



# Knights Digest



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## Roman Collar

Ever since his election to fill the chair of Peter, Pope John Paul has tried to build up the self-image of priests. He has stressed the dignity and the indispensable importance of the priest in the care of God's people. John Paul's encyclical "Redemptio Hominis," emphasized the indelible character of the sacrament of Holy Orders. The Pope spoke in a similar vein to a group of priests in Philadelphia during his U.S. visit in October 1979. "Fidelity to the call to the priesthood means building up the priesthood with God's people by a life of service according to apostolic priorities, concentration on prayer and the ministry of the word," he said. In Puebla, Mexico also in 1979 he said "You are priests and members of religious orders. You are not social directors, political leaders or functionaries of a temporal power . . . Temporal leadership easily can become a source of division while the priest should be a sigh and factor of unity and brotherhood." Some months ago Pope John Paul on his African trip told clergy in Zaire to leave political responsibility to the laity, adding that their role in another jurisdiction as priests of Christ." In view of those repeated comments by John Paul II, it should not have come as a surprise when the pontiff decided to instruct priests to abandon political careers and to return to pastoral ministry. The directive was sent to the bishops and religious superiors of clergymen in political life. Several American priests were included in this announcement. The Pope's decision has caused discussion in some circles, by it merely implements a long standing tradition of the church. Canon 139 of church law states that without apostolic authorization priests may not accept "public offices that entail secular jurisdiction or administrative duties." The Second Vatican Council stressed that political affairs were the special responsibility of the laity. The councils decree on the Ministry and Life of Priests states: "In building the christian community priests never should put themselves at the service of any ideology or human faction." "Rather as heralds of the Gospel and shepherds

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## First Friday

A Mass and discussion will be held on October 10, 1980, 8:00 p.m. at the Union Council K of C Hall on Jeanette Avenue, Union, New Jersey.

The discussion will be on "The Present Day Immigrants, Who are They?" Father Nicholas DiMarzio will be the guest speaker. Questions will be appreciated from the audience.

COME ONE! COME ALL! Both members and non-members are welcomed.

## Discipline in the Home

1. Among the many causes of delinquency and misconduct in young people, **defective discipline** in the home and family is another grave factor. Discipline here refers to the methods used in training, correcting, molding and perfecting the child. Discipline has both a positive and negative connotation. You can discipline a child by giving or depriving him or her of something. You can discipline a child by rewarding or punishing, by showing approval or disapproval. The molding of a child is a hard and arduous task requiring patience, understanding and love. Extremes are dangerous in discipline, because they represent emotional excesses of the parents.

2. Harsh and cruel discipline provokes fear, hate and guilt feelings, but no real respect. It is essential that a child learn to respect authority while young. This is not primarily the role of a school teacher or police officer. This is the parents' responsibility. One of the most important aspects underlying parental discipline is the demonstration of the parents' love for the child. This feeling of being loved gives meaning to the child's life. It gives the child a sense of security. Love is essential for a child. The warm relationship between a child and parents is of great significance in developing a wholesome set of ideals and in satisfying the wish for response.

3. a. The effective discipline needed in the training of children is the art of teaching and training the child in self-control and orderly conduct, and teaching the child to do what is right and to avoid what is wrong. Without this discipline the child become unorganized, indifferent and unhappy, becomes truant and difficult in the home, in school and in the neighborhood.

b. Parents must have clear in their minds what they want to teach their children, in keeping with their age and growth, especially during their teens and adolescence, not omitting proper sex education.

c. We know that children play up to the weaker parent and know the one who usually gives in. Therefore, effective

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## Blood Drive November 23



American Red Cross



## Chaplain's Corner

Rev. Ed Swierzbinski

It's easy to judge others and not ourselves. The following excerpts from the U.S. Bishops' "Pastoral Letter on Racism" should be read honestly and humbly.

### RACISM REMAINS

"Racism is an evil which endures in our society and in our church. Despite apparent advances and even significant changes in the last two decades, the reality of racism remains. In large part it is only the external appearances which have changed . . . Today the sense of urgency has yielded to an apparent acceptance of the status quo . . .

### THE PLIGHT OF THE POOR

"Our economic structures are undergoing fundamental changes which threaten to intensify social inequalities in our nation. We are entering an era characterized by limited resources, restricted job markets and dwindling revenues. In this atmosphere, the poor and racial minorities are being asked to bear the heaviest burden of the new economic pressures . . . As economic pressures tighten, those people, who are often black, Hispanic, native American and Asian — and always poor — slip further into the unending cycle of poverty, deprivation, ignorance, disease and crime . . .

### BROTHERS AND SISTERS

"We are heirs of a religious teaching which proclaims that all men and women, as children of God, are brothers and sisters. Every form of discrimination against individuals and groups — whether because of race, ethnicity, religion, gender, economic status, or national/cultural origin — is a serious injustice . . .

"God's word further proclaims that all people are accountable to and for each other. This is the message of that great parable of the final judgment . . . 'I assure you, as often as you did it for one of my least brothers, you did it for me' (Mt 25:40) . . .

### INNER-CITY SCHOOLS

"We urgently recommend the continuation and expansion of Catholic schools in the inner cities and other disadvantaged areas. No other form of Christian ministry has been more widely acclaimed or desperately sought by leaders of various racial communities . . . It would be tragic if today, in the face of crying need and even near despair, the church should withdraw from this work in our own society. No sacrifice can be

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## Knight of the Month October 1980



### Joseph Tortora

The designation of Knight of the Month for October is our resident green thumb, Joseph Tortora. A brother of our council for only two years, he has taken on a major responsibility of grounds-keeper and landscaper for our council, and a beautiful job he is doing. Joe has also dedicated his time at the Swim Club work parties and has given his expertise as the projectionist during the National Bowling Tournament.

Joe is supported by his wife, Dorothy and their three children, John, Nancy and Tina. They reside in Union and are communicants of St. Michael's Parish. He has dedicated 16 years to the youth of Irvington as a teacher in the school system.

Our council is proud to salute Joseph Tortora as Knight of the Month for October.

### CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

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so great, no price can be so high, no short-range goals can be so important as to warrant the lessening of our commitment to the Catholic education in minority neighborhoods. More affluent parishes should be made aware of this need and of their opportunity to share resources with the poor and needy in a way that recognizes the dignity of both giver and receiver . . .

### CHRISTIANS AND JUSTICE

"The difficulties of these new times demand a new vision and a renewed courage to transform our society and achieve justice for all. We must fight for the dual goals of racial and economic justice with determination and creativity. Domestically, justice demands that we strive for authentic full employment, recognizing the special need for employment of those, whether men or women, who bear the principal burden of responsibility for support of a family. Justice also demands that we strive for decent working conditions, adequate income, housing, education and health care for all. Government at the national and local levels must be held accountable by all citizens for the essential services which all are entitled to receive . . .

"There must be no turning back along the road of justice, no sighing for bygone times of privilege, no nostalgia for simple solutions from another age. For we are children of the age to come, when the first shall be last and the last first, when blessed are they who serve Christ the Lord in all his brothers and sisters, especially those who are poor and suffer injustice."

Our feelings about others begin at

### DISCIPLINE IN THE HOME

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tive discipline requires that both parents take a firm stand on orders given. Children will soon realize that the parents mean business.

d. The power of example on the part of parents is tremendous, either for good or for evil.

4. The trend today seems to be in the direction of over-indulgence with children, inclining toward more laxity than in previous years. Children need discipline and to deprive them of it could result in marred personalities and future adults spoiled in many ways. Discipline is essential for character training and children need it for a strong sense of security.

However, the characteristics needed in guiding the young are patience, understanding, and love. Parents who rear their children with love of God and who utilize the various spiritual aids available to them such as prayer, Holy Mass, the Sacraments and religious instruction will grow closer together and develop stronger bonds leading to fewer disciplinary problems and to happy family living.

5. The conclusion to be drawn from our study and observations is that the primary cause of juvenile delinquency lies in the breakdown of the family and of its duties to the children. Spiritual values are ignored, and much of our mass media and communications including immoral movies, television shows which cater to vulgarity and immorality, the accessibility of dope, alcohol, etc., make the role of parents more important and more difficult. Our youth needs supervision, guidance and even more, discipline. Society, in general, needs a good Christian leadership, that has courage, stamina and knowledge to guide and revitalize Christian values in the home, neighborhood, state and nation.

Vivat Jesus!

## Annual Halloween Party

On Sunday, October 28, 1980 we invite all children nine years and under to attend our Annual Halloween Party. Prizes will be awarded for the most original, funniest and scariest costumes.

The party will be held at our council hall starting at 4 p.m. thru 6 p.m. A special prize for all children who could scare me. See you all there. Don't forget. BOO!!!

Tom Burke  
Youth Activities Director

### SPONSOR A NEW MEMBER!

home, in our neighborhood and our cities, our state, our country and the world. We need each other — if one hurts we all hurt — St. Paul brings that out in his writing about the Mystical Body. It's up to us to reflect Christ's teachings in our words and actions. See you on the First Friday — 8 p.m.

## Council Officers

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## MONTHLY MEETINGS

1st Mon. ....	Council Officers
2nd & 4th Mon. ....	Regular Meetings
3rd Mon. ....	Swim Club
1st Wed. ....	4th Degree Officers
2nd Wed. ....	4th Degree Color Corps
3rd Wed. ....	4th Degree Regular
4th Wed. ....	Council Committees
1st Thurs. ....	Expansion Committee
4th Thurs. ....	Columbian Club

## ROMAN COLLAR

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of the church they must devote themselves to the spiritual growth of the Body of Christ." In 1971 when the World Synod of Bishops took up this question, they voted 143-1 against permitting the clergy to take an active part in politics unless special approval is granted in extraordinary circumstances. He remarks of the Holy Father, the Vatican Council, Canon Law and the Synod of Bishops, all stress that priests should be a sign of unity among God's people. Regrettably this does not seem possible for a priest in politics. The Roman Collar long has stood as a symbol of integrity, trust and harmony. But throughout history clerical involvement in politics has stained that collar with blemishes of doubt and discord. Hopefully John Paul's decision will help make the Roman Collar a stainless symbol of unselfish service to Christ and His people.

Jim Moran P.G.K.  
(Based on Columbia article —  
August 1980)

If you know of any Brothers, sick or in distress — call

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## Knights of the Month

Oct. 1959	William C. Fay
Nov. 1959	Bernard Godesky
Dec. 1959	Arthur Weber
Jan. 1960	Anthony Mack
Feb. 1960	Hugh O'Neill
Mar. 1960	Vince Squazzo
Apr. 1960	William Taylor
May 1960	B. Warren Hehl
Nov. 1960	Weldon Arnor
Dec. 1960	Norman Heim
Jan. 1961	Rudy Steiner
Feb. 1961	Ed Wargins
Mar. 1961	Frank Dickerson, Jr.
Apr. 1961	Tom Butler
May 1961	Walter Wasowski
Oct. 1961	John Foley
Nov. 1961	Tony Shans
Dec. 1961	Oscar Ernst
Jan. 1962	James Gardner
Feb. 1962	Julius Nick
Mar. 1962	Theodore Ebner
Apr. 1962	Joseph Gaynor
May 1962	Sam Plaia
Oct. 1962	Neil Hurley
Nov. 1962	Bruce Bentz
Dec. 1962	Walter Hoelderlin
Jan. 1963	Herb Klieniewski
Feb. 1963	Charles Lynch
Mar. 1963	John Robbins
Apr. 1963	Stan Rucki
May 1963	Jim Moran
Sept. 1963	Larry Pribula
Oct. 1963	Peter Genova
Nov. 1963	Henry Chemidlin
Dec. 1963	Mike Pacyna
Jan. 1964	William Stuart
Feb. 1964	Edward Majeski
Mar. 1964	Jim Looby
Apr. 1964	Jerry Shaw
May 1964	Joseph Mulherin
Sept. 1964	Joseph Noel
Oct. 1964	Gene Zelezny
Nov. 1964	Matthew Rinaldo
Dec. 1964	Patrick Gethins
Jan. 1965	Ernie DeLuce
Feb. 1965	Harvey Lewis
Mar. 1965	John Fleno
Apr. 1965	Frank Gillick
May 1965	Harold Cortese
Sept. 1965	Martin Farrell
Oct. 1965	Mike Reilly
Nov. 1965	Vinnie Iannuzzi
Dec. 1965	Robert Emery
Jan. 1966	Frank Pribula
Feb. 1966	John Mirynowski
Mar. 1966	Andy Tobia
Apr. 1966	Raymond Kosloski
May 1966	Jack Guidera
Sept. 1966	Anthony Sibilia
Oct. 1966	Edward Stonack
Nov. 1966	Frank Weber
Dec. 1966	John Boyle
Jan. 1967	Anthony Venezia
Feb. 1967	Joseph Hamryka
Mar. 1967	Saverio Bruzzi
Apr. 1967	Anthony Dunelewicz
May 1967	John Mageen, Sr.
Sept. 1967	Rudy Steiner
Oct. 1967	Joseph Leahy
Nov. 1967	Art Hertling
Dec. 1967	Ken Pinney
Jan. 1968	Walter Senko
Feb. 1968	Sal Tavaglione
Mar. 1968	Henry E. Smith
Apr. 1968	Larry Kuntz
May 1968	Raymond Sullivan
Sept. 1968	Vince Squazzo
Oct. 1968	Thomas Hornig
Nov. 1968	Robert Holler
Dec. 1968	Arthur Reinhard, Sr.
Jan. 1969	Lelio Linfante
Feb. 1969	Rocco Corbo
Mar. 1969	Joseph Bizzaro
Apr. 1969	Joseph Bilicska
May 1969	Anthony Capra
Sept. 1969	William Zurich
Oct. 1969	Dominick Zezza
Nov. 1969	Gene LaCompte
Dec. 1969	Joe McEnroe
Jan. 1970	John Picyk
Feb. 1970	Jim Ford
Mar. 1970	Robert Kolster
Apr. 1970	Jack Bruno
May 1970	Walter Guthreau
Sept. 1970	John Winters
Oct. 1970	Vince Zambolla
Nov. 1970	Timothy Hayden
Dec. 1970	Peter Martin, Sr.
Jan. 1971	John Poepoe
Feb. 1971	Michael Romeo
Mar. 1971	Patrick Brilly
Apr. 1971	Michael Ziobro
May 1971	Edward Kleissler
Sept. 1971	Peter Kozloski
Oct. 1971	Tony Piatkiewicz
Nov. 1971	Martin Veale
Dec. 1971	Leo Lupia
Jan. 1972	Henry Nadeen
Feb. 1972	Jack Killian
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Oct. 1972	Lou Olivieri
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May 1973	William Renner
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Nov. 1973	Frank Casenza
Dec. 1973	Robert Basmadjian
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Feb. 1974	Edward Izbicki
Mar. 1974	William Grosso
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May 1974	John Gill
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Dec. 1974	Ritchie Evers
Jan. 1975	George Arnold
Feb. 1975	Edward Brennan
Mar. 1975	Michael Tomko
Apr. 1975	Michael Hrifko
May 1975	Henry Mey
June 1975	Frank Weishapl
Oct. 1975	Ronald Mattusiak
Nov. 1975	Dominick Clementoni
Dec. 1975	Frank Dickerson, Sr.
Jan. 1976	Barney Capriglione
Feb. 1976	Jim Johnson
Mar. 1976	Roger Schur
Apr. 1976	Sal Massimino
May 1976	Joseph Saenger
June 1976	Harold Parrish
Sept. 1976	Mort Picone
Oct. 1976	Jules Pruszkowski
Nov. 1976	Cliff Morris
Dec. 1976	Steve Patrykowski
Jan. 1977	Antony Malinowski
Feb. 1977	Joe Porter
Mar. 1977	Alvin Dietlein
Apr. 1977	Edward Olas
May 1977	Jim McEnroe
June 1977	Andrew Popp
Oct. 1977	Al Falcetano
Nov. 1977	Wayne Williams
Dec. 1977	Robert Blake
Jan. 1978	John Guidera, Jr.
Feb. 1978	Dan Raimonde
Mar. 1978	Art Weber
Apr. 1978	Al Mench
June 1978	Tony Crea
Oct. 1978	Gary Hornig
Nov. 1978	Jack Kelly
Dec. 1978	Roger Burns
Jan. 1979	Carmine Venes
Feb. 1979	Milton Rij
Apr. 1979	Charles Poppe
May 1979	Martin Soos
June 1979	Frank Jakositz
Sept. 1979	Joseph A. Gluck
Oct. 1979	Leonard J. Pannucci
Nov. 1979	Joseph Halbing
Dec. 1979	Regis J. Connors
Jan. 1980	Edward M. Rocco
Feb. 1980	Phillip J. Spalletta
Mar. 1980	James J. Ruane
Apr. 1980	Michael J. Ward
May 1980	John J. Dzuna
June 1980	Robert E. Armstrong

## Knights of the Year

1958-1959	Vince Slavin, Frank Murphy, Bill Donnelly
1959-1960	Arthur Weber
1960-1961	B. Warren Hehl
1961-1962	Henry Skarbek
1962-1963	Gene Ecklund
1963-1964	Clifford Morris
1964-1965	Harvey Lewis
1965-1966	Jack Guidera
1966-1967	Donald Betz
1967-1968	James Connell
1968-1969	William Taylor
1969-1970	Walter Wasowski
1970-1971	Walter Guthreau
1971-1972	Sam Bruzzi
1972-1973	Vinnie Iannuzzi
1973-1974	Frank Dickerson, Jr.
1974-1975	Robert Armstrong
1975-1976	Dominick Clementoni
1976-1977	Rocco Corbo
1977-1978	Mike Tomko, Barney Capriglione
1978-1979	Arthur Weber
1979-1980	Andrew F. Popp

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Planning Calendar

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SUN.	MON.	TUE.	WED.	THU.	FRI.	SAT.
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Officers Mtg 8:00	7	8	9	10 1st Friday Mass 8:00	11
12 Columbus Park Ceremonies	13 Council Mtg 8:15 1st Degree	14	15	16	17 Fed. Mtg 7:30  Retreat	18  Retreat
19 2nd Annual Family Comm. Brkft  Retreat	20 Swim Club Mtg 8:00	21	22	23 Col Club Mtg 8:00	24	25 Council Dance
26 Children's Halloween Party	27 Council Mtg 8:15 2nd Degree	28	29	30	31	

## "Family Failure"

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3. A study, by Sheldon and Eleanor Glueck, indicated 90% of the delinquents come from ill-supervised homes, a) where there was no fixed routine, the children came and went as they pleased; b) there was no specified time for the children to go to bed, no specified time for them to do homework, no specified hours for meals; c) in many cases the mothers were either not at home, or if they were at home permitted the children to roam the streets; d) there was no team spirit or family spirit, no family recreation; e) many delinquents rarely went to church and there was no religious and moral training permeating the entire training process of the child. Then add the pornography, crime and all types of immorality depicted on television, which come into so many homes. It's almost a miracle when children escape such destructive influences in their growing-up processes.

4. The inadequacy of parental guid-

ance, training and supervision show up again and again whenever youth gets into trouble. The family is still unexcelled in matters of affection, love, response, enjoyable companionship and wholesome recreation. Concepts of right and wrong come greatly from parents. We must realize that the causes of delinquency are many. However, there is much agreement among sociologists that the home or the family is the primary and most vital influence in the life of the child, and that delinquency most often can be traced to some failure or disorganization in the home.

5. Divorce is by far the most common breakdown of the family and shows a definite relationship to delinquency. In the past century, divorce has been steadily increasing. Now there is about one divorce to every three marriages.

The effects of divorce are seriously harmful, not only to children, but to the couple, as well as society in general. There is no doubt regarding the relationship of divorce to delinquency. The field of social work consistently finds the

broken home a common condition in the life of wayward children. It is estimated that at least 200,000 children are affected by divorce each year in the United States.

Let us, therefore, use every means and power at our command to restore our families to Christ and His way of life.

Vivat Jesus!

## Editors Corner

I would like all articles in my hands by the first meeting of the month. It would be appreciated that all articles be typewritten. Articles may also be mailed directly to my home.

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