

# Columbus Crusader

Newsletter of Our Lady of Light Council 10498 in Estero, FL  
Roman Catholic Brothers in Christ, Chartered in 1990



**KNIGHTS  
OF COLUMBUS**  
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

August 2008 1st Edition

Charity Fraternity Unity Patriotism

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### General Membership Meetings:

1st Thursday of each month 7:30  
PM Business, 8:30 PM Social at the  
Hopkins Center of Our Lady of  
Light Catholic Community.

### From the Grand Knight:



This is the first meeting with the  
new officers. We ask that you bear  
with us in these new rolls, and help  
us through your prayers and moral  
support. We will do our very best to  
work with you and to bring our  
council up to its highest potential.

At the last planning meeting, the di-  
vision of the main committee into  
four sub committees was set up. The  
budget was also completed. There  
will be a copy of it in this newsletter.

As you know, the main committee  
was broken into four sub commit-

tees. Several have already joined  
the committee that they preferred.  
There is plenty of room left. **All  
Knights should be on one com-  
mittee or another.** If you would  
like to have a say about what is  
going on and/or become part of  
the decision making, please sign  
up.

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Committees (4)

#### **First:**

Admissions, retention, member-  
ship, insurance, promotion, re-  
cruitment.

#### **Second:**

Communication, public relations,  
Youth information.

#### **Third:**

Pro life, family, vocations, health.

#### **Fourth:**

Program directing, council activi-  
ties / events.

Remember, **all** activities and events  
**must** go through one of the com-  
mittees first and then to the grand  
knight to peruse and take to the  
officer's meeting for further discus-  
sion, approval or disapproval, and  
then taken to the whole counsel for  
a vote. If you are on a committee,  
you will have a say in what the  
counsel will do or not do.

The year's calendar from the office  
is now complete. I will send you all  
copy via e-mail. Those without,  
can pick up a copy at the august  
7th business meeting.

We are off to a great year in activi-  
ties and events, be a part **of** them,  
not apart **from** them.

Fraternally,

Bob Bonza

Grand Knight



**Our council represented at 4th of July Parade**

**From the Deputy Grand Knight**



Hello Brother Knights. The 4 committee's outlined in the Grand Knights message are being formed we need more people to fill the groups. We have 8 people in committee 1, 2 people in committee 2, 4 people, in committee 3, and 5 people in committee 4. We need 2 more on committee 1, 2 more in committee 2, 3 more for committee 3, and 4 more for committee 4. I will be calling Knights to see what committee you would like to be on according to your interest, and we only want you on one committee, the rest of the events are volunteers. It also would be good to come to the meetings and see what is going on else where. We have a social hour after all the meetings. We are looking forward to the August social; a taste of Beef O' Brady's on the 15th at 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM. Knights-Friends-Family come and party and have some good old fashion conversation and gossip like the old town Pub. See what events are going on in the council; music, video's, and games.

The council Picnic 8/17/08 at Vil-lagio- bring a dish, more information coming. First degree 8/20/08, pancake breakfast on the 31<sup>st</sup>, business meeting on the 7th. Note, the more members on the committees, the easier it is on everyone. If some members can't make the planning meetings, we still have enough people and are not over loaded.

DGK Brother Leon

**Upcoming Events**

Business meeting	8/07
Social evening	8/15
K of C Picnic	8/17
1st Degree Exemplification	8/20
Officers planning meeting	8/28
Pancake Breakfast	8/31

**Council News**

Family of the Month June:  
**Pat Fortuna & Family**

Knight of the Month June:  
**Ralph Hutchins**

**Web Site Links of Interest:**

New Council 10498 web site administered by Brother Pat Becker. Place it in your favorite links folder.

<http://www.kofccouncil10498.org/>

Elections Have Consequences:  
Does it Matter if the President

is Pro-life?

<http://www.priestsforlife.org/elections/consequences.htm>

Our Lady of Light Web Site:

<http://www.ourladyoflight.com/>

A message from the Florida State Council Pro Life couple;

[http://www.floridastatecouncil.com/programs/index.php?page\\_id=53](http://www.floridastatecouncil.com/programs/index.php?page_id=53)

Florida State Council Management Web Site - Forum

<http://my.floridastatecouncil.com/news.php>

**Happy Birthday!**

David T. Klare	8/2
Jim Stathopoulos	8/3
Raymond C. LaChapelle	8/8
James W. Sauerwald	8/8
Juan P. Castellon	8/9
Russell S. Klare	8/12
Nicholas C. Krueger	8/14
Michael C. Bursztyrn	8/15
James W. Hanley	8/16
James C. McDonagh	8/17
Sydney F. Schofield	8/21
Javier Ubarri	8/24
Dennis J. Cantwell	8/29
Joseph F. Klempka	8/30

**From K of C Supreme website:**

**[Knights Arrive in Sydney for World Youth Day](#)**

Among the estimated 125,000 international visitors arriving in Sydney, Australia for World Youth Day 2008 (WYD) is an official delegation of the Knights of Columbus, including Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson and 35 college Knights representing 18 universities. Supreme Chaplain Bishop William E. Lori will also be among approximately 500 cardinals and bishops attending.

## A Pro Life Poem

### *Mom*

As you know I'm very small,  
and totally in your care.

I can't do much but I'm still grow-  
ing, and safe cause you are there.

We've shared so many things to-  
gether, and soon we'll share the  
day,

when light will shine upon my  
face, and surely you will say,

"This child is mine, a gift from  
God, and precious in His sight."

Then look into my eyes and see,  
I love You with all my might.

- Unknown Author -

### By Our Gracious Permission?

I was standing in the vestibule of  
the Church before Mass. A  
woman walked in, took a copy of  
the bulletin, and said under her  
breath, "I'll take this to read in  
case they talk about abortion." I  
did in fact preach on abortion  
quite strongly that day. A few  
days later, I received a letter... not  
from the woman, but from two  
other parishioners. The letter read,

*"Hi! I'd like to begin this letter by  
thanking you for last week's homi-  
ly. I was deeply moved and so was  
my younger brother, Paul. Al-  
though, we are both young, I'm 17  
and he's 12, we've been taught  
about how precious life is. But we  
did not fully understand what goes  
on in abortion, till your homily...  
We both would like to get on the  
mailing lists of pro-life organiza-  
tions, if possible... See you at the  
next Mass Father Frank!!"*

St. Paul summed it up well.  
"Proclaim the word. Be persistent  
whether it is convenient or incon-  
venient; convince, reprimand, en-  
courage through all patience and  
teaching" (2 Tim. 4:2). The sanc-  
tity of life and the truth about abor-  
tion are certainly aspects of the  
"Word" that the priest is to preach.  
Some say, "Abortion has no place  
in Church." Then what does? Are  
people who worship God supposed  
to be blind to injustice? Are believ-  
ers supposed to be unconcerned  
about what goes on in the world?  
Abortion kills 1.6 million babies in  
America every year. In Church we  
say we believe in "the Lord, the  
Giver of Life." Church is the place  
to talk about things that concern  
God, and God cares about the de-  
struction of 1.6 million babies a  
year! The Bible says that those  
who worship God but do not act to  
correct injustices are not pleasing  
God at all (see Amos 5:21-27, and  
Isaiah 1:10-17).

Suppose for a moment that a clinic  
were set up in your neighborhood  
at which eight year old boys and  
girls were routinely killed every  
day. What would you do? What  
would you expect the Church to  
do? Morally speaking, every abor-  
tion takes the life of one who is as  
much of a person and has as much  
of a right to life as an 8 year old or  
any other human being! So many  
in our society who know this are  
wondering why we priests don't  
talk more about it and take more  
action to get our parishioners in-  
volved in the effort to save these  
babies and give their mothers life-  
giving alternatives. Many priests  
do, but far too many still do not.

"The greatest lies are told in si-  
lence." To be silent on abortion is

not to be silent; it is, rather, to  
shout the message, "Don't be all  
that concerned about this!" And to  
the women in the congregation  
who have had abortions, the silence  
says, "Your pain doesn't matter,  
and what you did is no big deal."  
St. Paul asks, "If the trumpet  
sounds an uncertain call, who will  
get ready for battle?" (1 Cor. 14:8)  
In the battle for life, it is not a mat-  
ter of "We win" or "They win." If  
pro-life doesn't win, nobody wins!  
It is time for all priests to take  
courage and to lead the way to vic-  
tory for the pro-life movement! It  
is time for all parishioners to en-  
courage their priests more than  
ever to speak the truth about abor-  
tion clearly and without compro-  
mise!

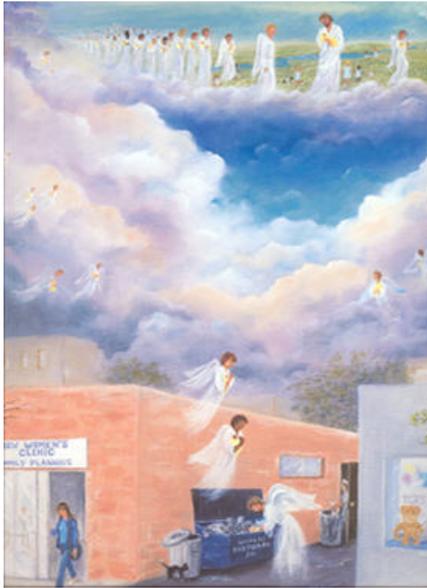
This is the purpose of "Priests for  
Life," a movement that aims to  
unite priests in a common commit-  
ment to defend the sanctity of life,  
to provide them with resources,  
suggestions for homilies and activi-  
ties, and to introduce them to other  
priests active in the pro-life move-  
ment. As a national effort only a  
few years old, Priests for Life wel-  
comes input from clergy and laity  
alike, and is ready to assist any in-  
dividual or group in their pro-life  
work. I have been privileged to  
serve as the Director since 1993,  
succeeding Fr. Lee Kaylor who  
founded it. Three other priests have  
been given permission so far to  
make it their full time ministry.  
There are fifteen bishops on the  
Board of Directors. You may write  
to "Priests for Life, P.O. Box  
141172, Staten Island, New York  
10314."

As some pro-lifers have pointed  
out, unless we speak out fearlessly  
and act decisively against abortion,

one could very well put up this sign at our local abortion mills: "Babies Killed Here with the Gracious Permission of the Local Christian Community."

Fr. Frank Pavone

### Earth's Trash - Heaven's Treasure



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### **You are not alone...**

The following quote has provided inspiration for many in the pro-life cause:

"When the time comes, as it surely will, when we face that awesome moment, the final judgment, I've often thought, as Fulton Sheen wrote, that it is a terrible moment of loneliness. You have no advocates, you are there alone standing before God -- and a terror will rip your soul like nothing you can imagine. But I really think that those in the pro-life movement will not be alone. I think there'll be a chorus of voices that have never been heard in this world but are heard beautifully and clearly in the next world

-- and they will plead for everyone who has been in this movement. They will say to God, 'Spare him, because he loved us!'"

Congressman Henry Hyde

### **The "No Excuses" Litany**

Noah was drunk...

Abraham was too old...Jacob was a liar...

Leah was ugly

Joseph was abused

Moses was a stutterer...

Gideon was afraid...

Sampson had long hair and was a womanizer...

Rahab was a prostitute...

Jeremiah and Timothy were too young...

David had an affair and was a murderer...

Elijah was suicidal...

Isaiah preached naked...

Jonah ran from God...

John the Baptist ate bugs and was fashion-challenged...

Peter denied Christ...

The Apostles fell asleep while praying...

Martha worried about everything...

The Samaritan woman couldn't get an annulment...

Zacheus was too small...

Paul was too religious...

Timothy had an ulcer...

And Lazarus was dead!

### **Let Us Pray**

Blessed is he who takes thought for the helpless,  
for the Lord will keep him safe in time of trouble.

The Lord will guard him and give him life.

He will give him good fortune on the earth,

and not betray him into the power of his enemies.

The Lord will lend him strength on his bed of pain;

you will transform all his sickness into health.

### **Note from the Editor**

We are still seeking brothers to switch from U.S. Post Office delivery of the newsletter to email. My request from last month brought one more response. We are still only about half and half. Thanks to those who responded. Please help your council save money by accepting your newsletter copy via email. Call 239-992-1165 or email me at [gkroeger@comcast.net](mailto:gkroeger@comcast.net). Thank you.....

### **2008 /2009 Fiscal Year Budget:**

The proposed 2008 / 2009 budget for our council is included in this month's copy of the Crusader. Please review this budget and come to the Sept business meeting on Sept 4th to have input and vote on this budget.

**Knights of Columbus Council 10498 Proposed Budget 2008/2009**

	2008/2009		2008/2009
<b>Revenues</b>	<b>Plan</b>	<b>Expenses (Cont)</b>	<b>Plan</b>
Dues	\$4,200	Recruitment Refreshments	-\$250.00
Vocations Fund	\$800	Golf Tourn. Donations	-\$4,000.00
Newsletter-Booster	\$850	Easter Egg Hunt	-\$300.00
Bingo-Cape Coral	\$500	Third Degree Dinner	-\$400.00
50/50	\$300	Pancake Breakfast Expense	-\$2,000.00
5K Race	\$4,500	St. Pat's Dinner Expense	-\$2,100.00
Pancake Breakfast	\$5,000	Catholic Faith Appeal	-\$3,000.00
Golf Tournament	\$8,000	Respect Life Dinner	-\$200.00
Handicap Drive	\$6,000	Member Assistance	-\$1,000.00
Third Degree Dinner		3-D run-scholarship	-\$400.00
St. Pat's Dinner	\$3,000	Vocations Refund Program	-\$500.00
Spaghetti Dinners	\$3,000	Council Picnic	-\$500.00
Misc. Contributions	\$150	Fourth of July Sponsor	-\$100.00
Poker Run	\$7,000	State Convention Expense	-\$1,000.00
Valentine-Dance	\$2,500	Tax Statement Preparation	-\$400.00
Fall Dinner Dance	\$1,500	Misc. Donations	-\$500.00
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$47,300</b>	Valentine dance	-\$1,500.00
		Council Retreat	-\$800.00
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Plan</b>	Corp Comm. Breakfast	-\$400.00
Vocations Fund	-\$850.00	Council Christmas Party	-\$500.00
Newsletter	-\$800.00	Bibles 1 <sup>st</sup> Degree	-\$300.00
Postage	-\$300.00	Poker Run	-\$1,000.00
Post Office Box Rental	-\$75.00	Altar Server Dinner	-\$250.00
Office Supplies	-\$250.00	4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Mtg Refreshments	-\$350.00
K of C Supreme Supplies	-\$500.00	Installtion Breakfast	-\$500.00
5K Race Expense	-\$2,000.00	Lic. Licenses and Taxes	-\$200.00
Spaghetti Dinner Expense	-\$1,000.00	Council Mtgs Refreshments	-\$1,000.00
Supreme Per Capita	-\$650.00	Social Evenings Food	-\$800.00
Catholic Advertising	-\$180.00	Thanksgiving-Fall Dinner	(\$1,500)
State Per Capita	-\$1,400.00	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>(\$43,655)</b>
Our Mother's Home	-\$500.00		
Handicap Drive	-\$6,000.00		
Golf Tournament Expense	-\$2,000.00		
Liberty Ball Sponsor	-\$100.00		
K of C Charities Respect Life	-\$200.00		
Life Insurance Fr. Hugh	-\$200.00		
LOL Golf Classic Sponsor	-\$300.00		
First Degree Refreshments	-\$600.00		
		<b>Totals</b>	
		Revenues	\$47,300
		Expenses	(\$43,655)
		Annual surplus / deficit	\$3,645

### **In Case of Death**

At the death of a Brother Knight, notify the Grand Knight or the next in charge, who will then contact the family and offer sympathy and help from the Council. The Council member contacting the family should ask whether a wake will be held and if so, whether the family would like the Council to do a rosary service. If a Mass will be offered the family should be asked if they would like a resolution of condolence to be presented. Any ceremonial presentation requested should be done only with permission of the clergy. If the deceased Brother is a 4th Degree member, the Grand Knight will notify the Insurance Field Agent and the Faithful Navigator of the Assembly.

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