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**Next business meeting is Wednesday, April 3, at 6:45 p.m. — Please plan to attend!**

## *Farewell and thank you!*

**D**uring April, we concluded our annual Lenten Fish Fry Fridays. I am happy to report that it was a great success in that we matched our revenue from last year even though we were down more than 100 meals in comparison to the prior year. We netted around \$1,950, of which the council approved \$1,000 to help defray the cost of our altar servers' annual pilgrimage to Rome with Fr. McCarthy.

In April, we also celebrated Easter, and I hope everyone had a nice Easter. On April 2<sup>nd</sup>, our council also hosted the Patriotic Degree (fourth degree) meeting for Bishop Chatard Assembly. In addition to this, we also hosted and celebrated the Formation Degree (second degree) formation on April 30<sup>th</sup>. There were five members who received their second degree, including two from our council, John Young and Austin Roy. Congratulation to these men; we look forward to their service.



### **THE GRAND OPENING**

**Charles Stevens  
Grand Knight**

We started the month of May by completing our annual blood drive, which was another success. On May 12<sup>th</sup>, Mothers Day, the council hosted a Marian icon and conducted a special service for persecuted Christians (mainly in the Middle East). There was also a special collection taken up for our parish's seminarian and postulant, in which we collected \$2,800. I wish to thank the council and parishioners of Holy Rosary for their generosity.

We wish a warm welcome to Paul O'Connor as a new member of our council. Paul moved to Indy just recently and is a brother Knight who is transferring to our

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council. He attends the Latin Mass and submitted his Form 100 at the Marian icon service.

As you can see from this report, our council is very active. It appears that we are qualified for the Columbian Award, which is something to be proud of. But above that, our activities and work are mainly a reflection of the willingness and dedication of our brother Knights to serve the Lord in many different capacities.

Recently we conducted our annual election of new officers for

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## ***Santo Rosario Council elects new officers for 2019-2020 fraternal year***

The membership recently elected new officers for the 2019-20 fraternal year, and they were installed on June 26. We congratulate the following Brothers in their new positions:

Grand Knight – Jerry Friederick

Deputy Grand Knight – Aaron Hodge

Chancellor – Patrick Preston

Recorder – Arturo Mondello

Treasurer – Thomas Brown

1-year Trustee – Brad Williams, PGK

2-year Trustee – Daniel Knight, PGK

3-year Trustee – Charles Stevens, PGK

Inside Guard – Lee Ashton, PGK

Outside Guard – Gerard Schlundt

Warden – Kevin Richards

Advocate – John Molloy III



Brother Frank Oliver (left) smiles as he sees a full house in the Bloodmobile at the annual Blood Drive this past May.



Knights and friends didn't let a little rain (OK, a lot of rain) stop their fun while working at the beer booth for this year's Italian Street Festival.

## Grand Opening

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the new year, which begins July 1<sup>st</sup>. Brother Jerry Friederick will serve as the new Grand Knight for 2019-20. Please keep Jerry in your prayers and work with him in every way that you can. Congratulations, Jerry! (See the article at the bottom of Page 1 for a listing of all the officers for the next fraternal year.)



Brother Jerry Friederick

Lastly, as I leave you, I want to express the joy and blessing it has been to serve as your Grand Knight during the past year. I also want to thank every member for working to make our council the great council that it is. I look forward to next year and the years to come in being a part of this council to serve the Lord.



Brother Lee Ashton demonstrates his skill at the fryer on Fish Fry Fridays.

## Father-Son Campout set for Oct. 25-27

Grand Knight-elect Jerry Friederick has reserved a campsite at Delaney Creek Park for the council's annual Father-Son Campout on the weekend of Oct. 25-27.

The park covers 326 acres in Washington County between the southern Indiana towns of Salem and Seymour.

The cost has been set at \$14/night per site, and \$5/car. The boys have had great fun at past camping excursions, and the men have become fun-loving boys alongside them. If you don't have any sons or grand-



An 88-acre lake is the centerpiece of Delaney Creek Park

sons of your own, then adopt one (or more) for the weekend and bring them along.

For more information, contact Brother Jerry at [stpatrick@lifegrid.com](mailto:stpatrick@lifegrid.com).

## A 'media star' in our midst

Brother Lee Ashton, PGK, made a splash nationally as his picture was included in the June edition of the Order's *Columbia* magazine. You can check it out on Page 26 of the magazine!

## New K of C video recounts family's nightmare experience with abuse

As part of its Protecting Our Children program, the Knights of Columbus has released a video that features the compelling experience of two parents who came to grips with the realization that their son had been molested by a trusted family friend.

The 30-minute feature video, "Protecting Our Children: A Family's Response," includes the first-hand recounting by a Knights of Columbus family of every parent's worst nightmare — the sexual abuse of their child. The video also includes commentary and practical tips for parents from Dr. Monica Applewhite, a leading expert in the field of sexual abuse.

"This video is a critical resource for families seeking to keep their children safe," said Knights of Columbus Supreme Knight Carl Anderson. "Hearing the experience of a mother, father and their son is eye opening and will help parents and guardians take the necessary steps to protect their children."

The video, which is meant to complement the initiatives of other segments of the Church, will be distributed to members of the Knights of Columbus throughout the United States and Canada as part of its child protection program.

Learn more and see the video at [kofc.org](http://kofc.org).



Dear Brother Knight,

This year, families across North America have been severely impacted by a number of unprecedented disasters. Many families throughout the Midwest and Canada are still experiencing unimaginable damage to their homes, causing their displacement from flooding, fires, and tornadoes. Knights are on the ground serving these families and communities by:

- Distributing Food, Water, and Supplies to those affected;
- Hosting Community Meals;
- Assisting in Clean-Up and Relief Efforts;

As the heavy rains have continued late into month of June, it is likely we will see additional communities affected as flooding, fires, and severe storms continue to affect a large portion of North America.

**HOW YOU CAN HELP:** Please support our brother Knights, by donating today to Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc. Disaster Relief Fund.

100% of your donation will go directly to those affected by disasters.

No matter how much you give, your generosity and prayers can make a huge impact.

Please donate today! Visit <https://www.kofc.org/en/secure/charities/disaster-relief.html>.

## **Santo Rosario Council Officers 2018-2019**

Grand Knight .....	Charles Stevens
Deputy Grand Knight .....	Frank Oliver, PGK
Chancellor .....	Aaron Hodge
Chaplain .....	Fr. C. Ryan McCarthy
Recorder .....	Arturo Mondello
Treasurer .....	Tom Brown
Advocate .....	John Molloy III
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2-Year Trustee .....	Brad Williams, PGK
1-Year Trustee .....	Lee Ashton, PGK
Financial Secretary .....	Walter Janiec
Lecturer .....	Jerry Friederick

### **Committee Directors**

Program Director .....	Daniel Knight
Faith Director .....	Ned Hummel
Community Director .....	Frank Oliver
Life Director .....	Eric Slaughter
Family Director .....	Jerry Friederick
Membership Director .....	John Molloy III

### **Council Crier**

Editor ..... David Walden

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**Men's Holy Hour:**  
*First Wednesday every month  
9 p.m. at Holy Rosary Church*

**W**hen members of the Knights of Columbus live the principle of charity, we help extend the loving care of the Church to the poor and the vulnerable. — Archbishop William Lori, Supreme Chaplain



## **COUNCIL CALENDAR**

Wednesday <b>JUL 3</b>	<b>Business Meeting</b> Site to be determined 6:45 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Thursday <b>JUL 4</b>	<b>Santo Rosario 4th of July Party</b> North parking lot of Holy Rosary 5 p.m. to ???
Friday-Saturday <b>JUL 5-6</b>	<b>First Friday Adoration</b> Holy Rosary Church 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday <b>JUL 24</b>	<b>Officers Meeting</b> Site to be determined 6:45 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Friday-Saturday <b>AUG 2-3</b>	<b>First Friday Adoration</b> Holy Rosary Church 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday <b>AUG 7</b>	<b>Business Meeting</b> Site to be determined 6:45 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Thursday <b>AUG 15</b>	<b>Assumption of the B.V.M.</b> Holy Day of Obligation <i>Go to Mass!</i>
Wednesday <b>AUG 28</b>	<b>Officers Meeting</b> Priori Hall 6:45 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Wednesday <b>SEP 4</b>	<b>Business Meeting</b> Priori Hall 6:45 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Friday-Saturday <b>SEP 5-6</b>	<b>First Friday Adoration</b> Holy Rosary Church 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday <b>SEP 25</b>	<b>Officers Meeting</b> Priori Hall 6:45 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Wednesday <b>OCT 2</b>	<b>Business Meeting</b> Priori Hall 6:45 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Friday-Saturday <b>OCT 4-5</b>	<b>First Friday Adoration</b> Holy Rosary Church 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 a.m.
Monday <b>OCT 7</b>	<b>Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary</b> Patronal feast of parish & council <i>Please try to go to Mass!</i>
Monday <b>OCT 14</b>	<b>Columbus Day</b> Observation of national holiday <i>Honor the Order's namesake!</i>
Wednesday <b>OCT 23</b>	<b>Officers Meeting</b> Priori Hall 6:45 p.m. to 8 p.m.



**Carl A. Anderson**  
**Supreme Knight**

*This article first appeared in the  
June 2019 issue of Columbia magazine.*

## ***Survival and solidarity***

**T**ell them I am dying because I am a Christian,” said Blessed Isidore Bakanja shortly before he was killed in 1909 in the Belgian Congo. Isidore was baptized as a young man. He frequently prayed the rosary and proudly wore a scapular. The overseers of the plantation where Isidore worked demanded that he renounce his baptism, fearing that if their native workers became “brothers” in Christ, the brutally harsh conditions of plantation life would have to change. When Isidore refused, he was beaten to death.

I had the privilege of attending the beatification of Isidore Bakanja at the Vatican in 1994, and I will always remember the emotion with which St. John Paul II spoke of him.

I thought of Blessed Isidore’s life and death as I read news accounts of a new report on the global persecution of Christians. The report, prepared for the British Government’s Foreign Office, concluded that the persecution of Christians in parts of the world is at “near genocide levels.”

British Foreign Secretary Jeremy Hunt believes that “political correctness” is partly responsible for the failure to confront the crisis. “There is a misplaced worry that it is somehow colonialist,” he said, “to talk about a religion that was associated with colonial powers.”

“What we have forgotten,” he continued, is that “the Christians that are being persecuted are some of the poorest people on the planet.”

A better understanding of the legal, economic and political status of Christians throughout the world is needed. Too often, desperate poverty and marginalization are compounded by political powerlessness and centuries-old traditions of discrimination in both law and practice.

Such circumstances make many Christians throughout the Middle East easy targets for extremists and victims easily ignored.

That is why during my trip to Iraq in March I met with the prime minister of the Kurdistan Regional Authority and on my return spoke with Vice President Mike Pence. Those conversations were encouraging, but much work remains.

My visit to Iraq was an opportunity to see firsthand the situation of the displaced Christians there, how their communities are struggling to survive and what the path to a sustainable future could look like.

In an excellent analysis of the current situation in Iraq, *America* magazine (April 19) recently asked the most fundamental question: “Can Christianity in northern Iraq survive after ISIS?”

The answer, of course, is that it is still too early to tell. But if Christianity does not survive there, it will not be because Iraqi Christians over the last century did not sacrifice their lives to maintain a Christian presence. And many who remain have sacrificed everything but their lives.

If Christianity does not survive in Iraq — and elsewhere in the region — it may well be a result of the silence and neglect by their brothers and sisters in the West.

These suffering Christians deserve our continued solidarity.

As noted in the *America* article, Archbishop Bashar Warda of Erbil has begun a number of development initiatives (many with our financial assistance) that could mean Christians will not “merely survive,” but will ac-

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**Pope Francis  
Supreme Pontiff**

*The Holy Father delivered this address to the International Federation of Catholic Medical Associations in Rome on June 22, 2019.*

## ***Care can't be given or received in absence of hope***

Your Eminence, dear president, dear brothers and sisters,

**I** offer you a cordial welcome and I thank Cardinal Turkson for his kind words. I am impressed that at this meeting you wanted to make a special act of consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Please know of my prayers that this will prove spiritually fruitful for each of you. I would now like to share with you a few simple thoughts.

The earliest Christian communities often spoke of the Lord Jesus as a “physician”, highlighting in this way his constant, compassionate concern for those suffering from every kind of illness. His mission consisted above all in *drawing near* to the sick and the disabled, especially to those who for that reason were looked down upon and marginalized. Jesus thus overturned the sentence of condemnation that so often labeled the sick person as a sinner. By his compassionate closeness, Jesus showed the infinite love of God our Father for his children most in need.

Care for the sick emerges, then, as an *essential* aspect of Christ’s mission and, consequently, of the Church’s mission as well. The Gospels show a clear link between Jesus’ preaching and the acts of healing that he performed for all those who were, in Matthew’s words, “afflicted with various diseases and pains, demoniacs, epileptics and paralytics” (4:24).

Important too is the *way* that Jesus cared for the sick and suffering. He often touched those persons and let them touch him, even in cases where it was forbidden. This was the case, for example, with the woman who had suffered for years from hemorrhages. Jesus sensed that he had been touched and that healing power had gone forth from him, and when the woman fell to her knees and confessed what she had done, he said to her: “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace” (Lk 8:48).

For Jesus, then, healing involves *drawing near to the person*, even if at times there were some who would prevent him from doing so, as in the case of the blind Bartimæus in Jericho. Jesus had the man brought before him and asked: “What do you want me to do for you?” (Mk 10:51). It might surprise us that the “physician” should ask the patient what he expects from him! Yet this highlights the importance of words and dialogue in a relationship of care. For Jesus, care entails entering into dialogue, in order to bring out the individual’s own desire and the soothing power of God’s love working through his Son. Caregiving means starting a process: a process of relief, consolation, reconciliation and healing. When care is given with genuine love for the other, it expands the horizons of the recipient, for human beings are a unity: a unity of spirit, soul and body. We can see this clearly in the ministry of Jesus. He never heals just one part, but rather the *whole* person, integrally. At times, he starts with the body, at other times with the heart — by forgiving sins (cf. Mt 2:5), but always for the sake of restoring the whole.

Finally, Jesus’ care involves *raising up* and then *sending forth* those whom he has drawn near to and healed. Many of the sick who were cured by Christ then became his disciples and followers.

In a word, Jesus draws near, shows concern, heals, reconciles, calls and sends forth. It is obvious that, for him, a relationship with persons afflicted by illness and infirmity is one both personal and profound. Not a mechanical relationship, not a distant one.

It is to this school of Jesus, physician and brother to the suffering, that *you*, as physicians, believers and members of the Church, *have been called*. You are called to draw near to those experiencing the suffering brought on by illness.

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## Supreme Knight

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tually “thrive” in Iraq.

There is a roadmap for sustainability of the Christian community, but it requires continued material and financial support.

And not just in the Middle East.

As the recent church bombings in Sri Lanka tragi-

cally demonstrate, too many Christians throughout the world echo Isidore Bakanja’s words: “I am dying because I am a Christian.”

These atrocities must end.

The genocide of Christians must never again be allowed, and the Christian communities in places like Iraq must be helped to survive.

*Vivat Jesus!*



**Santo Rosario 4<sup>th</sup> of July Party**  
*Watch the downtown fireworks with your parish family*  
**5 p.m. Thursday, July 4**  
**Holy Rosary's North Parking Lot (behind the church)**  
Bring lawn chairs & adult beverages — Sale of hotdogs & chips benefits charities

## Supreme Pontiff

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You are called to provide care with sensitivity and with respect for the dignity and for the physical and psychological integrity of each person.

You are called to listen attentively and to respond appropriately, in addition to the physical care you provide. This will make the latter all the more humane and, consequently, all the more effective.

You are called to offer encouragement and comfort, to raise up and to give hope. Care cannot really be given or received in the absence of hope. In this sense, all of us need hope. We are grateful to God who grants us that hope. But also grateful to all those who are engaged in medical research.

The last hundred years have seen immense progress in this area. New therapies and numerous experimental treatments have developed, forms of care that would have been unimaginable in earlier generations. We can and should alleviate suffering, while at the same time teaching people to become more responsible for their own health and the health of their relatives and friends. And we must remember too, that the work of caring for others also entails respect for the gift of life from beginning to end. For we are not the masters of life; it is given to us in trust, and physicians stand at its service.

Your mission is a witness of humanity, a privileged means of helping others to see and feel that God our Father cares for every individual, without distinction.

To do this, he wishes to employ our knowledge, our hands and our hearts, in order to care for and bring healing to every human being. To each of us he wants to grant life and love.

All this requires of you competence, patience, spiritual strength and fraternal solidarity. The way you fulfill your mission as Catholic physicians should unite professionalism with the capacity for teamwork and ethical integrity. This will benefit both the patient and the environment in which you carry out your work. Very often — as we know — the quality of a hospital ward depends not merely on the sophistication of its technology, but on the level of professionalism and humanity shown by the head physician and the medical team. We see this every day, many ordinary people who go to hospital: “I want to see this doctor, or that one” — why? Because they sense their closeness, their dedication.

By constant spiritual renewal and by drawing from the wellspring of God’s word and the sacraments, you will accomplish your mission well. The Holy Spirit will grant you the gift of discernment needed to confront sensitive and complex situations, and to say the right things in the right way, and with the right silence, at the right time.

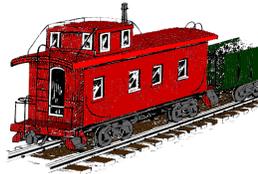
Dear brothers and sisters, I know that you are already doing it, but I urge you also to pray for your patients and for all your colleagues and assistants. And please, do not forget to pray for me. Thank you!

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## THE EDITOR'S CABOOSE

David Walden  
Editor



### Three short columns for the price of one

As most of you know, I have been employed by the Catholic Church for about 21 years. Evidence suggests that my employers think I do a pretty decent job — the paychecks keep arriving regularly and the key to my office door still works.

Now, for the sake of argument, let's say the State of Indiana were to adopt a law that makes polygamy legal. And then, again for the sake of argument, let's say I went out and married a second wife.

Despite my apparently fine record as an employee, I would expect to be fired from my job. Immediately. Likewise, I would expect to be fired if I spoke openly of joining a white supremacist organization, or publicly advocated the ritual beating of children, or in any other way, shape or form placed myself in public opposition to Church teaching on faith and morals.

I may not be a priest or religious brother, or even a teacher in the formal sense. But I do represent the Church and, like a teacher, am expected to communicate accurately — and to live in conformity with — what the Church believes and teaches. To do otherwise would be employment suicide, and anyone who works in a teaching capacity for the Church or an institution within the Church has to be aware of that.

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Stories about the Founding Fathers of our nation abound every year around the Fourth of July. As an armchair historian (a folding lawn-chair historian, perhaps), I have from a very young age been attracted to these tales.

Only recently, however, through the website of the *National Catholic Register* (Dec. 10, 2016), did I become aware of Thomas Jefferson's close encounter with a religious vocation.

In the early years of our national existence, the author of the Declaration of Independence was sent to France as a commerce commissioner to arrange trade with our first allies. His family went with him to Paris, and he enrolled his teenage daughters, Polly

and Patsy, in an elite Catholic convent school.

There, the article states, the girls learned mathematics, history, geography and modern languages. They also learned to play the harpsichord from the organist at the Cathedral of Notre Dame.

Just as a bee is attracted to a fragrant, beautiful flower, Patsy allegedly found herself attracted to the lifestyle of the nuns. In a note to her father dated April 18, 1788, she formally requested her father's permission to enter the convent as a postulant.

One can only imagine the future president's initial reaction to that request. The article says he sent no reply, nor did he leave any other written record of his thoughts. Rather, he soon thereafter took her on an expensive shopping excursion and started permitting her to attend extravagant social functions.

I suspect entrance into French high society was Patsy's real goal, as she quickly abandoned plans to convert and embrace the religious life. Her father, however, wasn't willing to take any chances. He visited the abbess and, after a short conversation, removed his daughters from the convent school.

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Following a lengthy court battle, the body of Ven. Fulton Sheen will be moved from New York City to Peoria, Ill. I have mixed feelings about this.

It's beyond great that the transfer allows his cause for sainthood to proceed, and, from a personal standpoint, there's a far better chance that I'll make a pilgrimage to his tomb now.

But it's also sad that his own wish to be buried in New York City is being ignored. And there can be little doubt that a tomb in the Big Apple would receive many more pilgrims — and thereby generate more prayers and conversions — than one in Peoria.

Happily, this relocation of his mortal remains won't diminish the efficacy of his intervention on our behalf before the heavenly throne.

*Ven. Fulton Sheen, pray for us!*

