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Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God... A few Saturdays ago, after the 5:30 p.m. Mass a little urchin ran up to me and said, "Guess what, Father? Only 41 days until Christmas". Halloween was barely over, Thanksgiving was still a week away, and yet so many of our "little ones" have the days counted. The celebration as well as the preparation for our Lord's holy Birth is truly magical. I'm going to ask each one of you to help make this a blessed season of wonderful memories for a child, a family member or a friend. We can hear the words of Jesus in our minds and hearts, "Whatever you do for the least of my brothers and sisters, that you do for me". The cup of cold water can make a tremendous difference.

Our Knights of Columbus here at Ascension Church are spearheading the effort to collect toys and gifts for young people from all over the community, to spread the joy of the Holy Season. One young lady took the wish list of a boy because she and her husband had all girls. The excitement of doing for another was electric. A few years ago we were able to collect 66 bicycles for the needy youth of the area. A dear lady said to me, "Many of those bikes could be on a junk pile somewhere but the memories of someone caring will last forever."

I finished reading a great book recently. I try to capture something useful out of every book I read. The book was on healing. We're

working diligently to start a bereavement group of parishioners here at Ascension. Anyway, this book said in its pages when you are worried about what to say when you're making your visit, say something like. "In the name of Jesus, I'm sorry, In the name of Jesus, I care and in the name of Jesus, I love you."

My prayer for all of us these next few weeks is that we put ourselves in the presence of the Lord and allow the peace, joy, excitement, busyness and exhilaration of a child into our Spirit. Remember our Jesus also said, "To enter the kingdom, we must become like a little child". Not childish, but child like.

I received several comments about the meditation that was published in the last issue of the Ascension Connection and this is similar and can really help us prepare for Our Lord's Holy Birth. Please pray it, live it and share it.

"Lord by the power of your Holy Spirit, go into my memory. Every hurt that has ever been done to me, heal that hurt. Every hurt that I have caused another, heal that hurt. All the relationships that have been damaged in my life, heal those relationships. And dear Lord, if there is anything I need to do, if someone is suffering because of me, help me know that person. I choose right here and right now to forgive and I ask to be forgiven. Remove whatever bitterness that may be in my life, Lord and fill those empty places with your love. Thank you Lord Jesus. Amen."

May the joy of Christmas fill your hearts, homes, work places, class rooms, etc. for truly the joy of Christmas is the joy of Jesus himself.

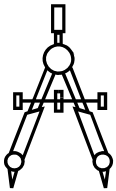
A blessed

Christmas to you and yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. J.L. Reichert". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

P.S. Please keep a brother Knight in prayer, Ralph Downey, of our Church of the Ascension

Council. He recently had back surgery and was recuperating in The Oaks of Pataskala. He's our oldest Knights of Columbus member and it made my day to hear that he went to the care center on Saturday and by Sunday evening he'd already had five of his Brother Knights stop in for a visit. Another of many great reasons for belonging to the Knights of Columbus. The caring is tremendous.



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We Have Opportunities All Around Us

While most of the media is focusing on bad news, we only have to look around for the good things. It is sort of like what Bishop Fulton J. Sheen said. He said "there is still a lot of evil in the world so when we see one evil deed we should go out and do two good deeds and eventually we will overcome the nastiness we see in society." We have many opportunities to do good deeds and overcome the evil. How so you ask? Here are a few.

When I hear someone tell me "happy holidays" I answer back with lots of enthusiasm "**Merry Christmas,**" During the pledge of allegiance I say "**under God**" just a tad bit louder to let people know I am not afraid to say it. I listen to people complain over what President Obama has done or not done. My reply is "isn't it great we live in a country where we can disagree with our politicians. " When we hear someone for abortion rights we can say "gee aren't you glad you mom decided to have you and not an abortion."

Goodness there are many opportunities to do good deeds. We only have to look for them. If we all did this think of the difference we would make on society. Well let me lead off with a good deed.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to each and everyone of you, I am not afraid to express that God is very important in my life and I rejoice in that. I will tell anyone this and be proud of it. I am proud to be a Sir Knight. Go out and do the good deeds and let people know that they in minority.

Don Vocca
 Faithful Navigator

Web-Pages of special interest:

www.kofcassembly3037.org (Assembly 3037)

www.kofc.org (Supreme)

www.kofcoho.org/master (Master's Web site)

www.kofcoho.org (Ohio State Council)

www.kofccolumbus.org (Columbus Chapter)

www.kofcassembly809.org (Assembly 809)

www.kofcsupplies.com (English Company)

www.lynchkelly.com (Lynch & Kelly)





**Faithful Captain
Robert Peters
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The officers and guest dinner meeting will be at The New Albany Links Golf Club located at 7100 New Albany Links Drive. See you on Monday on December 14th at 7:00 PM.

The assembly business meeting will be on December 17th. Our dinner will be at 7:00 pm, The Assembly will provide the Baked Ham, Scalloped Potatoes and Rolls with beverages. Members A-M should bring a dessert and N thru Z should bring a side dish.

Ladies' Program: White Elephant Gift Exchange.

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Requests for Honor Guard and Color Guard

Please inform the Pilot at least two weeks prior to any upcoming event requesting involvement of either the Honor Guard or Color Guard.

Wakes and Funerals

Honor Guard for wakes and funerals are to be telephoned immediately to the Pilot.

Calling Tree

Here is the modified current calling tree contact list. If you are NOT receiving phone calls about wakes, please contact your council's "Contact Person" or Carl Haaser at 614-891-1962.

If you would like to march in the Westerville Parade and need directions on Sunday morning you may contact me at 614-554-6316. You should come in the Brookside Blvd entrance on Shrock Rd across from Roush Honda. Take Brookside to where the median ends. The staging area will be on the left with people to direct you to our area.

The parade route is from Brookside to State St then through town to St. Paul's. We will provide transportation back to vehicles at Brookside.

Resurrection April 17 5:00 PM First Eucharist

Resurrection April 25 11:00 AM First Eucharist

Resurrection May 1 5:00 PM Confirmation Mass



Faithful Comptroller
John Arata
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Your Directive

All new Sir Knights, as well as current Sir Knights, need to complete your directive. This is the document that instructs the assembly on the presentation of the Chalice and Sword upon your death. Having this done in advance eases the burden on your family. A directive may be changed at any time.

Flag Pole Memorial

The Monsignor J. Colby Grimes Assembly Knights of Columbus has established a flag pole memorial to honor deceased members of the Assembly. The memorial is located at the Josephinum in Columbus, Ohio. As a Sir Knight in good standing at the time of your death you may request your name on a plaque at the Memorial.

The cost of the Memorial Plaque is presently \$125.00. To avoid decisions by your family at the time of your death you may pre-pay. Please contact the Faithful Comptroller for more information.



Faithful Commander
Manual of the Sword Practice

Manual of the Sword Practice will be held upon request of any Sir Knight. Please call our Faithful Commander to set up a time. All new Sir Knights should try to attend at least one manual of the Sword Practice.



DATE	PLACE	GATHERING TIME	EVENT	REQUIREMENT
Sunday 6 Dec 2009	St. Andrew Church 1899 McCoy Rd Upper Arlington, Oh	8:30 AM	St. Andrew Council Membership Blitz mass. To support for this Blitz the council is requesting as many Sir Knights in Regalia to attend this event.	Honor Guard
Sunday 6 Dec 2009	Our Lady of Piece Church, 20 E Dominion Blvd, Columbus	12:30PM	Feast of Our Guadalupe Mass at 1:00PM	Honor Guard
Saturday 12 Dec 2009	Holy Name Church, 154 E Patterson Ave Columbus, OH	6:30PM	Feast of Our Guadalupe Mass at 7:00PM	Honor Guard
Saturday/Sunday 9-10 January 2010	Hilton Hotel Easton Plaza, Columbus Ohio	12:15PM	District Deputy Meeting	Color Guard
Sunday 31 Jan 2010	Villa Millano's, 1630 Schrock Rd. Columbus	6:00PM	Clergy Night	Color Guard
Friday-Sat 16/17 April 2009	Cherry Valley Lodge Newark Ohio,	9:00AM	District 3 Exempt	Color Guard & Honor Guard

[Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity](#)

Jan. 31, 2010, is the deadline for submitting the 2009 Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (#1728). The vital information gathered from these forms shows how deeply the Knights of Columbus serves our communities and the Church. Complete the form, available through the link above or in the *Council Report Forms Booklet* (#1436), and submit it to Department of Fraternal Services as soon as possible.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ASSEMBLY 3037

ORDER FORM FOR NAME TAGS, SHORT SLEEVE POLO SHIRT(S) AND LONG SLEEVE DENIM SHIRT(S)

Name Tags - Please Print: Samples Below

Name: _____ Charter Member: Yes ___ No ___

(Exactly as name is to be shown on Tag!)

Style: Slip On ___ Pin On ___ Clip On ___ Magnetic** ___

Colors: Background – Black, Letters – White, Logo – Per K of C Standard



\$7.00

\$6.75

\$6.75

****Note: For Magnetic Tags add \$2.50 per tag.**

Shirts: 1. Men's Hunter Green Short Sleeve Polo Shirt w/pocket and Yellow Lettering including your name. 2. Men's Dark Blue Denim Long Sleeve Shirt w/pocket and Yellow Lettering including your name. Lettering (Yellow) and emblem will be identical to current Hunter Green Shirts. Only men's shirts are available at this time. **A minimum of twelve (12) of each type is required to order.**

Name: _____ Charter Member: Yes ___ No ___

(Exactly as name is to be shown on Shirt!)

						Cost Per Shirt	
Size:	Small ___	Med ___	Lg ___	XLg ___	Total ___	Polo \$27.00	Total \$ _____
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			XXXXLg ___	Total ___		Polo \$33.00	Total \$ _____
			XXXXLg ___	Total ___		Denim \$35.00	Total \$ _____

Grand Total Enclosed \$ _____

Make all checks payable to Knights of Columbus Assembly 3037.

12/1/2009 by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson

The message of Our Lady of Guadalupe unites the American continent in a common bond of faith

Supporting a sports team has the ability to unify a city. But in every game, the fans of one team are pitted against the fans of another.

As I participated in the Order's Guadalupe Festival in Phoenix, Aug. 8 — at an arena where sporting events are usually held — I observed how our faith has the power to unite us, but without the necessity of pitting us against "another team."

At the festival, nearly 20,000 people from a variety of backgrounds joined together, unified in their celebration of Christ's mother and her son's message, which she brought to our continent centuries ago.

We shared an arena with people of every conceivable ethnic background. And as we prayed the rosary in 26 languages from Europe, Asia, Africa and North America, I realized that the force that unified those in the arena is that which can and does unify all of us in this hemisphere: the Christian faith.

Our continent is one drawn together by shared history. On a historical level, all of its countries — to some degree — are nations of immigrants and Native Americans. On a spiritual level, all of these countries share a common heritage of Christianity. And on a personal level, every person on this continent shares a mother: Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Of course, Our Lady of Guadalupe has been unifying this hemisphere for nearly 500 years. In the 1700s, Pope Benedict XIV said of her: "To no other nation has such a wonder been done." And at the time he said this, that *nation* stretched from Seattle to the Southern tip of Argentina.

It is no surprise that Pope Pius XII later proclaimed Our Lady of Guadalupe "Empress of the Americas." Our Lady of Guadalupe points us to her son, and she also points us to unity in her son. For Catholics, this unity must transcend borders. In this spirit of unity — the second principle of our Order — it took only a few years after our foundation for the Knights to spread throughout the Christian hemisphere — to Canada (1897), to Mexico (1905), to Panama and Cuba (1909), and to many other countries in this hemisphere since.

No other place on earth has as many practicing Catholics as the Americas. While some continents have never been Christian, and while many European churches are nearly empty, ours are still full. Here, the Church faces a bright future. Here, we are indeed fortunate to be citizens of the Catholic hemisphere, a continent of baptized Christians, unified by the Gospel message of Christ. For if we who live on the American continent have a shared past, we have a shared future as well: a future of unity in faith.

What unites us as a Christian family is far greater than anything that divides us. Our Lady of Guadalupe is the mother of each of us, regardless of where we are from or what language we speak. This is a unity that joins us as Knights, that joins us to the Church and to our fellow Christians on this continent.

But we cannot rest easy viewing this history of unity as a settled matter; we must protect it going forward. It is up to us — in our lives, in our homes and in our families — to put our faith into practice. From Canada to Argentina, all of us who live in the Americas are called, like St. Juan Diego, to bridge the divide of cultures. We are called to communicate the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe, mother of the civilization of love.

It is up to us to make that unity real by living exemplary family and professional lives, and by supporting the faith of Catholic immigrants today so that they become the Catholic parents of tomorrow. If we do these things, our legacy will be a Catholic hemisphere that remains Catholic.

Vivat Jesus!



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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

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Dinner/Meeting

December 14th
December 17th



Good of the Order

Bishop Frederick Campbell

Debbie Girardi

All Under & Unemployed

All Service Personnel

If you know of any Sir Knight or Lady who is sick or in distress, please
contact Mark Steele at 475-2733