

Knights Corner

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St. Charles Council #2084

This week we are continuing our discussion on Charity, Unity, and Fraternity, with the emphasis on the value of Unity. As unity rightfully follows charity, we can understand that it is in unity to the One Body of Christ that we come together and bring our talents in communion with the Body as a whole.

"I appeal to you, therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God— what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness." — Romans 12: 1-8

Who right now can not think of one person that exhibits any of these gifts that St. Paul presents to us? As I am writing this I know of at least 5 gentlemen within the Knights of Columbus that express at least one of these great spiritual gifts within our own council. But instead of simply using them on an individual basis those men chose to unite with others and become part of the whole. Then, when these men do get together and serve, in love, our community the effectiveness of those wonderful gifts are expressed exponentially. I have witnessed men teach, not only our new members looking to enter in the fullness of the faith, but each other. Exhorting and correcting our errors in forgiveness and love by sharing Church teachings and the Gospel respectfully. I have witnessed generosity of time, talent, and treasure without hesitation, in often a moment's notice. I have witnessed leadership and compassion intertwined so tightly simply so that projects/events/requests and services could be rendered and completed in unity with other brothers so that OUR Catholic Community could flourish. This is what I mean by unity. A unity where when one member is suffering the rest can support and strengthen them.

It is with this unity that I would like to invite all of you men of this Catholic Community to join us today. Join in something bigger than yourself, join the Knights of Columbus in serving OUR FAMILY. You can do it right now by going to www.kofc.org and clicking on the "Join Us" link and putting in Council 2084 as your requested council.

We, all brothers, are looking forward to welcoming you into the fraternity.

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