



The Spirit of 4022

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Grand Knight's Report

Brother Knights:

This will be the last issue of the Spirit of 4022 that will be printed and mailed to you via the US Postal Service. The Spirit will continue to be published but will only be distributed via e-mail. Copies of the current and past issues of the Spirit will also be available on the Council web site at: www.kofc4022.org.

The reasons for this decision are many. The printing and mailing of copies of the Spirit is costing the Council in excess of \$100 per month. Although we have a postage permit, we are also increasing finding it difficult to have the minimum 200 copies necessary to qualify for the bulk rate. This is an expense that we can no longer afford due to our limited fund raising over the past few years. The printing, collating, labeling, and mailing of the Spirit is also a very time consuming task.

If you wish to continue receiving your copy of the Spirit it will be necessary for you to ensure that we have a current e-mail on record for you. If you have none on file or are not really sure that you do, send an e-mail to: grandknight@kofc4022.org with your name and e-mail address and we will add you to the distribution list.

My congratulations to the members of the Council on our recent Annual Fish Fry. This was by far the best attended and most profitable Fish Fry we have staged in many years. Lots of hard work went into this event.

An idea generated at the Fish Fry was to gather signatures to combat the January 20th, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), final decision that would force Catholic institutions to provide health insurance that

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March

YOUR DUES ARE REALLY LATE!!

- 1 - Council Meeting, 7:30 PM, Council Chambers
- 9 - Stations of the Cross St. Albert's Church
- 15 - Info for April Bulletin due dnld.homan@gmail.com
- 17 - St. Patrick's Day
- 18 - Magic Show 1 - 2:30 Bldg. 305, VAMC
- 19 - St. Joseph's Feast Day
- 21 - Dayton Chapter Meeting 7:30, Council 500
- 29 - Founder's Day
- 29 - Council Officer's Meeting, 7:30, Council Chambers

April

- Easter Egg Roll - TBA Check the website
- 8 - Easter Sunday
- 12 - Council Meeting, 7:30 PM, Council Chambers
- Measure Up Campaign - TBA
- 26 - Council Officer's Meeting, 7:30, Council Chambers

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Chaplain's Corner

WHEN A BURNING BUSH DOESN'T BURN UP!

"The LORD said, 'I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey.'" - Exodus 3:7-8

Moses was just walking around Midian minding his own business when suddenly he saw a bush burning that wasn't turning to ash. That, of course, got his attention! Moses stopped in his tracks, looked, and saw that this had to be God! Only God could cause a bush to burn without burning up.

Sometimes, God has to get our attention. Life can get in the way of seeing Him and hearing Him. Mother Theresa remarked once that the biggest challenge in our spiritual journeys is when a distraction takes our attention away from God.

Well, God got Moses' attention and He will get yours, as well, when necessary. Sometimes, when we face insurmountable challenges, God uses them (doesn't necessarily cause them) to say in essence, "Look at Me! I want your attention. . . because I love you!"

Once God had Moses' attention, He spoke from the bush! The first words God spoke from the burning bush were, "I've heard the cries of my children."

PRAYER:

Lord God, thank You that You have heard my cries. You know my heartache. You are there. You do care. You have my attention and I am looking for Your guiding hand in my life and listening to Your caring voice. Thank You for being there for me – today and always! Amen.

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includes all FDA-approved contraceptive methods and sterilization procedures, including several drugs that cause an early abortion by interfering with the implantation of a newly-conceived human being. In one week's time this idea was turned into reality. On the weekend of 11-12 February the Council collected 609 signed postcards that are now in the hands of our elected representatives. While this is a notable accomplishment, I urge you to write to our Congressmen and two Senators and urge them to support "The Respect for Rights of Conscience Act".

Vivat Jesus!

SK Bob Burns
Grand Knight Council 4022



Recognitions:

The Knight of the Month for January 2012 was Forst Elliott in recognition to his outstanding chairmanship of the very successful Annual Fish Fry. Forst spent countless hours getting things organized, setting things up, working the event and cleaning up the following day. His leadership in these endeavors directly contributed to the success of the event.

My personal thanks to all the Brother Knights who worked so hard to make this year's Fish Fry so successful.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

W Patrick Mcguinn

Dr Russell Zanowick

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John J Buehrle



Robert L Grewe

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Ralph R Holt

Paul M Davis

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Fish Fry Results



Thank you Brother Knights for a record setting Fish Fry.
Pre-Sale ticket record: 93 Pre-Sale tickets sold
Attendance record: 300 people in attendance
50/50 Raffle record: \$285 50/50 Raffle Jackpot
Profit from Fish Fry:
*** \$3,000 ***



We sold out of all the beer all the food and all but one box of fish. We also had to open the basement for the overflow crowd. The response to the fish fry was fantastic. A big thank you goes out to our volunteers: Bob Burns, Tim Depp, Jim Duffin, Bob Erhart, John Gaeke, Barry Galen, Brian Gilles, Ed Haggerty, Charles Hoying, Don Krebs, Gary Lammers, Steve Mantey, Will McCloskey, Sean McCormick, Lynn Montgomery, Tim O'Connell, John Osterday, Fred Oyer, Matt Shampton, Tom Slocumb, Dick Strominger, Steve Timmer and Jared Wagner. A special thanks goes out to Tom Wittman for selling 16 pre-sale tickets and Mike Lashley for selling 12 pre-sale tickets. Thank you all for your attendance and support and we look forward to seeing you next year at the Fish Fry.

Support of Religious Liberty

On January 20th, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), made a final decision that would force Catholic institutions to provide health insurance that includes all FDA-approved contraceptive methods and sterilization procedures, including several drugs that cause an early abortion by interfering with the implantation of a newly-conceived human being. This mandate poses a very serious threat to the religious freedom of Catholics and Catholic institutions.

To combat this ruling and send a clear message to our elected representatives, on the weekend of 11-12 February, the Brother Knights of the Maria-Joseph Council 4022 gathered signatures from the parishioners of St. Albert the Great on postcards to be sent to our elected representatives expressing our opposition to this HHS determination and our support for "The Respect for Rights of Conscience Act".

Arrangements were made for pulpit announcements to be made at the end of each Mass. Tables were set up at Friends and Fellowship in the school cafeteria, in the Gathering Space, and at the Church doors after all the Masses on Saturday and Sunday.

Post cards were prepared with the following message to our elected representatives:

I urge you to schedule a vote for "The Respect for Rights of Conscience Act" (H.R. 1179, S. 1467). To block any attempt to force an American to buy or participate in health care that violates his or her conscience, such as the recent order by the Department of HHS concerning contraception, sterilization and abortion-inducing drugs being included in health care plans.

My religious freedom, protected by the First Amendment, is non-negotiable! All Americans, regardless of their faith, are in danger. We will watch closely to see how you vote.

To make participation as easy as possible, the postcards were preprinted with spaces provided for the parishioners to address each card individually to one of our elected representatives, add their own personal note, include their signature and place their return address on the reverse side. Parishioners were encouraged to fill out a card addressed to our Congressmen and two Senators.

The Council had the postcards printed, gathered signatures, addressed them, provided the required postage and put them in the mail. To maximize the impact that these cards would have, they were individually mailed, to the maximum extent possible. Through the efforts of the Brother Knights of Council 4022 a total of approximately 609 postcards were mailed to our elected representatives.

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Insurance Thoughts

Still have just group insurance?

As a Knights of Columbus field agent, I hear about group life insurance every week. If you have it, it's certainly not a bad thing, but it can be a misleading security blanket. Most times, the amount offered is far from what you need, and the only way to determine what you need is with a comprehensive needs analysis. Your group coverage is not based on any analysis. Instead, they apply a formula: you make X amount in salary and the group life is either a flat amount (\$15,000 seems popular) or a multiple of your salary (somewhere between 1.5 and 2.5 is common). Either way, it has nothing to do with the number of children you have, the mortgage balance you carry, or the amount of money your wife would need if you die. It's a completely random number.

It can also disappear at any time. All of us know people — friends, family members, neighbors — who have lost their jobs. When the job is lost, so is the group life insurance coverage. If the company experiences difficulty and budgets need to be cut, group life can be reduced or eliminated. And that decision could be made at the worst possible time for you. Most group life insurance coverage reduces or disappears when you retire. Many times it can be converted, but at a very expensive premium (remember, you're no kid anymore when you retire, and premiums do rise as you get older). Just because you turn 65 doesn't mean you no longer need life insurance or need less coverage. Actually, the opposite is true. Do you still own just group life insurance? It must be supplemented with a personally owned portfolio. I can tell you exactly how to blend your group benefit with your K of C life insurance so things can be in your control. Don't let the feeling of security that group life provides distract you from the real issue: taking control of your family's financial future!

I really want to be your agent!

Fraternally,

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