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## Message from the Grand Knight



## Brother Knights,

Brother Knights, Advent began on Sunday and December is here. I sit here watching the snow pile up over 8 inches already, and I try to imagine the JOY the children are feeling, anticipating the coming season. In today's Gospel Jesus rejoices and gives praise to His Father for revealing "these things to the childlike". As we kick off this Advent Season and dive headlong into "The Family Fully Alive" Program we ponder the 'JOY', the actual theme for December, and that we the domestic family can appreciate a deeper love of God, who gave His only Son for us, as we celebrate the birth of Christ.

Composed by Archbishop William Lori, Supreme Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus: "O Lord Jesus, you lived in the home of Mary and Joseph in Nazareth. There you grew in age, wisdom and grace as you prepared to fulfill your mission as our Redeemer. We entrust our family to you. O Blessed Mary, you are the Mother of our savior. At Nazareth you cared for Jesus and nurtured him in the peace and joy of your home. We entrust our family to you. O St. Joseph, you provided a secure and loving home for Jesus and Mary, and gave us a model of fatherhood while showing us the dignity of

work. We entrust our family to you. Holy family, we consecrate ourselves and our family to you. May we be completely united in a love that is lasting, faithful and open to the gift of new life. Help us to grow in virtue, to forgive one another from our hearts, and to live in peace all our days. Keep us strong in faith, persevering in prayer, diligent in our work, and generous toward those in need. May our home, O Holy family, truly become a domestic church where we reflect your example in our daily life. Amen."

May we experience a season of gratitude, for all that God has done for us, all the gifts God has bestowed on us and especially for the family He has given to us.

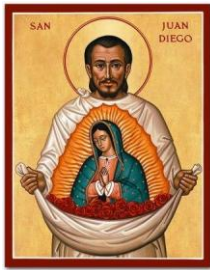
As you drive up High St look for our "Keep Christ in Christmas" billboard. The children of OLP are in the midst of the "Keep Christ in Christmas" card contest, where they will design a card based on the theme of keeping Christ in Christmas. We are hoping for many beautiful cards and that they will be distributed among the needy and lonely this season.

Finally our Financial Secretary, Greg Taylor reminds us that membership dues notice is being issued for the coming 2021 year.

God Bless, and Merry Christmas to you and your families.

**Vivat Jesus,  
Dave Heilman, Grand Knight**

**St. Juan Diego Visionary  
1474 – 1548  
December 9**



Thousands of people gathered in the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe July 31, 2002, for the canonization of Juan Diego, to whom the Blessed Mother appeared in the 16th century. Pope John Paul II celebrated the ceremony at which the poor Indian peasant became the Church's first saint indigenous to the Americas.

The Holy Father called the new saint "a simple, humble Indian" who accepted Christianity without giving up his identity as an Indian. "In praising the Indian Juan Diego, I want to express to all of you the closeness of the Church and the pope, embracing you with love and encouraging you to overcome with hope the difficult times you are going through," John Paul said. Among the thousands present for the event were members of Mexico's 64 indigenous groups.

Called *Cuauhtlatohuac* ("The eagle who speaks"), Juan Diego's name is forever linked with Our Lady of Guadalupe because it was to him that she first appeared at Tepeyac hill on **December 9, 1531**. The most famous part of his story is told in connection with the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 12. After the roses gathered in his tilma were transformed into the miraculous image of Our Lady, however, little more is said about Juan Diego.

In time he lived near the shrine constructed at Tepeyac, revered as a holy, unselfish, and passionate catechist, who taught by word and especially by example. During his 1990 pastoral visit to Mexico, Pope John Paul II confirmed the long-standing liturgical cult in honor of Juan Diego, beatifying him. Twelve years later the same pope proclaimed him a saint.



**Fall Parish Clean up Day!**

The annual beautification clean-up of the OLP



Parish grounds took place on **Saturday, November 14**. It was a day full of hard work and fellowship. **Thanks to all of the OLP Knights who participated!**



Thanks also to Bob Brehm for sending the photographs!



**Your 2021 Dues is Due!**



**Financial Secretary  
Greg Taylor**

reminds everyone that your annual dues, for the year **2021**, is due **December 31, 2020**. You should have received your notice via email.

Dues for 2021 is **\$40.00**. In addition, you can also make a voluntary donation to the **Terry Diebel Fund** in the amount of **\$10.00** if you choose.

You can mail your check to Greg Taylor. Make check payable to **OUR LADY OF PEACE COUNCIL 14282**. Forward your check for either **\$40.00** or **\$50.00** to: **Greg Taylor, 853 Lynbrook Road, Columbus, Ohio 43235-3305**. Mark your check "2021 Dues."

Paying your dues promptly by **December 31st** will decrease postage and processing costs for our council. **Thank you!**

**Call Out for the Pew Crew!**



We remain in need of volunteers to wipe down the Church surfaces, pews, rails, door handles, etc. We always need volunteers between all Masses for the coming weeks. We continue to appreciate your assistance. **Thank You!**



## Announcements!

### Brothers, Please Join Us!



Please try to attend the monthly meetings. We do need your ideas to help us grow. **Please join us at the monthly meeting and share your ideas.** The General Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at **7:00 PM** in the **Old Rectory.** **Mark your calendar or log the dates in your smarty phone!** The dates for future OLP Council meetings are:

### Our Next Virtual Meeting!

**Tuesday, December 15th** – via **Zoom** – Watch for the email invite that will be sent to all Members!



Please pray for the sick and deceased members of our Council and for any members of the OLP Parish community who may be ill.

Please pray for our retired priests and religious. They need our prayers and support.

Pray the Rosary for an end to the evil that is abortion.

### **Editor's Desk**



The deadline for submitting items for the newsletter is the **3<sup>rd</sup>** of each month. Let me know if there is something you wish publicized. You can reach me

by email at [FCoolavin@aol.com](mailto:FCoolavin@aol.com)  
or by phone at **614-268-4166**.

### **Wanted – New Members**

The Grand Knight has asked each member to bring in one new member this year! **Ask a friend to join The Knights of Columbus!**



**On line registration for new members is now available at [www.KofC.org](http://www.KofC.org).**

Help us continue to grow our Council. **We currently have 90 members.** If you need recruiting information, please contact **Trustee Bob Brehm at [bbrehm5859@gmail.com](mailto:bbrehm5859@gmail.com)**

### **Family Fully Alive Booklet**



The Supreme Council has published a booklet called **“Family Fully Alive.”** The booklet is to assist all families in building the Domestic Church. You can download the complete booklet from the KofC National website at the following link: <https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/faith-in-action-programs/family/family-fully-alive/10162-family-fully-alive-booklet.pdf>

### **December**

#### **Breaking Open the Theme – Joy**

It is often remarked that faith is caught more than taught in the family. One of the best ways faith is caught is through joy. Joy is not an emotion that can be faked

or forced. There is something authentic about it that points to a deeper reality.

Joy should be part of the regular fabric of Christian life. The lord promises His disciples that “no one will take your joy from you” (John 16:22), and we are instructed by St. Paul to “rejoice in the lord always” (Phil 4:4).

But how is it possible to be joyful when there is sorrow in our lives? The answer is that joy in its deepest sense is not dependent on positive circumstances or upbeat feelings. Joy means having an encounter (encuentro) with God’s infinite love for us, which is always present in our lives. It “adapts and changes, but always endures, “even amid great sorrow.” It takes the form of a quiet assurance, a reminder that we are God’s beloved sons and daughters. At other times, joy means that one “rejoices with the truth” (1 Cor 13:6), praising aloud the lord and thanking him for his gifts. But above all, joy comes from “an expansion of the heart” through prayer and gestures of love toward others, creating a bright, warm and cheerful atmosphere.



**“Once in our world, a stable had something in it that was bigger than our whole world.”**

– C.S. Lewis.

***Merry Christmas to  
all and a Happy  
and Prosperous  
New Year!***