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**Serving Christ, His Church and
IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
Catholic Parish in Northglenn, Colorado**



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GRAND KNIGHT'S LETTER – Douglas Blondin

Brother Knights, Ladies Auxiliary and IHM Congregation:

November contains many events starting with All Saints Day. The church has recognized many whose lives that would be wonderful to emulate - though many encountered challenges that most of us would not wish to face. However, you can look around in your everyday life and see people doing good things that you'd do well to emulate - and the world would be a better place as a result. I believe many of these people are Saints, but won't necessarily ever be recognized as such on this Earth.

Perhaps my favorite day of November is All Souls Day. The parish mission led by Fr Greg reminded me of the All Souls Mass he held in the cemetery - a place I often frequent in my genealogy research. We all have souls and All Souls Day reminds me that we should be nurturing and preparing our souls for their Heavenly reward.



Of course, November also contains Thanksgiving. As the song goes "Over the River and Through the Woods, to Grandfather's house we go; the horse knows the way to carry the sleigh through the white and drifted snow". Growing up, we did all gather at grandfather's house for Thanksgiving. Getting there, we did have to cross a river - fortunately using a bridge. While Vermont is a wooded area and we passed many trees, I wouldn't say we went through any woods. Naturally we were way past the days of a horse pulling a sleigh, but our car often navigated snowy roads.

While most will travel by car this Thanksgiving, some may get on planes or trains. I'm reminded of the 1987 movie "Planes, Trains and Automobiles" with Steve Martin and John Candy. May your travels this year be safe & come nowhere near to what those two experienced - and may you have good times with family & friends.

Since I've been in Colorado, one of my Thanksgiving traditions has been attending the Thanksgiving Day Mass. It just seemed appropriate to visit the house of God and give thanks to Him on this day of Thanksgiving.

Of course, as Catholics, we celebrate Thanksgiving at least on a weekly basis. The term "Eucharist" originates from the Greek word eucharistia, meaning Thanksgiving.

I hope you were able to attend the powerful and informative presentations last month by former pastor Father Greg Ames. The year of Eucharistic Revival is to remind us of the true presence of Jesus Christ. May we never take that for granted and may we approach the Body and Blood of Christ with the proper reverence.

There will be other events coming up during this year of Eucharistic revival. Please take advantage of these opportunities to deepen your understanding of our faith.

Vivat Jesus!
Douglas Blondin
Grand Knight Council 7502
Northglenn, CO

Pray for vocations! Pray for our seminarians and priests!

Please include the following Knights and their family members in your prayers:

Toni Serrano (wife of Toby Serrano), Barbara Peterson, Robert Morelli, Patricia Heimann (Greg Heimann's mother), Dena Ballinger (Joe Duran's Daughter-in-law), John Luna, Terry Zrust, Jeff Tuell (Ed Getsch's Son-in-law), Fran Warrior, Judy Nelke, Maryann Gillespie, Arnie Malsom, Shirley Hofer, Gene Dell, Mike Brown, Jim Brozovich, Tom Hermosillo, Frank Taggart, Elisabeth Barron, Margie Archer, Jake Jacobs, Diane Roybal, Sharon Suedkamp, Doli Brown.

Deceased: Jim Archer, Lawrence Feist, Patricia Graf (widow of Arsenius Graf), Ken Scudder.

Contact Jerry Starling at jcstarling@comcast.net or 303-451-1648 to add or remove names.



Scripture of the Month

Matthew 16:18-19

¹⁸ And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."

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Scripture of the Month is taken from *The New American Bible, Revised Edition* (NABRE) at www.usccb.org/bible, which provides explanatory introductions and footnotes, and is used in support of the Holy Father's prayer intention for the month of November, for the Pope.

Prayer of the Month

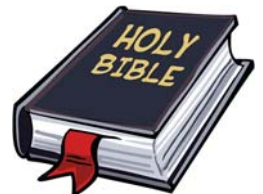
Prayer for the Pope:

Lord, source of eternal life and truth, give to your shepherd, the Pope, a spirit of courage and right judgement, a spirit of knowledge and love. By governing with fidelity those entrusted to his care may he, as successor to the apostle Peter and vicar of Christ, build your church into a sacrament of unity, love, and peace for all the world.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

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Prayer of the Month is a Prayer for the Pope adopted from the Knights of the Holy Eucharist, and is in acknowledgement of the Holy Father's prayer intention for the month of November, for the Pope, as he fulfills his mission and that he may continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.



MINUTES of Council 7502 October 10, 2023 meeting

by substitute Recorder Josh Hem Lee

[Bracketed remarks herein are post-meeting explanatory remarks.]

CALL TO ORDER: GK Doug Blondin at 7:02 p.m. A Members' Rosary preceded the meeting.**OPENING PRAYER:** led by Father Ernest**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** All attending members**APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING'S MINUTES:** Motion to accept the September 12, 2023 Council Meeting's Minutes as published in the recent Council newsletter. Motion seconded & passed.**GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT:** GK Doug Blondin

- Still need to fill director positions - Family, Membership, Retention.
- Thanks to Ralph Roy for taking on the role of Lecturer.
- Corporate Saturday (Color Guard) was held at IHM on the Saturday, September 16th Mass. All went well. Thanks to all who participated.
- Golf Tournament was held on September 22nd. We had 104 golfers and a number who just contributed money. After expenses, **\$9,796** was raised for college and high school scholarships (up from **\$5,436** last year).
- We had a successful sale of burritos on September 23rd & 24th, with the proceeds supporting seminarians. After expenses and our donation to IHM, we netted **\$1,156**. Next sales are scheduled for October 21st & 22nd. Cooking will start October 21st at 5:30am and rolling will start at 7am.
- Coats 4 Kids - We ordered 12 boxes (144 coats) of coats for boys and girls. The coats arrived on October 5th. On the 6th myself, Ron Ondrak and Greg Heimann brought them to Samaritan House - which has an extra need this year with all the refugees coming to Denver.
- The Tootsie Roll campaign will take place on October 14th. Thanks to Ray Luque for again heading up this campaign.
- 62 people signed up for volunteer dinner on the 21st October. Anyone wishing to attend can still sign up.

CORRESPONDENCE: GK Doug Blondin — None.**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** GK Doug Blondin

- None

NEW BUSINESS: GK Doug Blondin

- Birthday/Anniversary cards - Recent changes with the company we use for this has made it hard to continue this. The council spends over \$2,400 yearly for this. The officers talked about this - given the situation with the company, expenditures and value of this, we have suspended this for the present time. Birthdays and anniversaries will still be posted in the newsletter.
- Veterans Breakfast - to be held at IHM at 9 a.m. on Saturday, November 11th (registration opens at 8). The speaker will give a presentation on the background and history of the Colorado National Guard. Veterans please RSVP to IHM (303-452-2041) or Larry Allwine (720-887-8402) by November 3rd. We will need a few Knights to help with cooking and serving.
- IHM Oktoberfest - to be held one Saturday, October 28th. Mike Pfeiffer is heading up cooking and has help lined up at 9 a.m. on the 27th for preparation and 10 a.m. on the 28th to start cooking. Thanks to those who have volunteered to work at this event.

Minutes of Council 7502 (continued)

- Nov 14th meeting will be joint meeting with the Ladies' Auxiliary. Both groups will eat dinner and pray the rosary together and will have separate meetings.
- If interested in going to see Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat at the Candlelight Dinner Theater on December 17th, please contact Mike Chevarria for tickets (only a few tickets remain).
- Levon Sergeeff asked about hosting a blood drive as IHM has in the past. Father Ernest said he would consider it.

FINANCIAL and MEMBERSHIP REPORTS:

- Financial Secretary: Ed Delgado - gave the report on expenses, income and membership. Written reports are available to members upon request. We currently have 381 members.
- Treasurer: André Casias - gave the Treasurer's report of 9/30/2023 account balances in the Council's bank accounts. Written reports are available to members upon request.
- Bingo Report: Ron Ondrak gave his report. Written reports are available to members upon request. Ron also asked about members who could sub from time to time.
- Membership: TBD - no report.

OFFICER REPORTS:

- Father Ernest spoke about the parish mission statement (to proclaim the greatness of the Lord, to accompany our neighbors to the heart of Jesus).
- Deputy Grand Knight Kent Closson- still working on website, a few tweaks needed here and there
- Chancellor: Ken Allscheid - no report.
- Advocate: Jim Peterson - excused
- Trustee: Paul May (3 year) - working on utility bills for the council

PROGRAM REPORTS: Deputy GK Kent Closson

- Family: TBD — no report
- Faith: Kent Closson — IHM Mission talks on the Eucharist on October 16th through 18th. Talks being given by former pastor Fr Greg Ames and each day similar talks are offered either 9:30-11 a.m. or 6:30-8 p.m. 40 Days for Life has started a novena on September 27th and it ends on 11/5. Eucharistic congress is also scheduled for July 2024 and a eucharistic procession on Corpus Christi in May 2024.
- Life: Vernon Bustos - no report.
- Community: Chris Gaul —Still working on on-demand moving help. Chris Crabtree is one of our points of contact.
- Squires : Josh Hem Lee - Squires hosted donuts at Masses September 30th & October 1st. Next up for the group is their monthly meeting and helping out at Veterans breakfast and possibly at Oktoberfest.
- Special Olympics: Mike Chacon - He and Kent Closson volunteered at one of the events on September 23rd. Mike and Kent helped umpire, a lot of fun was had. They hope that next year we can get 15 Knights to volunteer. Mike also will put more events in the newsletter.
- Vocations: Ken Allscheid - this Thursday he and GK Doug Blondin will deliver checks from the council. Eight seminarians will be assisted, Ken will take care of the letters.
- Crazr ended, we sold 148 tickets which earned our council \$296 and \$1184 for the state charities. Blackout board was updated tonight, 6 teams have only 5 numbers left; most others have 6-7 left. \$320 will be awarded to the winner and \$320 was presented to the council for the Knight in Need fund.

Minutes of Council 7502 (continued)

FOURTH DEGREE: Clark Musser is asking for help with Wreaths Across America. Wreaths are \$17 each, buy 2 get a third free. Wreaths may be purchased at <https://www.wreathscrossamerica.org/pages/167678/Overview/> and will be laid by families in mid-December.

FIELD AGENT REPORT: Todd Krommenhoek (303-242-7976 todd.krommenhoek@kofc.org) excused.

DISTRICT DEPUTY (DD) REPORT: Tom Walls — excused. District Warden Gary Thomas spoke on recruiting and planning a membership drive. Mid year meeting is Dec 2nd and 3rd at Marriott in Lone Tree. Pray the rosary as often as you can. Quebec, Canada is the host city for the 147th Supreme Convention.

LECTURER: Ralph Roy spoke about the angels amidst our needs and implored us to keep in touch with our guardian angel.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- Council presented a certificate of perpetual memorial to Father Ernest in memory of his recently deceased mother.
- Tom Hermosillo recently lost his house in a fire, there is a Gofundme <https://www.gofundme.com/f/help-the-hermosillo-family-rebuild-their-home> set up for the family.
- James Archer - in hospice care for cancer
- Candy Peterson, wife of James Peterson - recovering from surgery
- Deacon Charles Schulz (St Mark's) - in need of our prayers

Knight of the Month: Al Quintana

Family of the Month: --

CLOSING PRAYER: Given by Father Ernest.

ADJOURNMENT: GK Doug Blondin at 7:58 p.m.

Scholarship Applications Deadline Saturday March 23, 2024



All Council 7502 Knights are reminded that Applications for the High School and College Scholarships are available. Scholarship candidates must be a child or grandchild of a Council 7502 member in good standing or a deceased past member who was in good standing at the time of his death.

For the two high school scholarships, a candidate must be an incoming freshman who has been accepted to a Catholic High School. The \$1,500 first year scholarship is renewable each of the remaining three years of High School if requirements are met as set forth in the Application form.

The college scholarship is \$5,000 for just the first year of college, as more fully explained in the College Scholarship Application Form. Three scholarships are available for the coming 2024-2025 school year.

Completed, signed Applications must be postmarked by Saturday, March 23, 2024 and submitted to: Knights of Columbus No. 7502, c/o Brian Appelhans, 10290 Oak St., Westminster, CO 80021.

Applications are available (i) by emailing Kevin Smith at Kevin@scudderpress.com, (ii) by calling Larry Allwine at 720-887-8402, (iii) possibly at Officers and Council meetings and (iv) at Scudder Press, 565 Russell Blvd., Thornton, CO 80229. Please obtain the application at your earliest convenience so that your child or grandchild has time to complete and timely submit the four-page application.

VETERANS' TRIBUTE & APPRECIATION BREAKFAST

November 11, 2023



Knights of Columbus
**FOURTH
DEGREE**
Patriotic degree of the Order.

The Knights of Columbus Councils at;

**Immaculate Heart of Mary, Holy Cross and St, John Paul II Parishes of the
Bethlehem Assembly**

The Bethlehem Assembly would like to invite active duty and military veterans from all services, their families, spouses of deceased veterans and military friends to attend a special tribute & free appreciation breakfast at 9:00 AM celebrating Veterans Day in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Center featuring a military tribute and appreciation with a special presentation on the background and history of the Colorado National Guard.

Registration begins at 8:00 AM.

PLEASE RSVP BY NOVEMBER 3, 2023

E-Mail or call with your name, branch of service, phone number. E-Mail address and number of family members and guests attending to:

IHM at 303-452-2041 or Larry Allwine at 720-887-8402/ larryalwn@aol.com

Knight of the Month- Jim Archer

Jim Archer was born in Denver in 1946. He was a lifelong Denver area resident, passing away at his home on October 14, 2023 surrounded by his family. He was 77 years old.

Jim attended Holy Family Catholic School and worked for many years as a construction project manager. He also sold insurance, and most recently in his life, was a calming face at many funerals, working for Dignity Memorial as a funeral assistant. He is survived by Margie, his beloved wife off 55 years; children, grandchildren, and many extended family members and friends.



Jim joined the Knights in 2000. He made his Major Degrees the same year and became Sir Knight in the Fourth Degree in 2006. From the start he stood out as a hard worker. After being in the Council less than three years he was selected as Knight of the Year in 2003.

This is the speech from Jim's induction to the Council Hall of Honor:

"It is my pleasure to introduce Jim Archer, 2017 Hall of Honor inductee, a brother Knight, co-worker and friend. He has been accompanied thru the last forty-nine years by his fantastic wife Margie. They are blessed with three sons; Matt, wife Monica; Joe, wife Kate; and Ken, wife Jamie. They have eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Jim spent four years in the U.S. Navy during Vietnam as a flight simulator instructor and doing electronics maintenance. After the military, he was in industrial construction for thirty-five years; primarily wastewater, water filtration, and power plants. He did mechanical and electrical work along with computer-aided drafting. He currently is a driver for Olinger Funeral Homes.

Margie has held many offices in the Ladies Auxiliary which she got going again in 2008. She also worked bingo breakfasts, fish fries, spaghetti dinners, major degree and 4th degree ladies programs, Christmas parties for the kids, bake sales, baby showers, and most other auxiliary functions.

Jim has been a member of Council 7502 for seventeen years and Assembly 1966 for eleven years. He has been very active. He has held the offices of Inside Guard, Warden, Advocate, Chancellor, and Recorder.

Jim was Knight of the Year and then he and Margie were Family of the Year.

Jim has worked the Knights breakfast from his entry into the Knights. We now find him preparing the omelets to order each breakfast. He has worked in preparation and cleanup of Spaghetti Dinners and Fish Fries. We used to have a 9 News Health Fair at the Hall. Jim was a volunteer working this event. He worked Tootsie Roll Fund Raiser. He has been a volunteer working our main fund raiser Bingo for several years. He helped with one of our elderly moves for social services.

He did what I consider one of the hardest, yet extremely important, jobs within the council. Jim was the Newsletter editor for six years. This required keeping all council members up to date with what was happening and when. He edited information from many sources into our newsletter and it had to fit without exceeding the first-class mail weight limit.

Jim has been a member of the Assembly Color Guard serving at Knights events and funerals for our members. Jim has been a Eucharistic minister at church."

Jim was member of St. Mark's parish and had a deep devotion to the Sacred Heart. A Rosary was held at St. Mark's on October 24, 2023 followed by a Funeral Mass celebrated by 11 priests and deacons with 8 more deacons in the congregation. Many of his brother Knights and Ladies Auxiliary members attended. There was a Fourth Degree Color Guard. A luncheon followed.

Please consider a donation to the Medical Missionaries of Mary in his memory at this link:
<https://bit.ly/JimArcher>

Ladies Auxiliary Report – Dianne Heimann, President

The Ladies Auxiliary met on October 12, 2023. We had thirteen members present at the meeting. It was good to see the ladies. After taking care of business, accepting the September minutes and the September Treasurer's report. We celebrated the October birthdays of Renee Walters, Lucille Casias, and Celia Floyd. Happy Birthday Ladies!

We had discussions about volunteering at the Tootsie Roll Drive, decorating for the Volunteer Dinner, decorating and volunteering at the Veteran's Breakfast. We also discussed the upcoming November meeting which will take place on Tuesday Nov 14. At this meeting we will eat dinner with the Knight's, say the rosary, then the Knights will have their meeting downstairs, and the Ladies will have our meeting upstairs. This will be the first time we have had our meetings on the same day and at the same time as the Knights. If you ever wanted to know who the Ladies Auxiliary members are and what we do, this would be a good time to accompany your husband to his meeting and when the meeting starts, you can join us and see if you would be interested in joining our group.

We also discussed the Knights Christmas Party on Saturday Dec 9, and the Ladies Christmas Party on Thursday Dec 14. In the past we have hosted a **Children's Christmas Party** which included a visit from Santa Clause and a lunch. This party is for children 10 and under. However, this year, I am finding out that a lot of the children are aging out. **So, I need to know if any parents or grandparents are interested in bringing their children to see Santa at the Knights Hall this year?** If you have children or grandchildren who would like to see Santa would you, please contact me (dmheimann@comcast.net) and let me know.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday Nov 14 (same night and time as the Knights).



Wreaths Across America

In mid-December, families will lay wreaths at the final resting place of their fallen veterans. Donations are solicited to purchase wreaths. They are \$17 each and if you buy two, a third one is given for free. Donations for wreaths may be made at <https://www.wreathscrossamerica.org/pages/167678/Overview>



Adult Christmas Party

An adult Christmas party will be held at the Hall on Saturday, December 9th. The social hour will start at 4 p.m. with dinner following at 5. After dinner, there will be a White Elephant gift exchange (\$15 gift limit). This will be a fun time, so mark your calendars. The Council will provide the main meal and the Ladies Auxiliary will tempt us with desserts. To ensure we have a proper amount of food, please RSVP by Friday, December 1st to kofc7520gk@gmail.com (preferred) or call Doug at 720-539-5544.

Class on Sacred Spaces

The SJV Lay Division is offering a 6-week in-person class with Adam Hermanson, a Knight from Council 7502. The classes will be at the Room 123 of the St. John Paul II Center for the New Evangelization, on 11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/30, and 12/14, from 6:30-8:30 PM. Advance registration is required, with a \$100 fee.

The classes will be regarding Church Architecture and the Church's understanding of sacred space.

Information and a link to registration site can be found at <https://yourfaithinfinance.com/News/articleType/ArticleView/articleId/2556>

Calendar of Events for November 2023

Day	Date	Starts	At	Event
Saturday	November 4	10:05 AM	*A	Patriotic Rosary *A
Tuesday	November 7	6:00 PM	Hall	NKCHA Board Meeting
Tuesday	November 7	7:00 PM	Hall	Council Officers Meeting
Saturday	November 11	8:00 AM	*C	Veterans' Tribute & Appreciation Breakfast *C
Tuesday	November 14	7:00 PM	Hall	Joint Council Business Meeting and Ladies Auxiliary *B
Sunday	November 26	2:00 PM	Hall	Squires Meeting
Tuesday	November 28	7:00 PM	Hall	Fourth Degree Assembly 1966 Meeting
Thursday	November 30	7:00 PM	Hall	JPII Council #17142 Meeting

*A: All IHM parishioners are invited by Council 7502 and Assembly 1966 to join us on the first Saturday of each month and pray the Rosary at Immaculate Heart of Mary after the 9:00 A. M. Mass at 10:05. The Rosary will be held in the Isaiah Room unless the weather allows, then it will be held on the Patio between the Church and Parish Center.

*B: The 7pm Council Business meeting is preceded by a 6pm meal and 6:40pm Rosary. The Ladies Auxiliary will eat and pray together, but the groups will meet separately afterwards.

*C: See the flyer elsewhere in the bulletin for details

Knights Birthdays		Ladies Birthdays		Anniversaries	
11/01	Kevin Smith	11/02	Kendra Henning	11/02	25 James and Nicole Colvin
11/03	Andrew Kunter	11/02	Courtney Lamb	11/06	45 Gregory and Nancy Knerl
11/05	Rev Scott Bailey	11/04	Andrea Jene Ashley	11/12	66 James and Shirley Konrad
11/05	Alexander Kroll	11/06	Elisabeth Barron	11/14	33 Jerry and Sue Corr
11/09	Scott Halford	11/07	Kristina Fernstedt	11/17	37 Stephen and Lisa Robles
11/09	Gregory Knerl	11/07	Pauline Hansen	11/19	28 Martin and Cheryl Cote
11/09	Kyle Schirado	11/07	Michelle Milinazzo	11/20	39 Paul and Claire Mlotkowski
11/11	William Baskall	11/09	Janis Cogar	11/23	54 Johnny and Patricia Padilla
11/11	Greg Rogers	11/09	Linda Hankerd	11/25	23 Curtis and Michaelann Martin
11/12	James Benefiel	11/09	Theresa Naumann	11/25	49 Jerry and Lesley Shurtliff
11/14	Larry Robben	11/12	Tamara Wilkins	11/30	7 Randy and Kelly Geers
11/15	Thomas Coker	11/15	Veronica Sokolinski	11/30	30 Bud and Veronica McArthur
11/15	David Paul	11/16	Kathy Snellbaker		
11/17	Scott Henning	11/18	Debrah K Durnford		
11/17	Michael Roy	11/20	Nina Kramer		
11/17	Randy Waters	11/21	Julie Leger		
11/18	Isidro Arroyo, Jr	11/23	Cindy Lou Durnford		
11/18	Andre Casias	11/27	Dorothy Combs		
11/19	Josh Hem Lee				
11/19	Joseph Sanchez				
11/20	Rev Donatian Kaigoma				
11/24	James Chatigny				
11/24	Rev. Joy Vazhackapara OP				
11/25	Timothy Closson				
11/26	Wendall Ashley				
11/28	Buzz Knopp				
11/30	Adam Hermanson				



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Editor's Update

Your Managing Editor is Nicholas Gaul (ncgaul@gmail.com) with editors Amber Walters and Chris Gaul. May God richly bless and keep all of the Knights of Council 7502! Blessed Virgin Mary, who bore Christ in your womb, was Assumed bodily into Heaven, Pray for Us.

BINGO NEW LOCATION: BINGO OASIS

Join us for Bingo on Tuesday and Wednesday each week
Early Bird games at 11:15am Regular Bingo at Noon
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