



October 2015

NEWS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. LOUIS COUNCIL 3335



Brother Knights (left to right) Michael Stapleton, Tim Stapleton flanked by his daughters Aubree and Riley, and David Stapleton went to Grayson-Kentucky to show their prayerful support for Kim Davis in front of the jail where the judge placed her for refusing to obey his court order to sign same sex marriage licenses. Originally secret, Pope Francis met with Kim Davis and gave her words of encouragement. Interviewed by the Press on the plane back to Italy, he reiterated his support of religious freedom and the right of people to follow their consciences. In other words, civil authorities should make accommodations for such conscientious objectors as is done when young men are drafted into the army during wartime. This gesture of course greatly angered the Gay community since it reaffirmed Church teaching.

Knights of Columbus Very Active at the Four Day World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia September 22-25. Each day an honor guard of 30 to 40 Fourth Degree Knights in full regalia led a long procession of concelebrating Priests, Bishops, Archbishops, and Cardinals for the morning Mass. The Knights of Columbus had probably the largest

exhibit space in the large exhibition hall, giving away rosaries blessed by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori, Vatican documents on the family, information about the Knights, etc. Applications to become knights were accepted on the spot and a First Degree induction was conducted on the third evening. Furthermore the knights gave away transparent backpacks to all of the early registrants. Brother Knight Paul Sebastian and his wife Jaga actively participated in the wonderful four day World Meeting of Families in representation of St. Louis Church and our own Council 3335.

October Activities and Announcements

1. **The Knights continue to sponsor and lead the rosary 25 to 30 minutes before the Masses of the first Saturday and first Sunday** of the month. For October it's *Saturday the 3rd* and *Sunday the 4th*. The next rosary will be on Sunday November 1 and Saturday November 7.
2. **Eucharistic Adoration - Sunday October 4 After the 10 am Mass.** The Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will conclude with Vespers and Benediction at 4 pm. It would be great to have a Knights of Columbus Honor Guard there. Brother Knight, if you come for adoration, please kneel/sit in the front row on the left for as long as you desire, be it only 15 minutes. You don't have to be in regalia. Bruce Davison usually occupies the first row on the right for most of the time, including the all-nighters. You can do spiritual reading; converse with the Lord; and share your innermost thoughts and concerns with Him to obtain healing and strength to keep going.
The recommended community prayer intention for the month of October is world peace, especially in the Middle East against the onslaught of ISIS. Radical Islam is nothing new; the current crisis is simply another chapter in a 1,300 year old war against Western Civilization. Through prayer and her intercession, Mary saved Europe from imminent Islamic conquest in the decisive battles of Belgrade in 1456, Lepanto in 1571, and Vienna in 1683 (see blog #125 at paulrsebastianphd.blogspot.com). Otherwise Europe would be Muslim today.
3. **Knights of Columbus Council 3335 to Participate in the Right to Life Chain in front of Carquest this Sunday October 4 from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm.** Please come to this hour of peaceful public protest against the evils of abortion & euthanasia as well as silent prayer for the demise of these procedures that snuff out life and kill people.
4. **K of C Benefit Breakfast - Sunday October 11 after the 8 am and 10 am Masses** (2nd Sunday of each month) for St. Louis K of C Council Charities. It will be great fellowship and delicious food with a lot of love added to it to strengthen our parish community. Bring your family and friends. Every breakfast benefits one of the Knights of Columbus charities or scholarships. The proceeds of this breakfast will ***benefit KofC sponsored youth activities*** in the parish. ***We need your help*** to setup and prepare the food at 7 am, washing dishes, and cleaning up after each of the two breakfasts.
5. **The Annual Public Square Rosary Rally this year will be on Saturday October 17 at noon** to promote the Fatima message of repentance and prayer. As local sponsors of this event, the Knights will provide an honor guard in full regalia. This rally also recalls the Miracle of the Sun in Fatima on October 13, 1917 that occurred at about noon. The miracle was seen over a radius of 25 miles (see americaneedsfatima.org) and is documented by Portuguese newspapers of the time (see Blogs #95 & #96). This rally coincides with the second ***monthly Family Rosary in the City Park***
6. **Monthly Business Dinner Meeting - Monday October 26 at 6:30 pm.** We have great fellowship at dinner and the input of every knight is most valuable at the meeting as we make decisions regarding future activities. Our Council is as strong as each knight makes it. We will pray the rosary before the meeting inside the church at 5:45 pm. We cannot be an effective Council without the Lord's help and guidance.
7. **Large Donation of Books and Videos by a Brother Knight for the Parish School of Religion Library in the Parish Hall and the Home School Library** at the home of Tim and Chrissy Stapleton. The donation includes many books and videos on the faith, the saints, Bible stories, and movie features that teach virtue with questions

for discussion. The books and videos for the Home School Library are more general, but most teach values and virtue through novels and movies. Anybody in the parish may borrow these materials from either source. Trust is maintained through a sign-out sheet.

- 8. Top Rated Knights of Columbus Life Insurance Protects Member Families.** Call Nathan Frazee, your local field agent, at 740-853-3784 or 740-256-1689. He would be happy to help you and review your changing life insurance needs. All profits are used for numerous Knights of Columbus charities and rebates to policy holders.