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He is Risen Indeed

... an Editorial

What an unbelievably beautiful Easter, here in Vermont, with the weather a good month ahead of the calendar (whereas we're normally a month behind the rest of the world) — as if God was saying, “Who do you think is in charge here, after all? This is the day the *Lord* has made: *rejoice*, and be *glad!*”

Oh, the summer-like weather and Resurrection haven't suddenly turned me into a Pollyanna or Candide. I'm more convinced than ever that we're well past the point where recovery might be possible; the machinery of a world-wide catastrophe is now inexorably in motion, and the United States we have loved will probably not survive.

During Holy Week, however, I began reading a biography of St. Dominic — because the insanity that St. Dominic played such a crucial role in defeating, nearly a thousand years ago, was very much the same as what we face. The future must have seemed, back then, quite as hopeless and bleak as it seems today.

During my part of the Easter Vigil that our family makes, it came to me that, though America may not survive, the Church *will* survive — not only survive, but flourish and thrive; it will emerge a stronger, more truly unified body than ever before . . . just as it has always emerged from catastrophe and persecution. For the Church, Christ's body, must echo the Resurrection of our Lord; just as the miracle of His Resurrection was essential to the life of the Church, so the Resurrection of the Church has always been essential to the life of our Christian faith.

When we can accept the inevitable, it becomes easier to weigh the relative importance of immediate things, and to accept that we are, after all, nothing more than sojourners here on earth.

The “bottom line?” He is risen; He is truly risen indeed.

THE GK'S MESSAGE

Brother Knights and Worthy Sir Knights . . .

Last month's spaghetti dinner was put on by Bill Bohnyak. Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic bread (by Becca Breault) and a cake to die for! Our April dinner will be made by Jim Kirkpatrick and John Tuz. It will begin at 6 PM followed by the meeting at 7 PM. What a great way to get together! It's been receiving rave reviews.

Our next meeting is Monday, April 12, at 7 PM. Please note the change for this meeting from Tuesday to Monday. There will be a Confirmation for five young men, relatives of Knights from our council, Tuesday, April 13, beginning at 7 PM at St. Monica's in Barre.

Revised: the delegates to the State Convention at the end of April are GK Keith Grimes and DGK John Tuz; alternates are (1) Tom Herbst and (2) Bill Bohnyak.

Many thanks to those who volunteered to help at bingo. We can still use a few more; we would like to be able to provide time off for everyone's vacation. Having 2 teams is certainly a real possibility in the future. This is your opportunity to assist your brother Knights and help your church. No long term commitment; just let us know when you can work. See Jim Kirkpatrick, John Tuz or myself, your bingo directors for Randolph Knights, Inc.

A reminder: Joe Mount has been doing a good job as church director. The rosary is being said after the spaghetti dinner (before the meeting) and before each weekend Mass. We would like to return to First Friday Adoration, but we need to insure more members sign up. Let Joe know if you are interested.

Very important: Saturday, May 1, we will host a breakfast in our parish hall. This will be our annual fund raising event for Camp Ta-Kum-Ta, the children's cancer camp.

The first week in June will be the Tootsie Roll Drive. All the proceeds are given to support those with special needs. John Tuz, DGK is in charge.

If there is anything you want brought up at the monthly meeting, please let me know and I'll put it on the schedule.

Vivat Jesus,

Keith Grimes, GK

THE INSURANCE CORNER

“I Already Have Insurance at Work”

Many jobs offer some form of group life insurance. Often, this insurance is an employee benefit provided at no charge, or for a small co-pay. Knowing that this coverage exists may convince someone that he doesn't need to discuss personally owned life insurance with an agent. That could be a mistake.

Most forms of group life insurance are limited in amount. That amount may be tied to a salary or some other benchmark, but often there is a cap. That cap may be dangerously low for your family's needs should you die. In fact, without a needs analysis (which I'll be happy to provide, free of charge), it may be completely unrelated to needs at death. In addition, the amount of group insurance offered is almost always reduced – and sometimes dramatically – when you retire.

Especially today, there is the very real possibility that you could lose your job. Or that your benefits could be reduced. In either case, you can find yourself without coverage. If your health has changed in the meantime, you can find yourself out of luck.

While group life helps, it does not replace the need for individually owned life insurance. I'll be happy to meet with you and provide a free, custom-tailored needs analysis, so that you'll know exactly where you stand. Please give me a call.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday 4/12	6:00 PM	Spaghetti Supper—Knights only
	7:00 PM	Council meeting, Our Lady of the Angels
Tuesday 4/13	7:00 PM	Confirmations, St. Monica, Barre
4/23–25		State Convention, Essex
Saturday 5/1	TBA	Council Breakfast to benefit Camp Ta-Kum-Ta

POPE BENEDICT'S APRIL PRAYER INTENTIONS

Fundamentalism and Extremism

General: That every tendency to fundamentalism and extremism may be countered by constant respect, by tolerance and by dialogue among all believers.

Persecuted Christians

Missionary: That Christians persecuted for the sake of the Gospel may persevere, sustained by the Holy Spirit, in faithfully witnessing to the love of God for the entire human race