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Lecturer's Words of Wisdom

FATHER ANTON'S WORDS OF WISDOM:



A MEDITATION ON THE PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT... "Heavenly King": We are in awe of your wonder O God. You are all loving and completely "other".

"Comforter": In our times of vulnerability and trial you bring us comfort that we might know your peace.

"Spirit of Truth": You sent Your Holy Spirit the 'Spirit of Truth' who enlightens our hearts and our minds.

"Who are everywhere and fill all things":

There is nowhere that you cannot be found, for everything that breathes praises you.

"Treasury of good things": in you is found all that is good, and all that is true, all that is worthy of praise. You fill my life that my joy may be complete.

"Giver of Life": without You life is not possible, for your loving energy is the reason for our existence.

"Come dwell within us, and cleanse us of all the defiles us": Holy Spirit; fill my life that I may know God, experience his love through Christ Jesus and be sustained by your power. Take away from me anything that would prevent the experience of God's love from being complete. Take, receive, all that I am - my memory, understanding, my entire will. Give me only your love and your grace for that's enough for me.

"And O Good One, save our souls": May my soul filled with your love and your power transform me so that that I may live life with You for all eternity." Amen.

Christ has fulfilled his promise, for God has sent to us the gift of the Holy Spirit. Let us be open to its call, receptive to its challenges, encouraged by its ability to sustain us in all situations, and let us rejoice in the experience of God's love! Happy Pentecost! **You are Church, You are God's children.** You have been empowered to do great things through faith. You are the icon of Christ, the "living image" that can allow others to see and experience Him!

Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights:

For those celebrating Pascha by the Julian Calendar - Glory to Christ!

The effects of De-socialization during this time of the ongoing pandemic must be discouraging to all but we must keep up with the prescribed rules: washing our hands frequently; social distancing; staying inside our homes with immediate family only - so as to lessen the spread of the Covid19 virus. Please keep up the good work and we will get through this. Be sure to register to get your dose of the Virus vaccine when your turn comes up. Continue to follow the safety guidelines, stay safe! stay healthy!

Our next Council Zoom Meeting will be held on **Tuesday May 11, 2021 at 7:00pm.**

Worthy brothers, it's that time of year again. Elections will take place in June and we are required to have a slate of officers ready for the District Deputy at our May council meeting. The State Deputy has indicated that due to COVID-19 the current executive is to remain in place for the upcoming fraternal year. If any Brother is interested in submitting his name towards taking on a position on the executive committee (all positions are open) please let me know and I will add his name to the slate.

The Perogy and Sausage Dinner (Takeout Only) was cancelled in April because of the lockdown. Our next event will be held on May 27, 2021. Please consider helping out by calling or texting me and letting me know 905-869-9462.

For any of our Brothers, families or friends who are interested in purchasing the Ontario Knights of Columbus 50/50 draw tickets please go online to www.kofcontario5050.com and make your purchase. Please support this important Knights of Columbus fundraiser.

I wish to extend Birthday Greetings to the following Brothers having a birthday in May: Brs. Jonathan Barton, Boris Dusanowsky, John Hucal, Steve Pronek, John Storoziński, Joseph Szpak and Alex Zahachewsky. I also extend Wedding Anniversary greetings to Brothers and their spouses celebrating this month. Mnohaya Lita! May God grant you many years.

Brothers, let us not forget to offer prayers for Priests, Sister Servants, Brother Knights and members of their families, who may be ill. Lets pray especially for the health of Mykhaylo Furtak, Bob Moscal, Bohdan Matwijiw and Boris Dusanowsky. May God bless them and restore them to good health very soon. We also pray for the Covid-19 Pandemic to come to its end soon.

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Lessons Learned

The challenges of the past year have given us a deeper appreciation of fraternity, faith and charity

By Supreme Knight Patrick E. Kelly 4/1/2021



I WISH YOU a blessed Easter! It is the high point of the liturgical calendar and a time of new beginnings, when we remember that our resurrected Lord has come to make “all things new.”

This hope is real for us all right now, as we see signs that the pandemic is beginning to recede. As a Church, and as an Order, the past year has been one of great challenge. Just over one year ago, our churches were closing, our councils were canceling events, and our countries and communities were entering lockdown.

I vividly recall Pope Francis' solitary address in St. Peter's Square on March 27, 2020. Where thousands of faithful would normally have stood, the Holy Father's voice echoed in the empty square.

That image of Pope Francis speaks to the lessons of the past year, as the pandemic has shown us the importance of friendship, of faith and of service.

The first lesson is that Christian life is not one of individualism. We are made to live in communion with one another. When we are together, we can draw out the best in each other, as iron sharpens iron. It is excellent to see council meetings and activities picking back up. Though we have adapted to virtual meetings and events, there is no substitute for being together in person.

A second lesson is this: The pandemic has reminded us how much we need the sacraments. Restrictions were undertaken in the interest of physical health, but they often did so at the cost of spiritual health. Our parishes are places where we encounter Christ, and we rejoice to see them reopening and parishioners returning to the sacraments once again.

Finally, the pandemic has powerfully reinforced our call to service, as men and as Knights. In March of last year, the Order launched our pandemic response initiative, Leave No Neighbor Behind. In a matter of days, councils the world over embraced this effort.

‘We have answered the call to serve our neighbors in need. We have set an example of charity, unity and fraternity in the communities and countries where we are present — and beyond.’

We supported our brother Knights and their families, helping each other through economic hardships, the loss of loved ones and the loss of communal life. We supported our parishes, standing beside our priests as they continued to preach the Good News amid pandemic restrictions. We supported our communities and fed the hungry — providing meals to struggling families and supporting food banks worldwide. And we held blood drives to meet urgent needs and protect the health of our neighbors.

As Pope Francis said, while standing alone in St. Peter’s Square: “We have realized that we are on the same boat ... all of us called to row together, each of us in need of comforting the other.”

At every stage, we have answered the call to serve our neighbors in need. We have set an example of charity, unity and fraternity in the communities and countries where we are present — and beyond. Just recently, for example, the Order provided lifesaving oxygen to remote regions of Brazil and Peru that have been hit hard by the pandemic.

We should be proud of what we’ve done over the past year. But challenges remain, and we must draw on the lessons we’ve learned. With a greater appreciation of our need for fraternity, let us redouble our commitment to our councils and each other. With an even deeper love for the sacraments, let us devote our strength to renewing our parishes. With knowledge of how fragile life can be, let us put our charitable work at the service of the most vulnerable, both near and far.

It is my great hope and prayer this Easter that we will emerge from this crisis stronger — as a Church and an Order. May Blessed Michael McGivney and St. Joseph lend us their strength.

Vivat Jesus!



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NOTABLE DATES

May 09	Sunday	Mother's Day
May 11	Tuesday	Virtual Meeting on Zoom 7:00pm check your email
May 13	Thursday	Ascension of Jesus
May 24	Sunday	Victoria Day

Happy Birthday to the Following Members

May 05	JOHN W STOROZINSKI
May 14	JONATHAN J BARTON
May 19	JOHN S HUCAL
May 25	STEVE PRONEK
May 27	BORIS DUSANOWSKY
May 30	ALEX J ZAHACHEWSKY
May 31	JOSEPH SZPAK

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See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work.

Revelation 22:12



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