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The Family, First and Fundamental by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson

This year marks the 115th anniversary of Pope Leo XIII's great encyclical, *Rerum Novarum*, which marked the beginning of the formalized presentation of the Church's social doctrine. In its time, *Rerum Novarum* was greeted by Catholics around the world as a sort of Magna Carta for the rights of the working man, since it strongly defended the rights to organize trade unions and receive a just wage, and called for the reform of woman and child labor laws.

In his encyclical, Pope Leo also defended the right of citizens to organize associations to provide for their own economic and social betterment. But he warned against organizations that were "under the control of secret leaders" whose principles are "not in harmony" with either Christianity or the welfare of states. He concluded his call for social justice in the political economy with an appeal to Christian charity, which he described as the "queen of the virtues" and "in epitome the law of the Gospel." Coming nearly a decade after the founding of the Knights of Columbus in 1882, the encyclical in many ways validated the vision of our founder, Father Michael J. McGivney.

On the 100th anniversary of *Rerum Novarum* in 1991, Pope John Paul II promulgated one of his great encyclicals on social justice, *Centesimus Annus*. He did so in order to show "the permanent value" of the social doctrine of the Church and to encourage "a great movement for the defense of the human person and the safeguarding of human dignity." In his encyclical, John Paul reminded us that the family founded on marriage is "first and fundamental" to the ordering of a just and humane society. "It is necessary," he wrote, "to go back to seeing the family as the sanctuary of life. The family is indeed sacred: it is the place in which life – the gift of God – can be properly welcomed and protected against the many attacks to which it is exposed, and can develop in accordance with what constitutes authentic human growth. In the face of the so-called culture of death, the family is the heart of the culture of life."

This month we have joined with the bishops of the United States and millions of other Catholics and persons of good will in "a great movement in defense of the human person and human dignity" through our support of the Marriage Protection Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. The amendment would ensure that the legal definition of marriage "shall consist only of the union of a man and woman." Our efforts parallel our continuing work in Canada to oppose the attempt to permanently redefine marriage to include couples of the same gender.

The recently published *Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church* reminds us that "charity is the greatest social commandment." Some may argue that charity requires the legal accommodation of a variety of lifestyles. But what is being suggested is not new, as is shown by the writings of Plato and the lifestyle of the ancient Greeks and Romans. Instead, what is being suggested is fundamentally contrary to the 2,000-year family tradition and teaching of the Church.

Today, we look back on those in the 19th century who so strongly opposed the Church's directives for action in such matters as the just wage, child labor and the right to trade unions as not only misguided, but as hurtful to millions. Can we really doubt how history will regard those whose efforts undermine the sanctity and stability of God's great gift of the family based upon marriage?



The Grand Knight's Message...

The end of the 2005-2006 Columbian year has arrived. It has been a pleasure to serve the Council as its Grand Knight for the past year. I wish Grand Knight Elect Chris Moniz, and the rest of the 2006-2007 officers, the best of luck as they begin a new year.

We have many accomplishments to be proud of from the past year. Our District Deputy, Al Grimmig, recently reported that we are eligible for the Star Council Award. There are three people who have worked to lead our Council, making this award possible: Deputy Grand Knight Chris Moniz, Chancellor Peter Reyda, and our recently retired Field Agent, Joe Jones. I wish to take this opportunity to thank them for their dedication and leadership.

We have just a few activities left this year. On June 11, the parish is hosting the annual alter-boys picnic, after the 5:30 p.m. Mass. Please note this date has recently changed. As in past years, we will help with the cooking. Please volunteer if you are available.

Wednesday, June 21, will be a social meeting for our council. All members, and their families, are invited to attend. I would like to use this opportunity to reflect on all that we have done as a council, and honor those who have helped us along the way.

As the torch is passed to the Father Nudd Council's 28th Grand Knight, we should take this opportunity to renew ourselves and our Council. Jesus Christ led by example to go out and spread the good news, may we each rededicate ourselves to this glorious mission through our work in the Knights.

Vivat Jesus!

A.J. Zadrozny



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May Knight of the Month

I am happy to name Brother **Brian Tumulty** our May Knight of the Month, for all his hard work in organizing the annual KOVAR Drive.

May Family of the Month

For their participation at parish and Council activities, I would like to name Brother **Kevin O'Malley** and his family as the May Family of the Month. We are also grateful to his family for allowing him the time to publish the Council's excellent newsletter!

From the Pen of the Worthy Chaplain...



Dear Brother Knights,

Congratulations to all of the newly elected officers for the next Columbian Year. Please be assured of my prayers as you begin preparations for your term of office.

This is the month of June. Summer begins and our children will be out of school and on vacation. Please pray that they will be safe from all harm and temptation, especially over these next three months. We look forward to seeing them all refreshed when they return to school this September.

June is also the month of our annual Garage Sale. Our Bother Knights and their families have always done an outstanding job on this event every year. I look forward to your support again this year. As you are aware, the proceeds from the Garage Sale will go to fund the building of a Eucharistic Adoration Chapel for the parish.

Again, thank you for all of your hard work. May God bless each and every one of you and your families.

Fr. Weymes

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<i>June 2006</i>							
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
				1	2	3	
4	5	6	7 7:30 PM Council Meeting and First Degree	8	9	10	
11 6:30 PM Altar Boys Picnic	12	13	14 7:30 PM Director's Meeting	15	16	17 8:00 AM Parish Garage Sale	
18 Coffee and Donuts After AM Masses	19	20	21 7:30 PM Council Meeting (Social)	22	23	24	
25	26	27	28 7:30 PM Degree Team Meeting	29	30 END OF FRATERNAL YEAR		