



Knights of Columbus Newsletter

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NEXT REGULAR MEETING
January 8, 2012, 9:00 AM
IN CHURCH HALL

KNIGHTS HEADS UP

The State Council has sent 500 extra **Charity Raffle** tickets. One half of ticket sales are returned to our Council. It is a nice way to earn money for Council projects.

Council 13702 is looking for a **Historian**. John Folk who was the Historian has agreed to take the Recorder position

COUNCIL NEWS

Grand Knight's Report

The **Christmas Giving Tree** which the Council supports along with many members of the local community donated to 96 families \$2950.00 in food vouchers, 1400# of potatoes, 850lbs. of ham, and numerous nonperishable food items, clothing and toys. Sincere thanks goes to the community for its support of the project with your time, donated items and your financial help.

Thanks to Renee Cullen for the spaghetti dinner served

in her husband Tom's absence on December 18th!

Brother Ed Plachetka has agreed to assume the position of **Deputy Grand Knight**. Terry Schilling former DGK has a work schedule that does not allow him to continue. Thanks Terry for your service.

Grand Knight Tom Planz, who did a masterful job heading up the Christmas Giving Tree Project, notes the following **follow up**. **First**, a quality and numbers inventory be taken of the coats presently on hand for kids. Along with the inventory, the Target, K-mart, and Walmart stores be contacted regarding any end of season coat sales. **Secondly**, that Giving Tree follow up meeting be scheduled to collect 'good ideas for next year' from those who have assisted.

A prosthetics clinic in memory of past Supreme Knight Emilio Moure has been set up in Port Au

Prince Haiti to provide **artificial limbs for children** who suffered during the earth quake in that country. It is supported by the Knights of Columbus and will provide new limbs as the child grows. Donations can be made on the K of C.org website.

Chaplain's Report Body of Christ

Dear Brother Knights & Families,

We are the Body of Christ. Each of us has been given unique talents and gifts from God. Gifts and talents not to be kept for ourselves but to be shared with all people who form the Body of Christ. Every person in the Body of Christ has an impact on the whole Body, good or bad. The Body of Christ is made up of all people in the whole world. As I look at people in the whole world, especially in countries where there is poverty, abuse, disease, etc., I impact their lives, negatively or positively,

by how I share or not share my gifts and talents. Just as they impact us by how they accept their plight in life. If we all share our gifts and talents in a positive way, we can bring peace into the world.

St. Paul offers a clearer understanding of the workings of the Body of Christ. St. Paul compares the Body of Christ with our human bodies. The human body has many parts, each unique in themselves with a unique function. If all the parts, hands, feet, ears, eyes, nose etc., fulfill their roles, the human body will function perfectly as it should. But if one or more parts is hurt or missing, the whole body will suffer and not function 100%.

It all comes down to the fact that the gifts given to me are not mine but belong to the whole Body of Christ of which I am a member. We are called to be servants to each other and to forget ourselves as Jesus shared His life with us. He said: "I came to serve and not to be served. He demonstrated this when He gave His all on the cross for us.

Chaplain, Father Paul
Vanden Hogen

FROM HEADLINE BISTRO
By Nancy Frazier O'Brien
[Catholic News Service](#)
WASHINGTON (CNS) --
Pope Benedict XVI has

established a U.S. ordinarate for former Anglicans who wish to become Catholics and named a married former Episcopal bishop to head it.

The Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter -- functionally equivalent to a diocese, but national in scope -- will be based at a parish in Houston. It will be led by Father Jeffrey N. Steenson, the former Episcopal bishop of the Rio Grande who was ordained a Catholic priest of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe, N.M., in February 2009.

The establishment of the ordinarate and the naming of its first leader were announced by the Vatican Jan. 1.

More than 100 former Anglican priests have applied to become Catholic priests in the ordinarate and 1,400 individuals from 22 communities have expressed interest in joining. In fall 2011, the members of St. Luke's in Bladensburg, Md., and St. Peter of the Rock Community in Fort Worth, Texas, were received into the Catholic Church with the intent of joining the ordinarate. Cont.

The Newborn King
by [Pia de Solenni](#) As a theology student, I was very familiar with discussions about why God decided to become one of the human

species and why he chose specifically to be a man. But it wasn't until a Midnight Mass several years ago that I recall anyone asking why God had to become an infant.

I'd been in Rome several years, all during which I was very fortunate to be able to attend Midnight Mass at St. Peter's. But this year I decided to stay close to home and to attend my parish, a working class parish in a historic part of Rome.

Mass started with a procession where the homilist entered with the figure of the Infant Jesus for the crèche. The priest was accompanied by another priest who carried a sort of white umbrella or covering to denote the honor due to the Infant. After several years of experiencing the vast crowds at St. Peter's, being in our small parish felt very intimate and, even for those of us who might easily be distracted, it was easy to feel a connection to the Child who gave meaning to our worship and our sacrifice.

During the homily, the priest asked, "Why did God have to become an infant?"

"Because of the hardness of our hearts. Only an infant can melt our hard hearts." ----Continued in HEADLINE BISTRO

"Feed you Faith and you doubts will starve". DL Ed.

