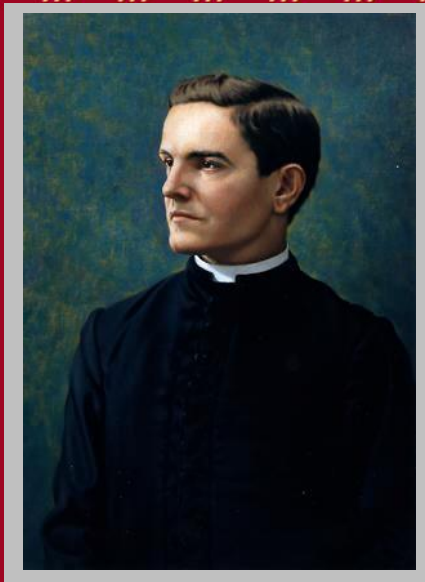




# THE LOOKOUT

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
 MONSIGNOR PETER BLESSING COUNCIL #5273  
 COVENTRY, RHODE ISLAND



FATHER MICHAEL MCGIVNEY  
 OUR FOUNDER

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### FIRST DEGREE CEREMONY

PLACE: SS JOHN AND PAUL PARISH HALL  
 DATE: MONDAY, 6/13/2011  
 TIME: 6:30 PM

### JUNE BUSINESS MEETING

PLACE: ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH HALL  
 DATE: MONDAY, 6/20/2011  
 TIME: 7:30PM

### JULY BUSINESS MEETING

PLACE: ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH HALL  
 DATE: MONDAY, 7/11/2011  
 TIME: 7:30PM



## Grand Knight's Corner

Worthy Brothers, I pray you are well.

Everyone likes to live in their comfort zone. Day by day, month by month and year by year we stay with the familiar. We are comfortable with what we know. There is no growth in this. The only thing we can be sure of is that Jesus will come again. We know not when or even how. Frankly, I do not care to know when or how. God has moved me from my comfort zone so many times I feel as the Jews did in the desert, and it feels like forty years. I have noticed that everything I thought was my life was nothing when compared to God. I have had all worldly goods taken from me to the extent of my family and yet this has drawn me closer to God more than any success could ever have. It has helped me to realize that my Brothers and Sisters in the Church and especially my Brothers in the Knights are my true family here on earth. This has made Matthew 6: 24 - 34 come to life. It is said that experience is the best teacher. I especially hold on to, "can any of you by worrying add a single moment to your lifespan?" Once I let go of what I thought was in my grasp, I was able to grasp the things that God has planned for me. It is still very much a work in progress and I fail from time to time, but I get back on track with Jesus' and his Mother's help. It is also our job as Brother Knights to help each other, to have patience with each other and to understand that each brother is at a different stage of their journey. That is why we are Brothers. Let us meet together, let us be available to each other, let us hang on to the promises we made when we became Knights.

With that in mind, we will be welcoming in two new Brothers with our own First Degree Team at SS John and Paul on Monday June 13th at 7:30 PM. We are also looking for people who would like to bring a pot luck dish to please call me at 401-263-3614. If we do not get enough for pot luck we will have to buy.

Also won't you please join us for our Business meeting on Monday June 20th at St Vincent De Paul Parish Hall in Coventry at 7:30 PM? We will have a slate of new officers then, so please be there. Once again your Council needs you. Your Catholic Church needs the Knights and we are the Knights.

God Bless and Vivat Jesu!  
 Glenn Holt, Grand Knight

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# Chaplain's Report

Dear Brother Knights,

If someone were to do a study of all the popular songs that refer to ones "heart" I think we would be astounded. References to the "heart" as the seat of emotions and affections abound.

As many of you know the month of June has long been a month when Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is promoted. There is a spiritual wealth of blessings in this devotion dating back to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque in the late 17th century.

What can we as men of the Knights of Columbus gain from devotion and prayers to Our Lord under that title of "The Sacred Heart of a Jesus.?"

One thing we can gain is a deeper appreciation for Our Lord's unbounded love for each of us. Despite many distractions in our culture that would try to conceal or cover over the reality of Jesus great love for us, He does love us and has loved us since before the World was made. He continues to love us with the sending of daily graces to inspire our love for one another, our family and fellow Knights and all people.

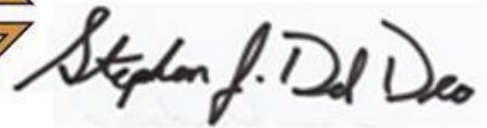
The "Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus" gives us a great way to ponder the awesomeness of Christ's love past, present and future. I encourage each of you to look it up and use it as a meditation in part of your personal prayer time. At St. Vincent de Paul Church we have a copy of this Litany among the selections in our pew prayer booklet. Why not stop in the church for a visit to our Lord some day this month? He will bless you with a deeper awareness of His Love.

May God bless each of you,

Fr. Michael Kelly  
 Chaplain  
 Msgr. Blessing Council

## Stephen Del Deo – Insurance Field Agent

Worthy Brothers, if you didn't already know our Insurance Field Agent is Brother Stephen J. Del Deo and he is a member of our Council. For information about the excellent insurance benefits the Knights of Columbus has to offer, please contact Brother Stephen at the contact information below:



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## Progress On Sale of Club

Brothers, as you may or may not know, the Coventry Columbus Club has been in the process of selling our council hall building since the end of last year. There is a sale pending which it is hoped to be accomplished by the end of June. However, the sale had a major setback in February when, due to the heavy snows, the roof sagged and incurred major damage. After securing funds from the insurance company, a contractor was selected, and he has begun work on replacing the roof. The Club is hopeful that the work will be complete by the end of June so the sale can go through. Stay tuned.



## Blessing Council Family Picnic

Save The Date – Sunday, August 14

The planning is in the works to kick off the Council's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary by holding a Council Family Picnic at Goddard Park on Sunday, August 14. We need to form a committee and elect a Chairman to make this happen. More details to come at the June Business Meeting.

*"We love Him because He first loved us." – 1 John 4:9-10*



**Knights of Columbus Museum Visit**  
**Cancelled**

Unfortunately, we had to cancel the visit to the K of C Museum in New Haven as we didn't have enough Knights and Squires who were interested in going. Perhaps we will try again in the fall.

**Congratulations Brother Jim!**



Congratulations to Brother Jim Hall who won medals at the Rhode Island Summer Olympics held in early June at Meade Stadium on the URI Campus. He was able to add to his collection of medals as he won two last year as well. Well done, Brother!

**First Degree Exemplification**

**Monday, June 13 @ 7:30PM – SSJP Parish Hall**

All Council Brothers are invited to the First Degree Exemplification to be held Monday, June 13 @ the SS John and Paul Parish Hall. Our First Degree Team, led by Worthy Advocate Pat Hurley will be conducting their first ceremony in quite a while. This will be a very special exemplification as Fr. Eddie Lopez of SSJP will be joining our ranks. Also, the very first Squire from our Circle, Matthew Parent, will be making the leap to a Knight of Columbus. Please join us for this very special night.

**Trip to Yankee Stadium**  
**Sunday, July 31, 2011 @ 7AM**  
**Baltimore Orioles vs. New York Yankees**



The St. Augustine Council is pleased to announce its 3rd annual Yankees baseball trip to the new Yankee Stadium as the Yankees meet the Baltimore Orioles. The bus will leave the lower parking lot next to St. Augustine School, 635 Mt. Pleasant Ave. in Providence at 7:00 AM SHARP. Hopefully an early arrival to the stadium will allow us to visit the famous Monument Park. The price is \$80.00 per person and that includes the ticket to the game, bus to the stadium, and snacks on the way down and back. For tickets, contact: Jerry Scannell at 353-1360. Your GK and DGK will be attending this event!

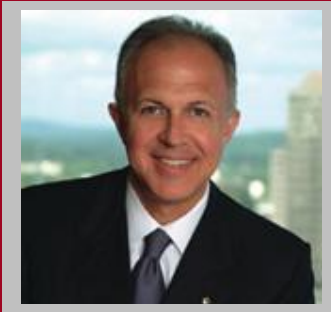
**PawSox Game!**  
**Thursday, August 20, 2011 @ 7:05PM**  
**Pawtucket Red Sox vs. Columbus Clippers**



The Fr. Leo Anttil Columbian Squires Circle will be attending its fourth annual PawSox game on Thursday, August 20, 2011 @ 7:05PM. The PawSox will be playing the Columbus Clippers who are the Triple-A affiliate of the Cleveland Indians. The Circle would like to extend the invitation to the Knights and their families of the Blessing Council. Tickets are \$11/each. If you're interested in attending, please contact DGK Neil Fidler @ 401-632-7922 or email [Narragansett55@yahoo.com](mailto:Narragansett55@yahoo.com).

*"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you." – Deuteronomy 31:6*





Carl Anderson, Supreme Knight

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**Message from the State Deputy**



Rhode Island State Deputy John Marcello

My Brother Knights,

I would like to thank and commend you for your membership in the Knights of Columbus. These are very challenging times for our Catholic faith in our nation. What with abortion on demand paid for with public funding of Planned Parenthood, movies and television portraying sex as freedom of expression, euthanasia as a right of passage, same sex marriage as natural and a civil right, cohabitation as normal and acceptable 'a try it before you buy it' approach leading to increase divorce rates, and contraception use leading to sex as recreational and promiscuity, all of these are attacks on our moral values. Because of you we are able to present a united front combating these evils, which exist in our society. When "One Nation Under God" was challenged in our court system you came to the defense and won by providing the funding to sustain the court battle. Yes you may not have realized it but your membership dues provided the funding. With the ongoing fight to legalize same sex marriage in our state, you contacted your politicians to voice your objection and many attended the committee hearing to register their disapproval. Yes it is through your membership that we are able to provide funding and a concerted and united effort to demonstrate our support or objection depending on the issue.

This leads me to another very important point: the obligation we have as members of the K of C to offer the benefit of membership to every eligible Catholic. Why?

1. Because of your membership in the K of C, our Catholic Faith has been defended, protected and preserved.
2. Because of your membership in the K of C, I think I can safely say your Catholic faith has been strengthened as well as that of your families.
3. Because of your membership in the K of C, it keeps you Catholic.
4. Because of your membership in the K of C, you are better able to live the lesson of the gospel "I am my brother's keeper" through our charitable donations.

I encourage you to "Just Ask" that fellow parishioner you see at Mass, the parishioners who serve in your parish ministries, your coworkers, members of your family and friends.

Carry a form 100 with you and have the courage to ask. Our nation founded on Christian principles and our society as a whole depends on us to maintain our moral values and live up to our position as "the strong right arm of the Catholic Faith" Are you prepared to this? I think you are. 'Just Ask!' Thank you! Vivat Jesus! John Marcello, State Deputy

*"Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be men of courage; be strong." – 1 Corinthians 16:13*

## Remembering Pope John Paul II

### **Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson's Interview with "Totus Tuus," the Official Magazine of John Paul II's Cause (excerpt from Knights of Columbus website)**

**Totus Tuus:** Defending the integral truth of the family founded on marriage between a man and a woman is becoming especially urgent in this day and age. Making known God's plan in regard to matrimony and the family was a particular aspect of the priestly ministry of Karol Wojtyla even before becoming a primary focus of his Petrine ministry. Could you lay out for us the essential characteristics of the divine plan for matrimony and the family?

**Anderson:** In this regard, John Paul II was truly prophetic. John Paul II wrote in *Familiaris Consortio* that "God is love and in Himself He lives a mystery of personal loving communion." Because we are created in the image of this loving Trinitarian God we are created with the capacity and the responsibility of a similar loving communion. John Paul II would say repeatedly that each human person possesses a vocation of love and communion. This vocation of love is first experienced and taught within the family. The Christian realizes that both marriage and family reflect in a human way the loving communion of Father, Son and Holy Spirit. In this way, the vocation of love and communion is written into the very concreteness of all human existence. We might say that in making it possible to realize the vocation of love, the personal communion that is possible within marriage and family becomes the model by which to measure all human associations. Of course, John Paul II defended the moral integrity of marriage, family and human procreation with great courage and also with great charity. The truth is that God sent His Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but to save it; not to deprive us of happiness, but to give us abundant life. Thus, Christ's way for the family is a life-giving, not a life-depriving way of living. This is a way of living that draws its source from Christ whose way of loving was without conditions and without limitations. This is what shines forth in the teaching of John Paul II.

**Totus Tuus:** "Loving Human Love: The Heritage of John Paul II on Marriage and the Family" was the theme of the 25th International Congress of the Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family. In what way do you hand on this rich heritage as vice president of the Washington Session of the Institute and as Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus?

**Anderson:** "Loving human love" is such an accurate way to describe the heritage of John Paul II because perhaps more than anyone else in our time, he was truly the champion of human love. He knew that without love, man's life is unintelligible and that each person is of such tremendous dignity that only the response of love is worthy of the human

person. I was privileged to first meet John Paul II in 1981, to begin teaching at the Institute in 1983 and to serve as vice president of the Washington Session since 1988. The Institute is dedicated to comprehending and transmitting the Christian understanding of the human person in light of Christ's revelation of God's love in the context of marriage and family. Our graduates help guide the formation and education of priests, taking leadership roles in the pastoral work in dioceses and parishes as well as in professions such as law and medicine. The teaching of John Paul II in this area is so rich and complex that it will require many decades of scholarly study in both speculative and pastoral theology to do it justice. In the Knights of Columbus, as an organization of more than 1.7 million men we take a more direct approach: we strive to build stronger Catholic families and parish communities through works of charity, unity and fraternity. We view the pastoral legacy of John Paul II regarding marriage and family as the prophetic key to the future of strong Catholic communities. We take his message to heart of a new evangelization in which the role of the family and of the laity is central to the future well-being of the Church. He will remain a spiritual father and guide for many years to come.

**Totus Tuus:** On June 28, 2005, you and your wife Dorian participated in the Opening Ceremony of the Cause for the Beatification and Canonization of the Servant of God John Paul II. You also had the opportunity to be received on a number of occasions in private audience by John Paul II. What do you remember in particular about those meetings?

**Anderson:** Earlier, Dorian and I were together in Saint Peter's Square for the funeral Mass of John Paul II. We saw those beautiful banners that proclaimed "Santo Subito" and on that day we made that prayer our own; so we had to be in Rome in 2005 to participate with so many friends in the Opening Ceremony of the Cause of John Paul II. Private meetings with John Paul II were always remarkable because of his great interest in what was happening; he wanted the latest information about how situations were changing, what should be done to help and especially what could he do as pope to help. Yet conversations would often include questions about people he knew – were they well, how were their families, how was their work going. He was pastor of the universal Church and he was also pastor of individuals and of families. One special occasion was a meeting in which he blessed a special painting of the Divine Mercy that we then used for a special pilgrimage throughout the Knights of Columbus. He wanted very much to spread this devotion throughout the world and we wanted to be more closely united with him in this prayer. On one of our last visits, the Holy Father was having great difficulty speaking and so our conversation was mostly one-sided. We said good-bye and received his blessing. When we reached the door of his study, I turned to wave a final good-bye and he was sitting there repeatedly making the sign of the cross. Not even illness could prevent his desire to communicate with others. This was just a small glimpse of what the world would later see during the last days of his life.