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Brother Knights,



I hope

everyone experienced a Joyous Easter. May has arrived and the promise of summer weather is just a few weeks away! April ended in a most unexpected way for me.

My wife was down here watching her father and I was to pick her up Sundav the 23rd. I was excited to see her and left Cleveland at 7 am. I arrived in the southend by 9 to hear she was taken to the emergency room. I caught up with her in Grove City, they had just taken her back. After a blood test and a CT scan, the Dr. brought in the results. She had appendicitis and needed surgery immediately. They sent us out to Dr West Hospital and within 2 hours of arriving she was being released and sent home, less her appendix. So she has been recovering since then. In the process, I believe I got a head cold sinus infection, the room or temperature was 66, and if you recall that day the temps were in the 80's. I froze my butt off there!

Measure Up is this weekend. It has been very difficult recruiting members time around for the collection. The timing for the event was just not conducive with Mother's Day this weekend. I have had so many brothers contact me and apologize they are not available to participate due to family events, and I apologize as well myself being out of town too. We are not giving up, there will be a handful of Brothers collecting. Please volunteer if you can. Use the Sign-Up Genius link below.

On a better note we have solidified our Officer Slate for the most part. All we need to complete the rooster is a new Warden, and I am waiting to get confirmation from a Brother.

Brothers, my tenure is coming to an end in June. Originally I wanted to remain with the Council and continue as a However. Trustee. due to circumstances here at home I will be transferring back to my old Council. I have been approached by their trustees and asked to take the Grand Knight position here. Six months ago the Deputy Grand Knight passed away, their Chancellor took over that position, but is unable to go forward due to a change in his employment. That simply left no one to take the position that would have any experience. I could not say no to a brother Knight, let alone my old Council.

I am leaving behind an awesome group of guys. I have been so blessed to have been here and to serve with you. I can't thank you for welcoming me, making me feel so at home and a part of the Parish from the very beginning! I thank you for your support! I am hoping that at our June meeting we could end with a nice social event, and I hope the majority of you attend. A full slate of Officers will be released soon. If you are interested in taking a position, please contact one of our Trustees, **Bob Brehm or Ed Price.**

Vivat Jesus! Dave Heilman, Grand Knight

St. Damien of Molokai Priest and Missionary 1840-1889 May 10



St. Damien of Molokai, SS.CC. was born Joseph de Veuster in Tremelo, Belgium, on January 3, 1840.

At the age of 19, he joined the Congregation of the **Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary.** As a member of this community, he took the name Damien.

Damien's older brother was a priest. When his brother was assigned to the Hawaiian Islands, he became ill and was unable to go. Damien immediately volunteered to go in his brother's place. Damien was ordained on May 21, 1864 after completing his studies in Honolulu.

The Hawaiian government had a leper colony on the island of Molokai, where people suffering from Hansen's disease were kept isolated from the rest of the population. Father Damien offered to serve the sick who lived there.

He felt compassion for the lepers and he asked permission to the remain with colony permanently. He cared for the people's physical, emotional, and spiritual needs. Damien also the appealed to Hawaiian for government money and services to help the lepers. Soon, a school, homes, an orphanage, and a church greatly improved the colony through Father Damien's efforts. Most importantly, he helped his people know that God loved and cared for them.

Eventually, Damien caught leprosy and died from the disease on April 15, 1889. He had become so famous for his compassionate work among the lepers that a statue of Father Damien represents the state of Hawaii in Statuary Hall at the U.S. Capitol.

Damien of Molokai was declared a saint on October 11, 2009 by Pope Benedict XVI.

We honor St. Damien on his feast day, **May 10** for bringing the Good News to people who had been abandoned and treated badly by society.

Like St. Damien, each of us can be a sign of hope and encouragement to anyone who feels lonely or forgotten in our neighborhoods or schools.

Local Note: The order that St. Damien of Molokai belonged to was the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Marv. They served in the Columbus Diocese from 1948 to 1965 at St. Matthew Church in Mt. Gilead, Ohio. They left the diocese in 1966. In 1971 St. Matthew parish and St. Joseph parish in Cardington were combined to form Sacred Hearts Church in Cardington, which was named to honor the Sacred Hearts Fathers who served the area. The parish still exists today.

Measure Up Campaign

This is a call for volunteers to all OLP Knights. You are being asked to volunteer to collect donations at the intersection of Henderson and High Sts and at



OLP weekend Masses. This is our annual **Measure-Up Campaign** to benefit the **Special Olympics**.

Collections

Saturday, May 7 – 10:00 am -1:00 pm Corner Henderson and High Sts Saturday, May 7 – OLP, after the 4:00 pm Mass

Sunday, May 8 – after all Masses

Please volunteer to help us help others on the following Signup Genius link:

https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/904044babaa2da5ff2measure1

Congratulations to our Annual Honorees!

The following individuals are being recognized by the **OLP Knights of Columbus** for their service to the Knights, the church and the parish for 2021-2022:

Knight of the Year – Grand Knight Dave Heilman

Religious of the Year – Father Charles F. Klinger

Family of the Year – The Maynard Family

Youth of the Year – Sebastian Fast

2022-2023 Candidates For Office



The following are candidates

for office for the 2022-2023 fraternal year (beginning July 1, 2022). The election will be held during the **May 17, 2022** general meeting:

Grand Knight – Mark Warren Deputy Grand Knight – Jim Silcott Chancellor – Jim Davoli Advocate – Dcn. Jeffery Fortkamp Treasurer – Greg Campbell Recorder – Dick Jones Warden – Open Guard – Dan Hageman

1st Year Trustee – Open

2nd Year Trustee – Bob Brehn 3rd Year Trustee – Ed Price

Appointed Positions:

Financial Secretary – Jordan Hunt Lecturer – J. Michael Finn

Announcements!

Brothers, Please Join Us!

Please



attend the monthly meetings. We do need your ideas to help us grow. <u>Please join us at the</u> <u>ideas</u>. Meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at <u>7:00</u> <u>PM</u>, in the Ave Maria Room (formerly the Old Rectory). <u>Mark</u> your calendar or log the dates in your smarty phone! The dates for future OLP Council meetings are:

> May 17, 2022 June 21, 2022 July 19, 2022

Kiosk in Place

A kiosk of free religious books is now installed in the Gathering Space. Please stop by and pick up some Easter reading material. All of the books are Free.

Editor's Desk

The deadline for submitting items for the



newsletter is d the **3**rd of each month. Let me know if there is something you wish publicized. You can reach me by email at <u>FCoolavin@aol.com</u> or by phone at **614-268-4166.**



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 great evil that is abortion.

Pray for Peace.

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 <u>www.KofC.org</u>.

Help us continue to grow our Council. We currently have <u>97</u> members. If you need recruiting information, please contact Trustee Bob Brehm at bbrehm5859@gmail.com

Helping the Easter Bunny





OLP Brother Knights got together to help the Easter Bunny and fill plastic eggs with candy to assist the **Open Shelter** in Columbus.

Honor Flight Columbus



Brother Knight Jon Pawley (above middle) served as a Guardian for Honor Flight Columbus Mission 113 on April 14, 2022. Honor Flight honors America's senior veterans with a trip to Washington D.C. the to visit nation's memorials. Honor Flight and the Guardians accompany the veterans, help them share their stories, and celebrate and affirm their service and homecoming.

Thanks, Jon, for your service to our veterans.

