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DEDICATED TO OUR LADY OF SORROWS

GRAND KNIGHT MESSAGE

Labor Day and the Dignity of Work

As September begins, our nation pauses to celebrate Labor Day. For many, this holiday marks the unofficial end of summer and the last chance for cookouts, family gatherings, and rest before the busyness of fall routines. But at its heart, Labor Day is much more than a long weekend. It is a celebration of the dignity of human work and the contributions of workers to the common good.

For us as Knights of Columbus, this moment offers a chance to reflect deeply on how our faith shapes our understanding of work and how our mission calls us to honor the dignity of every person's labor.

The Church reminds us that work is not simply a way to earn a paycheck. Work is a vocation, a participation in God's ongoing act of creation. From the very beginning, in the Book of Genesis, God entrusted humanity with the task of cultivating and caring for the world. Whether through skilled trades, professional careers, caring for children, serving in our parish, or volunteering in our community, our work reflects the image of the Creator and builds up His Kingdom.

St. Joseph, the carpenter and patron of workers, offers us a model of quiet faithfulness. He reminds us that honest labor, carried out with love and dedication, is sanctified and pleasing to God. As Knights, we look to him as an example of how we can approach our own work and service with humility, diligence, and care.

Labor Day is also a time to remember those who struggle in their work. Many in our communities face unemployment, underemployment, or unsafe working conditions. Many labor long hours with little recognition. Still others, parents at home, caregivers, and volunteers, give of themselves tirelessly in ways that often go unseen. In all these situations, the dignity of the human person must be upheld.

This is where our mission as Knights becomes especially relevant. Through our principles of charity, unity, and fraternity, we are called to lift up those whose dignity is at risk. When we prepare a meal for a family in need, assist a brother Knight seeking employment, volunteer our time to maintain parish facilities, or raise funds to support worthy causes, we are living out the Gospel value of honoring work and workers. Even our simple acts of

showing up, lending a hand, and offering encouragement, help to affirm the dignity of our brothers and sisters.

As we celebrate Labor Day, let us commit ourselves to three things:

- Gratitude: Give thanks to God for the gift of work in our lives, and for the skills, opportunities, and callings He has entrusted to each of us.
- Solidarity: Remember in prayer and action those who are unemployed, underemployed, or struggling, and support them with compassion and fraternity.
- Service: Use our time and talents in parish ministries, charitable outreach, and council activities to build up our community and witness to the dignity of work.

Brothers, as we enjoy this holiday with our family and friends, let us not forget the deeper meaning behind it. Labor Day is not just a time for rest. it is a call to reflect on how our labor, our service, and our very lives can be offered to God for His glory and for the good of others. May we, like St. Joseph the Worker, be faithful stewards of the gifts we have received, and may our work always reflect the love of Christ.

VIVAT JESUS! Joseph Farrell, Grand Knight

SEPTEMBER SCHEDULE

- Sept 2nd TUESDAY Rosary @ 7:10pm, & Council Meeting @ 7:30pm in Columbus Hall.
 - Sept 10th WEDNESDAY 4th Degree
- (Assembly 2161) at Holy Family Meal @
 7:00pm followed by meeting.
- Sept 15th MONDAY Golf Committee Meeting @ 6:30pm in Columbus Hall.
- Sept 20th SATURDAY College Football Social in Columbus Hall. Time TBD
 - **Sept 21st** SUNDAY Clergy Appreciation
- Breakfast Catered BY J. Christopher after
 8:30 Mass in Columbus hall
- Sept 22nd MONDAY Officers' Meeting @ 7:00pm in Columbus Hall.
- Sept 27th & 28th SATURDDAY & SUNDAY
 Membership Drive after each mass

VIVAT JESUS! Gary Kucera, Deputy Grand Knight

GOOD of the ORDER

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Repose of the soul of Jacquelin Drick
- Brother Gary Beitz's wife, Lynn
- Brother Moises Zuniga
- Brother Keith Gaupp
- Brother John Heeran
- Brother Don Todd
- Brother Nathan Wallace & his wife
- Brother Peter Badolato's wife, Martha
- Brother Peter Badolato's daughter-in-law, Susie Badolato
- John Murray
- SK Richard Wallace
- Brother Jim Mahoney
- Repose of the soul of Brother Ed Udell's uncle, John Frank
- Brother Carl Swanson
- Brother Carl Swanson's wife, Joy
- Jodie and Thomas Giardino and family
- Brother Rick Cavallo's wife, Jackie
- Brother Ed Udell's daughter, Ashley
- Jim Camp
- Repose of the soul of Brother David Bartnicki's aunt, Jeanie Wood
- Brother Jim Hoene's daughter, Patti Myer
- Brother Robert Morales' wife, Carmen
- Brother Joe Cregan
- Brother Brian Wilson
- Brother Mike Rapp
- Brother Rod Moore
- Brother Ted Colebeck
- For all the homeless people
- For peace and the people in the Middle East & Ukraine.
- For the victims of ALL natural disasters.
- For our country, that we may return to civil discourse and unite to support our democracy.
- For our leaders and politicians that they responsibly govern with wisdom, integrity, respect, and compassion.
- For vocations and the clergy, religious, and laypersons serving the Church.
- For Law enforcement Cobb Precinct #4
- For the safe return of service personnel deployed throughout the world.

VIVAT JESUS! Bill Carr, Recorder

PRO-LIFE MESSAGE

SAY WHAT YOU MEAN

Why are we so careful about what we say? We don't want to hurt someone's feelings. We don't want to impose our opinion or our beliefs upon someone else. These are possible reasons.

Try to change that when talking to others even outside of Church when you say some common expression like, "God willing." Or, when angered by someone on the road or elsewhere and you let slip the use of the Holy Name in vain to quickly add, "Have mercy" and you have changed an expression of anger into a short prayer. I'm sure you can think of many other examples.

When we say, "God bless you" do we really mean it? We have a duty to share our faith with others, even in difficult situations. Turn a difficult situation into an act of kindness. Don't be afraid to acknowledge that Christ loves each one of us.

VIVAT JESUS! Peter Badolato, Pro Life Director

40 DAYS for LIFE

40 Days for Life Current Statistics:

- √ 25,695 Lives saved since 2007
- √ 181 Abortion centers closed
- ✓ 274 Abortion workers had a conversion and QUIT (that we know about) 1,000,000+ volunteers in 1,800 cities.
- ✓ Marietta 40 Days for Life / 365 has already saved THIRTEEN lives so far this year.

The fall campaign starts Wednesday September 24, with the kickoff Tuesday September 23 at 6:30pm, and concludes on Sunday Nov 2.

On October 4 we will be holding a life-chain rosary rally in front of the church on Lower Roswell at 2:30pm, after the Spanish Mass.

A Texas woman sued the father of her child for wrongful death Aug. 11, claiming that he laced her drink with abortion pills and murdered their unborn baby eight weeks into her pregnancy. According to the complaint, Christopher Cooprider obtained abortion drugs online after his nextdoor neighbor became pregnant with his child earlier this year. The mother wanted to keep the baby, telling Cooprider, "It would be beautiful and loved and

looked after," but he repeatedly tried to convince her to take the abortion drugs.

Cooprider continued to argue with the woman via text about aborting the baby but began bringing the abortion drugs over to her house and leaving them there, hoping that she would decide to go through with the abortion on her own. The woman alleges that in April, when she was eight weeks pregnant, Cooprider took measures into his own hands, knowing that the Food and Drug Administration only approved the abortion drugs for use during the first 10 weeks of pregnancy. On April 2, Cooprider proposed having a "trust building night" when the two of them could drink tea and watch a TV show. The complaint states that the woman agreed since she knew she would be co-parenting the child with Cooprider and wanted to get back on good terms Three days later, he came over and with him. prepared hot chocolate for the woman. Within 30 minutes of drinking it, she began hemorrhaging and cramping. A neighbor drove her to the hospital, where doctors were unable to save her baby. Before leaving for the hospital, however, she found abortion medication with missing pills. According to the complaint, Cooprider put one mifepristone tablet and 10 misoprostol pills in her hot chocolate. Mifepristone kills the unborn baby by blocking progesterone, a necessary hormone to maintain a pregnancy, while misoprostol causes cramping and the expulsion of the baby.

The woman is now suing Cooprider; Aid Access, the company that provided him with the abortion pills; and Rebecca Gomperts, the company's founder, for the wrongful death of her unborn child. She claims that the three parties violated the Texas Health and Safety Code by providing abortion medication despite not being licensed physicians, failing to comply with required protocols for administering the drugs, and giving her the pills without her consent.

It's a wonder that she survived, 10 misoprostol!! Only 1 or two are normally needed and taken until a day after taking mifepristone. This just shows how dangerous mail order abortion pills are. I sure hope she wins this lawsuit and gets a huge sum of money.

A Texas man is suing a California doctor, claiming

that the doctor mailed abortion pills to his girlfriend, violated state and federal law, and caused the wrongful death of his two unborn children. Rodriguez filed the suit after his girlfriend took abortion drugs on two separate occasions to end two pregnancies. One pregnancy she was more than 10 weeks pregnant at the time. The Food and Drug Administration has approved the abortion drugs mifepristone and misoprostol for use within the first 10 weeks of a pregnancy.

Rodriguez alleges that Coeytaux caused the wrongful death of his two children and committed "wrongful acts" by violating Texas law regarding chemical abortions. Under the Texas Health and Safety Code, only Texas-licensed physicians may provide abortion drugs to pregnant women, and only after following specific protocol, such as performing an ultrasound before an abortion is carried out. Abortion is also a felony in Texas, except in cases when the mother's life is in danger or her health is substantially harmed.

Rodriguez's complaint also alleges that Coeytaux violated a rarely enforced 1873 federal law known as the Comstock Act, which bans the mailing of "obscene" materials, including materials related to abortion.

It is good to see that people are fighting against this outrageous act of distributing this danger drug through the mail with no doctor examinations. The most recent studies show that mifepristone is 22 times more dangerous than when the FDA originally approved the use of the drug. The FDA **DID NOT** conduct extensive studies on the drug before approving it.

VIVAT JESUS! Dave Snyder

LECTURER

Brother Knights,

For our September talk, I will test the Knights' knowledge about some interesting facts.

For example, what was the first printed work from the Gutenberg Press? The answer is the Bible. Before the invention of movable type, few people outside a parish or monastery owned a Bible. But a German Catholic named Johannes Gutenberg revolutionized the way people would read and obtain information. This Gutenberg Press disseminated knowledge at an unprecedented rate and brought about an early form of globalization with the ability to print books quickly and relatively inexpensively. Gutenberg was sure to make the Bible his first printed work.

VIVAT JESUS, Brother Keith Gaupp, Lecturer

TRIVIA NIGHT

The knowledge of the ladies edged out the Knights for a **Third Place** finish. Neither team took the top prize, but we all had a lot of fun supporting our youth!





FAITH FORMATION DINNER

Knights in the Psarish Center kitchen preparing dinner for the Faith Formation kickoff.





CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

Bruce and Lauren Roeder won the 2025 Knights' Cornhole Tournament.













HABITAT for HUMANITY

This year's build will be delayed due to permitting issues. Instead of a September 6 start date in Austell, we are now looking at a mid-October start date in a Douglas County location. Needless to say, we are extremely disappointed with this turn of events. I will provide details on sign-up procedures as they become available.

For many years, the six-parish "Catholics 4 Habitat" coalition has funded two houses annually. The cost of everything required to build a Habitat for Humanity house has steadily increased. These costs include land, materials, and contractor costs. The "sweat equity" provided by our volunteers and the homeowners helps to defray some of these costs, but we cannot escape the overall housing

industry inflation. A Habitat homeowner does not get a free house, but because of your generosity, it becomes more affordable and helps provide economic stability for those on the margins. We hope you can continue to support this ministry.

I am still looking for a back-up for the Habitat Ministry at Holy Family. No construction experience is needed but fund-raising experience, while not needed, would be nice. If interested, please contact me at gaducatisti@bellsouth.net or (770) 337-9608.

Vivat Jesus, Jim Nee Holy Family Habitat Coordinator/House Leader

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Fr, John Fallon	1 st	Adam Bartnicki	19 ^{tl}
Gilberto Torres	1 st	Anthony Kirchman	19 th
Joshua Arulraj	2 nd	Brad Pictor	22 ⁿ
Jean Ngos- Eock	6 th	John Heeran	23 ^r
William Costa	7 th	Brian Brennan	28 th
Matthew McCarty	7 th	Matthew Drake	28 th
Henry Knutsen	11 th		





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