



Knights of Columbus

St Pius X, Council 11623

Coeur d'Alene, ID

May 2021 Newsletter

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Third Degree Monthly Meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, May 12th** in Room 13, Faith Formation Building at St Pius X at 7:00 pm.

Coffee and Donut Service and Breakfast Our service to the parish family is coffee and donuts after the Masses every 3rd weekend of the month, which this month is **May 15th and 16th**, but it has been CANCELED.



Fourth Degree:

Dear Brother Knights,

The Bishop Kelley, Assembly 185 of the 4th Degree will meet on **Thursday, May 20th** at 7 pm in Rm 13. This will be our last meeting until September. Several officer positions are open, so, if you or someone you know are interested, please attend our meeting. We will be replacing worn out U.S. Flags. We will honor our Veterans this Memorial Day weekend. U.S. Flag placement at St. Thomas Cemetery will be Saturday morning, May 29th, at 10am. Please join us if you can make it. If you have not already signed up for our Fair Booth, please consider it. I have enjoyed the camaraderie of our brothers and sisters every year I have worked it. Faithful Navigator,
Glen Abbott

May Birthdays: We wish these brother Knights a very Happy Birthday. This month's celebrants include William Boyd, Gregory Chapleski, Darryl Cutler, John Durrant, Charles Finan, Brian Kraut, Peter Obligato, Robert Palus, Nicholas Shaber, Deacon Chris Stewart.

Knight of the Month of March: Malcolm Dymkoski

Family of the Month of March: Steve and Pam Murphy

Good of the Order: Please pray for all knights and their families who need our prayers, especially for Jennifer Palus, Jim and Pat Connell, Mary Anderson and Mary Horn, James Trueworthy, Dick Benzinger, and Lisa Benscheidt. **Please send your prayer requests to John Webb** (jdwebb109@gmail.com)

Recruitment: Brother Larry Major

If you pass out a Form 100 to anyone, please report it to Larry (208-765-9255) so that he can follow up. A supply of Form 100's is kept in the hallway leading from the Narthex toward the parish office.

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Grand Knight's Report

Brother Knights,

I would like to start my May report by expressing my gratitude to Deputy Grand Knight John Thurston for taking my place and running the April Council Meeting while I was on a trip to Hawaii. I really appreciate it John. I would highly recommend that all of my Brother Knights who are first or second degree Knights to take advantage of the opportunity to become a third degree Knights by contacting John Webb and going through the member exemplification ceremony that is being held on Saturday May 22nd at 10 am. I have attended the new exemplification ceremony and I believe it is something that is well worth going through or just attending. Your wives and families are encouraged to attend. If you know of any parishioners that might be interested in becoming a Knight, please encourage them to go through this May exemplification by filing out a Form 100 and getting it to John Webb. Any Brother Knights interested in running for an office, please let me know so we can add you to our slate of officers that will be voted on at our June council meeting. Brother Knights, please consider volunteering to work at the Kootenai County Fair Booth. Please contact John Webb if you have not been contacted already and volunteer for a timeslot at the fair. We can use all the help we can get to make to our fair booth a successful fund raiser for our council. I am also looking for help planning and participating in our Coats for Kids Drive that will be headed up by the St. Pius council in October of this year. Please let us know if there are any Brother Knights or their families who are having health issues or in distress so we can pray for them. If possible, please try to attend our council meeting on May 12th at 7 pm in our council meeting room at the parish center. May God Bless you.

Fraternally yours,
Tom Tintinger

North Idaho State Fair Report

As mentioned in the Flocknote of April 25, the upcoming North Idaho State Fair (Aug. 20-29) is now a 10-day fair. The staffing requirements for our Food Booth have nearly doubled. So far, our Council and the St. Thomas Council have filled 150 of the 200 shift slots. If you have not already done so, please consider volunteering by viewing the Fair Schedule at the following link and then replying to this Newsletter's email with your name and perhaps a family member's name, and the available shift date and time that you wish to work.

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1M6RpCj0jKwSWHmmKaGA4h8xxkPwxG_qCxtMLcNtGgo/edit?usp=sharing

Insurance Report

Spring is here, we have a new season and after a blessed Easter and a beautiful Eastertide, it's time to start planning again. With spring and the break in the weather, I've started to put together my honey-do list that will take me outside into the sunshine...at least I hope it's going to be sunny when I get outdoors to do all these chores. I don't know about you, but this time of year seems to energize me. After being cooped up all winter, and this year really being cooped up, I've been able to think of all the things I need to get done. Some of that includes physical repairs around the house, getting the lawn and flowerbeds ready to go, maybe even washing some windows.

Now when you get outside to get that work done, please, please be careful! I'm reminded of two acquaintances who were up on ladders in the spring. In both cases, the ladder slipped, and each gentleman sustained two broken arms! Out of commission for quite a while. But there are many hazards that can put you out of commission...and that brings me to the important part of my message this month. Protecting your greatest asset!

Your greatest asset is your ability to work and earn an income! Take your annual income (probably fresh in your mind with tax filing day extended into May) and multiply it times your remaining years of working. A 35 year old making \$50,000 a year will earn \$1.5 million in the next 30 years....if he never gets another raise! So you have lots to protect. But what if you're sick or hurt and can't work. Maybe it's something simple like the gents above...a set of broken arms. But one of my members laid his motorcycle down on his leg...off from work for two years! That's a lot of house payments to miss. Luckily, his disability income policy came to the rescue. It can happen to any one of us.

And disability does not discriminate; man or woman; Black, white, Hispanic or Asian; young or old. A 2014 CDA Long-Term Disability Claims Review had a number of notes: More than 1 in 4 of today's 20 year-olds will become disabled before they retire, 76% of us live paycheck to paycheck; less than 5% of all disabling accidents and illnesses are work related. That means 95% of those are not covered by Worker's Compensation. You're on your own 95% of the time. Turn to Social Security; but Social Security's report on SSDI says that only about 40% of applicants are awarded benefits. Couple that with 69% of the private sector workforce having no long-term disability income insurance and it's no wonder disabilities are the #1 cause of mortgage foreclosures.

So what to do? Let's get together and find out. Do you need disability income insurance? If so, how much? Maybe you have some at work...is it enough? Is it taxable? Is it the right kind? Let me suggest you put your mind and your family's mind at ease. Life is unpredictable, pandemic or not. Let's plan for the worst...but expect the best. We can't see what the future will bring, I'm here to help you plan for the unexpected. Let's

make sure that if you or your spouse are sick or hurt and can't work, that your family can stay in the home you've provided, pay the utilities, buy groceries...make sure the basics are covered.

Meanwhile, stay safe and healthy.

Vivat Jesus!

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Deputy Grand Knight John Thurston presents a Family of the Month Certificate to Steve Murphy.



Deputy Grand Knight John Thurston presents a Knight of the Month Certificate to Malcolm Dymkoski.