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Newsletter

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692-2720

Grand Knight's Report

October 1997

Brother Knights,

Our family picnic held on Saturday, September 27th, at St. Alberts picnic grounds was enjoyed by all. We were blessed with a warm sunny day, concluding with mass at 5:00 P.M. offered by Chaplain Fr. Norbert Hansen.

Our thanks to co-chairman Bill Myers and Russ Cortese. They were assisted by Steve Maleike, Mike Mingolla, Joe Gallo, and Mike Amodio; and as always our ladies lending their support.

On behalf of the Middletown Council K of C we thank Fr. Hansen and all at St. Alberts for letting us share their seminary grounds and chapel.

We are saddened by the recent death of brother and Trustee Louis Pingotti on September 19th. I am sure his family was pleased by the many brothers attending his wake service Tuesday September 23.

On Sunday October 5th, our annual blood drive will take place. Paul Silipino is chairing this event. (343-3728)

The annual Memorial Mass for our deceased brothers is scheduled for November. Date, time and place is listed further on in this letter.

My brothers, please remember in your prayers all our members who may be ill or in distress.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Cortese GK

Chaplain's Report

The angel fad is probably over by now. Within the last few years angels had the misfortune of becoming fashionable. They were written about by all sorts of authorities and non-authorities, represented in various kinds of art, used for decoration and as bookmarks.

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Chaplain's Report (cont.)

The word misfortune applies insofar as for some, unfortunately, angels were another embellishment of ordinary life like hula hoops, cilantro or nose rings. It would be fortunate, on the other hand, if the passing preoccupation with angels would result in a more lasting sense of the presence of unseen realities. Throughout Christian history there have been various emphases on specific beliefs or practices, it's true. The Blessed Virgin received very strong emphasis for many centuries; the real presence of Christ was probably emphasized in an extreme way for a while; devotion to the Sacred Heart had it's day. But these were more than passing fads; they highlighted important matters of Christian faith. With time they have taken their proper place in our consciousness. Attention to angels will be helpful if we learn by awareness of angels to think more frequently of the divine presence around us, that God is with us and in all the circumstances of ordinary life. We need such reminders and that, of course, is what the eucharist does every day. It tells us God is to be found in the ordinary elements of life like being together for a meal.

Dates to Remember

Thursday 2 October-----Officers Meeting
Sunday 5 October-----Blood Drive
Thursday 9 October-----Regular Meeting
Sunday 12 October-----Columbus Day
Thursday 16 October-----4th Degree Meeting
(Installation of Officers)
Thursday 23 October-----Regular Meeting

Memorial Mass

The Annual Memorial Mass for deceased members (July 1996 - November 1997) and past deceased members will be held at St. Alberts Chapel on Tuesday November 11th at 7:00 P.M. The council will serve coffee and doughnut refreshments. Family members are invited. Please call Chairman Lou Scarano at 342-3471 for reservations and questions.

Birthdays

Robert Basalari, Daniel Bellotto, Nicholas Damiano Sr, Alfred Ferasin, Edward Garland, Kenneth Howarth, John Lusardi, Gerlando Maida, Edward Mc Conway, Raymond Mc Donald, L.G. Mermell, Vincent O'Rourke, Nicholas Romano, PGK Tom Shormis, Michael Walsh
Also belated birthday wishes to PGKs Steve Maleike and Lou Scarano who let the editor know he goofed.