



Knights of Columbus Newsletter

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NEXT REGULAR MEETING
December 11, 2011, 9:00am
IN CHURCH HALL

KNIGHTS HEADS UP

The **Christmas Giving Tree** which Council 13702 assists has two dates where help is needed, December 12 to gather items to be given and December 16 to set them out for the 97 needy families (480 people). Meet at the church hall at 9am or call Grand Knight Don Planz for additional information.

The **SS Peter and Paul Christmas Meal** will be prepared, served and cleaned up by the Council. It will be held Sunday December 18 at 12:45pm in the church hall following a short presentation by the CCD classes. Group number 2 which includes Brothers Tom Cullen, Tim Cullen, Jake Wagner, Scott Bleck, Brandon Leshke, Jose Gomez, Raul Leyva, John Folk, Wes Cullen, Pat Shaw, and Joe Ginther are scheduled.

Do you know someone who should be invited to be a

Knight? For every 3 new members the Council can earn a large specialty struck limited edition **Blessed John Paul II Medallion** with a display stand. The medallion can be awarded to the top Council recruiter.

The area **Free Throw Contest** will be held at the W-F Schools in January. Knights contact Brother Tom Cullen for details on participation and help.

State Council Raffle tickets will be available at the next meeting. They are a nice fund raiser for the state council and our Council.

The **K of C Essay Contest** is open to grades 8 to 12. Topic—The Responsibility of a Catholic in a Free Society. The Council approved a 1st place prize of \$75.00 and 2nd place prize of \$40.00. See Sabina Danke for the information about entering.

COUNCIL NEWS

Grand Knight's Report
The **Mid-year District 5 K of C Meeting** for council officers will be held Monday, December 13 at Schuller's in Waupaca. Contact Grand Knight Don Planz for more information.

The Final figures for the 2011 **Tootsie Roll Drive** (Aid Citizens with Intellectual Disabilities) show a \$664K total, \$446K returned to the Councils and \$148K remaining at Supreme Council for charity requests.

Council 13702 received a written thanks from the Hortonville Council for the **\$500.00 donation** toward an ultra sound machine which will be given to the Appleton Pregnancy Center.

Sabina Danke, who heads the SS Peter and Paul CCD Program, will be **leaving** the position. A replacement is needed!

The next **officer,s meeting** will be held

Thursday, January 5, 6pm in the Parish House.

Chaplain's Report

Father Paul has a 5 year unbroken record of his monthly addition to this newsletter. Unfortunately, due to a combination of errors, mostly your editor's, this issue has no message from Father Paul Vanden Hogen.

HEADLINE BISTRO NOTES Christian families are key part of new evangelization, pope says

By Cindy Wooden
[Catholic News Service](#)

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- Christian families are called to welcome, demonstrate and spread the love and presence of Christ in the world, Pope Benedict XVI said.

A family, founded on the marriage of a man and woman and open to having children, is "the human space for an encounter with Christ," he said Dec. 1 in a speech to members of the Pontifical Council for the Family.

The council, founded by Pope John Paul II, was marking the 30th anniversary of its establishment by focusing on the role of the family in the "new evangelization."

"The eclipse of God, the spread of ideologies contrary to the family and the degradation of sexual ethics appear to be connected," the pope said. In the same way, he said, "the new evangelization is inseparable from the Christian family."

Like the church as a whole, the Christian family "is called to welcome, radiate and demonstrate the love and presence of Christ in the world," he said.

The family does so by being a community of lifelong, self-giving love, he said. It is open to welcoming new life, it educates its members in the faith and in charity, and its civic involvement and charitable activity is motivated by faith.

When a Christian family "is able to live love as communion and service, as a mutual gift and openness toward all, it reflects the splendor of Christ and the beauty of the divine Trinity in the world," the pope said.

Pope Benedict said the church needs strong couples involved in its pastoral work, too, especially in educating children, teaching young people about the Christian vision of sexuality, preparing engaged couples for marriage and helping married couples strengthen their relationships.

FATHER FOR GOOD You Can Keep Your Kids Catholic. Here's How ...

A talk with Catholic author and father of 11 kids, Patrick Madrid

There are very few things a father can give his children that will last forever – the latest iPod, a trust fund and even a college education are good only for this lifetime. But there are some eternal gifts that a dad should be very careful to pass on. They are love, and the greatest expression of love that is found in death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. That is, the Catholic faith

To offer some guidance, Fathers for Good spoke with Patrick Madrid, a Catholic author who is host of the Thursday edition of EWTN's "Open Line" radio show (Thursdays from 3-5 pm ET) and the director of the [Envoy Institute of Belmont Abbey College](#). He and his wife Nancy have 11 children, ages 28 to 8, and are the grandparents of eight children.

FFG: Give some key 'ingredients' in making the Faith fresh and palatable for kids. Continued at www.fathersforgood.org

"The best way to get even is to forget"
Dick L. editor

