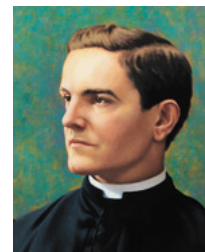




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September 2018

## SPECIAL OLYMPICS 50TH ANNIVERSARY

In June of 1962, Eunice Kennedy Shriver – sister of brother Knight and President John F. Kennedy – held a summer day camp for young people with intellectual disabilities in her backyard. She was inspired to do something for this group of children after seeing limited opportunities for them to participate in athletic events. This was the revolutionary moment that eventually led to the first International Special Olympics Summer Games at Soldier Field in Chicago on July 20, 1968 – 50 years ago – where about 1,000 athletes from the U.S. and Canada competed.

Since the first games, the Knights of Columbus have been there. Here are the highlights of the 50-year history between the Knights and Special Olympics:

### **Founding members of the Special Olympics were associated with the Knights of Columbus**

Eunice Kennedy Shriver's brother, John F. Kennedy, was a Knight. Her husband, Sargent Shriver, was also a Knight. He was a member of the Mater Dei Council 9774 in Rockville, Md.

### **The Knights have raised and donated more than \$600 million to the Special Olympics**

The Knights of Columbus has collected and given more than \$600 million to programs for people with intellectual and physical disabilities, with the Special Olympics being among the largest benefactors.

### **The Knights of Columbus has pledged to expand the Special Olympics**

In 2005, the Knights of Columbus pledged to raise \$1 million in a four year period to help grow the Special Olympics in North America. The Order also pledged increased volunteer support for state and local games, as well as help to expand the program to underserved countries. The Knights of Columbus has subsequently extended that commitment through 2016.



### **THE HISTORY OF THE KNIGHTS & SPECIAL OLYMPICS**

- Knights were among the founding members of the Special Olympics
- Knights donated more than \$600 million to programs for people with intellectual & physical disabilities
- Since 2014, Knights volunteered almost 4 million hours for the Special Olympics



### **HAPPY 50TH ANNIVERSARY!**

Follow @SpecialOlympics, @KofC Learn more at <https://www.specialolympics.org/>

### **The Knights donated \$1.4 million for the 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Los Angeles**

The Knights of Columbus donated \$1.4 million to cover the costs of athletes from the United States and Canada who travelled to the 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Los Angeles.

### **Since 2014, Brother Knights have spent almost 4 mil- lion volunteer hours toward Special Olympics events**

In 2014, the Knights of Columbus spent more than 800,000 volunteer hours. Every year since, the hours have increased. This past year, volunteer hours surpassed 1 million. In total, brother Knights spent 3,836,255 hours with the athletes. As Supreme Knight Carl Anderson stated, "We are leading the way not only in donating money, but in donating our personal time and effort." Happy 50 years to the Special Olympics!



**St. Pat's Talent Show**  
Saturday, September 22

**Oktoberfest at St. Jerome's**  
Sunday, September 30

**Men's Retreat at St. Jerome's**  
Saturday, Oct. 20, 2018

**Christmas Party**  
**at Msgr. McCall Hall**  
Saturday, December 15

## FROM THE DESK OF THE GRAND KNIGHT



Danny McConnell GK

Brother knights, greetings. I hope all is well with you and your family.

This coming year Supreme has made changes to the programs and directors' responsibilities to gear us more toward building the domestic church. September will be busy for us doing just that.

Please tell your priest that you support him and thank him for choosing to be a priest.

Until next time, Vivat Jesus

Your Grand Knight, Danny McConnell



## BOOSTERS

What is a Booster Club? It is an opportunity for like-minded individuals who want to help our Knights of Columbus charities to have a contribution noted each month in this newsletter.

If you would like to be a part of this, your first donation (you, for example) would be \$5.00; each additional name (your wife, for example) would cost \$3.00. Also, this would be a wonderful way to remember loved ones by posting their names for all to see. Please fill out the form below to submit names.

Here are our names for the Booster list:

Bob Anderson, Vice Supreme Master PSD

Bob Lamelle

Edgar Lecuyer

Anne Lecuyer

Dave Dumont, PFN

Thelma Dumont

David Ruppel

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Henry J. Cajiao

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## SPOTLIGHT on Bob Lamelle

"Variety is the spice of life" certainly applies to Bob Lamelle, this month's focus for Spotlight.

Bob spent most of his young life in Long Island, NY. Perhaps that's where he became a Yankee fan, but now living in the Tampa Bay area he "roots, roots, roots for the home team," the Tampa Bay Rays. More about that later.

After graduating from high school, Bob went to college and majored in Business Administration. While concentrating on Business Administration he became a part of the college's yearbook and newspaper staffs. "Back then we used something unusual to write with," he said. "It was called a pen." He slyly smiled. He also loved going to movies, so writing feature articles about movie reviews was easy for him. In time he wrote regular news stories and thought maybe journalism might be his calling. However, he ended up being a copy editor, which was not to his liking, so he shifted gears.

He landed a job with a drug store by the name of Genovese Drugs and was with them for several years as manager. He also worked for Sears and JC Penney as a salesperson.

While in Long Island, Bob worked for a movie theatre. It had 1582 seats. Among other things, he changed the marque, replaced burned-out light bulbs from a catwalk, and helped the projectionist keep the three projectors running smoothly. His assistant manager was a part-time magician, and he used Bob as a stage manager. "Naturally he explained every trick to me and that helped me get into magic (or illusions, as the assistant manager would say), but that didn't last long."

"Due to the cold and snow and my desire for something new, I decided to join my parents and move to Florida," Bob said.

While in Largo, he worked for York Air Conditioning, Hydraulic Supply Company, Kane's Furniture, and the Clearwater Housing Authority as purchasing



L-R: Danny McConnell, Grand Knight; Fr. Dominic, Chaplain; Henry Cajial, Outside Guard; Jim Blackwell, Financial Secretary; stand-in for Tom Walsh, Advocate; Jim Hand, Recorder; Ray Spurgeon, Chancellor; Gene Sanders, Inside Guard; Pete Grasso, Deputy Grand Knight; Fred Meyers, Warden; Edgar Lecuyer, 2-Year Trustee; Brian Higgins, Treasurer (hidden); David Ruppel, 3-Year-Trustee; David Wilson, stand-in for Trustee Ron Klemm.

manager. He jokingly said that his involvement with a company seemed to be a kiss of death for them. The York distributorship folded, Hydraulic Supply relocated to Ft. Lauderdale, the Clearwater Housing Authority closed their purchasing department, but is still going strong.

Bob decided to get his teaching certification in 2005 and has worked for Largo High School as a Social Studies teacher. Now semi-retired he's subbing, mainly at Pinellas Park High School. It's more for love of education than money, since a sub's pay is about 80 dollars a day.

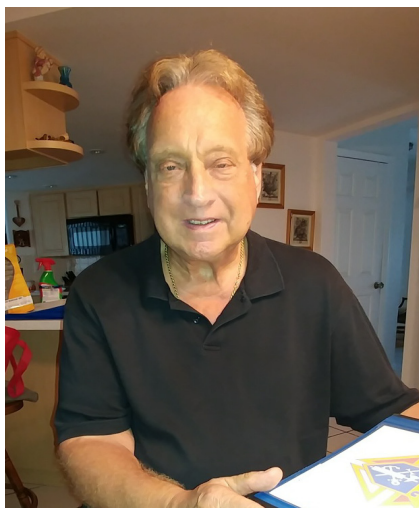
Bob also works for the Tampa Bay Rays in various capacities. He and his wife both filled out an application a few years ago and worked their way up. At first, they worked as one of the yellow shirted Fan Hosts which indicates someone who helps with tickets, escalators, and aisles. Bob later worked in the Draft Room, exclusively for season-ticket holders. He now is a part of the

Rays' Club, an exclusive seating area where drinks and food are free and where the "high rollers" go to watch a game.

After our interview, Bob took me to his Sports' Room. It is FILLED with baseball memorabilia, ranging from pictures to autographed baseballs (lots of them!). His favorite is a ball autographed by Joe DiMaggio. If my son-in-law ever visits us, he MUST find some time to talk to Bob and see his collection. He might want to camp in the room overnight.

Bob has a unique story about how he became a Knight of Columbus. "Around 2000, I learned that the Knights had a softball team, and I wanted to play with them desperately. The only qualification was that I had to be a 1st Degree Knight," he said. "How hard could that be?" So he consented. Lo and behold, at that exemplification, they had a two-for-one deal, so he got his 2nd Degree at the same time. Shortly thereafter, he became a 3rd Degree Knight and is now a 4th Degree Knight. "I have held many officer positions," he said. "I was Deputy Grand Knight three times." He is now content to sit on the sidelines and take pictures at various events.

Bob has a scrapbook about 3 inches thick of Knights' pictures, bulletins, etc. from over the years. It's very impressive and is a testimony of someone who knows how to collect and organize.



Bob Lamelle



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Men's Retreat

St. Jerome's Parish Hall  
 Saturday, October 20, 2018  
 9:00 Mass  
 Breakfast  
 Day of Reflection with Fr. Tom  
 Break  
 Final sharing of faith  
 Dismissal at 12:15  
 R.S.V.P. to [editorjhand@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:editorjhand@tampabay.rr.com)  
 by Monday October 15, 2018  
 Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus



Come join us at St. Jerome's Parish Sunday,  
 September 30, from 1:30 to 4:30.  
 Ticket donations will be \$10.00 for adults and  
 \$5.00 for children 3 - 12.  
 The ticket includes a choice of meat  
 (brats, hotdogs),  
 sides (German potato salad, sauerkraut, red cabbage,  
 and sauerbraten) and dessert.  
 German beer and wine will be available  
 for an additional donation.  
 There will also be German music.  
 There will be games,  
 a 50-50 raffle, and a Bake Off.  
 This will be an outside gathering,  
 so attendees are asked to bring  
 their own folding chairs.  
 Tickets can be gotten at the parish office now  
 or after any weekend Mass.  
**NO** tickets will be available the day of the event.



Msgr. McCall Hall  
 is reserved for a  
 Christmas party on  
 December 15. The  
 band will be Two  
 Dog Night. Mark  
 your calendars.  
 The tickets are now  
 on sale at \$25.00  
 each. The meal will  
 conclude and there  
 will also be an open  
 bar.  
 There are only 100  
 tickets, so don't  
 wait too long!





The Knights of Columbus are hosting an evening of great entertainment and better food.

Join us for....."St. Patrick's Got Talent".....

The Best Talent Show This Side Of Hollywood!!!!!!

We will be serving a tasty BBQ dinner for only \$10.00 a person. Kids 14 and under are \$3.00.

We will have pizza for non-BBQ eaters

We will have special GUEST Performers throughout the evening by some of St. Patrick's best.

Sign up to sing, play an instrument, dance or do a comedy skit.

Impress the Celebrity Judges and you might be the winner of \$25.00 in Fun Fair food and game tickets. Who knows, some of you might earn a spot on the Big Stage at Fun Fair to perform your act.

Contestants can perform by themselves or in a group.

The Knights of Columbus will be donating a sizable portion of the proceeds to the School for improvements.

It will be held Saturday, September 22, in the Parish Hall. Doors open at 5:30

Dinner from 6 to 7. Cash bar .Talent show starts after dinner.

Use the form below to sign-up for the talent show and purchase tickets. Make checks out to The Knights of Columbus  
Call David Ruppel at 727-560-0063 for tickets or details on the talent show.

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Yes I want to enter talent show \_\_\_\_\_

Parent must sign consent \_\_\_\_\_

#of Children Tickets \_\_\_\_\_ x \$3.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

#of Adult Tickets \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to – The Knights of Columbus



sacrifice, we pray that God will guide our nation in becoming one in which every human being is protected in law and welcomed in life.



This month, due to the historic moment in U.S. Supreme Court history, the Knights of Columbus is urging everyone to join the USCCB in praying a nine-week

Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life.

The novena begins on Aug. 3, 2018, and concludes Sept. 28.

Through our united prayers and



# THE LIVES OF SAINTS

## St. Vincent de Paul

St Vincent de Paul was born in 1581 in the village of Pouy to peasant farmers. There was in the vicinity a stream named the "Paul" and it is believed that this might have been the derivation of the family name.

He wrote the name as one word – Depaul, possibly to avoid the inference that he was of noble birth, but none of his correspondents did so. At an early age he showed a talent for reading and writing but during his childhood, he herded his family's livestock. At 15, his father sent him to seminary, managing to pay for it by selling the family's oxen.

Vincent's interest in the priesthood was largely with the intent to establish a successful career and obtain a benefice with which he could retire early and support the family.

For two years, Vincent received his education at a college in France, adjoining a monastery of the Friars Minor where he and others resided. In 1597, he began his studies in the Faculty of Theology at the University of Toulouse. The atmosphere at the university was anything but pious or conducive to spiritual contemplation. Fights broke out between various factions of students which escalated into armed battles. An

official was murdered by two students. Nevertheless, he continued his studies and was finally able to help pay for his education by tutoring others. He was ordained on September 23, 1600, at the age of nineteen.

This was against the regulations established by the Council of Trent which required a minimum of 24 years of age for ordination, so his appointment was appealed in the Court of Rome. Rather than respond to a lawsuit in which he would probably not have won, he resigned from the position and continued his studies. On October, 24 1604, he received his Bachelor of Theology. Later he received a Licentiate in Canon Law from the University of Paris.

Early biographies of Vincent describe his capture and enslavement during his two years away from France from 1605 to 1607. Subsequent biographies consider his enslavement a myth. The biographer Pierre Coste publicly confirmed the accuracy of Vincent's captivity and enslavement. Even so, Coste held the opposing view in private and questioned the reliability of the two letters supporting the account of Vincent's enslavement. To avoid scandal and possible backlash, Coste kept his doubt of the slavery narrative private. Other scholars argue that de-

tails of Vincent's captivity narrative are implausible.

After returning to France, Vincent went to Rome. There he continued his studies until 1609, when he was sent back to France on a mission to King Henry IV.

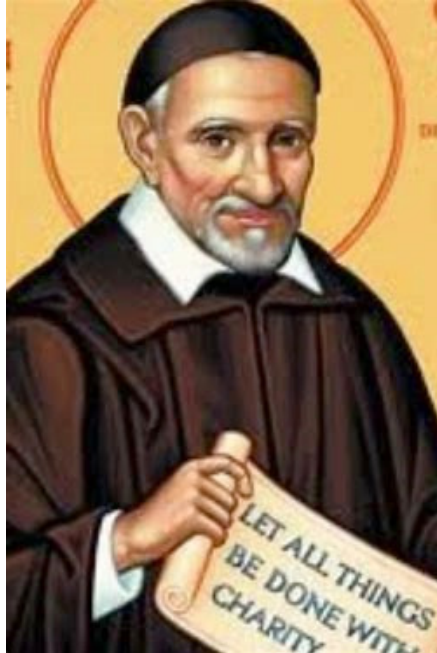
Preaching a mission to the peasants on the Gondi estates persuaded him that he should direct his efforts to the poor. It was the Countess de Gondi who persuaded her husband to endow and support a group of able and zealous missionaries who would work among poor tenant farmers and country people in general.

In 1617, Vincent contacted the Daughters of Charity and they introduced him to poor families. Vincent took them food and comfort. He organized these wealthy women of Paris to collect funds for missionary projects, found hospitals, and gather relief funds for the victims of war and to ransom 1,200 galley slaves from Africa.

After working for some time in Paris among imprisoned galley slaves, he returned to be the superior of what is now known as the Congregation of the Mission, or the "Vincentians" These priests, with vows of poverty, chastity, obedience, and stability, were to devote themselves entirely to the people in smaller towns and villages.

Vincent was zealous in conducting retreats for clergy at a time when there was great laxity, abuse, and ignorance among them. He was a pioneer in clerical training and was instrumental in establishing seminaries. He spent twenty-eight years serving as the spiritual director of the Convent of St. Mary of Angels.

Vincent died in Paris on September 27, 1660.



### 4th Degree Exemplification, 1914

"The fourth degree was exemplified in Edmonton on Dominion Day under the direction of Master T. D. Deegan of Winnipeg. The occasion was honored by the presence of His Grace, the Archbishop of Edmonton and several of the clergy. After the ceremony the Knights marched to St. Joachim's Church for Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, after which a splendid banquet was served, the toastmaster being Hon. Wilfred Gariepy, K.C. His Grace, Archbishop Legal was one of the speakers. Several other very pleasing addresses were made by prominent Knights."

(*The Columbiad*, August, 1914.)



# ANOTHER FAMOUS CONVERSION: NORMA MCCORVEY (“JANE ROE”)

Norma Nelson was born in Louisiana to an abusive mother, Mary, and a father who left when she was just a teenager. Her mother was an alcoholic, and when Norma was 16 years old, she married a sheet metal worker, Elwood McCorvey, and moved to California. She became pregnant with his child, at which point he became violent. They had divorced by the time the child was born, and she moved back to Texas.



Norma McCorvey  
“Jane Roe”

law which prohibited abortion. Due to lack of police evidence or documentation, the scheme was not successful and McCorvey would later admit the situation was a fabrication. She attempted to obtain an illegal abortion, but the respective clinics had been closed by authorities.

Eventually, McCorvey was referred to attorneys Linda Coffee and Sarah Weddington who were looking for pregnant women

seeking abortions. The case took three years of trials to reach the Supreme Court of the United States, and Norma never attended a single trial. In the meantime, she had given birth to the baby in question, who was eventually adopted. Ironically, despite being pregnant three times, McCorvey never had an abortion.

McCorvey revealed herself to the press as being “Jane Roe” soon after the decision’s issuance and stated that she sought an abortion because she was unemployable and greatly depressed. In the 1980s, McCorvey asserted that she had been the “pawn” of two young and ambitious lawyers (Weddington and Coffee) who were looking for a plaintiff with whom they could challenge the Texas state law prohibiting abortion.

In time, McCorvey became a pro-

choice poster child, working for women’s centers in Texas and California in the ‘80s and early ‘90s. But in 1995, Operation Rescue, a Christian group focused on making abortion illegal, moved in next door to the Dallas abortion clinic where she worked. McCorvey bonded with members of the group over time and was baptized in August of that year. She then became an ardent pro-life activist, and in 1998 she converted to Catholicism. Bill Price, the 1995 head of Texans United for Life said of her transition, “The poster child has jumped off the poster.”

After McCorvey’s 1995 conversion, she told the *The Washington Times*, “I am not a lesbian. I’m a child in Christ now.” She continued to live with her partner Connie Gonzalez in what she called a platonic relationship. In 2005, after Gonzalez suffered a stroke that left her mostly incapacitated and in need of constant care, McCorvey moved out, leaving her partner for good. Everything that tied her to *Roe v. Wade* was left to collect dust in Gonzalez’s garage.

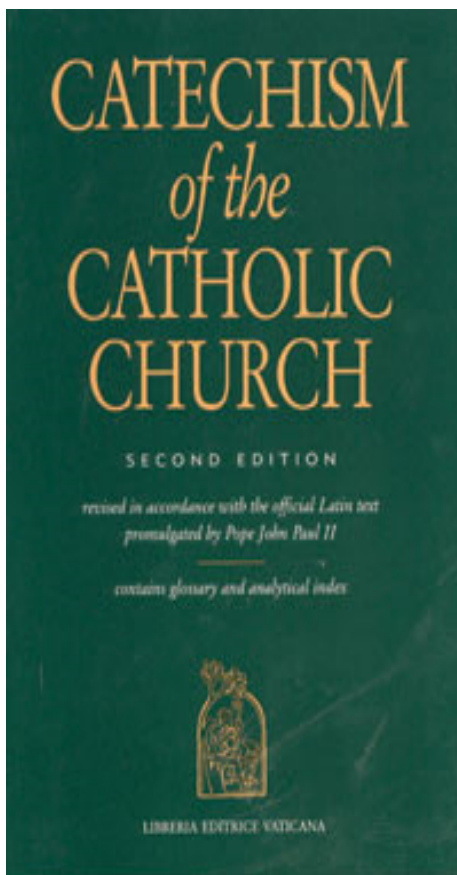
In 2006, McCorvey was one of the protestors arrested at University of Notre Dame. They had gathered to protest President Barack Obama’s commencement speech. Telling *The Guardian* that President Obama was guilty of “child killing,” she also said, “When I got arrested, I loved it! I felt like I was high. But it was a God high. I’d never been arrested before. But who better to be arrested for unborn children?”

McCorvey died of heart failure in Katy, Texas, on February 18, 2017, at the age of 69.



The regular monthly meeting was replaced by the induction of new officers, so there are no minutes for this newsletter.





## What does the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* say about....Judgment after Death?

1051 Every man receives his eternal recompense in his immortal soul from the moment of his death in a particular judgment by Christ, the judge of the living and the dead.

1052 "We believe that the souls of all who die in Christ's grace . . . are the People of God beyond death. On the day of resurrection, death will be definitively conquered, when these souls will be reunited with their bodies"

1053 "We believe that the multitude of those gathered around Jesus and Mary in Paradise forms the Church of heaven, where in eternal blessedness they see God as he is and where they are also, to various degrees, associated with the holy angels in the divine governance exercised by Christ in glory, by interceding for us.

1054 Those who die in God's grace and friendship imperfectly purified, although they are assured of their eternal salvation, undergo a purification after death, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of God.

1056 Following the example of Christ, the Church warns the faithful of the "sad and lamentable reality of eternal death" (GCD69), also called "hell."

1057 Hell's principal punishment consists of eternal separation from God in whom alone man can have the life and happiness for which he was created and for which he longs.

1060 At the end of time, the Kingdom of God will come in its fullness. Then the just will reign with Christ for ever, glorified in body and soul, and the material universe itself will be transformed. God will then be "all in all" (1 Cor 15:28), in eternal life.



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