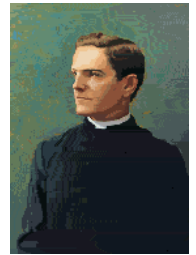




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Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brothers:

As April is upon us and spring is here I find it hard to believe that in a short time my run as your Grand Knight will be coming to an end. It is time to put up a new slate of officers. If you are interested in an office Please see past Grand Knight Phil Closs with your interest.

There is still a lot of Programs going on that you can help with. Las Vegas Night on April 18, 19 and the Communion Breakfast on April 30th at the 9:00 mass with breakfast to follow at the hall.

I would like to thank the Christ the King Council as well as our Knights for the fine job done with the St. Patrick's Day Party if you missed it you missed a great time.

AS always my prays are with you and your Families

Fraternally yours
Joseph Lupo GK

Calendar Of Events

Refer to pages 3 and 4 for the events in April.

Chaplain's Corner

Normally we would have a message from our Chaplain, Father Edward Fitzpatrick with moving messages regarding our Faith and responsibilities as Knights. Unfortunately, Father Fitzpatrick was taken ill via viral hepatitis. What we can all do for Father Fitzpatrick is to pray for his safe and speedy recovery. He will surely appreciate our prayers and any get well messages from all of us.



Seven of the advancers to The Free-Throw Contest

One January 13, 2006 the Father Seyfried Council held their annual K of C Free Throw Championship at the Kings Park Middle School Gym. A total of thirty six girls and boys showed up to participate. Each child received a certificate and a patch. Of the thirty six children, nine girls and boys moved up to the next level. On March 13, 2006 Joe Lupo presented plaques to seven children out of nine that were present at our Council Hall. After the plaque presentations the Council furnished some refreshments which included milk, soda, coffee, tea, cookies and donuts for the children and their parents.

Right To Life

ROE IN CRISIS AND THE BIG LIES BY Wanda Franz, Ph.D. National Right To Life

The pro-abortionists have had decades to make their case scientifically, morally, philosophically, and constitutionally. They have failed on all accounts.

The persistent failure of the pro-abortionists to make convincing arguments has been overshadowed by the fact that since 1973 we have had the

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most permissive abortion law among Western societies--Court-made law that has been imposed on the nation by unelected justices in the decisions of *Roe v. Wade*, *Doe v. Bolton*, *Planned Parenthood of S.E. Pennsylvania v. Casey*, and *Stenberg v. Carhart*.

Since 1973, science has in ever more detail revealed the humanity of the unborn child: Ultrasound images of unborn babies have become routine, and our genetic uniqueness is clearer than ever.

Morally, our nation is heading down the "slippery slope" invoked by pro-lifers in 1973: Infanticide, child abuse, and the killing of the disabled are becoming more prevalent. Add to that the physical and emotional hurt that abortion has placed on the aborting mothers.

Philosophically, the typical "pro-choicer" is stuck with primitive arguments: The unborn child is an "aggressor," so the mother can kill him. Or he is not a person because he lacks the ability to think rationally, perceive or express conscious emotions, or interact meaningfully, i.e., he supposedly is not a sentient human being--a definition that would make a non-person out of a young child, a sleeping adult, an anesthetized patient, or certain disabled persons. No wonder that, perversely, some think a healthy pig is "worth" more than an ill newborn child.

About the Months

APRIL From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

April is the fourth month of the year in the Gregorian Calendar and one of four with the length of 30 days. April begins (astrologically) with the sun in the sign of Aries and ends in the sign of Taurus. Astronomically speaking, the sun begins in the constellation of Pisces and ends in the constellation of Aries. The derivation of the name (Latin *aprilis*) is uncertain. The traditional etymology from the Latin *aperire*, "to

open," in allusion to its being the season when trees and flowers begin to "open," is supported by comparison with the modern Greek use of ἄνοιξη (opening) for spring. Since all the Roman months were named in honour of divinities, and as April was sacred to Venus, the *Festum Veneris et Fortunae Virilis* being held on the first day, it has been suggested that Aprilis was originally her month Aphrilis, from her Greek name Aphrodite, or from the Etruscan name *Apru*. Jacob Grimm suggests the name of a hypothetical god or hero, *Aper* or *Aprus*

The Anglo-Saxons called April *Oster-monath* or *Eostur-monath*, the period sacred to *Eostre* or *Ostara*, the pagan Saxon goddess of spring, from whose name is derived the modern Easter. St George's day is the twenty-third of the month; and St Mark's Eve, with its superstition that the ghosts of those who are doomed to die within the year will be seen to pass into the church, falls on the twenty-fourth. In China the symbolical ploughing of the earth by the emperor and princes of the blood takes place in their third month, which frequently corresponds to our April; and in Japan the feast of Dolls is celebrated in the same month.

The "days of April" (*journées d'avril*) is a name appropriated in French history to a series of insurrections at Lyons, Paris and elsewhere, against the government of Louis Philippe in 1834, which led to violent repressive measures, and to a famous trial known as the *procès d'avrill*.

April was originally the second month of the Roman calendar and had 29 days. Julius Caesar's calendar reform in 45 BCE resulted in April having 30 days and becoming the fourth month, as the year now began in January.



Easter

*The Following is from The New Advent
catholic Encyclopedia*

“The English term, according to the Ven. Bede (*De temporum ratione*, I, v), relates to *Estre*, a Teutonic goddess of the rising light of day and spring, which deity, however, is otherwise unknown, even in the *Edda* (*Simrock, Mythol.*, 362); Anglo-Saxon, *eâster, eâstron*; Old High German, *ôstra, ôstrara, ôstrarûn*; German, *Ostern*. April was called *eastermonadh*. The plural *eâstron* is used, because the feast lasts seven days. Like the French plural *Pâques*, it is a translation from the Latin *Festa Paschalia*, the entire octave of Easter. The Greek term for Easter, *pascha*, has nothing in common with the verb *paschein*, "to suffer," although by the later symbolic writers it was connected with it; it is the Aramaic form of the Hebrew word *pesach* (*transitus, passover*). The Greeks called Easter the *pascha anastasimon*; Good Friday the *pascha staurosimon*. The respective terms used by the Latins are *Pascha resurrectionis* and *Pascha crucifixionis*. In the Roman and Monastic Breviaries the feast bears the title *Dominica Resurrectionis*; in the Mozarabic Breviary, In *Lætatione Diei Pasch Resurrectionis*; in the Ambrosian Breviary, *In Die Sancto Paschæ*. The Romance languages have adopted the Hebrew-Greek term: Latin, *Pascha*; Italian, *Pasqua*; Spanish, *Pascua*; French, *Pâques*. Also some Celtic and Teutonic nations use it: Scottish, *Pask*; Dutch, *Paschen*; Danish, *Paaske*; Swedish, *Pask*; even in the German provinces of the Lower Rhine the people call the feast *Paisken* not *Ostern*. The word is, principally in Spain and Italy, identified with the word "solemnity" and extended to other feasts, e.g. Sp., *Pascua florida*, Palm Sunday; *Pascua de Pentecostes*, Pentecost; *Pascua de la Natividad*, Christmas; *Pascua de Epifania*, Epiphany. In some parts of France also First Communion is called *Pâques*, whatever time of the year administered.” The complete writings can be found at the New Advent Web Page <http://www.newadvent.org>.

Nominations Are in Order

A nominating committee has been appointed by the Grand Knight for nominating a slate of officers for the Columbian Year 2006-2007. If you are interested in serving your Council, see Chairman PGK Phil Closs. Nominations are also open from the floor during election night in June.

From Supreme



Relics of 6 Knights of Columbus Priest Martyrs Begin U.S. Pilgrimage
The relics of six Knights of Columbus canonized in 2000 have started a tour of the United States in Dallas and will travel to El Paso March 25-26. The six priests were martyred for their faith during the religious persecution in Mexico in the 1920s.



Supreme Knight's Message: Closing the 'Gap'
In his April Columbia column, Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson considers how modern means of travel and communication connect Catholics more closely to the pope than ever before, and how the Knights of Columbus has helped to make that connection possible

Suffolk Chapter



Honoring Monsignor Tom Hartman
Former Emmy Award winning director of radio and television for TeLLicare and co-host of national talk show "God Squad"

Congratulations

Congratulations to all celebrating their Birthday, Anniversary, Birth, Baptism this Month of April

About April Fools Day

Another explanation of the origins of April Fools' Day was provided by Joseph Boskin, a professor of history at Boston University. He explained that the practice began during the reign of Constantine, when a group of court jesters and fools told the Roman emperor that they could do a better job of running the empire. Constantine, amused, allowed a jester named Kugel to be king for one day. Kugel passed an edict calling for absurdity on that day, and the custom became an annual event.

"In a way," explained Prof. Boskin, "it was a very serious day. In those times fools were really wise men. It was the role of jesters to put things in perspective with humor."

This explanation was brought to the public's attention in an Associated Press article printed by many newspapers in 1983. There was only one catch: Boskin made the whole thing up. It took a couple of weeks for the AP to realize that they'd been victims of an April Fools' joke themselves.

Have A Fun April Fools Day!

