

THE SHIELD

Souls who spread the honor of My mercy I shield through their entire lives...



Night of Knights

October 1

*The Vote:
What's at Stake?*

Fr. Rick Wendell, a priest from the Milwaukee archdiocese, will explain why the election on Nov. 2 is so critical. What is our obligation?

Evening's Schedule:

- 6:00 Adoration
- 7:00 Fr. Wendell
- 8:00 Benediction
- 8:10 Pot luck



Fr. Rick
Wendell

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Deo Submissus, in Deo Potens

Gentlemen,

Your support for the Knights of Divine Mercy in Madison is, in turn, helping to spread its graces to other parts of the country. The [National Catholic Register](#) published a feature story on our Catholic men's group in their online and printed newspapers. Other news agencies and groups picked it up and are bringing in even more support. Jesus Christ is rewarding us for your patience and hard work.



But the good news keeps coming! With the special help of Ryan Freng, our [website](#) is powerful and unique. But thanks to everyone involved in bringing this website, the 501C, and the by-laws to completion.

Ad Jesum Per Mariam,

Fr. Rick

Visit the new Miracle of Life Marian Shrine



Solitude, Rosary, Stations of the Cross, a peaceful country hillside~these await you at St. Mary of Pine Bluff's Miracle of Life Marian Shrine. According to Fr. Heilman, this shrine is a *sacred place where Catholics can come to honor the sanctity of life from conception to natural death, a place to meditate on the majesty of the Lord who has created all life.*

Man and Joy

*"Only when love
and truth are in
harmony can man
know joy."*

Joseph Ratzinger



KDM Missions

Pro-life

St. Michael is KDM's patron saint for his leadership in the battle against evil, and so, to promote holiness. He is a fitting patron saint for our pro-life mission, inspiring us to defend the unborn during the...

40-Days-For-Life
Sept. 22-Oct. 31

[Sign up for your hours!](#)



The project is funded through the sale of engraved bricks that honor living or deceased loved ones. Bricks in memory of miscarried babies will be placed at each child's burial site, and more will line the walkway surrounding the shrine.

The cost for a 4" x 8" brick is \$100; 8" x 8", \$200. To order a brick, print the order form from [St. Mary's website](#), or call 608-798-2111.

Take the short walk up the hill; linger awhile and pray.



Rediscovering Catholic Literature

You worked hard all day. But now, you're home; the knight is in his castle. You sink into your couch, and with remote in hand, click on the TV.



But first, think back to the days of St. Ignatius of Loyola. After his injury during the battle at Pamplona, Ignatius returned to his ancestral home in Castile to recuperate. He finished the romantic novels in his library and finally reached for the Life of Christ by Ludolph and The Flower of the Saints. By the grace of God, his reading transformed empty thoughts of chivalry into authentic acts for the love of God and Church.

Would Ignatius be a saint if he watched TV?

For us, the TV is an easier form of relief than a romantic novel. No thinking, just a click to bring instant visual pleasure. But if Ignatius lived today, would the TV keep him from his reading, and so, from the spirituality and dedication necessary to write the great Spiritual Exercises?

KDM encourages a return to Catholic reading. Instead of reaching for the remote, reach for the Imitation of Christ by Thomas a Kempis, Theology and Sanity by Frank Sheed,



Prayer Intentions

...Richard Blaney's recovery; Rest Haven
...40 Days of Life, registration
...holiness of KDM membership, their families, and all Bishops, priests, and religious

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[Triumph](#) by H.W. Crocker, or any book recommended in Fr. Hardon's [Catholic Lifetime Reading Plan](#).

Book reviews and picks

This newsletter will occasionally give you a book review. As a start, click here for a review of [Christ Our Joy: the Theological Vision of Pope Benedict XVI](#) by Msgr. Joseph Murphy. Next issue, look for Fr. Heilman's book picks.

Knight's Daily Prayer

Jesus, awaken in us the desire for holiness in our daily lives as men of the Knights of Divine Mercy. Help us to put aside fear and mediocrity, replaced with a renewed commitment to fulfill Your will through our prayer and acts. You are the Divine example of sacrifice, the Blood and Water which gushed forth as a font of mercy for us. We trust in You and through Your grace, seek to lead lives worthy of our Catholic faith and as examples to our families and to the world. Amen.

