



# The Blue Mantle



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### Knights News:

(Loreto, Sep. 2, 2007) Pope Benedict XVI said the human race must listen to “the voice of the Earth” or risk destroying its very existence.

Following Christ brings with it “the continual effort to make one’s own contribution to building a more just and solidary society, where all can enjoy the goods of the earth.”

“A decisive ‘yes’ is needed in decisions to safeguard creation as well as a strong commitment to reverse tendencies that risk leading to irreversible situations of degradation.”

“Courageous choices that can re-create a strong alliance between man and earth must be made before it is too late.”

## Grand Knight's Report

Now that there is a hint of fall in the air we enter a new phase of activities for the Council. By the time you read this article we will have begun our Tootsie Roll Campaign under the able leadership of Don Novotny. All of you should have been contacted by Don and his crew to volunteer for a slot. If you have not yet volunteered give Don a call (301-424-6772) and join in the fun. As part of the campaign we would like to try something new this year. Don has put together collections kits suitable for placement at the workplace. If your workplace allows unattended fundraiser kits please contact Don to volunteer.

October also brings the annual fall recruitment blitz. We will host a recruitment table in the Kennedy Room at Our Lady of Mercy on October 14<sup>th</sup> and coffee and donuts at St. Raphael on October 21<sup>st</sup>. Joe Doane needs volunteers to help out at each event. The

Open House will be held on October 23<sup>rd</sup> in the Duffy Center with the First Degree on the 25<sup>th</sup>. This is your golden opportunity to bring your friends and let them be part of a growing and vibrant organization.

Special thanks go to Joe Doane for organizing an impromptu coffee and donuts and raffle ticket sale at St. Raphael in September. Thanks also to Don Titzman who took over the master chef role at the Parish Picnic. Finally my thanks to Larry Boesch, our Lecturer, who arranged for a fine talk by Jim Kelly on the fine work done by ant the opportunities available through the Ignatian Volunteer Corps.

Deacon James and Sue Yun were selected as the Family of the Month for August in honor of their long service to Our Lady of Mercy. We congratulate them.

Here is to a very successful October.  
Vivat Jesus!

Bill Shaffer

## Chaplain's Column

Each fall brings the excitement of another school year. Teachers complete final preparations for lesson plans. Parents make trips to the store to buy school supplies and new clothes for their children. Sometimes new desks and computers are installed. The grass is cut and the hall floors are waxed. After a summer of relaxation, children everywhere set their alarms clocks for the first day of school.

There is another group who also prepares for the new fall school year: Seminarians. All across the United States seminarians return to their studies after completing a summer ministry, attending a retreat and going on a much needed vacation. Joining the returning seminarians are those who have been newly accepted. This year eleven new seminarians have joined the Archdiocese of Washington. We now have a total of seventy-three preparing for the priesthood.

In the months to come, these new seminarians will learn about prayer, scripture, and ministry. They will learn how to give of themselves as they follow Christ in response to their Christian calling. Pope Benedict XVI reminds us that the Christian vocation is a renewing of our relationship with Christ. This leads us to give of our life and makes it available for the Kingdom of God. This journey these new seminarians embark upon is not (Continued on next page)

a solo one. Nourished by the Body and Blood of Christ and strengthened by the prayers of family and friends, they learned what it truly means to be a disciple of Christ.

As Knights of Columbus, we live out our Christian vocation in many ways. Some have been blessed with the vocation of Christian marriage, and others have been called to the single life. No matter what paths we take, we each have the opportunity through our Council to walk with these Seminarians. As I was going through my years of formation, the help of the Knights of Columbus meant a lot to me.

Each fall brings another school year. Each fall brings a new group of vocations to the seminary. Every day is an opportunity to give of ourselves as individuals and as a council to labor for the Kingdom of God.

Father Grant Gaskin



**PRAYER FOR ASKING GRACES  
THROUGH THE INTERCESSION  
OF THE SERVANT OF GOD  
POPE JOHN PAUL II**

*O Blessed Trinity  
We thank You for having graced the  
Church  
with Pope John Paul II  
and for allowing the tenderness  
of your Fatherly care,  
the glory of the cross of Christ,  
and the splendor of the Holy Spirit,  
to shine through him.  
Trusting fully in Your infinite mercy  
and in the maternal intercession of  
Mary,  
he has given us a living image of  
Jesus the Good Shepherd,  
and has shown us that holiness  
is the necessary measure  
of ordinary Christian life  
and is the way of achieving  
eternal communion with you.*

*Grant us, by his intercession,  
and according to Your will,  
the graces we implore,  
hoping that he will soon be num-  
bered  
among your saints.  
Amen.*

With ecclesiastical approval  
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The Holy Father's Vicar General  
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## DGK's Message

Since the deadline for the October Blue Mantle is so early, there are some late September events that have not taken place as of this writing. Larry Boesch, PGK, will host a talk by James Kelley, Regional Director of the Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC) about Action and Contemplation: Ignatian Spirituality for the 21st Century. At the end of September, St. Raphael's will have its parish picnic. We're still looking for Knights to man the grills at the picnic. If you want to help grill this year, please contact Don Titzman. He'll be more than happy to set you up. This month is the Tootsie Roll

Drive. We need every Knight possible to work a two hour shift. Two hours goes by very fast, and it's for a very good cause. The appreciation you receive is well worth the time and effort you put in. You can even bring your kids along to help out. They're great salespersons. When Don Novotny and Jack Wohlhieter call to ask you to volunteer, please don't give them a hard time or tell them you're too busy.

Also this month is the Columbus Day Ball on October 6, the Columbus Day Parade on October 7, and the Columbus Day Holiday on October 8. Don't forget to send in your Raffle Tickets for the Maryland State Council 38th Annual Car Raffle Benefit. The more tickets you send in, the better chance you have to win.

On October 21st, we have our semi-annual Membership Blitz at St. Raphael's. We will need Knights to man the tables outside of church and at Coffee and Doughnuts. On Thursday, October 25th, Mater Dei Council has its First Degree Ceremony in the Duffy Community Center at St. Raphael's Church. This would be a good chance to meet the new Knights and to reacquaint yourself with some of your old fellow Knights. Plus, there's always good food and drink at the First Degree Ceremony.

Hope to see you there.

Fraternally yours,  
Bob McCaffrey, DGK

## Columbus Day, October 8

A most American holiday has a most American Catholic origin. Though there had been sporadic celebrations of Columbus' discovery of America from 1792 on, it was thanks in large part to the Knights of Columbus' vigorous lobbying of state legislatures in the 1900s that the anniversary became a legal holiday in most states and eventually a federal holiday. The Knights of Columbus are the Catholic Church's largest lay organization, founded by Father Michael McGivney in 1882 at St. Mary's

Church in New Haven Connecticut. Though they were instituted as a fraternal benefits organization with their own insurance system (today they have assets for their members and families exceeding 52 billion dollars [Editor: It is now nearly \$64 billion]) the Knights were also keen to dispel prejudice against Catholic participation in U.S. civic society. To meet this goal, the Knights fostered patriotism within their ranks (their "Fourth Degree" of membership is specifically for patriotic events), while to the

broader public they emphasized America's debt to Catholic figures. Not coincidentally, this fraternity founded by an Irish priest was named not after St. Patrick but after Columbus, the ostensibly devout Catholic discoverer of America. The Knights, incidentally, are also largely responsible for the clause "under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Michael P. Foley

*"Why do Catholics eat fish on Fridays?"*

## Halloween and All Hallows' Day

During the 1950s in the United States, "trick or treating" really took off as candy, costumes and decorations were bought. Today, Halloween is second only to Christmas in spending. It is estimated that over \$3 billion will be spent during Halloween. Many do not know that Halloween is the evening before "All Hallows' Day" better known as "All Saints' Day."

From the very beginning, Christians were used to celebrating the martyrdom of a saint's death. During the fourth century, various dioceses began to exchange various feasts for a particular saint. On a number of occasions, a group of martyrs suffered on the same day which led to a joint commemoration. If there were large numbers of martyrs on a particular day it was hard to assign a separate day for each one. The Church believed that each martyr should be venerated so a common day for all was created. "All Saints" is a feast to celebrate all saints, known or unknown.

Saint Augustine once said, "If we had no care for the dead, we would not be in the habit of praying for them." The Church has had the tradition of praying for the dead. In Cluny (France),

abbot St. Odilo began praying for the dead on November 2. He encouraged all monasteries to practice the custom. Eventually the Church adopted the practice.

"All Saints" and "All Souls" day gives the Church the opportunity to pray for the Saints of the Church and for our beloved dead. Whether living or dead we all form one body and are united by Christ who is the head of the Church. It is through Christ that we are brought together in the sacraments.

Instead of passing out candy or buying lawn decorations, how can we better celebrate the two Feasts? First and foremost we can celebrate the day by attending Mass. This is a perfect time to visit the graves of departed loved ones. Many families celebrate by coming together for dinner. The two days can be an opportunity for charitable works. Whatever the custom, these are two days to be celebrated with joy and love.

Father Grant Gaskin



*"A woman, after the death of her husband ... prays for his soul and asks that he may, while waiting, find rest; and that he may share in the first resurrection. And each year, on the anniversary of his death, she offers the sacrifice."*

- Tertullian, A.D. 216

*"Let us help and commemorate them. If Job's sons were purified by their father's sacrifice [Job 1:5], why would we doubt that our offerings for the dead bring them some consolation? Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for them."*

- John Chrysostom, A.D. 392

*"The prayer either of the Church herself or of pious individuals is heard on behalf of certain of the dead, but it is heard for those who, having been regenerated in Christ, did not for the rest of their life in the body do such wickedness that they might be judged unworthy of such mercy [as prayer], nor who yet lived so well that it might be supposed they have no need of such mercy [as prayer]." - St Augustine, A.D. 419, "City of God".*

## Editorial: Truth

### “What is truth?”

When asked which one word stands out from the gospels, John Paul II answered: "Truth".

As Pontius Pilate famously asked Jesus, “*What is truth?*” (Jn 18:38), and why is it so important?

As human beings, we are inclined to search for the Truth; as spiritual beings our soul can never rest until it finds God. Our appetite for truth can only be fully fulfilled in God as God is the eternal, immutable and absolute truth. Saint Augustine wrote: “*Lord, you made us for yourself, and our hearts shall never be at rest until they rest in you.*” (Confessions)

“All people have deep within their hearts, whether they know it or not, a yearning for definitive fulfillment, for supreme happiness, and thus, ultimately, for God.” (Pope Benedict XVI, HEILIGENKREUZ ABBEY, 9/9/2007).

*“God is truth and God is love.”  
Archbishop John Foley*

### Original Sin

Man was formed “*in the image of god*” (Gn 1:27), man was made to share the splendor of God but he turned away from the Light and Truth.

“As a result of that mysterious original sin, committed at the prompting of Satan, the one who is ‘*a liar and the father of lies*’ (Jn 8:44), man is constantly tempted to turn his gaze away from the living and true God in order to direct it towards idols (Cf. 1 Thes 1:9), exchanging ‘*the truth about God for a lie*’ (Rom 1:25). Man’s capacity to know the truth is also darkened, and his will to submit to it is weakened. Thus, giving himself over to relativism and skepticism (cf. Jn 18:38), he goes off in search of an illusory freedom apart from truth itself. But no darkness of error or sin can totally take away from man the light of God the creator. In the depths of his heart there always remains a yearning for absolute truth

and a thirst to attain full knowledge of it.” (John Paul II, *Veritatis Splendor*)

### Jesus is the New Adam

Jesus came to re-establish the communion and harmony we had with God in the Garden of Eden before sin.

“*The first man Adam became a living being; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit*” (1 Co 15:45). “God created the first man and blew into his face, he gave him the breath of life, and he became a living being. [...] The second Adam was made, Jesus Christ, and not only was he given and did he have life for himself like the first Adam, but he had it for many others. Christ has a living spirit, a life-giving spirit which raises up those of us who desire to live.” (St John of Avila)

Jesus delivers us from the bonds of death, “*in him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace which he lavished upon us*” (Eph 1:7-8).

Christ is “*our wisdom, our righteousness and sanctification and redemption*” (1 Co 1:30).

### Jesus is the Light and the Truth

Christ is the answer to man's yearning for absolute truth, he is the “*image of the invisible God*” (Col 1:15). God “*desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth*” (1 Ti 2:4). Thus, “God has shone forth in our darkness with his light, with his Son Jesus Christ. In him, God has entered our world in all his ‘fullness’ (cf. Col 1:19); in him all truth, the truth for which we yearn, has its source and summit.” (Pope Benedict XVI, HEILIGENKREUZ ABBEY, 9/9/2007)

“ ‘*Grace and truth came through Jesus Christ*’ (Jn 1:17). Christ is the ‘*way, and the truth, and the life*’ (Jn 14:6). Consequently the decisive answer to every one of man's questions, his religious and moral questions in particular, is given by Jesus Christ, or rather is Jesus Christ himself.” (JP II, *Veritatis Splendor*).

Christ is “*the true light that enlightens everyone*” (Jn 1:9), the “Truth which gives of itself” (John Paul II). Jesus announced: “*I have come into the world to be its light*” (Jn 12:46).

Ultimately our quest for Truth can only

be successful if it culminates in our union with Christ, “him who is our origin and destination” (Pope Benedict XVI), the “*Alpha and Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end*” (Rev 22:13).

Christ has to become our way, truth and life. “Our light, our truth, our goal, our fulfillment, our life -- all this is not a religious doctrine but a person: Jesus Christ.” (Pope Benedict XVI)

### Knowing the Truth

Christ tells us: “*You will know the truth, and the truth will make you free*” (Jn 8:32).

God gave us many means to know the truth: ♦ the “*word of Truth, the Gospel*” (Col 1:5); ♦ the Holy Spirit, the “*Spirit of truth*” who guides us “*into all the truth*” (Jn 16:13); ♦ and the Holy Catholic Church which is “*the pillar and bulwark of the truth*” (1 Tim 3:15).

Truth not only re-establishes the broken relationship we have with God, “truth enlightens man's intelligence and shapes his freedom leading him to know and love the Lord” (JP II, *Veritatis Splendor*).

### Truth gives us freedom

“For freedom on the one hand is for the sake of truth and on the other hand it cannot be perfected except by means of truth. Hence the words of our Lord, which speak so clearly to everyone: ‘*The truth will make you free*’ (Jn 8:32). There is no freedom without truth.” (John Paul II, 1964)

Since Christ himself is the truth, it is also correct to say that the truth sets us free (John 8:32). As Paul writes in Galatians 5:1 “*For freedom Christ has set us free.*”

Our freedom is incomplete without Christ; without God, freedom is a mere illusion.

### Freedom without Truth is chaos

Pope John Paul II speaks of a “crisis of truth”. He says that all around us the saving power of the truth is contested and freedom alone, uprooted from any objectivity, is left to decide for itself what is good and what is evil.

“Nowadays there is a tendency to claim that agnosticism and skeptical relativism

are the philosophy and the basic attitude which correspond to democratic forms of political life.

Those who are convinced that they know the truth and firmly adhere to it are considered unreliable from a democratic point of view, since they do not accept that truth is determined by the majority or that it is subject to variation according to different political trends.” (JP II, *Centisimus Annus*) Pope Benedict XVI declares: “The origin of the current crisis of the West is a loss of confidence in the truth. [...] Jesus alone is the bridge that truly brings God and man together ... the one universal mediator of salvation, valid for everyone and, ultimately, needed by everyone.” (9/8/2007)

### Living the truth

Our vocation as Christians is living the truth and being a witness to the Truth.

*“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.”* (Mt 5:14-16)

This means being a witness to Christ the Supreme Truth (Jn 14:6) and also being a witness to the body of Christ, the Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church (cf. Ep 5:23, Col 1:18 - 1:24)

### Our Apostolic Vocation

Jesus asks us to be disciples of the truth: *“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age.”* (Mt 28:19-20) We are called to *“guard the truth that has been entrusted to you by the Holy Spirit who dwells within us.”* (2 Ti 1:14)

Pope Benedict XVI tells us: “Truth prevails not through external force, but it is humble and it yields itself to man only via the inner force of its veracity. Truth proves itself in love.” He adds:

“We need this inner force of truth. As Christians we trust this force of truth. We are its witnesses.” (9/8/2007)

### Truth is more important than Life

*“For your love is better than life”* (Ps 63).

The martyrs are ultimate witnesses to the truth; through them the light of God shines the brightest. They are examples of living our Christian vocation to the fullest.

Their ultimate sacrifice is the ultimate act of love: *“No man has greater love than this: to lay down his life for his friends”* (John 15:13).

They followed the example of Christ who freely laid down his life for us (cf. Jn 10:15).

*“For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it.”* (Mk 8:35)

They gave their life completely to God and are thus perfect examples of the Christian Life: one, like the Blessed Virgin Mary, totally dedicated to Christ. Pope Benedict XVI writes: “The consciousness that, in Christ, God has given himself to us, even unto death, must inspire us to live no longer for ourselves but for him, and, with him, for others.” (Deus Caritas Est, 33)

They put God before themselves, the love of God before self-love, and truth before their own life. Their selfless act is a total gift of life and a total obedience to the Will of God.

*“But when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish to go”* (Jn 21:18).

The martyrs teach us that “the cross is not a tragedy: It is God's way of teaching us that through suffering we can be sanctified, becoming one with Christ and winning heaven as a reward” (Navarre Bible Commentary).

They showed us through their acts what the mystics tell us through their words and spirituality: That God is the most important reality in our lives, and

thus should be given first place in all things: in our hearts, in our minds and in our actions; God must come first, and we must “strive to please God rather than men, always ready to abandon everything for Christ” (Vatican II, *Apostolicam Actuositatem*). God is the *“way, and the truth, and the life”*. **“God alone is enough”** (St Teresa of Avila).

### Jesus is Truth

As John Paul II declared, Truth shines from the Gospels. They teach us eternal truths about God, but most precisely — and most importantly — they cast a light on The Truth Incarnated — the *“Word”* of God (Jn 1:1) — Jesus-Christ: True light and Truth.

Saint Jerome informs us: “Ignorance of scripture is ignorance of Christ.”

“All sacred Scripture is but one book, and this one book is Christ, 'because all divine Scripture speaks of Christ, and all divine Scripture is fulfilled in Christ' (Hugh of St. Victor).” (Catechism of the Catholic Church #134).

Let us be bearers of Light and Truth, and bring Jesus, the Light, the Truth, the Life and the Way to the world.

Camille Ng

### **“God alone is enough.”**

*Let nothing disturb you.*

*Let nothing frighten you.*

*All things pass.*

*God does not change.*

*Patience achieves everything.*

*Whoever has God lacks nothing.*

*God alone suffices.*

*Christ has*

*no body on earth now but yours;*

*no hands but yours;*

*no feet but yours.*

*Yours are the eyes*

*through which the compassion of Christ must look out on the world.*

*Yours are the feet*

*with which he is to go about doing good.*

*Yours are the hands*

*with which he is to bless his people.*

**St. Teresa of Avila**

## Blood Drive

The last blood drive in 2007 will be held Thursday October 18 from 5:00 to 9:00pm in the Duffy Center. The first two drives in 2008 are scheduled for January 23 and May 28. Volunteers willing to help out on October 18 or to make phone calls earlier to potential donors or reminder calls should contact Dick Eckenrode at 301-251-3793 or email [reck@joimail.com](mailto:reck@joimail.com)

## Requirements for Family of the Month

We are always seeking nominations for Family of the Month. This is a way to honor a parish family that you feel gives a good example of the ideal Catholic family. Nominations are not restricted to members of the Knights of Columbus, and in fact the Family of the Month award is a fine way to honor a candidate you feel worthy of recruitment. The guidelines given for nominations are:

- Has the family made significant contributions to the Church, community and/or council?
- Does the family enjoy one another?
- Does the family share experiences?
- Does the family communicate openly and honestly?
- Does the family pray and attend Mass together?
- Does the family spend its time together interacting instead of in front of the television set?

Surely you know some family fitting these criteria. Let us know so that they can be properly honored.

Recommendations for Family of the Month can be made at any time by contacting any officer of the Council or can be made in person at any Executive Board meeting (first Tuesday of every month).

## New 2008 Entertainment Books Now Available

The new Entertainment Books have arrived and are available for purchase from Tom Sherman for the same low price of \$25. Sales will on October 20/21 at St. Raphael and at Our Lady of Mercy on November 4<sup>th</sup>. Call Tom (301-340-2042) to purchase or to volunteer to help. Tom is also looking for an understudy to hand off the E-book sales next year. Anyone interested in this position should call Bill Shaffer or Tom Sherman.

This year, when you purchase your 2008 book you will receive a free membership to *Entertainment on Vacation* for 2 weeks of savings wherever you vacation – a \$9.95 value.

Books are also available in 160 cities across America and make great gifts for your out-of-town friends and family. You may buy out-of-town books on the internet at [www.entertainment.com/support](http://www.entertainment.com/support) and enter **group account # 127435**.

## YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Last year, the sale of Entertainment Books earned almost \$2,000 for our Council. Proceeds from the sales assist us in sponsoring our various church, community, council, family, and youth programs. This year we would like to sell at least 140 books and we need your help. We will sell books after all Masses on two weekends in the fall (10/21 at St. R; 11/4 at St. R & Mercy). There is no hard sell. We advertise that the books will be available and need at least one Knight per Mass to be there to accept payments and hand out the books. Parishioners buy these books because they offer discounts on a wide range of purchases from formal restaurants to informal dining to movies and other entertainment. The discounts one can realize in a year can far exceed the cost of the book. We are seeking volunteers to cover all of the Masses on the weekends noted. Please call Tom Sherman (301-340-2042) to volunteer your time. Thank you for your support of our Council.

## Knights of Columbus Soccer Shootout - Wednesday, Oct 3

All Brother Knights are invited to assist in this year's soccer competition at Mary of Nazareth School, 14200 Darnestown Road in Darnestown, Md. We are expecting 12 classes between 8:30 am to 3 pm and are asking volunteers to help out for at least half a day, either in the morning or afternoon. Volunteers should call Brother Knight John Li at 301-424-2713 for further details.

A final Council and District shootout is scheduled for Saturday Oct 13 at St. Elizabeth School, beginning at 10 am.

## Columbus Day Ball

The Maryland State Council's main social event of the year, the annual Columbus Day Ball, will be held on Saturday, October 6, 2007 at the LaFontaine Blue, in Glen Burnie, Maryland. On behalf of our Worthy State Deputy, Edgar D. Haynes, K.C.H.S., we encourage everyone to attend this gala event and enjoy the opportunity to come together and celebrate friendships, fraternity and pride in our Order.

The cost for this extravaganza will be \$42.50 per person. The event will feature a premium open bar and a deluxe sit-down dinner. Black Tie is preferred dress for this event, but business suit is acceptable.

Contact George Floria at 301-627-3923 for further information.

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## Special Notices

- All articles for the November issue must be received by the Editor by Friday Oct 26<sup>th</sup>.
- You can subscribe to receive free daily news from Rome by going online to Zenith.org. Recommended!

"The Church is not only called upon to use the mass media to spread the Gospel but, today more than ever, to integrate the message of salvation into the 'new culture' that these powerful means of communication create and amplify." (John Paul II)

"The beauty of God's creation is being destroyed, and people of all faiths need to work together to stop the destruction. [...] We can see this beauty, but we can also see, unfortunately, that all of this is being destroyed. I believe that we must participate and come together to be able to do something good in this moment for the future of the world and for future generations." - (Cardinal McCarrick, retired Archbishop of Washington DC, 9/12/2007)

"The beauty of creation is one of the sources where we can truly touch God's beauty, we can see that the Creator exists and is good, which is true as Sacred Scripture says in the Creation Narrative, that is, that God conceived of this world and made it with his heart, his will and his reason, and he found it good. We too must be good in order to have an open heart and to perceive God's true presence." - (Pope Benedict XVI, 9/1/2007)

## Schedule of Events: October - November 2007

Tue Oct 2	Executive Meeting, 7:30pm, DCC
Thu Oct 11	Business Meeting, 8pm, DCC
Thu Oct 18	Blood Drive, 5-9pm, Duffy
Sun Oct 21	Coffee & Donuts, Trumpet Room
Tue Oct 23	Open House, 7:30pm, DCC
Thu Oct 25	1st Degree, 7:30pm, DCC
Tue Nov 6	Executive Meeting, 7:30pm, DCC
Thu Nov 8	Business Meeting, 7:30pm, DCC
Thu Nov 22	No meeting. HAPPY THANKSGIVING !



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