



**KNIGHTS
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Bishop Michael Francis McAuliffe Council 12992

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Message From Grand Knight

Brother Knights

Happy New Year! I wish you all many blessings in 2010. We certainly didn't waste any time starting 2010 with Roses for Life Sunday Jan 3. We will be sending all the signed roses to our representatives & senators in Washington DC and the funds collected will help pay for the bus trip later in the year.

Join us for Breakfast Sunday ,January 10th in the undercroft. Biscuits & gravy, sausage & eggs are on the menu.

We will be cooking again on Jan 13th as we have our annual Council Steak Dinner to award Tootsie Roll Drive proceeds to the Shelter Workshop and the Vogelweid Center. Please call Mark Ruether for reservations 659-7869.

It will be a busy 2010, please watch the bulletin for Knights of Columbus announcements to keep involved with your council.

Brian Johnson, Grand Knight

Message From Chaplain

Dear Brother Knights,

As we welcome with great joy the year 2010, let us look forward with hope and trust in the Lord who is stronger than all darkness. At the beginning of the New Year, there is the tendency to look back over the years and

think perhaps with mixed feelings, of all its joys and sorrows, all the promises kept and opportunities wasted, and as we do this it is important to know that our Father is the Lord of all time, and in Him all things are truly made new. Our reflection should not so much be over how little we achieved the

previous years but over what God achieved. As we begin this New Year let us to turn our eyes away from the slow passage of days and years and to look instead towards the unending horizon of eternity.
HAPPY NEW YEAR

KofC Free Throw Contest

Saturday, January 16, 2010

3pm-5pm

St. Joseph Cathedral gym

Please contact Mike Shimmens at 635-7047 for questions on how to participate.

Upcoming Activities:

- Jan. 3-4 - Roses For Life
 - Jan. 10 - Biscuit/Gravy Breakfast
 - Jan. 13 - Council Steak Dinner - 6pm
 - Jan. 27 - Officer's Mtg.
 - Feb. 10 - Chili Contest/Council Mtg.
 - Feb. 21 - Rite of Election
 - Feb. 24 - Officer's Mtg.
 - Feb. 26 - Lenten Fish Fry
- For Knights of Columbus Insurance call Larry Hoelscher at 635-9960.**



U.S. Knights Urged to Oppose Abortion - Mandate in Health Reform Bill

Both the House and the Senate approved versions of health care reform legislation before leaving Washington for a Christmas break. A House-Senate conference committee will negotiate a single version of the bill upon their return this month (the House returns on January 12 and the Senate returns on January 19).

Knights and their families are strongly urged to contact their Senators and Congressmen during the recess, and ask that they support the House language authored by Representative (and brother Knight) Bart Stupak (D-MI), which retains the long-standing policy against federal funding of abortion. Stupak's language was approved by a strong bipartisan majority in the House.

The Senate version of the health care reform bill does not ban abortion funding, and the American Catholic bishops oppose it: under the Senate version, "federal funds will help subsidize, and in some cases a federal agency will facilitate and promote, health plans that cover elective abortions," the bishops said.

Join Father Michael J. McGivney Guild

The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild serves as a source for information about the life, works and spirituality of Father McGivney. The Guild distributes informational materials about him, receives reports of favors granted through his intercession and oversees the distribution of relics. Guild members receive regular updates on the progress of Father McGivney's cause for canonization and are invited to participate in promoting devotion to this Servant of God. Members of the Knights of Columbus are not automatically Guild members and must elect to join the Guild. The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild Newsletter is published bimonthly except July- August, and is sent free to Guild members. To join the Guild, fill in and submit the form found at this link: <http://www.fathermcgivney.org/favors/register.do?view=true&lang=en>

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