



Knights of Columbus

St. Clare of Assisi Council 12851
Surprise, Arizona
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2011
March

First Degree Team

Members of St. Clare's newly formed 1st Degree Team held their first of two degree ceremonies on February 14th and 21st. Two candidates received the honors of the 1st Degree on each evening. Joe D'Andrea and Daniel Kosik on the 14th and John Chlopek and Joe Russo on the 21st. Be sure to meet and greet the new members at the next meeting and make them feel welcome to **St. Clare Council**.

The next degree is scheduled for April 25th with tentative plans for a March Degree.



Pictures-Respectively

Members enjoy refreshments after the degree

GK Gene Mialki congratulates our newest knights, Joseph D'Andrea (L) and Daniel Kosik (R)

John Chlopek (L) and Joe Russo (R) are introduced to the membership

Our **Annual Dinner Dance** will be held on, **Saturday, March 19th, 2011** at **Prince of Peace Hall**. Tickets are **\$35** Per person. So far we have **12 tables taken with 49 paid**. **See page 2 of this NL for details**. So far we have **20 tables taken with 138 paid**.

FOURTH DEGREE:

I am seeking additional **Flags** from **Veterans**, to fly them at **St Clare** in their **honor**, as they need to be replaced.

An article will be put in the church bulletin. **Gene Mialki FDM**.

A new **Flag** has been install at **St Clare of Assisi** in **honor** of **Mario Palange**.

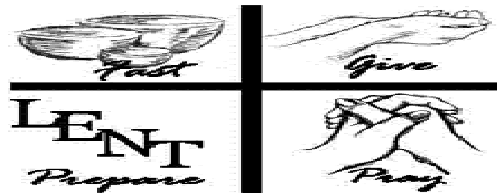
MARIO was in the **Coast Guard** during **World War II**. Also, the **Solar Light** has been **readjusted**.



Knight's Family Night with the **Coyotes** is **Friday, April 1 @ 7:00 PM**. If interested contact the **Grand Knight**. **March 21st** is the when the completed form is to be returned in order for all Parishes to be seated together. Information for this event has been E-mailed to the membership.



Don't forget LENT.....



Next Business Meeting: Thursday, March 17, 2011 @ 7:30 PM
Directions to Church: 17111 W. Bell Road. This is at the corner of West Bell Road and Cotton Lane.

CONGRATS!!

Knight of the Month:
Daniel Heidel



Family of the Month:
Joseph Pipitone

MEMBERS THAT NEED PRAYERS:

**Frank DeMello, Tim Leary,
Americo Posillico, Dan Heidel.**

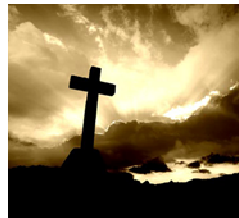


Have dinner and dance the night away at the St Patrick's Day dinner and dance on Sat, March 19. Our DJ plays jigs, tarantellas, and polkas along with waltzes, dances from the 60's through the 80's and the great fun dances for groups. Corned beef and cabbage, lemon chicken, salad and a Bavarian cream layered cake are dinner fare. Beer, wine, pop, coffee and tea are all included. You'll have a good time at the Prince of Peace hall in SCW.

Call Gene Mialki or John Finan for tix or buy them at coffee time at St. Clare's Hall after the 8:45 and 11 AM masses starting on Sunday Jan 23. Tix only \$35 pp. Bring your friends for a fun time and win some good prizes too! Buy your tix ASAP and reserve a table for 8 for your group.

CONFESSION GUIDES

To assist members of the parish prepare for Easter, the council will distribute Confession Guides on March 19th & 20th following each of the masses. At least six members of the council will be needed after each mass. Fr. Hans has given us permission to distribute the guides outside the church as parishioners leave mass.



Please contact Jim Siford jsiford@aol.com and let him know which mass or masses you can cover.

TREASURER'S REPORT- MARCH, 2011

<u>For the Period Ending</u>		<u>02.17.11</u>
Bank Balance as of	01.20.11	\$3402.45
Total Deposits		\$6566.00
Total Expenditures		\$1556.32
Balance as of	02.17.11	\$8412.13



GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Our **February** meeting had **35 Brother Knights** and our **Insurance Agent Todd Gerber** present. **Social** was held after the meeting.



The Council nominated the **Grand Knight** and the **Deputy Grand Knight** to represent them at the **State Convention**. It will take place on **May 20th and 21st**.

The Council also approved **canceling** the **Business Meeting on April 21st**, which falls on **Holy Thursday**.

We have **four new members** who have taken their **First Degree**:
February 14th : Joseph D'Andrea and Daniel Kosik
February 21st : John Chlopek and Joseph Russo.

Special thanks to our **Degree Team** headed by **Jim Siford**. The Council watched a **DVD** from the **Supreme Knight** addressing **State Deputies** at their mid-year meeting. The topic was **Volunteerism**.

We had **Brother Carl Malanga** pass away on **February 6th**. The **Worthy Grand Knight** and **Brother Vince Melluse** took **three Priests** to the **Priest Appreciation Dinner** on **March 4th**: **Fr Hans Ruygt, Fr Sylvester Modebei, and Fr Ashbeck.**

GENE



FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

We have had several changes to our membership numbers since January 1st of this year. We began 2011 with 165 members and as of now we have 166.



NEW MEMBERS:

- 3 have transferred into our council
- 4 have taken the 1st degree of our order
- 7 New Members

MEMBERS WE HAVE LOST:

- 3 have died
- 1 transferred to another council
- 2 have chosen to withdraw from the Knights
- 6 that are no longer on our rolls

Even with all of the activity, we have only added 1 more to our total of 166. We are lacking behind on our Insurance Member Quota. Please consider taking out a life insurance policy or an annuity. Our Field Agent Todd Gerber (602-639-8849) would be happy to sit down with you and explain the many products that the Knights have to offer at a reasonable price.

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Ask Eligible Men to Join

When telling a prospect about the strengths of the Order, don't forget our greatest fraternal benefit: our insurance program. This is often an interesting "selling point" to a potential member who is on the fence. Many members come into the Knighthood simply to be able to buy coverage for their family. Soon after, they realize the good our charitable works do for their community and they are hooked.

As your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, I look forward to helping us grow in fraternity in any way that I can.

Todd Gerber
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arizonakofcAgent@gmail.com



OTHER IMPORTANT ITEMS:

We do a raffle at all meetings with a guaranteed prize of \$20. The rest goes into our Vocation Fund to help support our two Seminarians.

I would like to thank all the **Brother Knights and their Wives** for helping out with the **Coffee and Donuts**.

THANK YOU.....The **Parishioners** are really appreciative of this service. Its purpose is to build Community.



Our Annual Drawing for Charitable Projects with the Arizona State Council is underway. There are 3 big trips plus 7 money prizes. Donation: \$5.00 or 5 for \$20.00. Half of all the money taken in will be returned to the Council.

Ladies K of C MARCH 2011 Meeting

The ladies will meet in the hall on Thursday, March 17th, while the men have their meeting. Our hostesses are Janese McGrath, Maria Conte and Betty Gallinghouse.



I'm sure they are planning something fun to celebrate St. Patrick's Day!!!! Thanks to Anna Pipitone and Millie Tusay for hosting our February meeting. We will finalize everything for the dinner dance also at our meeting. We are all looking forward to having lots of fun at the dance.

First Degree– New Members

Joe D'Andrea
Dan Kosik
John Chlopek
Joe Russo

GOD'S ON THE LINE.
DON'T HANG UP!

Vocations Are Everybody's Business

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

By Deacon Steve

An Act of Consecration To The Holy Spirit

O Holy Spirit, divine Spirit of light and love, I consecrate to You my understanding, my heart and my will, my whole being for time and eternity.

May my understanding be always submissive to Your heavenly inspirations and to the teachings of the Holy Catholic Church, of which you are the infallible Guide.

Holy and divine Spirit! Through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, your Spouse, bring the fullness of Your gifts into our hearts. Comforted and strengthened by You, may we live according to Your Will and may we die praising Your infinite mercy. Through Christ our Lord, Amen!!

Happy Birthday!!

Council members who celebrate a Birthday in MARCH!!

- 1-Mar Bob McGowan
- 3-Mar Rafael Contreras
- 4-Mar Dan Kosik
- 6-Mar Bill Van Sciver
- 8-Mar Chuck Ricker
- 9-Mar Walter Watts
- 12-Mar Shawn Knaggs
- 14-Mar Carter Ryan
- 17-Mar Pat McHugh
- 18-Mar Bob Kunesh
- 22-Mar Bill Oppliger
- 27-Mar Jim Acker
- 27-Mar Doug Walsh
- 28-Mar Felix Maccagnano
- 30-Mar Rev Mr Steve Martin



AZ STATE COUNCIL:

The Arizona State Council is the governing body for the Knights of Columbus in the jurisdiction (state) of Arizona. Go to this site for more details-

<http://www.azknightsofcolumbus.com/index.html>

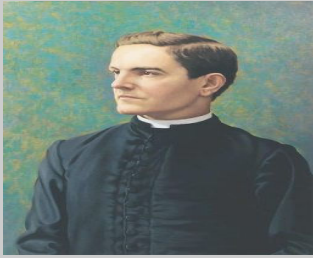


The Officers Meetings are open to members the first Thursday each month at The Catholic Outreach Center, 12301 W. Bell Road, Suite A, Surprise at 7:30 PM.



#12851 MARCH, 2011 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 03/06** Coffee & Donuts 7, 8:45 & 11 AM Masses
- 03/08** 4th Degree Meeting, 7:30 PM
- 03/13** Coffee & Donuts 7, 8:45 & 11 AM Masses
- 03/14** 1st Degree @ 3855 7:30 PM
- 03/17** 12851 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
- 03/19** Council Dinner Dance
- 03/20** Coffee & Donuts 7, 8:45 & 11 AM Masses
- 03/27** Coffee & Donuts 7, 8:45 & 11 AM Masses



DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT

Want to say a “big thanks” to all of you who participated in our FIRST, 1st Degree for this Council. Congrats to all who were involved!



Also,

Please pray for our Seminarians, Brandon Averbeck and Keith Kenney.

Vivat de Jesus!!!

JOHN

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Thank you for reading this NL and we hope you find it informative. If you have anything to add don't hesitate to write or call, 623.398.6671.



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