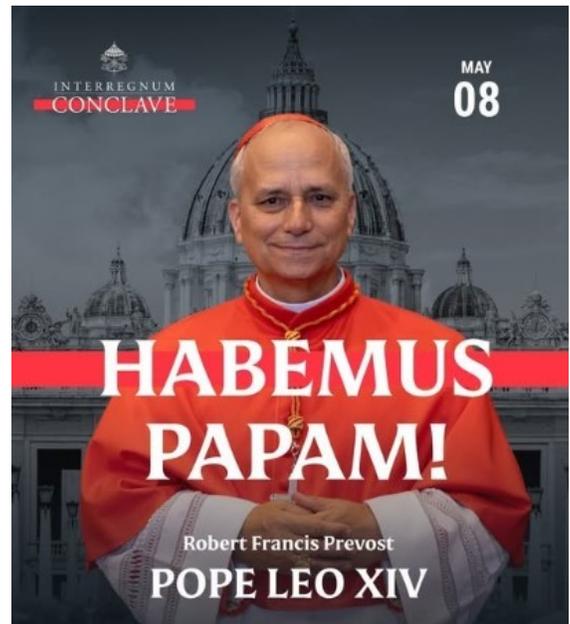
So our area has bragging rights. Except that he plays tennis and is a White Sox fan. Can't have everything.

This is my last Grand Knight's message. My wife and I are moving on to another ministry.

It has been a privilege to serve this council for the past year.

Please welcome Jim Woodruff as your new Grand Knight.

Vivat Jesus!
Mike Pinkl
Grand Knight



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Why is June the Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus?

The solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus is celebrated in June, falling on the first Friday after Corpus Christi. This year it takes place on **Friday, June 27, 2025**—but its meaning stretches far beyond a single day.

The feast traces back to **1673**, when Jesus appeared to Sister Margaret Mary Alacoque, a French nun of the Order of the Visitation of Holy Mary. In His divine love, He revealed His desire for the world to honor **His Sacred Heart**, offering **twelve promises** to all who embrace this devotion:

- 1 – I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
- 2 – I will give peace in their families.
- 3 – I will console them in all their troubles.
- 4 – I will be their refuge in life and especially in death.
- 5 – I will abundantly bless all their undertakings.
- 6 – Sinners shall find in my heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.
- 7 – Tepid souls shall become fervent.
- 8 – Fervent souls shall rise speedily to great perfection.
- 9 – I will bless those places wherein the image of my Sacred Heart shall be exposed and venerated.
- 10 – I will give to priests the power to touch the most hardened hearts.
- 11 – Persons who propagate this devotion shall have their names eternally written in my heart.
- 12 – In the excess of the mercy of my heart, I promise you that my all-powerful love will grant to all those who will receive Communion on the **first Fridays, for nine consecutive months**, the grace of final repentance: they will not die in my displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments; and my heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour.



Jesus revealed to Sister Margaret Mary that we should partake in a holy hour on Thursdays and receive the Eucharist on the First Friday of every month to venerate His Sacred Heart.

Jesus appeared to Sister Margaret Mary over a period of 18 months. On June 16, 1675, Jesus told her to promote a feast that honored His Sacred Heart, **(June 27, 2025)**.

A Love That Never Leaves You

His sacred heart **burns with** love—for **you**. No matter how far away you feel, **He waits**. No matter the weight of sin, **He forgives**. He never turns away from your sorrow, your failures, your wounds—He runs toward them overflowing with mercy (Luke 15:11-32). All He asks of you is to allow his mercy to heal you. All you need do is ask for His mercy.

One of the most profound invitations to trust in His mercy comes from **St. Faustina’s Diary Entry 367**:

“My heart overflows with great mercy for souls, and especially for poor sinners. If only they could understand that I am the best of Fathers to them and that it is for them that the Blood and Water flowed from my heart as from a fount overflowing with mercy. I desire to bestow my graces upon souls, but they do not want to accept them. Oh, how indifferent are souls to so much goodness, to so many proofs of my love. So I turn to you, you—chosen souls, will you also fail to understand the love of my heart?”

So ask yourself:

Will you let Him love you?

Will you let Him forgive you?

Will you trust Him?

This month of June, draw close to the **Sacred Heart**. Rest in His love. **Let Him bring you home.**

Vivat Jesus!
Will Schmitt, PGK, Lecturer

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Happy Birthday to all Knights born in June!

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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 and the wildfires. Please pray for government officials, for a commitment to peace.

Please call or email Mike Pinkl with the names of all ill Brother Knights and Ladies.

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