

Navigators Sextant



The Most Active and Fun Assembly in the Diocese

*****NEXT MEETING IS 7:30 PM, THURSDAY OCTOBER 12TH, AT ST. ROSE CAFETERIA, IN TEACHER LOUNGE, ROOM A****

NAVIGATOR'S COLUMN

Brother Sir Knights,

As we now enter the confirmation season, our Assembly Honor Guard really needs to step forward. I realize that many have extensive responsibilities and commitments, however we really need your active participation in regalia in as many honor guard events as possible. Let's not get into the habit of only participating when the event is at your parish or council and ignoring the other events. This is what seems to be happening when I reviewed the sign-in sheets. Participating in the honor guard is our duty as Sir Knights and probably the most important and visible responsibility to the church and the order.

We have the following Honor Guard events on our schedule thus far. Please put each one on your calendars, planner, PDA, computer, or wherever you put your appointments.

1. Sunday, October 22 Confirmation at All Saints in Rossford, 11:00 AM Mass.
2. Sunday, October 29, Dedication at St. Adalbert.s, LaGrange St, 10:00 AM Mass.
3. Sunday, November 5, dedication at St. Rose Cemetery.
4. Saturday, March 10, Confirmation for St. Jerome Walbridge, 10:00 AM Mass.
5. Wednesday April 25, Confirmation @ Cathedral for St. Rose, 7:00 PM Mass.
6. Saturday, April 28, St. Aloysius @ Cathedral, 12:00 Noon Mass.
7. Saturday May 5, Confirmation for St Joseph, Maumee @ Cathedral

As more requests become available, they will be posted on the Calendar of Events in this newsletter.

Also on October 22, 2006 the first Diocesan meeting of the 4th Degree will be held at Tiffin Council #608. This is the same location that the Council Diocesan tour was

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MEETINGS HELD THE SECOND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH AT
7:30PM

held. The meeting is scheduled to start at 1:00 PM. However we will need to be a little late since we have a responsibility for the confirmation at All Saints. This meeting is open to all Sir Knights of the Assembly and will be discussing the upcoming Exemplification in April, membership initiates and selling advertisements for the program book. Later in the year two additional meetings will be scheduled before the Exempt in April.

At past meetings the subject of moving our Assembly meeting site around our area had been brought up for discussion. However to date no one has contacted me indicating that they would like to host a meeting. If you are willing to host an Assembly meeting please contact me, and the prospect will be discussed at our next meeting.

Please contact Dick Johns with your suggestions for our up-coming Christmas party. His contact information is on the last page of this newsletter. Please indicate suggested locations, what you are looking for as far as a menu is concerned, and entertainment, and the cost to the Assembly and or individual members.

Please remember that the Msgr. Yates Assembly belongs to each and every member and it's important that the officer's have your input into the decision making process for events and outings. Just as an example, how many of our members would be interested in doing something like a movie and a dinner somewhere, someplace in the area? Get a group to go bowling, attend a game (football, basketball, hockey) or just get together and play cards? Just to add to the list of suggestions how about a road trip to Wright Patterson AFB, Frankenmuth, Put-in-Bay, the flats in Cleveland, Chicago, Toronto, Windsor, the Football or Music Hall of Fame? I'm just throwing out alternatives; it's up to you. Let's start thinking out of the box and have some fun Assembly sponsored outings! Get me your suggestions or better yet attend

the next meeting and present your suggestions in person.

We're looking forward to seeing each and every one of our members at the next meeting.

By our words and deeds will we be known as Knights,

Jerry Karpinski, PGK, PFN
Navigator



Friar at Large, from the Philippines

Brother Sir Knights,

Just a note to let everyone know, that I have arrived safely in the Philippines and am now in Mindanao. On my way down from Manila to Ozamiz, I stopped in Dumaguete and visited the Foundation there that is helping us to get in contact with more hemophilia victims. These victims are then helped by Project Share which is a USA based Foundation that has access to the medicines needed by these young and very poor kids. I was informed that there were five new patients to be screened in Cebu. I arranged for them to meet me in Cebu last Monday.

I then went on to Ozamiz City and arranged with my own Doctors in Cebu to look at my shoulder and to plan when the proposed operation would go ahead. I also arranged for Roxel, the 6 year old whose life we saved last spring, to go along for a check up. There was also another young girl who had TB of the bone and was to go to see a doctor concerning an operation to straighten the curvature of her spine that resulted from the deterioration of the spinal column bones.

I left on the boat last Sunday evening and we arrived in Cebu early Monday morning. After breakfast we started dispersing the patients to the various offices and hospitals they had to go to. My appointment was not until 2:00 PM. Amazingly, everything went pretty well, but even so it was a very hectic day.

The Doctor who looked over Roxel was amazed at his progress. The Doctor was able to remove the tracheotomy, which will now allow Roxel to regain his voice and learn to talk again. It was wonderful to hear him cry and then laugh at his own voice. Roxel can stand up now but only his right leg supports him at present so it will be some time yet before he can walk. He has, indeed made tremendous progress since I last saw him in Late May.

The 8 year old girl that we too for consultation needed new x-rays and then a CT Scan of her back bone and spinal cord. She was admitted to the hospital for observation and preparation for a possible operation on her spine to repair damage caused by the TB of the bone. I just received a call yesterday afternoon informing me that the operation will not go ahead at this time because the dangers of complete paralysis far out weigh the benefits to be gained by an operation at this time. Apparently, the positioning of the spinal cord had a lot to do with the decision on the part of the surgeons involved. They will fit her with a brace for now and observe her progress.

The five suspected hemophilia patients - from 9 to 16 years old - all tested out as severe FACTOR VIII deficient hemophiliacs. One of them was have a bleeding episode in his knee and found it very hard to get around. It was too bad that they had not thought to bring some medicine from the stocks that I recently delivered to the Foundation in Dumaguete. That medicine now costs P7, 000 per shot here and that is nearly \$150 USD. That is more than the parents of these kids make in a month. On top of that, the medicine is often not even available at any price.

These five will now be enrolled in the program with the USA Foundation and will be able to receive supplies of the needed medicines. What a blessing for them - a whole new chance at life.

While talking to the hematologist and the orthopedic surgeons in Cebu, I proposed that we initiate a study for the use of hyalgen infusions to replace the cartilage lost to the enzymes that eat up the blood after an internal bleed. The enzymes not only eat up the blood, they also eat the enzymes. No study of the use of this amazing infusion have been undertaken in the USA because hemophilia patients there rarely get to the stage that their cartilage is affected by the blood disorder. Most are diagnosed at a very young age and shots are available to them.

I have personally used the hyalgen infusion dealing with problems in my left knee. It has given me wonderful relief for more than five years without the necessity of re-injecting the knee. It is because of this that I was moved to suggest to doctors both in the USA and here that we undertake this study. The Doctors and surgeons here are all in favor of initiating this study and I am currently negotiating with Project Share Foundation regarding the funding for the study. Join me in praying that we will get he necessary funding for the study and that it will be successful in order to further help these poor kids find new life before they are completely disabled.

As for myself, my orthopedic surgeon suggested that it is far too soon to consider operating on my left shoulder. His philosophy is that my body will tell me when it "needs" to be operated on. He advises me also that the same should apply to the knee. Neither of them is painful enough at present to warrant surgery. In fact, at present, this doctor would suggest the use of steroids and additional hyalgen shots respectively for the shoulder and for the knee. I must say I am somewhat relieved at the lifting of the prospect of having those two operations within the next year. I will have them, though, when the time is right (or wrong - depending on how you look at it).

We got on the boat for Ozamiz on Tuesday evening. When we left the port of Cebu all was fine, but there was a storm moving right toward the Philippines some 60 -70 miles east of Buhol, the neighboring Island east of Cebu. Everything was fine until around midnight. The storm must have turned more westerly in its travels. For nearly three hours we were tossed about the sea in ways I have never before experienced. The boat went up and down and then rocked sideways. A couple of times it seemed to spin about 90 degrees and then spin back again. I wondered if we would survive the storm at all. I guess the Lord was not yet ready for me because He guided the ship into the lee side of Mindanao and we continued our journey to Ozamiz City.

That storm has struck and caused a lot of damage in Manila and its surrounding area. Many whole signboards were blown over and small houses destroyed by falling electric posts. A good number of people were killed and injured by falling wires and other debris. I have been in contact with all three of the students who are in Manila and they have survived untouched by the devastation, thanks be to God.

Other than that I am busy playing catch-up with all of my work and moving to my new office in the Columban Central house in Ozamiz City. It is the first time I have had an office with a nice view out of many windows that surround me here. The office in my house had no windows at all and there was nothing to see outside even if there had been windows - nothing except the side of our neighbor's house. Here, I get to see the sun and the trees and flowers all around. It is really great.

I guess this is all for now.
Keep in touch.

God Bless
Father Don

How are your Listening Skills?

A young man had been to Wednesday night Bible Study. The Pastor had shared about listening to God and obeying the Lord's voice. The young man couldn't help but wonder, "Does God still speak to people?"

After service he went out with some friends for coffee and pie and they discussed the message. Several different ones talked about how God had led them in different ways. It was about ten o'clock when the young man started driving home. Sitting in his car, he just began to pray, "God...If you still speak to people speak to me. I will listen. I will do my best to obey."

As he drove down the main street of his town, he had the strangest thought to stop and buy a gallon of milk. He shook his head and said out loud, "God is that you?" He didn't get a reply and started on toward home. But again, the thought, buy a gallon of milk. The young man thought about Samuel and how he didn't recognize the voice of God, and how little Samuel ran to Eli.

"Okay, God, in case that is you, I will buy the milk." It didn't seem like too hard a test of obedience. He could always use the milk. He stopped and purchased the gallon of milk and started off toward home. As he passed Seventh Street, he again felt the urge, "Turn Down that street." This is crazy he thought and drove on past the intersection. Again, he felt that he should turn down Seventh Street t. At the next intersection, he turned back and headed down Seventh.

Half jokingly, he said out loud, "Okay, God, I will". He drove several blocks, when suddenly, he felt like he should stop. He pulled over to the curb and looked around. He was in semi commercial area of town. It wasn't the best but it wasn't the worst of neighborhoods either. The businesses were closed and most of the houses looked dark like the people were already in bed. Again, he sensed something, "Go and give the milk to the people in the house across the street." The young man looked at the house. It was dark and it looked like the people were either gone or they were already asleep. He started to open the door and then sat back in the car seat.

"Lord, this is insane. Those people are asleep and if I wake them up, they are going to be mad and I will look stupid." Again, he felt like he should go and give the milk.

Finally, he opened the door, "Okay God, if this is you, I will go to the door and I will give them the milk. If you want me to look like a crazy person, okay. I want to be obedient. I guess that will count for something but if they don't answer right away, I am out of here."

He walked across the street and rang the bell. He could hear some noise inside. A man's voice yelled out, "Who is it? What do you want?" Then the door opened before the young man could get away. The man was standing there in his jeans and T-shirt. He looked like he just got out of bed. He had a strange look on his face and he didn't seem too happy to have some stranger standing on his doorstep. "What is it?"

The young man thrust out the gallon of milk, "Here, I brought this to you." The man took the milk and rushed down a hallway. Then from down the hall came a woman carrying the milk toward the kitchen. The man was following her holding a baby. The baby was crying. The man had tears streaming down his face.

The man began speaking and half crying, "We were just praying. We had some big bills this month and we ran out of money. We didn't have any milk for our baby. I was just praying and asking God to show me how to get some milk."

His wife in the kitchen yelled out, "I ask him to send an Angel with some. Are you an Angel?"

The young man reached into his wallet and pulled out all the money he had on him and put in the man's hand. He turned and walked back toward his car and the tears were streaming down his face.

He knew that God still answers prayers.

This is so true. Sometimes it's the simplest things that God asks us to do that cause us if we are obedient to what He's asking to be able to hear. His voice more clear than ever, please listen and obey! It will bless you (and the world). Phil 4:13

October 2, 2006

ROSIE O'DONNELL SMEARS POPE

In today's edition of the ABC-TV show, "The View," Rosie O'Donnell said that "the person who was in charge of investigating all the allegations of pedophiles in the Catholic Church from the eighties until just recently was guess who. The current pope." She said her source was an upcoming movie, "Deliver Us from Evil."

Catholic League president Bill Donohue responded as follows:

"There are several objections to today's edition of 'The View.' What started as a discussion on the problems facing the disgraced former congressman Mark Foley,

quickly digressed into a lengthy conversation about the sexual abuse scandal in the Catholic Church. Given the fact that the exchange began and ended with brief comments about Foley, it is obvious that the real target was the Catholic Church.

"According to one article on the film, it mentions that before Cardinal Ratzinger became pope, he wrote to all the bishops saying that 'grave' crimes such as the sexual abuse of minors 'would be handled by his congregation....' This is correct. He *would be* in charge. And when did he take command? *After* the scandal erupted in 2002. In other words, it is a lie to say that the pope, when cardinal, was 'in charge of investigating all the allegations of pedophiles in the Catholic Church from the eighties until just recently.' Indeed, it was precisely because of Cardinal Ratzinger's no-nonsense approach that Pope John Paul II put him in charge in 2002. It was on Good Friday, March 25, 2005, a week before Pope John Paul II died, that Cardinal Ratzinger spoke about the scandal, saying, 'How much filth there is in the church, even among those who, in the priesthood, should belong entirely' to God.

"O'Donnell, and the other panelists, err again by talking about the 'pedophile' scandal in the Church: it's been a homosexual scandal all along, as the data make painfully clear.

"We are writing to Barbara Walters, who co-owns and co-produces the show, and co-producer Bill Geddie, requesting an on-air apology for smearing the pope."

You can reach Bill Geddie at bill.geddie@abc.com.





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FAITHFUL FRIAR DEACON LARRY

Dear Brother Sir Knights,

What if you gain all but lose your life?

In 1923 a high-level business meeting was held in Chicago's old Edgewater Beach Hotel. Present were nine of the most powerful men in America.

They included such people as the presidents of

the nation's largest steel company,
the nation's largest gas company,
the nation's largest utility company.

Twenty-five years later, where were these powerful men? They had died penniless, three had committed suicide, two were in prison, and one had gone insane.

The fates of these men illustrate Jesus' point in the scriptures. "Does a person gain anything, if he wins the whole world but loses his life? To what extent do we place a higher priority on the things of this world than we do on the things of the next world?"

Take heed my brother Knights. This life ends so quickly. Think about what our Lord is telling us.

God Bless you!

Your Faithful Friar
Deacon Larry

Items of interest found at "catholicleague.org"

September 14, 2006

MUSLIMS UNHAPPY WITH POPES ADDRESS

Catholic League president Bill Donohue commented today on Muslim reaction to Pope Benedict XVI's September 12 lecture at Regensburg University:

Pope Benedict XVI is being widely denounced by Muslim leaders in Europe and the Middle East, and some are asking for an apology. The pope, who will travel to Turkey in November, was also condemned by the head of Turkey's state-run religious directorate who said he was now opposed to the Holy Fathers trip.

Some of the blame goes to the media for hyping out of context what the pope actually said, and some of the blame goes to those Muslims whose first response to criticism is a defensive posture.

The subject of the pope's address was the necessity of recognizing the centrality of faith and reason in the modern world. The universities, which pride themselves on promoting the faculty of reason, have unfortunately become places where radical skepticism reigns. In making the case for the reconciliation of faith and reason, the pope drew attention to the integral role that reason plays in shaping Christianity and the disconnect between faith and reason apparent in Islam. It was a quote from a 14th century Byzantine emperor that sparked most of the criticism: Show me just what Muhammad brought that was new, and there you will find things only evil and inhuman, such as his command to spread by the sword the faith he preached. Unfortunately, most of the media that have reported on this have not emphasized that *twice* the pope used the words; I quote, when introducing this remark.

In any event, true dialogue between Catholics and Muslims rests on coming to grips with some realities such as the frequent practice of killing converts from Islam in the name of jihad that are as barbaric as they are detrimental to ecumenical relations. A good place to begin is for all Muslim leaders to condemn in the strongest of terms those who invoke the name of Muhammad in their quest to kill Jews.

September 15, 2006

ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF MUSLIM OVERKILL

Catholic League president Bill Donohue commented today on the latest Muslim reaction to Pope Benedict XVI's address at Regensburg University on September 12:

It is a mark of a civilized people that they answer discourse they find disagreeable in a rational manner. Sadly, many Muslims are responding to the pope's speech in an irrational way, making true dialogue next to impossible. To compare the pope to Hitler, as a high-ranking Turkish official did, is the mark of an uncivilized person. To burn the pope in effigy, as the thugs in Srinagar, India, have done, is also the mark of incivility. Both are classic examples of Muslim overkill.

Ironically, these pathetic examples underscore the central message of the pope's address: he was beckoning the world to embrace both faith and reason. Reason unhinged from faith delivers a debased conception of mankind, the result of which has often been violence on a grand scale. But it is also true that faith unhinged from reason is capable of delivering the same outcome. Sadly, this part of the pope's message has gone unheard in much of the Islamic world.

Pope Benedict XVI is a brilliant philosopher and theologian. He offers so much to so many, and that is why it is sad to see this kind of reaction. Fortunately, he is also a courageous man, and will not be intimidated from speaking the truth.

October 3, 2006

BBC'S HIT JOB ON THE POPE

On October 1, the British Broadcasting Company (BBC) aired a documentary, "Sex Crimes and the Vatican," that accused Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger (now Pope Benedict XVI) of covering up priestly sexual abuse for 20 years. The show, which aired on the BBC's flagship, Panorama, says that Cardinal Ratzinger had been in charge of enforcing a 1962 Vatican document that was allegedly written to cover up these crimes.

Catholic League president Bill Donohue commented as follows:

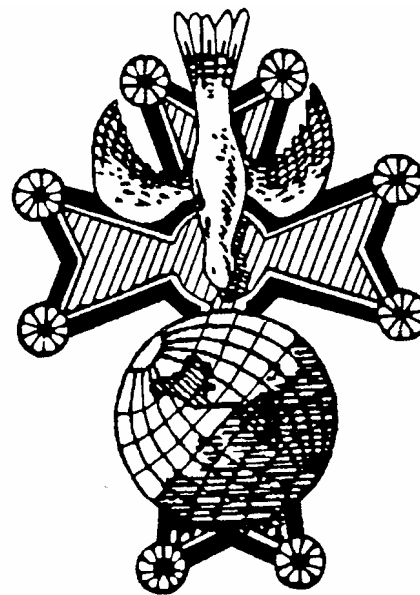
"It is a tribute to American journalism that the lies told by the BBC have not been widely disseminated in the United States. The 1962 document that the BBC refers to had absolutely nothing to do with covering up priestly sexual abuse. Quite the contrary: it dealt specifically with solicitations that a priest might make in the confessional. In fact, it prescribed penalties for any priest who, 'whether by words or signs or *nods of the head*' (my emphasis) might convey a sexual advance.

"This was an ecclesiastical response to a possible offense that, given the priest-penitent privilege, lay outside the purview of civil authorities. Furthermore, if a priest were found guilty, he could be thrown out of the priesthood. To top it off, if the penitent were to tell someone about sexual solicitation by a priest in the confessional (perhaps another priest), he or she had 30 days to report the incident to the bishop or face excommunication. In other words, the Vatican documents actually prescribed punishment for the penitent if he or she didn't turn in the guilty priest. The 1983 Code of Canon Law superseded the 1962 document and the norms established in 2001 for dealing with serious crimes involving the sacraments. As for the sexual abuse scandal, it was not until 2002, after the scandal had exploded in the media, that Pope John Paul II appointed Cardinal Ratzinger to investigate these matters.

"In short, the BBC's hit job on the pope demands a quick and sincere apology."

*****Upcoming Events*****

- 10/10/06 1st Degree at St. Patrick, 4201 Heatherdowns Blvd, Candidates 7:30 PM , Degree @ 8:00
- 10/12/06 Assembly Meeting, St. Rose Café, 7:30 PM
- 10/22/06 **Honor Guard**, Confirmation @ All Saints in Rossford, 11:00 AM Mass with Bishop Blair
- 10/22/06 1st Diocesan, 4th Degree Meeting @ Tiffin Council #608, 1:00 PM
- 10/29/06 **Honor Guard**, Dedication at St. Adalbert 's of Pope John Paul II statue, 10:00 AM Mass
- 11/5/06 **Honor Guard**, Blessing at St. Rose Cemetery
- 11/9/06 Assembly Meeting, St. Rose Café
- 11/23/06 Thanksgiving
- 12/13/06 Assembly Meeting, St. Rose Cafe
- 12/TBA//06 Assembly Christmas Party
- 03/10/07 **Honor Guard** @ St. Jerome, Confirmation, 10:00 AM Mass.
- 04/25/07 **Honor Guard** for St. Rose Confirmation @ Cathedral, 7 :00 PM
- 04/28/07 **Honor Guard** for St. Aloysius Confirmation @ Cathedral, 12:00 noon
- 05/05/07 **Honor Guard** for St. Joseph (Maumee) Confirmation @ Cathedral (tentative)



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