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Can You Pray for Vocations for Just One Hour?



Brother Knights, Father Jim Lee has requested that the Knights of Columbus pray for religious vocations. Saturday & Sunday AM hours of 1AM, 2AM, or 3AM on July 4th, 11st, 18th, and 25th are designated as our Knights of Columbus hours. The Adoration Chapel is open under COVID-19 restrictions. Please call Mona Bishop at St Mike's office (360) 292-7141 or email mbishop@saintmichaelparish.org to schedule an appointment. If you do not feel comfortable coming to the Adoration Chapel, please consider praying at home. Thank you and God bless you and your family.

Please Keep in Your Prayers

- * Walt Dale
- * Florante Jayme
- * Ed Sauley
- * Mi-Young Gilman
- * John Kramer
- * Elaine and Ron DeGroot
- * Fr. Jim Lee
- * Ray DeTerra Family

- * Peggy Pursley
- * Brenda and Joe Patnude
- * Sam Pellegrino and His Mother-In-Law
- * Jim and Meg Pivec
- * Dennis Perez
- * Amanda Thomas
- * Ray Grothe Family
- * Tacie Adams
- * Tom Mitchell's Mother
- * Greg Squires
- * Jose Ybarra
- * Joshua Roberts
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- * Sam Pellegrino

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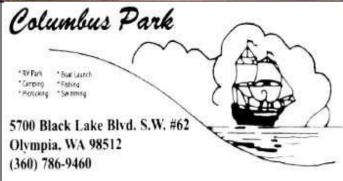


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Kevin's 27 Minute Near Death Experience

"Kevin J. O'Sullivan: A Journey Through Challenges"

My name is Kevin J. O'Sullivan. I was a police officer until an injury in the line of duty led to a vascular disease, a condition that I would grapple with for the rest of my life. This forced me to retire from the police force, but I was determined to reinvent myself. I moved to Olympia to work in the legislature and went back to school, fully aware of the challenges I faced.

Despite my serious health issues, I relied on the power of prayer and my determination to overcome adversity. Over time, I bought a grocery store and eventually decided to run for office. I felt a strong calling to represent the people, albeit in a different capacity.

I began my political journey by running for county assessor. I successfully reformed the assessor's office and worked on legislation supporting senior citizens. After my success as assessor, I ran for county commissioner. About 3 and a half years into my term, however, I started experiencing severe health issues.

My breathing became increasingly difficult, and after my doctor from the University of Washington passed away, I found a local doctor in Olympia. Unfortunately, that choice turned out to be a mistake. I ended up in critical care, struggling to understand the severity of my situation.

In a moment of distress, I called my brothers, who came from Montana to support me and seek clarity about my condition. With determination, I reached out to Dr. Ziegler at the University of Washington, hoping he would remember me. Thankfully, he did, and upon hearing that I was in trouble, he sent an ambulance to take me to the university hospital.

Upon my arrival at the emergency room, a group of doctors who were familiar with my case quickly surrounded me. They expressed their disbelief at how my situation had deteriorated. I passed out, and when I regained consciousness, I was in a room where doctors informed me that I had just 3 to 5 days to live. They introduced me to a surgeon who explained that I had only a 35% to 40% chance of surviving. The gravity of the situation hit hard when I was advised to say goodbye to my children.

As a Catholic, I received my last rites before surgery. The procedure was intense: they cracked open my chest, oxygenated my brain, and proceeded to fillet my artery and remove blood clots. Amazingly, I was clinically dead for approximately 27 minutes.

During that time, I experienced a bright light and an indescribable sense of peace.

Going towards the light, I heard my mother speak to me, telling me it's OK. I looked over a beautiful field full of flowers and a beautiful sun shine with warmth and I kept hearing my mother and then I heard my dad tell me it was OK to keep coming.

It's like this little bridge over a creek. I could hear that little running water and I just kept walking towards the field towards the light and then I woke up after the operation.

After I woke up, which was I do believe a couple of weeks in the ICU, the surgeon came in and sat on my bed. I thanked him profusely for saving my life and he said to me I didn't save your life. God did. He guided my fingers for an operation that has never been done before. He guided my fingers, then he started to cry.

That's my story.

Council Gave A Drexel House Free Italian Summer Picnic June 25

A Drexel House Free Dinner was given by the Council on Wednesday June 25, 2025. Over 60 Drexel House dwellers enjoyed a wonderful Italian Summer Picnic provided by Council members. Thank you all who donated and served at this wonderful community supportive event.

Drexel House is a homeless shelter that has an 83% return rate to normal community life. This return rate may be the most successful in the nation.



Servers [L-R]: Kevin O'Sullivan. Not shown John Zyrkowski

Italian Summer Picnic was the theme: John and Nancy Zyrkowski provided Italian Beef with Rolls. Roberto Maanao and Dan Miller provided Italian Sausages. Manuel Bravo provided buns. Kevin O'Sullivan provided Coleslaw and Sam Pellegrino provided Italian Vegetables.

George Burazer and Tom Mitchell provided dessert. John Zyrkowski provided drinks









Roberto Maanao Kevin O'Sullivan

Sam Pellegrino

George Burazer

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Saturday, July 19, 2025

Annual Lovel Briere 🧻 **Memorial Bernie Tourney**



Presented by: **Knights of Columbus** Council 1643

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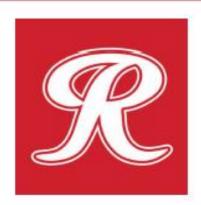
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Knights of Columbus Assembly 1183 Night at the Ballpark

Friday, July 25 nd n n n n n n n

Game time: 7:05PM · Gate time: 5:30PM

Join in on the fun with an evening of baseball at Cheney Stadium.
You will be enjoying the game in-style from our premier party deck
along the 3rd base foul line. We'll be performing the National Anthem
& be sure to stick around for post-game fireworks!
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Calendar			
	<u>July 2025</u>		<u>August, 2025</u>
Tue 8	Council Officer's Meeting 6-7:15	Mon 4	Council Officer's Meeting 6-7:15
Thu 10	Council Social, Rosary, & Business Meeting	Thu 7	Council Social, Rosary, & Business Meeting
Fri 11	Summer State Leadership Meeting	Sun 10	Donut Sales After the Sacred Heart masses
Thu 17	4th Degree Officers Meeting	Thu 14	4th Degree Officers Meeting
Sat 19	The Lovel Briere Memorial Bernie Tourney	Fri 15	Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord
Sat 19	Lovel Briere Memorial Bernie Tourney	Fri 15	Annual St George Marian Pilgrimage Aug.
Fri 25	Rainiers Baseball Game with Fireworks	Sat 16	Canned Food Drive
Sun 27	Coffee Hour at St. Mikes	Wed 20	Drexel House Dinner
Thu 31	4th Degree Assembly Social, Rosary & Meeting	Thu 21	Annual Northwest Clam Bake
		Sun 24	Donut Sales After the 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 masses
		Thu 28	4th Degree Assembly Social, Rosary & Meeting

For up-to-date event information, please visit our website at

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