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



Brother Knights Paul Sebastian on the left and Michael Haas served as the honor guard for the Rosary Rally on Saturday October 14 at the Gallipolis City Park, overlooking the Ohio River. The day before marked 100 years since the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima, Portugal and the Fatima Message. Forty-nine people participated from our parish, one of 21,750 groups that prayed the Rosary all over the USA for peace, our Country, and reparation. The unified rosary rallies were promoted by the America Needs Fatima organization (americanneedsfatima.org) at noon because the Miracle of the Sun occurred at noon by the sun on October 13, 1917. Several families came, calling to mind the words of the Rosary Priest, Fr. Patrick Peyton: "The family that prays together, stays together". Grand Knight DJ Stapleton not only brought his family, but Mary too, i.e., her statue above the sign. Our pastor, Fr. Thomas Hamm did the meditations of the Glorious Mysteries with readings from the Bible while different participants led each decade. Many knelt down on the grass during the Rosary. This year we said the Rosary closer to 2nd Avenue in order to give greater witness. Many slowed down in their cars to look at what we were doing and read our sign. In her message to the world Mary asked everyone to: 1) "Pray the Rosary every day to obtain peace for the world"; 2) make sacrifices and offer to God personal crosses and sufferings "as both an act of reparation for the sins with which He is offended and as an act of supplication for the conversion of sinners"; 3) foster a devotion to her Immaculate Heart; 4) "People must amend their lives and ask pardon for their sins", i.e., repentance. "They must not offend Our Lord any more, for He is already too much offended". Be Mary's messengers in spreading the Fatima message when opportunities arise. Our world is in such a shape that we are due for a loving chastisement such as a monetary collapse. This centennial may be the world's last chance to accept and follow the Fatima message to prevent it. This is our best attendance ever. Thank you for coming.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR YOUR MARRIAGE TODAY? *Appreciate and take advantage of your wife's special God given gifts.* Remember that God wired up men and women differently; thus she thinks differently. We all use both sides of our brain, but women tend to be more right brained and men more left brained. These differences in abilities and gifts, designed by God to complement and complete the couple working together as a team, may at times cause misunderstandings. Women tend to be more intuitive, more sensitive, and able to pick up on things that men may miss, being more aware of what's going on around them. Women tend to be multidimensional, able to maintain an amazing awareness of many factors at once. A woman tends to think and speak between the lines, expecting her man to figure out what she thinks is obvious and thus expects you to be considerate and sensitive to her feelings, needs, and wants. Thus she may be angry and you don't know why. **LISTEN CLOSELY FOR THE UNSPOKEN MESSAGE**, for what she implies and really means. Don't expect her to spell it out and be as literal as you. She'll often think of things that never even entered your mind. That's great for problem solving and creativity. Women are much better multi-taskers than men. When she works on something, she is cognizant of all the people who are somehow connected to it or affected by an action. These differences can also cause misunderstandings. What she thinks is obvious you miss or overlook. Too often we don't get it.

Activities and Announcements for the Month of November

1. **First Saturday Mass and Rosary November 4 at 8 am.** There is also Mass on the other Saturdays of the month at 8 am. The Mass readings are for Saturday while the 5:30 Vigil Mass has the readings for Sunday and thus fulfills the Sunday obligation. On December 10, 1925 Mary appeared to Lucia with the following message in her own words: "*Behold, my daughter, my Heart encircled with thorns, with which ungrateful men pierce it at every moment by their blasphemies and ingratitude. Give me consolation, you, at least; and make known on my behalf that I promise to assist at the hour of death, with the graces necessary for salvation, all who on the First Saturday of five consecutive months confess their sins, receive Holy Communion, recite five decades of the Rosary, and keep me company for fifteen minutes meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary, with the purpose of making reparation to my Immaculate Heart.*"
2. **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 November it's **Saturday the 4th and Sunday the 5th**. The next rosary will be on the weekend of December 2-3. After the Mass, the Rosary is the most perfect prayer which Mary herself gave us. Our Lady urges us in her Fatima message to pray the rosary for peace daily as a sacrifice for the conversion of sinners; the need is urgent.
3. **The Annual Knights of Columbus Homage to Christ the King (Viva Cristo Rey!) and Memorial Mass for Our Deceased Brother Knights – Sunday November 26 at 10 am.** The 4th Degree knights will process in full regalia and make the Mass more beautiful and impressive than it already is. The knights will do it all; our chaplain, Fr. Tom is also a knight. We will all *meet in the Parish Hall at 9:30 am.*
4. **Eucharistic Adoration for the Feast of Christ the King - Sunday November 26 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 or more. 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 November is for the poor souls in purgatory and that the world may recognize Christ as their true sovereign king of the universe.* There is also adoration during the week at 7 – 8 am before daily Mass.
5. **Monthly Business Dinner Meeting - Monday November 27 at 6:30 pm with Rosary at 5:45 pm in the Parish Hall Chapel.** 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 cannot be an effective Council without the Lord's help and guidance together with your participation. *The next 4th Monday of the month Dinner Meeting is scheduled for December 18, a week earlier because of Christmas.*