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STATE DEPUTY
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How Blessed are we in Arkansas to have 5 Ordinations in our Diocese this year. These young men and the seminarians who follow them are some of the most special people you will ever meet. When they come to your parish visit with them, get their e-mails, and let them know you are praying for them and their vocation. A special thanks to Bishop Taylor and Msgr. Friend for all the work you are doing for these special men.

Brother Knights the New Year is starting off with a bang. The organizational meeting was held in Clarksville in the Knights of Columbus hall. We were treated to a great meal for lunch and dinner. We also enjoyed doughnuts and drinks to start our day. At 5:30 PM we attended mass with our new State Champlain Abbot Jerome Kodell. With a great homily we were ready to make this a great year.

I am thankful for the men who have joined the lineup for the state service program directors. Here is the list so far: Philip Savage will be your Program Director and the Good Of The Order Chairman. I ask that any time a brother Knight needs prayers or someone passes away to contact him at 479-965-3561 or e-mail at Philip105@centurytel.net he will make sure everyone will get the notice. Roy Anderle will be Church Director, Pete McNaulty will be Vocations Director with help from Mark Hoelzeman, our passed State Deputy will serve as Round Table Chairman and New Council Chairman, Larry Lisko will be Council Director, David McCall will be Youth Director, Passed State Deputy Jimmy McKinnon will be Membership Director, Walter will be Membership and Council Retention Chairmen, Greg Baltz will be Ceremonials Chairman, George Knox will be Chairman of Campaign for People With Intellectual Disabilities, Ray Patrick will be Special Olympics Chairman, Parliamentarian will be John Shields, Pennies From Heaven Chairman will be Ozro Barclay, Bob Peters will be Protocol Chairman and Chairman of the Father McGivney Guild, John Hollender will do the newsletter and Dudley Wells will do the Web Site.

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The new directories will be out soon and we owe a big thank-you to Bob Peters for putting this together. These directories are very accurate and easy to take with you in your car or briefcase. Thanks Bob.

Last but not least are the men I count on to make every council a star council, our District Deputies. There are not enough things that can be said of these men. They are District 01 Kenny Petty, District 02 Frank DiGaetano, and District 03 William Reinhart. There is a vacancy in District 04. I need a good Catholic Man to step forward, District 05 is Phil Hahn, District 06 will be Adrian Dominguez, District 07 is Jeremy Dyal, District 09 is Henry Moore, District 10 is Ed Miller, District 11 is Charles Reinhart, District 12 is Dennis Crawford, District 13 is John Hertzog and District 14 is David Tencleve.

It is mentioned elsewhere in this Newsletter that the first council to fulfill the requirements for Star Council the state officers will come to your council and cook for that council. Good Luck!

Thanks again for allowing me to serve you this fraternal year. May God Bless and keep you always.

Charles Ketter
State Deputy

VOCATION CHAIRMAN

PETER McNULTY

My Brother Knights;

With the glorious celebration of Mass and the Ordination of Josh Stengel to the priesthood on July 17th in the beautiful church at Subiaco Abbey, the Diocese had made it's completion of Ordaining five (5) new priests to serve it's people. There will be no Ordinations in 2011, but in 2012 we will have four (4) or five (5) Ordinations.

The Vocations Director, Msgr. Scott Friend and our Bishop Anthony Taylor are ever looking forward. In that regard, I had the pleasure of meeting six (6) new seminarians who were attending the Rev. Josh Stengel's Ordination. Some of the young men will be attending seminaries at different locations and some will be studying at the "Discernment House" in Little Rock. All of the prospective new Priests will need our support. Prayer is the very greatest support, prayer that these young men continue to follow the guidance of The Holy Spirit and encourage each of them to persevere on the long road to Ordination.

During August, I will be contacting each Grand Knight and Faithful Navigator to communicate as to the needs of all the seminarians and also where they will be studying.

The comments of those seminarians at the Ordination on July 17th were: the fiscal aid was a very welcome thing, the letters, cards, and e-mails were very uplifting. Good words to hear – keep up the good work.

May God bless you all and God bless our seminarians!

IRAQ WAR VETERAN FULFILLS HIS CALLING OF BECOMING A PRIEST

EDITORS NOTE: THE FOLLOWING STORY RAN IN THE JULY 17TH ARKANSAS CATHOLIC AND IS REPRINTED WITH PERMISSION.

By Malea Hargett Arkansas Catholic Editor

Father Josh Stengel has learned to be patient while God answers his prayers.

Father Stengel was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Little Rock at 10 a.m., Saturday, July 17 at Subiaco Abbey, but he has been praying for the day for many years.



Father Josh Stengel, second from right, holds a Chalice that was presented to him last Saturday, by Knights of Columbus Arkansas State Deputy, Charles Ketter, during a dinner in his honor that was held at Sacred Heart Parish Hall in Charleston. The Chalice was given by the Fourth Degree Sacred Heart Knights of Columbus to the Roger James family in memory of Roger, who was a Fourth Degree member of Sacred Hearts Knights of Columbus and who passed away on July 6th. Roger's family donated the Chalice to Father Josh. Father Josh was ordained as a priest for the Diocese of Little Rock last Saturday at St. Benedict's Church in Subiaco, by Bishop Anthony B. Taylor. From August 3 to September 30, Father Josh will fill in at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Little Rock while pastor Father Richard Zawadzki, SVD, vacations in his native Poland. In October Father Josh will return to the Pontifical North American College in Rome to continue his studies in biblical theology to earn his licentiate by February 2012. Then he will return to Arkansas to serve in full-time ministry. Father Josh is the son of Kenny and Pat Stengel and has one older brother, Carl and two younger brothers Matthew and Adam. Pictured, l-r, Mike Carmack, Faithful Navigator of St. Benedict's Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, Charles Ketter, Knights of Columbus, Arkansas State Deputy, Father Josh Stengel and Anthony B. Taylor, Bishop of Little Rock.

The 31-year-old was born and raised in Ratcliff and watched his father, Kenny, laboring at his cabinet-making business and raising cattle. He was most inspired by his uncle, Father Mark Stengel, a monk who served at Subiaco Abbey 14 miles away, and his pastor, the late Father Harold Heiman, also from Subiaco Abbey.

“He was the only pastor I remember my whole life growing up,” he said of the monk who was pastor of St. Anthony Church in Ratcliff for 24 years. “When I was young, he was such a kind priest.”

By age 7 Father Stengel admits he started thinking about the priesthood. He attended Subiaco Academy and graduated in 1996. All along he continued to think about the priesthood as a possibility.

“Being at Subiaco, it kept me thinking about it some, but I really didn’t seriously think about it,” he said. “I knew it was still something I should think about.”

When he was 17 years old, he entered the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville to study chemical engineering. He later changed his major to biology. He pondered several careers, including being a doctor or a park ranger.

After his first summer in college, he decided to join the Army Reserves.

“It was mainly from my grandfather, my mom’s dad, who was career Army,” he said. “And also an uncle who was career Army.”

During his last year of college, he began to discuss the possibility of joining Subiaco Abbey, but “I had my commitment in the Reserves part time,” he said.

“I was wanting to join as a candidate and see how it went,” he said.

In 2001 he graduated from college and began to look more seriously at becoming a Benedictine monk. Because he was unable to join until he finished his military service, he began taking classes at Conception Seminary College in Missouri.

However, his plans changed when his unit, the 489th Engineer Battalion, was activated and sent to fight in the Iraq War. In April 2003 he went to Kuwait for three months while their mission was being determined. By June 2003 his unit was stationed in Iraq, detecting roadside bombs. He was deployed for one year and returned in 2004.

“It was very stressful and intense,” he said. “It was a dramatic situation, but it never became traumatic for me because I was never in any actual battles. The missions we had were to keep people safe. ... When I came home it took a couple of months to get back to normal.”

Getting back to normal also included getting his faith life back on track. While growing up, he went to Mass every Sunday and was an altar server and active in the church’s small youth group. He was even studying

theology classes before he went overseas. But while serving on active duty, Father Stengel admits it was the lowest point in his relationship with God.

“It was through my own negligence,” he said. “It became a time when I was furthest away from my faith. ... It was pretty dramatic for me being in the seminary to getting to where I was rarely going to Mass.”

Ironically, it was his distance from God and his faith that spurred him to take his discernment more seriously when he returned home to Ratcliff.

“It was a lot more important for me to make sure it was the right decision. It was good time of conversion for me. It took it to a new level. I wasn’t just going to go right back into the seminary... so it took a long time of prayer and discernment.”

He determined he was being called to the priesthood, but not the monastic life. He knows his family was “surprised” that he didn’t join Subiaco Abbey.

After looking at other religious orders, he decided he wanted to become a seminarian for the Diocese of Little Rock.

But he admitted, “I didn’t really know any diocesan priests.”

He met with the vocations director, Father John Antony, and entered Holy Trinity Seminary in Irving, Texas, in the fall of 2005.

“I knew it was right,” he said. “Being in the seminary before, I was able the second time going back in to really know beforehand and to be absolutely sure.”

After completing one year of pre-theology classes, he was chosen to attend the Pontifical North American College in Rome.

Being in Rome also allowed him to meet Pope Benedict XVI. In preparation for his ordination as a transitional deacon October 8, 2009, the deacons and their families were given special seating for the general audience October 7, 2009. Because Father Stengel was his class committee chairman, he was allowed to be on the front row.

“It was a brief three seconds, but it was a great opportunity,” he said.

Father Stengel will return to Rome in October to continue his studies in biblical theology. He will earn his licentiate in February 2012 and return to Arkansas for full-time ministry.

That year will also be important to his family as his father prepares to be ordained a permanent deacon.

“I am very proud of him,” he said. “It is amazing. In a way I can share how he feels about me studying for

the priesthood. It is a joy and a blessing for the family.”

While Father Stengel is disappointed he couldn't be ordained in May with the other four new priests, he is happy the diocese allowed him to have his ordination at Subiaco Abbey so all of his family and fellow parishioners could attend.

“I feel joy and gratitude,” he said. “Right now I am so excited and have been looking forward to the day and the whole weekend. Looking back on the years, I am thankful to God for calling me to this vocation and for his mercy, love and fidelity.”

Father Stengel is the son of Kenny and Pat Stengel and has three brothers, Carl, Matthew and Adam.

STATE YOUTH DIRECTOR

DAVID McCALL

Here are the state wide Arkansas results from the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Poster Contest from 2009. Trophies are being made and will be mailed out as soon as possible. Thank you to all the participating councils and youth for another successful contest!

JOSHUA GANGLUFF

WINNER DRUG AWARENESS AND ABUSE

Knights of Columbus Poster Contest 2009 12-14 Year Old Division

EMILY KINNALLY

WINNER ALCOHOL AWARENESS AND ABUSE

Knights of Columbus Poster Contest 2009 12-14 Year Old Division

JOHN MARK OTTEN

WINNER ALCOHOL AWARENESS AND ABUSE

Knights of Columbus Poster Contest 2009 8-11 Year Old Division

JOHANNA BERRYMAN

WINNER DRUG AWARENESS AND ABUSE

Knights of Columbus Contest 2009 8-11 Year Old Division

MEMBERSHIP REPORT AUGUST 2010

JIMMY McKINNON, PSD

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

State Deputy Charles Ketter asked me to serve this year as your State Membership Director. For the past two years, we were fortunate to have a good membership chairman in Jim Palmer for the State of Arkansas. We achieved honors in membership and this year our plans are to continue the trend and achieve our quote for membership in the State.

There are many opportunities for growth of membership. We can achieve it by new councils in the State of Arkansas, by transfers from other States and by adding new members in the State. As the planning of this year starts our membership goal is 410 with a net of 275.

That number is achievable and I feel that we will be able to recruit new guys into the Knights of Columbus. I would ask each Knights of Columbus member to go out to your Councils and their districts and cities in recruiting new men in the Knights of Columbus. If you can ask one guy that would be great but if you recruit one that's even better. However, when you start let us continue to ask and who knows how many men you can recruit.

The Supreme Council has offered a World Series of Membership Incentive Program that breaks down the States into six divisions each with 12 teams. The States with the best recruiting for membership will receive up to \$1,000 for its membership programs. The District Deputies whose District brings in new members also has incentive programs. For the months of July, August, and September if the District brings in 10, 20 or 30 new members they will receive a variety of unique Knights of Columbus prizes.

For the State Council an incentive of \$2,000 will be awarded to its Christopher Fund, if the State achieves 50% of its membership quota for this year by December 31, 2010. The State would be blessed if they receive that amount of money for its Christopher Fund. The Christopher fund interest is donated to charities.

This year we want to assist the District Deputy and Councils achieve their goals for the year. Those include Star Council, Father McGivney, Founders, and Columbian Awards. Charles Ketter, State Deputy has challenged all Councils and for the first Council to achieve Star Council this year. He and the State Officers will come to that Council and cook a Dinner for the Officers. The State Deputy and I will follow through and keep you posted. I offer my time to the District Deputies and Grand Knights to work on establishing the goals for their District and Councils this year.

It takes a number of people working together for membership to grow in each council. The Councils need new members to become more active in the Knights programs for its communities. There could be other areas such as forming new councils in the State of Arkansas for new membership growth. Please contact me and we will work on the development of the membership program for this year.

Jimmy McKinnon, PSD
Membership Director

PRO LIFE REPORT
ANOTHER ABORTION CENTER CLOSING
JON & MARTI HASLAUER
PRO LIFE COUPLE

Dear Marti,

Things have been quite frenzied this week — receiving record numbers of applications for this fall's 40 Days for Life campaign — but I had to share amazing news that, with God's grace, could be repeated in YOUR community.

I just received word from our local 40 Days for Life campaign leaders in Fayetteville, Arkansas — and got confirmation from their local media — that their city's one and only surgical abortion facility is CLOSING!

Praise God!

During three previous 40 Days for Life campaigns in Fayetteville, the abortionist grew more and more aggressive towards the prayer volunteers, taunting and ridiculing them in person — and in the media but they did not react; they persisted in peaceful vigil and remained to pray for the unborn, the women entering the facility — and especially for the abortionist himself.

And NOW ... that facility is closing down!

Click here to see photos of the Fayetteville 40 Days for Life vigils: <http://40daysforlife.com/blog/?p=996>

All the glory belongs to God ... and please remember to pray for the conversion of the abortionist – and for all women who have been hurt by abortion since that facility opened in Fayetteville. If you haven't already, there are only FOUR DAYS left to apply to lead a 40 Days for Life campaign in your city from September 22 to October 31. The application period closes at midnight this Saturday, July 31 ... so there's still time for YOUR city to get involved.

To apply to lead a local campaign, visit: <http://www.40daysforlife.com/apply>

Imagine what it will be like to pray for an end to abortion in front of the abortion facility in your town ... and then receive the wonderful news that it is closing its doors.

How will you feel?

How humbling will it be to see God use the simplicity of prayer, fasting, outreach, and vigil to bring an end to abortion in your area?

In Fayetteville, faithful prayer warriors prayed for a day like today. They were faithful, and that day is now here — the surgical abortion facility in their town is closing.

Maybe YOUR town will be next.

What a reminder of what God can accomplish when we are faithful. I cannot think of a better time to bring 40 Days for Life to your city than a day like today, with amazing news like this.

If you haven't already applied to lead a campaign in your community, you can do it now at: <http://www.40daysforlife.com/apply>

For Life,

Shawn Carne
Campaign Director
40 Days for Life

CATHOLIC TV & RADIO COVERAGE OF THE 2010 SUPREME CONVENTION

Three Catholic television networks and two Catholic radio networks will be providing live coverage of the 128th Supreme Convention in Washington, D.C. August 3-5, 2010.

EWTN television will broadcast convention proceedings via its cable and satellite affiliates throughout North and South America, Europe, Africa and the Pacific Rim of Asia. News Director Raymond Arroyo will be onsite Tuesday, August 3, with live coverage of the opening Mass, the Supreme Knight's annual report, and the States Dinner, as well as interviews and updates on convention activities.

EWTN Radio will also broadcast live from the convention site and provide live audio of the opening Mass and business session. EWTN is carried on many independent Catholic radio stations around the United States, as well as via streaming audio on the Internet.

Canada's Salt & Light TV will cover the convention events live to its audience of over two million people in Canada alone, and tens of thousands of people the world over viewing the live streaming on the Salt and Light website www.saltandlighttv.org, providing English and French-language reports by Basilian Father Thomas Rosica and a team of correspondents. S&L will cover all three days of this year's Supreme Convention.

Boston-based CatholicTV returns for its third year of broadcast coverage to its national audience. News anchor Kevin Nelson will provide live reports, activities and interviews from the convention site throughout the opening day's events. Catholic TV is now available on selected cable systems around the United States.

SiriusXM Satellite Radio's Catholic Channel will once again broadcast live from the convention, carrying The Busted Halo Show with Paulist Father Dave Dwyer on Monday, August 2 and Tuesday, August 3 from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM EDT. New York Archbishop Timothy Dolan of New York will also originate his weekly program, A Conversation with the Archbishop, from the convention site.

NOTICE:

Newsletter Deadline

Please try to send your newsletter reports, articles and messages to John Hollender, Newsletter Editor, by Monday, August 23, 2010, for the September 2010 Newsletter. Please e-mail to johnh911@conwaycorp.net.

Reports Due

FORM	REPORT	DUE BY
1295-1	SEMIANNUAL COUNCIL AUDIT REPORT	15-Aug
1295-2	SEMIANNUAL COUNCIL AUDIT REPORT	15-Feb
1598	FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP SCORE SHEET	AS NEEDED
1728	INDIVIDUAL MEMBER WORKSHEET ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY REPORT	31-Jan
1728A	SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY INDIVIDUAL MEMBER WORKSHEET	AS NEEDED
1831	RELIEF FROM COUNCIL DUES AND PER CAPITA TAXES	AS NEEDED
185	REPORT OF OFFICERS CHOSEN FOR TERM JULY 1-JUNE 30	1-Jul
1993A	FAMILY OF THE MONTH GENERIC REPORT FORM	AS NEEDED
2629	NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ROUND TABLE COORDINATOR	1-Sep
2630	ANNUAL REPORT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ROUND TABLE	30-Jun
2863	RSVP REFUND/PLAQUE APPLICATION	30-Jun
2935	COLUMBIAN SQUIRES INQUIRY KIT ORDER FORM	AS NEEDED
365	SERVICE PROGRAM PERSONNEL REPORT FOR THE TERM JULY 1-JUNE 30	1-Aug
4001	SUBSTANCE ABUSE AWARENESS POSTER CONTEST PARTICIPATION FORM	31-Jan
4348	YOUTH LEADER	AS NEEDED
4371	FATHER PRIOR	AS NEEDED
4567	SOCCER CHALLENGE PARTICIPATION REPORT FORM	1-Dec
4584	PARTNERSHIP PROFILE REPORT WITH SPECIAL OLYMPICS	31-Jan
532	REQUISITION FOR FIRST DEGREE CEREMONIALS	AS NEEDED
CR	OFFICIAL ORDER FORM FOR RECORDED COLUMBUS DAY PROGRAM	15-Sep
EA-Kit	ESSAY CONTEST KIT ORDER FORM	AS NEEDED
FT- 1	FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP PARTICIPATION REPORT	31-Jan
FT-KIT	FREE THROW COUNCIL COMPETITION KIT ORDER FORM	1-Nov
SA-KIT	SUBSTANCE ABUSE AWARENESS POSTER CONTEST KIT ORDER FORM	1-Sep
SC-KIT	SOCCER CHALLENGE KIT ORDER FORM	15-Aug
SP-7	COLUMBIAN AWARD APPLICATION	30-Jun
STSP	STATE COUNCIL SERVICE PROGRAM AWARDS ENTRY FORM	AS NEEDED

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