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Grand Knight's Corner

Faith is an interesting concept to me, you can't see it but you can feel it when it's present and you can tell when it's not. Merriam-Webster states that faith is a strong belief or trust in someone or something. Faith itself is an English word originating in the 13th century from the Latin *fides* which means belief or trust. People in general seem to develop an individual, personal belief about faith, this begs a question brothers, what does faith mean to you?

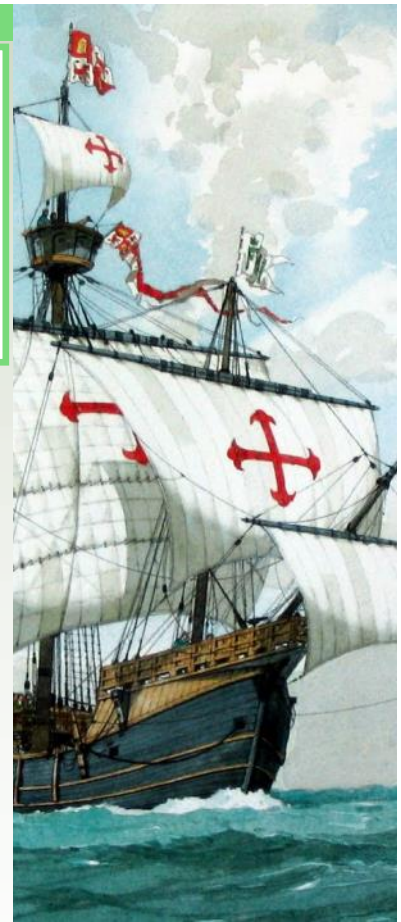
I have struggled so deeply between last year and this year to discern it. I've lost purpose, I've lost desire, I've found myself in some very dark places in my mind with no idea of how to find a light. My faith and everything I hold dear has been shaken to its very core these last couple of years, yes I have family, friends, and my fellow Knights but when it comes down to it, at night when the enemy as St. Peter said; "is prowling outside and roaring like a lion", that is the ultimate *mano ch mano*, a supreme test of will.

The catechism of the church states, "Faith is the theological virtue by which we believe in God and believe all that he has said and revealed to us, and that Holy Church proposes for our belief, because he is truth itself. By faith "man freely commits his entire self to God." For this reason the believer seeks to know and do God's will. "The righteous shall live by faith." Living faith "work[s] through charity." I know one of the biggest differences in the Catholic Church and other denominations is that while other denominations believe faith is enough, the Catholic Church holds that it needs to be coupled with works of charity which is also the most significant tenant of our brotherhood.

Pope Francis's did an interview with fellow Jesuit Fr. Antonio Spadaro, S.J., giving insight into not only his rich theology of faith, but his personal experience. "Faith is a journey; it is a history. God did not reveal himself by dictating abstract truths but by acting in human history. The response of faith, in turn, is historical, meaning that it must be renewed and refreshed again and again." Francis even suggests that faith is not genuine unless it is tinged with a trace of doubt. The Pope explains that his approach to prayer gives rise to direct questions: "What have I done for Christ? What am I doing for Christ? What must I do for Christ?" In uttering these words, he and we are ever mindful that the Lord "remembers" us. We may forget him, but we are absolutely certain he can never forget us.

All I can determine right now is that faith is what holds us together when our worlds explode, if I didn't have my faith to fall back on I don't know where I'd be right now. Faith can help us look for solutions, and faith can help us discover purpose. For those of you who read these articles, I would ask again what is Faith to you, I for one would be interested in hearing your thoughts, in doing so it might help me and indeed all of us discern where we are in our journey. My Knight of the Month was Worthy PGK Russ Milliron and my Family of the Month was Bro. Corky and Cheryl Block. There is not enough room on this paper to list all that they do for the council but I know the way they live their faith is something we can all strive to emulate. Make sure to congratulate them when you see them around the hall or the parish. This month we have, the Parish dinner, the Celebration of Life Hog Roast and Membership Blitz, as well as the Reverse Raffle. Come out and celebrate our Parish, and our council with your brother Knights. Ut in omnibus glorificetur Deus

Vivat Jesus.
GK Erbacher



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Special points of interest

- Ave, Regina Caelorum
- KOTM/FOTM
- Holy Father's Prayer Intention

ACTIVITIES

PARISH DINNERS

The Knights of Columbus will hold our next Parish Dinner this Saturday October 13th. This month we will be featuring our most popular entree, roast half chicken. We'll serve that up with au gratin potatoes, glazed carrots, cucumber salad, bread and another special desert from the long sealed vault of Betty Crocker. You get all this for just \$10 for adults \$5 for children. We'll be serving in the Parish Center right after the 4:00 Mass. Come and join your fellow Knights and Parishioners for some good food and even better company.

2018 OHIO KNIGHT'S FOOTBALL CRAZR

While the NFL Football season is now started, it's not too late to participate in the 2018 Ohio Knight's Football CraZR fund raiser. Your Fairborn K of C needs your help to sell the Ohio K of C Football CraZR tickets. Tickets are only \$20.00 each and there is \$2500 in prizes for each of the last ten weeks of the NFL season. Tickets are available in the lounge. The final turn-in date is 26 October 2018.

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS Men of Faith

All Council 3724 Knights are requested and encouraged to come and visit the Men of Faith Fellowship that meets in St Francis Hall on the First and Third Saturdays from 8-9 a.m. Come early for a bagel, hot coffee and conversation. During nice weather, we meet on the patio adjacent to the St Francis meditation garden. Fellowship begins with a couple of well-known songs led by guitar, voice and harmonica followed by prayer and petitions. We then read Scripture for the weekend Liturgy and share personal insights / challenges about the Readings or related church teaching - a great way to spiritually prepare for Mass later that day or the next! We then close with a song and prayer. Please come! You are welcome - it is like home - an open and welcoming place to share... Contact Tom Boland (937 469-3267) or GK Gene Erbacher for more information...

REVERSE RAFFLE 2018

Your K of C Council's annual Fall Reverse Raffle will be held on October 27th. Doors open following the 4:00 mass. Tickets are \$35 which covers 2 adults admission, heavy hor d'oeuvres, soft drinks and a chance to win prizes. A cash bar will be available. The first ticket Drawn wins \$100, last ticket drawn wins \$2000. Additional prizes will be awarded throughout the drawing. You need not be present to win. For tickets call PGK Jim McCoy @ 937-879-3570 or PGK Frank Minnick @ 937-522-0866 or email FMINNN@aol.com or any of our members

WSU BASKETBALL USHERS

It is time to prepare for the 2018-2019 WSU Men's Basketball season. I have 20 individuals who ushered last year but we ran short a few times last year. I need additional volunteers who are willing to usher at the games. Our Council receives \$30 per individual per game. With 17 home games, that has the potential of \$4080 for the season. Half of the funds we earn go to WSU for student tuition and the other half comes to our Council for local charities. Please consider volunteering to usher so that we can maximize our income for local charities. Please contact PGK Larry Bogemann at 937-340-1230 (home), 937-605-3359 (cell) or bogemann@earthlink.net with your name, phone number, email address, and shirt size.

CULTURE OF LIFE HOG ROAST DINNER

The Council once again will be sponsoring a Celebration of Life Hog Roast dinner on 20 October in the Mary Help of Christians Parish Center. Doors open at 5:00 PM with dinner being served at 5:30 PM... The Knights will prepare and serve the dinner featuring roast pork donated by Pitstick Pork Farms. The staff of FYI will put on a program followed by a live auction. There is no pre-determined fare for this dinner. Donations will be requested to help fund FYI's Parenting Network and Pro-Life initiatives. Please be generous. Please RSVP to our Culture of Life Chairman, Percy Gros, at (937) 367-6005; or PGK Herman Karhoff at (937) 361-2758, or call FYI at (937) 845-0403 by 13 October 18.



PRAY THE ROSARY AS OFTEN AS YOU CAN,
PLEASE COME EARLY TO THE BUSINESS MEETING
(7 PM) AND PRAY THE ROSARY WITH YOUR
BROTHER KNIGHTS.

MEASURE-UP 2018 FINAL RESULTS

The Council authorized two additional sources for donations to the Measure-UP Campaign, Council aluminum can recycling \$80.75 and Bingo plyers donation can \$226. Here is a breakout of our regular collection efforts, Gimme 5 \$333, local business coin cans \$98, weekend blitz 4995, Council donation \$300, Bingo donation \$300, WSU Ushers donation \$300, MHC Parish Measure-Up envelope \$2203 for a total of \$4835.75. Thanks to all the brothers that supported the Gimme-5. A Big thanks to the Brothers that manned a weekend blitz shift: Ed Trefethen, Mark Dues, Grant Kempf, Tom Boland, Mike Ludwick, Perry Quijas, Max Roadruck, Tom Payatt, Thurman Lee, Corky Block, Larry DeWitt, Murf Bontrager, Paul Herchenbach, Russ Milliron, Tony Beiring, Terry McCann, Eric Rogalinski, Dave Banazak, Steve Paulsen, Laurel Mayer, Matt Justice, Ken Normand, Steve Swasey, Phill Ambs, Mike Uecher, Herb Edwards, Charlie Lumpp, David Hayes, Don Banford and John Gooch. Brothers, without your support we couldn't show, Knights of Columbus in action supporting, "Citizens with Developmental Disabilities". Campaign Chairman, Harry Yarwick

COLUMBUS DAY

First observed by the state of Colorado in 1906, it became a federal holiday in 1937. There are many instances of people observing Columbus' voyage since the colonial period. In 1792, there were celebrations in New York City and other US cities, celebrating the 300th anniversary of his landing in the New World. President Benjamin Harrison called upon the people of the United States to join together in celebration of Columbus Day on the 400th anniversary of the event. During the anniversary in 1892, teachers, preachers, poets and politicians used Columbus Day rituals to teach ideals of patriotism. These patriotic teachings were framed around themes of support for war, citizenship boundaries, the importance of loyalty to the nation and celebrating social progress. The day signifies Christopher Columbus' arrival to America on October 12, 1492. In 1970, Columbus Day was changed to the current observation on the second Monday in October.

HALLOWEEN

It's been said that Halloween was originally a Celtic holiday called Samhain. It is true the ancient Celts celebrated a minor holiday on October 31 dedicated to the harvest, but they also celebrated a festival on the last day of almost every month of the year.

In the Christian calendar November 1 is All Saints Day, or "All Hallows' Day." The word "Halloween" is simply the abbreviated form of "All Hallows' Eve," the vigil celebration in anticipation of the feast day. In the early fourth century, All Saints Day was a way to commemorate the martyrs, but later all of the saints were included in the festival. All Souls Day is our day to remember those who have fallen asleep in Christ who weren't officially recognized as saints.

St. Augustine reminds us, "If we had no care for the dead, we would not be in the habit of praying for them." We are all weak creatures, and none of us are holy enough to stand before the throne of God. Thus we need the prayers of others. All Saints Day and All Souls Day are meant to remind us of the need to be humble before God and each other.

HOME CORPORATION

Your Home Corp continues to work hard to support the Council. The Directors met on 20 September to pay bills and discuss business. A work party was held on September 22nd from 9:00 - 11:00. We assembled a cart purchased to replace one of the kitchen carts that is almost useless. We also cleaned out the home corp files, archiving documents older than the current fiscal year.

Our monthly raffle winners were:

- 1st Place: Paul Herchenbach, \$40 Ticket #152
- 2nd Place: PGK Steve Wal, \$25 Ticket #080
- 3rd Place: Michael Ludwick, \$10 Ticket #132

Our next work party will be held on October 6th from 9-11. We'll start our fall cleanup of the Council spaces.

ADMISSIONS DEGREE



PGK Frank Minnick © with the sponsors and newest members of the WSU Council of the K of C After the degree held at Fairborn Council Sept 27, 2018

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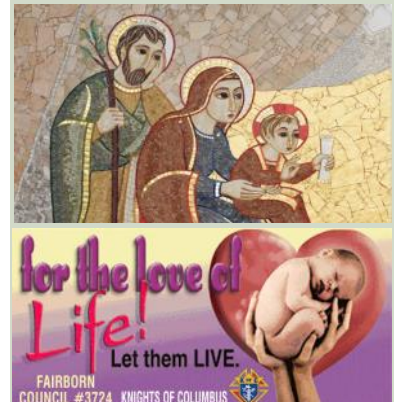
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The Knights of Columbus offers a complete portfolio of top-quality products to our members and their eligible family members.

Permanent Life Insurance – *Insure Your Life for Life*

Term Life Insurance – *Affordable Protection for Temporary Needs*

Retirement Annuities – *Give Yourself a Paycheck for the Rest of Your Life. Guaranteed.*

Long-Term Care Insurance – *Protect Your Assets. Prepare for the Future.*

Disability Income Insurance – *Shield Your Income from Illness and Injury*

VALUABLE ASSISTANCE AND PROGRAMS FOR CATHOLIC FAMILIES

In addition to our line of products, the Knights of Columbus provides extensive services to members and their families:

Survivor Benefits

Our agents are there for members and their families to help them in the aftermath of the loss of a loved one.

Fraternal Benefits

In addition to our products, the Knights of Columbus offers Family Fraternal Benefits that can help our members facing unique needs. Many of these benefits are unique to the Knights of Columbus and some are free. These benefits include: guaranteed life insurance benefits for uninsurable children; death benefits available for stillborn or miscarried children; orphan benefits; and member/spouse accidental death benefits.

Personalized Services

A Comprehensive, Complimentary Financial Analysis

The Knights of Columbus provides members a complimentary insurance and retirement needs analysis through their local field agent. Our agents – who are also brother Knights – use “Profiles & Forecaster,” a proven industry analytical tool that helps our members identify their risks and goals.

End-of-Life Planning

The *Knights of Columbus Personal Planning Workbook* is a no-cost tool available exclusively through your Knights of Columbus field agent.

For more information call your field agent today.

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HOLY FATHER’S PRAYER INTENTIONS



Evangelization – The Mission of Religious

That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice.

MEMBERSHIP

The Membership Committee, in harmony with the trustees, have a source for Council Name Badges with magnetic attachment so they make no holes in your clothing. The badges are light blue plastic with white lettering. The 3rd degree logo is on one end and the council name, your name and the Knights of Columbus are the three lines engraved on the rest of the badge. All this for only \$4. They will take about two weeks for delivery so get your order in early. Send the name as you want it to appear on your badge to Bill at wjg070436@gmail.com. This order is your pledge to pay COD when the badge arrives. We believe that the wear of the council badge will increase the council’s visibility in the parish, encourage conversation with potential new members and help you recruit a new member.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Health and Healing requests are entered into the council’s prayer request book prior to the business meeting. If you can’t make a meeting and have a name you wish to include in the Santa Maria prayer intentions, please call the council hall and leave a message or send an email to Santamaria @3724kofc.org.

Repose of the Soul:

Wayne Moses, Ray Guyer, Leanne Buscher

Health and Healing:

PGK Jim McCoy, PGK John Whytal, PGK Al Brewer, PGK Lew and Melita Murphy, Vic Berberich, Joan Trefethen, Nancy Wertimer, Amanda Wertimer, Dave Bartok, John Kaempf, JavierPerez Jr, Paul Yosick, Adalynn Gibson, Rusty Baldwin, Jon Edwards, Angel Fox, Bobby Hernandez, Leslie Kerley, Cathy Lump, Paul Pitstick, Clem Schmid, Lance Grinde, Andrea Grinde.



**Council 3724
Fairborn, OH**

OCTOBER EVENTS

Oct 4	Trustee Meeting	Oct 7	Blessing of Animals
Oct 7	Life Chain	Oct 8	4th Degree Mtg
Oct 11	Parish Dinner	Oct 18	Home Corp Mtg
Oct 20	Celebration of Life Dinner	Oct 25	First Degree
Oct 27	Reverse Raffle		

NOVEMBER PREVIEW

Christmas Bazaar Breakfast, Blood Drive, Parish Dinner, FAB Meeting, PGK's Meeting, Memorial Mass

BUSINESS MEETING ATTENDANCE

The 2nd Thursday on each month, we pray the Rosary at 7:00 pm which is followed by our business meeting. Please attend, stay after the meeting and socialize with your brother knights. Every Thurs there's a Pot-of-Gold drawing. Entry fee is 50 cents and you are required to sign your name in "The Book". At 10:00 pm on the meeting night and at 9:30 pm on the other Thursdays there's a random drawing from our membership pool. The name of the winner drawn win's the Pot-of-Gold if they completed the entry requirements.



PGK Russ Milliron Receiving KOTM From GK



Corky BLock Receiving FOTM From GK

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