# **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**



Bishop William R. Johnson Council # 9487 Division 5 www.kofc9487.com Santiago de Compostela Catholic Church, Lake Forest, Calif. 92630



April 2013

# Grand Knight's Report March was a big month for Catholics

#### by Mike Sofka, Grand Knight

Over the past month, we had an opportunity to recall the origins of our Catholic faith in the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross as well as the founding of the Knights of Columbus. A priest, the venerable Fr. Michael J McGivney,



lived and died united to that sacrifice. Due to a convergence on the calendar, Good Friday fell on March 29, the day we also observe as our

Order's Founder's Day each year.

On that day we pay tribute to Father McGivney and the handful of laymen who gathered in the basement of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Conn., to find practical solutions to the problems Catholics faced.

As their spiritual father, Father McGivney helped these first Knights realize the meaning of their often difficult lives through union with the suffering Christ. Together, these men founded a lay movement in which they could serve God and neighbor as more faithful husbands, fathers and men of the Church.

Also in this past month, a new pope was elected.

See GK REPORT page 12



**MEMBERSHIP DRIVERS:** Brothers (I-r) Mike Sofka, GK; Bob Birtja, Ricardo Teano and George Nothhelfer team up at membership drive.

## Teamwork key to successful 2-day blitz for new members

by Ricardo Teano, Membership Committee

The Founder's Day Recruitment Weekend March 16-17 in front of Santiago Church was a blitz.

Brothers were able to gather 22 future Knight prospects, two transfers, and nine others who fully committed by signing Form 100 after the English masses. It was so heartwarming to hear so much positive feedback and praise for our Council 9487 from parishioners. The response from our one Spanish Mass at 6 p.m. was equally warm.

We got five bilingual prospects and one sign-up, a total recruitment effort of 27 future members and 10 incoming members. It was outstanding.

This successful blitz was a joint effort of excellent and persuasive pulpit announcements about the numerous benefits of our fraternal organization from our array of priests, Father Mel,

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## Annual Don Miller Memorial Golf Tournament coming on June 23

The Don Miller Memorial Golf Tournament, hosted by The Knights of Columbus Council 9487 is scheduled this year on June 23 at San Juan Hills Golf Club in San Juan Capistrano.

This event is open to all parishioners, men and women, family, friends and of course Brother Knights. This year we are adding a husband and wife or male/female team format. We would like to see more of the wives and ladies come on out and play.

The tournament begins at 12:30 with a shotgun start. You get golf and cart, dinner and awards banquet all for the entrance fee of \$125. There will be raffles, prizes, putting contest and much more.

See the full-page flier on page 5 of this Newsletter. For more information call Jim Marchetta at 949-355-3793. – Jim Marchetta, Event Chairman

### Co- Knights of the Month

## Pat Bole, Don Blankenship

by Roger Sonnenfeld, PGK

Yes, we have two Knights to honor this month, Brothers with much in common. They spend time together at many of our Knight functions but away from Church as well. They are truly an intricate part of the success we have had as a council.

It is with great pleasure we present Pat Bole and Don Blankenship as co-Knights of the month.

Pat has lived in Lake Forest since 1983 and was blessed by Robin when she said yes 32 years ago. Pat joined the Knights along with Sir Knight Eddie Brown back in the beginning 20 some years ago and since then has served the Church and our Council in many ways. Attending Saturday Mass, Pat enjoys time spent with God, Brothers and the wonderful music. Pat as most of you know is a regular feature in the kitchen cooking cleaning, serving or just keeping the kitchen

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# Family of the Month

# John and Penny Piccolo

We are pleased to honor John and Penny Piccolo as April's Family of the Month. John's most recent achievement is his appointment as District Deputy serving our Council as well at St. Kilian, St Nicholas, and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parishes. He has been a positive influence in bringing our District closer together by sharing ideas and encouraging Councils to try new programs. For the first time, all four Councils will be applying for State Awards.

Even with DD duties, the Piccolos are active at their parish. John is an usher at the 10:15 Mass at Our Lady Queen of Angels and the scrambled eggs chef at the quarterly men's breakfast. Last month he was responsible for bringing six men into the Order at the first membership drive at OLQA in many years. Our Council provided

#### See PICCOLO page 10

## Bill Breen honored April 20



This year's Day of Sharing will be held at Marywood on April 20. If you have not been before you owe it to yourself to attend this year.

This year will be extra special as we will be honoring Bill Breen as the Man of the Year!

If you haven't returned your raffle tickets please make sure to do so since this is how funds are raised for this event.

Feel free to stop me at the meeting or call with any questions. Vivat Jesus,

– Bernie Laituri

## District Deputy's Message: Consider attending First Degree ceremony April 23 at Santiago

#### by John Piccolo, District Deputy 102

With the District's four Councils serving our church at such a high level, it is difficult to write a short article. We all held a membership drive within the last 30 days. You did a great job garnering several applications for membership and a list of quality prospects. Our job is not done and we now have to take these men to their First Degree.

Please consider attending the initiation ceremony on Tuesday, April 23, at Santiago de Compostela in Lake Forest. This is our District's only First

Degree team and they do a great job. You have a choice where to take your candidates, but I would greatly appreciate supporting our District's only team.

Better yet, hold your own First Degree. Our Supreme Knight has authorized Councils to read the degree with the conferring officers wearing coat and tie. If interested, I will help your Council form a team. All you need is about four-to-six practice sessions and you'll be ready.

If you read the Order's by-laws, you will see having each Council initiate their own members is preferred. Please talk this over and give me a call.

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Next month is the State Convention in San Diego. Along with your Council's delegates, any Third Degree Knight is welcome to attend. You will see that your Council is part of something very big and through Unity, we can accomplish much more that acting alone. All four Councils have applied for state awards and with all you do, I expect you will be coming home with plaques. For more information go to www.californiaknights.com.



### From page 1

**RECRUIT:** 

Father Bill, Father Silva, and Lector, Brother Michael Lynch in the English mass celebrations and Hermano Emiliano Leonides in the Spanish mass.

Not to be outdone were the convincing efforts of the volunteer recruiting Knights who distributed brochures and flyers before and after the masses and most of all, answered questions, inspiring applicants to join the Knights of Columbus organization.

Imagine being part of an fraternal group that fills the heart and mind and gives the satisfaction of giving to others and the feeling that comes with making a difference.

Two tables of KofC brochures, Columbia magazines, newsletters and the legacy of Fr. Michael J. McGivney booklets were on display.

A huge recruitment membership sign n that cannot be missed was put up with care by PGK Dick Petrash.

Special mention to Brothers Ignacio Mena, Mario Leguizamo, Ben Niewinski, PGK John Piccolo, Robert Birtja, Martin Villafuerte, George Nothhelfer, and Ricardo Teano for their commitment in recruiting at more than one Mass.

The rest of the recruiters that we are so thankful to for their help and guidance were GK Mike Sofka, Brothers Dave Keele, Joe Schulte, PGK Bernie Laituri, Richard Pineros, Joe Merchant, Robert Borowski, Peter Kellen, Jim Marchetta, Frank Nieto, Ken Allen, Jose Lopez, Michael Lynch, Leo Alvarado, Garrett Blaney, PGK Bill Breen, PGK Steve Eggert, and Kevin Sabicer. Together we stand in supporting our family life and at the same time enhance our faith by efforts like this.



**THE COUNCIL** group included (l to r) Dominic and Jordan Rainone, Nancy Coulter, Charlie Young, Pedro Espinosa, GK Mike Sofka, and a volunteer.



John Piccolo and Ray Dunn (l) principal at Santa Margarita Catholic High School standing in front of the Special Olympic athlete's welcome tunnel.

## Knights 'do lunch' during special day at Santa Margarita

The Thursday morning of March 28th, nine members of our Council along with Orange County Chapter President, Steve Bolton, met at Rancho Santa Margarita Catholic High School.

Our mission was to prepare 1,250 bag lunches to be ready by 11 a.m.for hungry athletes and volunteers.

At 9:15 the assembly line was ready and the sandwich making began.

In no time at all, we were ready to start bagging and by about 10:40, we were done.

Each athlete and volunteer had a nutritious and satisfying lunch provided by the Knights of Columbus Bishop William Johnson Council.

We did something very special for our community and at the same time had a great time.

The March OC Special Olympics will be an on-going event for our Council and we look forward to seeing more Knights again next year.

We had a lot of help from Kelly Blue Book and the USC Club but it would be nice if we had at least as many Knights as outside volunteers.

Give it a try in 2014 and I promise you will be glad that you came.

Many thanks to our Council members who participated. They included GK Mike Sofka, Julio Martinez, Dominic and Jordan Rainone, Nancy Coulter, Charlie Young, Tom Murphy, Pedro Espinosa, and John Piccolo.

- John Piccolo, PGK

## **Annual Don Miller Memorial Golf Tournament**

June 23, 2013

Shotgun Start at 12:30 p.m.

San Juan Hills Golf Club 32120 San Juan Creek Road San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675 (949) 493-1167



Hosted by the Knights of Columbus, Council 9487 <u>This tournament is open to all players, men and women</u> \*\*<u>This year, we are adding Husband/Wife, Male/Female Team</u> \*\*\*

### Items of Need

Hole and Tee sponsors \$100.00 each Please include company info for your sign

### **Raffle Prizes Needed**

We take CASH donations

### **Volunteers**

Please call James Marchetta 949-355-3793 or 949-305-3051 or Peter Kellen 949-586-5088

### Mail Form to:

### Fee includes:

Golf and cart Dinner and Awards Banquet

There will be challenge holes and a Putting Contest. Prizes for the winners. Raffle Prizes, 50/50 drawing and much more!

Husband/Wife team will be paired into foursome, or you can put your own together.

ALL THIS FOR ONLY \$125.00 \* Extra dinners, \$30.00 per person

### Foursome:

James Marchetta 21742 Northwood Lane Lake Forest, CA 92630

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by George Nothhelfer, Program Chair

For March we made \$1,290, raising our all-time total earnings to \$358,597. The dedication that we have is great, ensuring us a very successful program.



We look forward to seeing all of you Saturday, April 13. We had another great day last month with the assistance of the teenagers. They are playing a significant role in our recycling program while earning community hours. Your help is needed to supervise the teens.

Thanks to the Brother Knights that came early to help and the kids who need hours.

The city of Lake Forest requested that we submit a plan for the entire church site. Provide a description of how the materials in the storage containers will be unloaded without using or conflicting with the adjacent parking stalls. There were numerous other staff requirements we are addressing to include a grading plan by an engineer that is being done for no fee.

If anyone has any leads on businesses to include architectural companies that have excess catalogs and are willing to donate their paper recyclables, let me know.

A special thanks to our Monday and Tuesday morning crew for all the dedication and extra hours they spend in making the program a success.

You have no idea what additional time and effort is spent by these people until you come and investigate. We invite any of you to stop and visit this important operation any time between 7-8 a.m. Monday or Tuesday. These people are not all retirees that help, several of us have full-time jobs. We generate 40 percent or more of our program from this group. We need more retirees to help for a couple of hours on Mondays and Tuesdays. Everyone has a good time.

Thanks and "Hats Off" to all listed below:

Michael Ulibarri, Dan Ramella, Richard Mills, Gerry H. Dubois, John Teeter, Stewart Imagawa, George Nothhelfer, Ricardo Teano,

#### See RECYCLING page 8

### Thanks to Monday, Tuesday Volunteers

Roger and Mo Boivin, Leo Alvarado, Jay and Joan Donahue, Gerry and Vivian (Viv) Dubois, David Farage, Hector Guzman, Bob Morgan, John Ojeda, Dan Ramella, Ricardo Teano, Otis Givenrod, Joe Schulte, Mike McCormack, Stewart Imagawa, George Nothhelfer, Alfonso Lopez, Chuck Agozino, John Honus.



**STUDENTS** Dorian (l) and Jade Selway on their first day of school.

## Help available for students in KocC families

My Brother Knights,

If you have a child or grandchild that has attended a Catholic school K through 12 or a Catholic college or university during the current Columbian year, Bishop William Johnson Council would like to help with these costs.

Simply submit a letter from the students that express in their own words what a Catholic education means to them (dictation by the younger students is acceptable) and a letter from the Knight parent indicating that you will accept tuition assistance.

E-mail those to Ken Allen at kenallenfh@hotmail.com or to the Grand Knight, or bring the letters to the general business meeting April 3 or May 1.

The letters must be submitted no later than the May 1 meeting.

The checks will be distributed at the June general business meeting on Wednesday, June 5.

Vivat Jesus,

Ken Allen, Membership Chair

### **PROGRAM CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Save these dates for upcoming noteworthy events. Also, refer to the Council calendar on the last page of this Newsletter. Call or e-mail the DGK and Program Chairman, Mike Sofka expk2wn@me.com; (949-338-7237), or John Blaneyjcblaney@att.net (949-632-5993) if you have an item(s) to present at the next Council General Business meeting. Email the Program Chairman with any articles you request be included in this Newsletter.

#### <u>April 2013</u>

4-5 Friday: Fist Friday Adoration..

4-1/2 Monday, Tuesday: Mobile Home Park recycling.

4-3 Wednesday: General Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m. (A decade of the Rosary will begin at 7:20 sharp).

4-6 Saturday: Recycling, 7-noon. Please help out for any time you can spare. Contact George Nothhelfer

4-8/9 Monday, Tuesday: Mobile Home Park recycling.

4-14 Sunday: Coffee and doughnuts on the Church Patio.

4-15/16 Monday, Tuesday: Mobile Home Park recycling.

4-17 Wednesday: Officers meeting, all are welcome.

4-22/23 Monday, Tuesday: Mobile Home Park recycling.

4-25 Thursday: Chapter Business Meeting

Look for more upcoming events by e-mail- E-mail Brother PGK Steve Eggert, steveeggert@gmail.cm. if you are not getting his e-mails

#### Scheduled Ceremonials First Degree

April 13: Santa Ana Council 1842 (Spanish) Immaculate Heart of Mary, 1100 S. Center Santa Ana. Candidates 5:30 p.m, Degree, 6. April 15: Fr. Kass 3526, Fr Kass Council Hall, 8410 Kass Dr.,

Buena Park. Candidates 7, Degree, 7:30.

April 18: Pope John Paul I Council 6020 St. Bonaventure Catholic Church, 16400 Springdale Huntington Beach, Ca 92649. 7, 7:30 p.m.

#### Second Degree

April 2: District 105 Holy Spirit Parish Hall, 17270 Ward St., Fountain Valley, Ca 92708 Candidates 7, Degree, 7:30.

April 10: St Columban 3926, St. Columban Council Hall, 7836 Westminster Ave., Westminster. Candidates 7 p.m, Degree, 7:30.

April 24: District 103 Our Lady of Fatima Hall, 105 Esparanza San Clemente, Ca 92672. Candidates 7:00 pm, Degree 7:30

#### **Third Degree**

April 6: District 98 St Vincent de Paul Parish Hall St 8345 Talbert Ave., Huntington Beach, 92648. Candidates 1 p.m., Degree, 2.

#### **Protocol for all Exemplifications**

Candidates and observers will dress in a manner fitting the dignity of Formal Knights of Columbus Ceremonials. Collared shirts, dress slacks, socks and shoes are the minimum standard. Shorts, tee shirts, sandals, jeans and similarly casual attire are considered inappropriate.

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Insurance Report Time to get 'insurance' check-up

by Mark Yubeta KofC Field Agent

Where did 2012 go? It seems like it was summer yesterday and Easter was last week.

The the first quarter of 2013 is already over, but hopefully, you've established a few goals

for this year.

I've learned a great tip regarding goals. • First, write



place you will see it often. Writing down a goal is the first step towards achieving it.

I don't know exactly how this works, but I've heard stories of the success this simple task can bring. Whether your goal is to exercise more, give more to charity, read more or watch less television, you're more likely to accomplish it if you write it down.

• Second, resolve to have an expert look at your finances. I recommend that you have a team of experts help you, and I should be among the first you sit with.

Schedule some time to visit with me, your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, and I'll provide an insurance check-up that will quickly identify any gaps in your family's life insurance program.

You'll want to fill those gaps now, not later. Unlike many other

#### See INSURANCE page 8

### March Program Highlights

#### 1. GK's Report

Special Olympics March 28, Santa Margarita High School; To make star council we need new insurance members to get goal, talk to Mark Yubeta.

Presented KofC shirt bearing his name to Fr. Mel. Accepted bid for recycling area. Introduced new member Garrett Blaney.

#### 2. Treasurer's and Financial Secretary's Report

a. Treasurer reported: Checking, \$ 9,494.46; Vanguard 1,
\$43,594.75, Vanguard 2, \$6,358.89. Total: \$59,448.10.
b. Cash Box, \$96; Recycling, \$1,290.85; Newsletter ads,
\$120; Religion Books, \$448; Lenten dinners, \$950; Dues,
\$ 2,993.70; Valentine's dance, \$ 3,490; Clergy night \$340;
vehicle donation-Ave Maria, \$ 1,020.18.

Total received: \$10,628.33

#### 3. Committee Reports and New Business

a. Mike Ulibarri: Valentine dance raised \$4,140, profit: \$823.
b. Recycle report: John Teeter says \$358,597 raised since program began; \$1,290 last month.

c. John Ojeda: Letter from our incoming Bishop; On April 20, Mary's Shelter will hold a fund-raiser.

d. Pedro Espinoza discussed Latin America/Anglo cultures.

e. Bernie Laituri: Adoration Friday is April 5, spend some time with the Father.

g. John Blaney: Extra funds needed for recycling area.

h. Jim Marchetta: Golf tournament is June 23, save the day.

i. John Piccolo: "Membership Top Priority," Power of One, one member per month. STAR council, need 16 new members.

j. Charlie Young: KofC new long sleeve shirts available for \$27.98. Also bocce ball tournament coming.

k. Ken Allen: Call for scholarship letters, submit them March-April-May, awards in June.

#### 4. 4. Insurance Report

KofC Agent Mark Yubeta discussed new product, disability insurance/disability income.

- Jose Lopez Recorder

### Catholic Men's Fellowship A spiritual call to action ...

Tom Murphy will give this month's talk. His talk will be on "Pope Francis and Charity in the Name of Jesus."

- Jay Donahue.

# **RECYCLING:**

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John Ojeda, Bob Morgan, David Atkins, Pat Bole, Don Blankenship, Daniel Azalde, Alyanna Fernandez, Andre Fadich, Joe DeProspero, David Keele, Alex Hurtado, Pat Larkin, Charles Young, John Blaney, Pat Walloch, Mark Keele, Madison McGrann, Ron Fernandez, Jay Donahue, N&C Newile, Austin Larron, Alfredo Garcia, Joseph Vincent, Myah Vincent, Joseph Vincent, Eric Yanez, Noah Cook, Mia Barrientos, Jillian Giorgio, Mathew Velasco, Monica Velasco, Camille Ismble, Nicholas Garcia, Michael Gutterrez, Alejandro Valdes, Eric Rodriguez, Alan Mendez, Bobb Gralot, Michael Sodon.

# **INSURANCE:**

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now, not later. Unlike many other products, you don't just need money to obtain life insurance; you also need good health, and no one knows when your health could change.

My check-up is free of charge. When was the last time you received something for free that could be providing value to you and your family for generations? Call me today at (949) 322-7266.

Sincerely and Fraternally, Mark.

# **Council 9487 Advertising Corner**



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# KNIGHTS:

#### From page 2

staff happy with a beverage or two. Pat finds joy in the kitchen, cooking with our Brothers. Pat and wife Robin take an active role in Fr. Marks Espwa as a volunteer and with badly needed financial help.

Our second selection as Knight of the Month also has a strong volunteer record, Don Blankenship.

Don is a regular fixture at the recycling table, leading the way at the separation table working with the young people of our Parish and fellow Knights.

It is with his focused attitude all the bottles, cans and plastic get to where they need to go. Don attends all Council meeting and Knight functions, always glad to lend a helping hand in support of his brothers. Again another shining star with in Council 9487.

We are blessed to have them both in our parish family and as a Brother Knights.

Congratulations to both the Bole and Blankenship Families.

# **REPORT:**

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A jacket and tie are the desired standard for ThirdDegree Exemplifications.

First degree candidates should arrive with a Council Representative, preferably the Financial Secretary, who has his signed form 100 that has been read and approved by the Candidate's Council.

The representative will provide the candidate's Rosary, Membership card, and copy of "These Men We Call Knights" to the Host Council.

He will also certify that the Candidate has signed the gainingCouncil's Constitutional Role prior to arriving at the Exemplification.

# PICCOLO:

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needed support to make this a most successful drive.

Behind each successful man there is great woman and this saying could not be truer in the case of the Piccolos.

They are most definitely a team and only with Penny's support could they serve our Church at this level.

They are the proud parents of five sons and three grandchildren. When you see John and Penny, be sure to offer your congratulations.

The Knights of Columbus welcomes inquiries from those who wish to contact KofC Headquarters:

1 Columbus Plaza New Haven, CT 06510 (203) 752-4000 Email: info@kofc.org

## **April Birthdays/Anniversaries**

01 Lisa Gonzalez	15 Pamela Finn	01 Joseph/ Lillian Vincent
03 Joseph Reinhoel	15 James Gilbert	-
03 Tim Morissette	15 Michael Benedetto	03 Charles/ Jill Young
03 Ricardo Teano	16 Steven Seastrom	14 Jeffrey/Theresa Carta
03 Richard Ingrassia	16 Alfonso Lopez	
04 Daniel Benjamin	19 Jennifer Jednoralski	19 Richard/Amy Quintilone
04 Kevin Griego	19 Reynaldo Martinez	
C C	20 Patrick Cardinale	20 Jeff./Kristin Rodriguez
04 Daniel Dulac	20 Mary Williams	
06 Nancy Coulter	20 Aida Zuniga	21 Steve/Joanne Dubiansky
07 Joe Zuniga	21 John Lucewicz	
07 Joanne Dubiansky	21 Richard Mulhaupt	22 Marty/Shannon Medina
08 Raul Castillo	21 Naomi Murphy	
08 Diane Dulac	21 Oscar Vargas	23 Joe./Margaret Marchica
	21 Elfa Ernst	
09 Kevin Iribarren	21 Minh Phan 22 Donald Church	25 George/Joan Loos
10 Pedro Espinosa	22 Donald Church 23 John Canal	25 Don/ Janet Lopez
10 Francisco Nieto	27 Barbara Ciolek	
11 D. Gionet-Gonzales	28 Mike Jednoralski	25 Robert/ Judy Morgan
12 David Schaefer	28 Gerry Dubois	
12 Kenneth Stashik	29 Christopher Detar	28 Joseph/ Patty Lopez
14 Robert Signorile	30 Steven Kennedy	
14 Marie Diaz	30 Denise Hartline	

## Send us birthdays, anniversaries

We are still looking for birthdates of Knights' spouses and anniversary dates. We don't need the years, just the month and day.

Send the birthday and anniversary information to john.ojeda@ cox.net or call my cell at 949-813-4320. et us honor the spouses who stand behind us.

Do you know that if you attend a meeting on the month you celebrate your birthday or anniversary you could win a prize? We are hoping to be able to save money by sending the Newsletter by Email to all with Email addresses and First Class Mail to those who do not.

If you are not getting weekly updates about Knight events then we do not not have your Email address.

Please send it to me.

– John Ojeda, FS

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## <u>G.K. REPORT:</u>

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Unlike other recent pontiffs -- John Paul II, Benedict XVI -- Pope Francis doesn't have a numeral after his name. That's because he's the first to take the name Francis.Francis is the first non-European pope in modern times. In the 8th century, a Syrian, Pope St. Gregory III, led the church, 731-741 A.D.

Pope Francis is just a normal guy. "The new pope is a very humble man," said the Rev. Eduardo Mangiarotti, an Argentine priest. "He takes public transport every day." He also chose to live in an apartment instead of the archbishop's palace

Francis opposes same-sex marriage and abortion, which isn't surprising as leader of the socially conservative Catholic church. Francis takes the helm of a church rocked in recent years by sex abuse by priests and claims of corruption and infighting among the church hierarchy.

All of these attributes, should serve the everyday catholic well. As the pontiff gets further into his papal duties, his conservative leanings should serve the Catholic Church well into the future.