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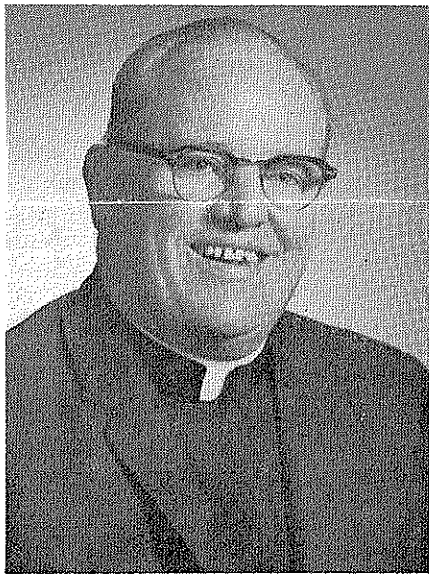
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CONGRATULATIONS, FATHER DRISCOLL ON YOUR SILVER JUBILEE



**OUR WORTHY CHAPLAIN
REV. JOSEPH F. DRISCOLL**

Rev. Joseph F. Driscoll was ordained to the priesthood in May 1942. He has served as Chaplain of our Council since its inception ten years ago. May we have many more years of his guidance.

A TRIBUTE

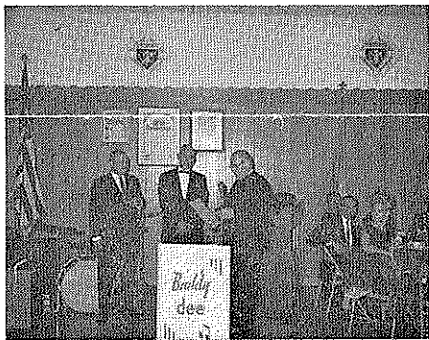
The Catholic Church has flourished for almost two thousand years; she has grown from a handful of apostles and disciples to the world's largest religious denomination. Many holy men have contributed to her development. This issue of the *Knight's Digest* is respectfully dedicated to one of these devoted few—our chaplain, the Rev. Joseph F. Driscoll.

What tribute can we offer a man who has devoted twenty-five years of his life to the service of his God and his fellow men? Are the accolades and honors we seek to bestow upon him merely reflections of our satisfaction with services rendered in confessions, Masses, novenas, etc. If we but acknowledge these, then truly we do not know the man. These services only supplement his priesthood, but do not form the basis for it.

Father Driscoll has sought to find the happiness of Christ in the world around him, as well as within the restricted confines of St. Michael's parish. He has tried to see Christ in his fellow Knights, in his parishioners, and in his neighbors in Union. He has proved that religion is not limited to the time spanned by a religious rite, nor does it exist only within the four walls of a church, rather it is found whenever and wherever the love of Christ exists.

In his twenty-five years as a priest, Father Driscoll has endeavored to set a living example of Christian love. His hand has been extended in friendship to both Catholics and non-Catholics alike. What better proof than his efforts on behalf of ecumenism in the township of Union? Here is a man that really lives his belief that it is more important to be a living Christ, humbly giving of himself, than to be a hollow practitioner of ritualistic functions lost in exalted aloofness.

What can be said in tribute to a man who so lives and so loves his fellow man? A man who has given so much of himself to us as Knights. The *Digest* is a symbol of our Council; Father Driscoll is all we as a council hope to represent. We see the two as one.



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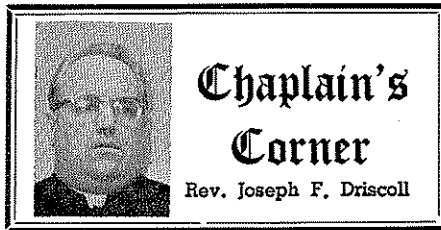
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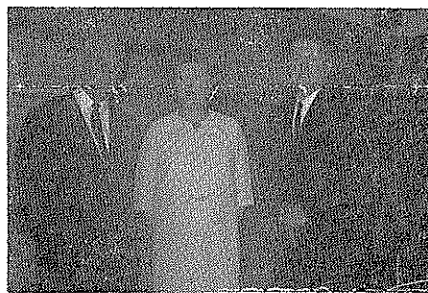
Rev. Joseph F. Driscoll

One of the most important contributions a Council may make to the life of its community is the example given by its members in their religious, social, and business lives. Emphasis then should be made by the Catholic activities each year in programs that provide the opportunity for each Knight to question the image he is giving in these areas of his life.

Your Catholic Activities Committee is aware of this analysis and is seriously striving to plan and arrange these opportunities. We ask you to take the initiative to speak with your chairman and cooperate fully with him. We ask you to sustain him and all the officers and chairmen with your advice and even more with your collaboration, your agreement and affectionate loyalty. To translate the structure of the organization into a successful effort of charity demands the realization of each Knight that he has pledged himself to a full participation in the program. Perhaps what is lacking in the program is your talent, your energy, your ingenuity, your spirit of enthusiasm.

Youth Bowling

The Knight of Columbus Jr. Bowling Banquet held on Sunday, April 2 was highlighted by trophies, prizes and a diskoteque. The children enjoyed dining and dancing to music of "The Other Half". Ann Noga representing Four Seasons bowling establishment assisted Grand Knight Walter Wasowski and Youth Activities Chairman Joseph McEnroe in making the afternoon presentations.



G.K. Walter Wasowski, Ann Noga and Joseph McEnroe.



Dancing champions at Youth Bowling Banquet.

IS GOD DEAD?

In every age since the dawn of recorded history, individuals have asserted with assurance and finality that God is dead. However, not since Friederich Nietzsche proclaimed, "We have killed God . . ." has there been so much generalizing and speculating on this alleged death. There exists today a small group of academicians, operating under the guise of theologians, who profess that God, if indeed He exists, no longer has an impact on the minds and actions of modern man. This concept of a sacred and powerful force—the Divine Creator, the Master of the Universe, the Ultimate Judge—has no place in man's thinking. As to Christ, he is viewed as something less than divine—a mere symbol of mankind's struggle for peace, justice, and equality.

The diminishing appeal of this concept of God is often traced to the technological advances of our age which supposedly render such notions as untenable. Is science truly the culprit or are these pseudo-theologians merely drawing the wrong conclusions from the broadened vistas that technology has given to man?

Man lives today in a truly remarkable scientific age and every discovery reveals more brightly the handiwork of a Divine Creator. In the past two decades man has made some of his most startling advances and in a spirit of scientific humility he is approaching ever nearer to a fuller understanding of the majesty of God.

What arguments can a Catholic scientist offer to these "God-is-Dead" theologians as a justification for his faith. He could demonstrate by mathematical law that the universe was designed and executed by a great engineering intelligence. He could show in the resourcefulness of life to accomplish its purpose, the manifestation of an all-pervading Intelligence. He could further illustrate the profound wisdom and provision of this Divine Intelligence, in the manner in which a few million atoms, locked up in an ultramicroscopic gene, can absolutely rule the heredity and evolution of all the earth's creatures.

Yet a simpler, but nevertheless substantial proof of God's existence to the scientist, is the fact that man can conceive the idea of God. The conception of God rises from a divine faculty of man, unshared with other creatures—the faculty called imagination. By its power man alone can find evidence of things unseen. Ultimately man's perfected imagination becomes a spiritual reality, and he discerns in all the evidences of design and purpose the one great truth—that God is everywhere and in everything, but foremost in the hearts and minds of men.

Grand Knight's Message

Walter Wasowski



The last issue of the Digest indicated our concern for a greater implementation of the first degree of our Order. On Saturday, June 3rd the membership of the Council will be afforded an opportunity to forge ahead in that direction.

The occasion is a dance, the first joint venture to be undertaken by Union Council Knights of Columbus and Gavel Lodge of the Masons. Our Civic and Cultural Chairman P.G.K. George Arnold and a committee from Gavel Lodge in planning for the function.

Proceeds from the dance, to be held at the Boy's Club, have been earmarked for the Joanne Walters Fund. A Union High School teacher, Mrs. Walters was the victim of a hit and run driver while traveling in Germany. Since the unfortunate accident she has remained in a coma. As a result the family is faced with ever-mounting hospital bills. We appeal to all to make an effort to be in attendance to join in a spirit of fraternity with our friends and neighbors from Gavel Lodge for this charitable cause.

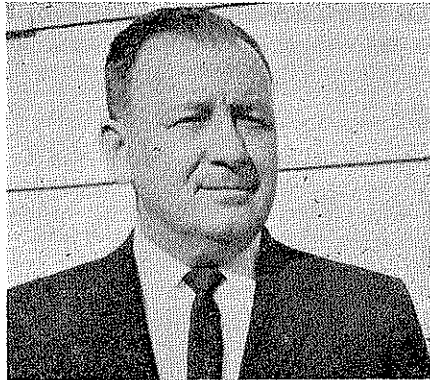
Congratulations to those members who received their third degree on April 28th. The degree was co-sponsored by Kenilworth, Union and Springfield Councils and honored State Deputy Francis J. Dailey.

Our best wishes to our Worthy Chaplain Father Joseph Driscoll who will celebrate the Silver Jubilee of his ordination on May 30th. We in Union Council have been privileged to have him serve as our Chaplain since the formation of the Council ten years ago. We pray that Our Lord in His Infinite Wisdom grant Father many more years of service to Holy Mother Church and our Order.

DEGREE CEREMONY

An exemplification of the second degree was held on April 17, for Seventeen members at our Council Home. Those awarded honors of the second degree were:

Basmadjian, Robert K.
Byrne, George
Diakunczak, Dennis J.
Di Stefano, Louis
Hammer, Henry J.
Linfante, Lelio M.
Patricco, Anthony C.
Trupiano, Rocco J.
Yarnish, Leon A.
Ziobro, Michael S.
Caproni, Louis J.
Cicetti, William U.
Deo, Anthony J.
Drury, Eugene O.
Gull, Joseph E.
Marzarella, James E.
Venes, Carmine R.



Knight of the Month

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ANTHONY DUNELEWICZ

The Selection Committee has chosen to honor Anthony Dunelewicz as May "Knight of the Month".

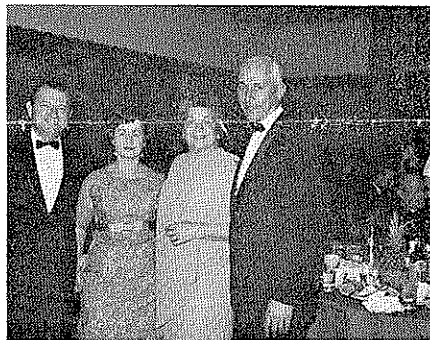
For some of the new members who may not know him, Tony is the man who recently followed you, whether at the Council or the bowling alley, soliciting ads for his Annual Grand Ball Journal, of which he was Chairman. Tony has devoted much time and energy working in all capacities at the Council.

Tony resides in Union at 900 Sheridan Street with his wife Jane and two daughters, Mrs. Carol Venes and Janet who resides at home.

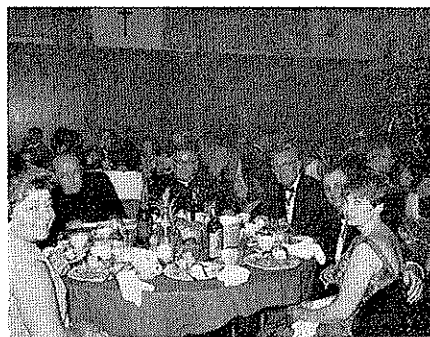
Congratulations, Tony, we are proud to call you "Knight of the Month".

Social Whirl

The Annual Grand Ball held on Saturday, April 1st was held in grand splendor. The red carpet treatment started at the curb with a covering canopy and an honest to goodness red carpet. This was nothing in comparison to the splendor that awaited us inside. Another triumph for Council Activities Chairman William Zurich.



G.K. W. Wasowski and Mrs. Wasowski chat with Mr. & Mrs. W. Zurich at Grand Ball.



Mrs. Wasowski, Fr. Driscoll, Fr. Grant, Dis. Deputy D. Burke, P.G.K. Frank Dickerson and Mrs. Dickerson at the Grand Ball.

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Scholarship Committee

The Scholarship Committee of Union Council will begin to accept applications for the annual scholarships for the 1967-1968 school year beginning April 15. The closing date for applications will be June 1. Early filing with the committee will be appreciated because certain confidential information must be obtained to aid in a fair determination of the recipients.

The \$100 scholarships are available to one boy and one girl each year. To qualify the applicant must be the child or brother or sister of a member in good standing of this Council or a deceased member of this Council. They must pass the Archdiocesan High School entrance examination and be accepted by a Catholic High School. Preference for the scholarships will be decided by the committee on the basis of need as well as scholastic ability.

The recipient of the scholarship will be awarded an additional \$100 each year upon proof of satisfactory fulfillment of the scholastic requirements of the high school. The maximum will be \$400 payable each year in \$100 increments.

Applications may be obtained from P.G.K. James R. Confroy, 410 Bergen Street, Union, New Jersey 07083. MU 7-2108.