



# Knights of Columbus

Msgr. Borusky Council 10243 Green Bay, Wisconsin

**NEWSLETTER**

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## + Robert J. Warpinski 1927-2003

Brother Knight Robert Warpinski passed away at home on Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup> the same day that Council 10243 held its regular meeting just a few blocks away. Robert was a Charter Member of Council 10243 and was the subject of a *Spotlight* article in August of 1997. He was also selected *Knight of the Month* in August 1993. He steadfastly remained a First Degree member all through his years as a Knight. He was known to many through his service for several years as Administrative Assistant at St. Bernard Parish, a position he retired from in 2000.

Our sympathy is extended to Bob's wife, Lucille and to the family. Thanks to all brother Knights and families who paid their respects at the funeral home or the church. The family did not request a Knights of Columbus prayer service or any other recognition from the Council.

### Grand Knight's Column

We are saddened to hear of the death of Brother Robert Warpinski. Our prayers and sympathy go out to the Warpinski family.

A year ago at this time I was at Chambers Island writing my first article for our Newsletter. I am at Chambers Island again enjoying the island's peace and serenity. I still have a lot to learn about Knight policies and procedures. I would like to thank all you fellow Knights for your help and support this past year. A special thanks to Jim Barnett, Rick Noe, Father Al Lis and John Murphy who with their advice and support made my job so much easier. Again, many thanks to all.

Summer is finally here and we need everyone's help in a big way. In June we have two brat fries scheduled. The first is on Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup> at Festival Foods and Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> at Cub Foods. If you can help give Jim Janssen a call (406-8685) and volunteer your services. Keep in mind also the brat fries in July. They are on Sunday, July 6<sup>th</sup> at Cub Foods and Friday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at Festival Foods.

Please also mark your calendars for Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup> (4 PM - 11 PM) and Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup> (9:30 AM - 5:30 PM). These are the dates for St. Bernard Summer Blast. We will be responsible for the Knights Grill on these days.

The date drawn for the Knights to run the Lambeau Field food stand this year is Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>. The Packers will be playing the Seattle Seahawks in a noon game. This date was selected in a lottery that was run by St. Bernard's. We will be talking more about this at a later date.

I would like to share with you a couple of statements that really made an impression with me at Chambers Islands this past weekend:

*What we bring to life is what we get out of life. Bring a sour attitude, get a sour response. Bring an open heart, get a heartfull of happiness.*

*When pointing a finger at someone, remember three are pointing right back at you.*

Our next meeting is June 16<sup>th</sup>, rosary at 7:15 PM with the meeting to follow.

Grant Turner  
Grand Knight

**Next Meeting:  
Trustee Election  
Monday, June 16th  
Rosary 7:15 PM  
Meeting 7:30 PM**

## Next Meeting: Trustee Election

The next meeting of Council 10243 is our usual Third Monday of the month, June 16<sup>th</sup>. The meeting will be at 7:30 PM with the recitation of the rosary preceding at around 7:15. Although this is the 'off' year for elections, the third year Trustee position expires annually. **Bill Bartelme** has served for three years as Trustee and his term is ending. The responsibilities of the Trustees include taking part in the semi-annual audit of the Council's finances and in general safeguarding the financial stability of the Council. The office is a three-year term. Anyone interested in serving should contact GK **Grant Turner** (469-3407) for more information. An election for Trustee is planned for the June Council meeting.

## Chaplain's Column

Even those who do not need to operate on an academic calendar know there is something special about the Summer. As we approach the days when the young and some of the not-so-young among us end another term of the educational process, some unseen voice seems to tell all of us that it is a special time of the year. Many of the 'confinements' that have hemmed us in over the colder months are lifted and it is great to get outside again. I think even those who are devotees of Winter activities and sports appreciate the Summer. In the last couple of weeks, as hints of a change in season teased the earth, a certain impatience has gripped many people. Occasionally one will hear a comment, especially as we anxiously await warmer weather and the earth coming alive again, that they would prefer to live someplace where it is beautiful throughout the year. But, I am not sure that would be such a great idea. After all, can we really appreciate something unless we have been deprived of it? Can we really enjoy the Summer unless we have already survived the Winter? Can we truly celebrate Easter unless we have already entered fully into Lent? If there is a feast every day, what would be different when there is really something to feast? As humans, and as a Christian people, we have come to understand a certain rhythm to our lives. We know that the earth will grow barren in the Fall and that buried among the dead is the promise of new life. We will see our world come to life again, and inherent in that is the promise from our God that we always have the chance to rise from the dead of our sinfulness and grasp the outstretched hand of divinity. As Knights of Columbus we are in a special position to cooperate in that message from our God. We have (I hope)

already come to understand the promise from our God that he will bring us to new life, that he comes among us to free us from the cold and dark of sin. Because of the things that we do and the many people with whom we are involved, we can be heralds of what God has in mind for us. Just as surely as the world is renewed by the simple accident of its rotation on an axis, so we, armed with the good news of salvation, can go among God's people spreading a message of new life. We don't need to stand up at a pulpit or on a soapbox somewhere. Maybe we don't even need to say anything. What we need to do is look like we're enjoying brat fries and Tootsie Roll giveaways and all of the other things that are a part of who we are. 'The others,' seeing the pleasure we take in helping others, will wonder. They will be curious about that apparent life and freshness that the Knights seem to bring. And maybe, they will want to be a part of it. As we assume the relaxed life and the countless activities of the Summer, let us not forget that all we do is another opportunity to share the gift that we have been given. Share the Knights!

*Father Al Lis, O.F.M.  
Chaplain*

## Shore to Shore 64

Father **Doug LeCaptain** sent along information on the Shore to Shore 64 bike ride ('real bikes' he point out--not motorcycles) on Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup>. The ride is from Green Bay to Kewaunee and back--64 miles. There is a ten-mile trek and a 35 mile Luxemburg loop.

The ride is a fundraiser for Family Violence Center-Freedom House. If anyone wants to pledge toward this very worthy cause, Father Doug needs your name, address and amount of pledge. Checks should be payable to Family Violence Center and mailed to Doug at 3333 Delahaut Street, Green Bay, 54301 or dropped off at his office at the Green Bay Diocese. Anyone wishing to ride should also contact him at 437-7531 x8293. He's already received pledges for \$1.00 per mile and 50 cents per mile.

## Honorees

Congratulations to the Council's **May** Honorees:

**Knight of the Month: Tom Gauthier**  
**Family of the Month: Mike & Connie Worzala**

## Charity Raffle

Thirteen extra raffle tickets were credited to **Richard Rebman** since the last issue of the *Newsletter*. That certainly puts us well above our goal and changes the honor roll slightly. Again we salute those who sold twenty or more tickets:

**Father Al Lis (195)**  
**Roger Heesacker (160)**  
**Randy Barrett (137)**  
**Tom Gauthier (73)**  
**Richard Rebman (50)**  
**Leon Janowski (37)**  
**Aaron Naze (34)**  
**John Schmitz (33)**  
**Gerry Piontek (31)**  
**Kevin Lardinois (29)**  
**Jed Schacht (27)**  
**Ray Demerath (25)**  
**Tom Caldie (24)**  
**Rick Noe (22)**  
**Dave Whitton (20)**

## Second & Third Degree

The next local (Green Bay) exemplification of the Second and Third Degree is November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2003. First Degree members are asked to reserve this date well in advance so that they can plan to participate and achieve the rank of full Knighthood. Contact Father Al (437-1979) for information. Current Third & Fourth Degree men are also reminded to take part in these major Degrees to refresh the lessons that are taught.

## Bus Trip to Supreme

A bus trip has been organized for anyone interested in attending the Supreme Convention in Washington, DC in early August. The trip includes sightseeing in Washington and Arlington Cemetery as well as Mount Vernon, and will be at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception for the Eucharistic devotions on August 9<sup>th</sup>. A visit to Gettysburg is a part of the return trip. The tour departs on Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> and returns on Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup>. The trip has been arranged by Sunrise Cruise & Travel in Waukesha specifically for the Knights of Columbus. For information call toll free 1-800-518-9346.

**St. Mary of the Angels Picnic**  
**June 22<sup>nd</sup>**

## Roster Updates

**Thomas George:** was suspended for non-payment of dues a few months back. It was later discovered that he was out of the country and not receiving his mail. The re-instatement process has been completed.

We regret to note the suspension of two members of Council 10243:

**Al Greene:** Al was a First Degree Knight for many years and was recognized in a *Spotlight* article in September, 2000.

**Mason Powers:** A Fourth Degree Knight, Mason has been living in Minnesota for some time. He served as Membership Director of the Council from 1994-96 and was the subject of a *Spotlight* in August of 1995. He was also *Knight of the Month* in February, 1994.

## Prayer

### *For a Greater Appreciation of the Eucharist*

*The Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (formerly Corpus Christi) on June 22<sup>nd</sup>.*

Gracious and ever living God,  
you have called us from the dawn of creation  
to be your holy people.  
In the fullness of time you sent your Son  
to live among us and to show us the way to you.  
He left us the sacrament of his Body and Blood  
so that the Church might be nourished  
until the end of the ages.  
As we bring forth simple gifts of bread and wine  
from the bounty you have given us,  
send forth your Spirit in power  
so that our hearts may be drawn closer to you.  
As we call that same Spirit upon our gifts,  
allow our lives to be transformed  
into the living Body of Christ.  
As we share in the Eucharist,  
grant that we may be strengthened  
to carry on the mission of the Apostles  
and continue the work of building your Church.  
May we always appreciate the unsurpassed grace  
we have received from your hand  
and know that by being called  
to the table of the Eucharist  
we are truly blessed as your sons and daughters.  
We ask this through Christ, our life and our Lord,  
now and always.

## Special Days

### June 15 - July 15

**A** = Marriage Anniversary    **B** = Birthday  
**O** = Ordination Anniversary    **+** = Date of Death

### June

15 A Brad & Michelle Gauger  
16 A John & Julie Schmitz  
16 B Robert Jacqmin  
17 B Father Al Lis  
17 B Elizabeth (+Dan) McLaughlin  
18 A Fred & Nancy Grochmal  
18 A Lawrence & Marilyn Waskosky  
19 A Stephen & Denise Kotlar  
20 B Rosella (Al) Collins  
20 B Joan (Grant) Turner  
21 A Ken & Carrie Greetan  
21 B Norbert Kalinosky  
21 B Jill (Paul) VandenPlas  
22 B Karl Schroeder  
23 A Aaron & Carol Naze  
23 B Julie (John) Schmitz  
23 B Wayve Weber  
24 A Jerry & Debra Ahrens  
24 A Joseph & Betty Hoffman  
24 A Wayve & Marie Weber  
24 B Joe Malcore  
24 B Alice (Wayne) Wassenberg  
27 A Mike & Renee Vanden Busch  
27 B Mary (Arnie) Wolff  
28 A Roy C. & Mary Johnson  
29 A Leonard & Donna Schaub  
29 B Joseph Hoffman

### July

02 B Cynthia (Ken) Gezella  
03 B Theresa (Tom) Caldie  
04 B Arnold Rank  
04 B Joan (George) Raymaker  
05 B Frances (+Harris) Charles  
05 B Ken Stoey  
06 A Ken & Mary Sevcik  
06 B Marilyn (Jim) Barnett  
06 B Dan Maine  
07 A Ed & Irene Rovinski  
07 B Larry LaPlant  
08 A Weldon & Edith Kiernan  
09 B Karen (Mike) Barry  
11 B Jim Janssen  
12 A Jim & Mary Ann VanAllen  
12 B Carol (Robert) Ledvina  
12 B Roxanne (Gary) Nimmer  
13 A Tom & Ann Gauthier

13 B William Brown  
13 B Audrey (+George) Capelle  
13 B Jerry Collins  
14 A Robert & Pat Thut  
14 B Arnie Wolff  
15 A Don & Mary Schneider

## New Bishop in Madison

After serving four years in Helena, Montana, Bishop **Robert Morlino**, 56, was named the fourth Bishop of Madison, succeeding **William Bullock** who submitted his resignation about a year ago upon reaching age 75. Bishop Morlino was named on May 23<sup>rd</sup> and will be installed on August 1<sup>st</sup>.

In a letter greeting the new Bishop, State Deputy **Richard Rebman** said,

*On behalf of the nearly forty thousand Knights of Columbus in Wisconsin, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to our State and to your Diocese of Madison. We were delighted to hear of your appointment and we pray that your time of service here will be a time of grace for you and for those entrusted to your care.*

*After you have had the opportunity to become more acquainted with the Diocese I will contact your office to arrange an appointment. I would like to have the chance to personally pay my respects to you on behalf of our Order and to assure you of the faithfulness of our brother Knights and their families. I will also familiarize you with what the Knights of Columbus in the State and especially in Madison are doing for the Church, and I will ask your blessing and your guidance as together we face the challenges of the future. We stand ready to work with you so that God's kingdom may shine forth in splendor. We were privileged to have enjoyed an excellent relationship with your predecessor and it is my hope that the coming years will be just as fruitful for all.*

*We pray that the Lord in his mercy will send his grace upon you as you prepare to take possession of the Diocese of Madison. May the power of the Spirit come upon you in abundance as you continue your service to the Lord.*



# Spotlight On... Ken Sevcik

As is the case with many other members of the Council, Ken remembers a relative, an uncle in his case, who was a member of the Fourth Degree. Aside from some of the functions of the Honor Guard he knew a little about the organization, especially at he witnessed Council 10243 in action in Green Bay. He knew of the charitable efforts and the good job they seemed to be doing in the community, and had seen the booyah sales and activities of that sort. His wife and Gerry Piontek's wife Janet had worked together several times at functions at church. So, after Gerry had urged him to get involved in the Knights for several years, he was eventually ready to accept. A relatively new member of the Council, he's still trying to get the hang of things. He has noted several activities recently but had not gotten a call, but hopes to take part in things like brat fries and Tootsie Roll drives in the future.

Ken is from Kewaunee originally and in high school worked part time at a bottling plant. He went to active duty with the National Guard and then started looking at Green Bay for a future job market, noting that there didn't seem to be a lot of new industry coming to Kewaunee. Within a week of coming to Green Bay he found a job at 'P & G'. He started in the shipping department, being responsible for loading boxes and trucks as well as some special projects and occasional training of other employees. Though his responsibilities on the floor were consistent with Union rules he found himself taking on some management responsibilities. For about the last ten years there was also the opportunity to travel occasionally. One of the things he liked about the job was that he never seemed to get tied down to one shift, and was therefore free on occasion to be more involved in the growth of his children and their school activities. About five years ago, after over thirty years of service, he retired.

Retirement might not be the right word, especially since he has taken an interest in woodworking and has a shop set up in his basement. His brother had been involved in the hobby and after a shopping trip Ken came home with about \$2000 worth of tools. When he was younger hobbies included camping, but the interest in the outdoors these days are often satisfied by helping out his mother-in-law in Kewaunee with yard work and keeping up the house. Then there's always the chance to travel. He has a sister-in-law in Washington state and Ken and his wife visit her occasionally. They have also been to other places such as England, Ireland and Italy. One of the Italy trips was with one of his sisters who is a Franciscan Sister from Manitowoc. Retirement also includes baby-sitting for three grandchildren once a week. Ken and his wife Mary have been married for 35 years now and have two children. They are soon planning a trip that will include stops in Washington state, California and Colorado. He might also try his hand at recruiting--he has a son-in-law who has expressed some interest in the Knights. We are happy to have Ken and Mary as a part of the Council family and we look forward to their becoming a part of all that the Council does for the Church.