

CONQUEST NEWSLETTER

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DEAR CONQUEST LEADERS,

Summer is here already! While it may be a time for a short break from the Conquest weekly activities, it is always good to try to plan at least one summer event for the group. Even something as simple as a Saturday at the park for a Conquest picnic. Also, make sure to check out all of the available Conquest summer camps and try to send a few boys to represent your group. Visit our website and click on the CAMPS menu. Have a blessed summer!

Todd Brechbill
Conquest National Director

CLUB RENEWALS & REGISTRATION



Last chance for the Early Bird! Save \$50 in the month of June on your annual membership renewal! Use the coupon discount code **CQEARLYBIRD50** on the [new store!](#)



NEW CONQUEST STORE
STORE.MISSIONNETWORK.COM

NEW CONQUEST WEBSITE:
WWW.CONQUESTYOUTHMINISTRY.COM

NEW CONQUEST CATALOG
COMING IN JULY!

JUNE SAINTS OF THE MONTH

BLESSED FRANCIS KESY & CO.



In the month of June, the Conquest and Challenge saints of the month are Blessed Francis Kesy and his 4 good friends. Their story below shows how they supported each other in living their faith and worked together to make a difference. That is why they are great role model for Catholic teens. In Conquest and Challenge, one of the big aspects is the team based activities and learning about your faith together. That is what Francis and his friends did for each other, even in tough moments. In 1939, at the beginning of the Second World War, Hitler invaded Poland. The Salesian Youth Group Center in Poznan was occupied and turned into a barracks for German soldiers. The young people continued gathering in the woods outside the city as well as in the city gardens. A number of secret societies came into being. In 1940, Francis Kesy and his four friends from his youth group were arrested

and accused of belonging to an illegal religious organization. They were taken to a prison and were tortured and interrogated. Following this they were taken to various other prisons where they were not always lucky enough to be together. In prison, they prayed constantly: rosary, novenas to Mary Help of Christians, morning and evening prayer. When it was possible they celebrated liturgical feasts happily in their cell. Their faith never wavered. They remained credible witnesses until the end. They tried to stay in contact with their families through messages they often succeeded in sending secretly. Taken back to Poznan they were processed, accused of High Treason and condemned to death. They were martyred on August 24th, 1942. They were beatified on June 6, 1999 by Pope John Paul II. Francis Kesy was born in Berlin in 1920. During the occupation, he got a job in a factory. He spent his free time at the youth group center, where he led youth groups and activities. He was a happy, good person, and was always ready to help others. Almost every day he went to communion; he said the rosary every evening. He was 22 when he died. Edward Klinik was born in 1919. He was timid, but became much livelier once he came to the youth group. He was a good student, responsible. He was 23 when he died. Jarogniew Wojciechowski was born in 1922. He was thoughtful, and would try to get an overall view of things to try to understand events. He was a leader in the best sense of the term. He stood out for his good humor and being very involved. He was 20 when he died. Czeslaw Jozwiak was born in 1919. He was known to be a bit hot-tempered,

but spontaneous, full of energy, ready for sacrifice, and positive. One of his prison friends wrote: "He had a good character and heart, and a soul like crystal..." He was 21 when he died.

Edward Kazmierski was born in 1919 and was known for seriousness, prudence, and goodness. He was able to develop his musical talent in the youth group. He was considered very deep and mature. In prison he showed great love towards the older prisoners. He was free of any hatred for those who were persecuting him. He was 21 when he died.



VIRTUE OF THE MONTH FRIENDSHIP

It may not be common to think of friendship as a virtue because virtues are habits or ways of being that we acquire with hard work and effort. But just think of how many times in the day you have opportunities to be a better friend or to show kindness to people in your life... Friendship and love are two virtues that you always need to put into practice in some way or another. Jesus showed us what true Christian friendship is.

“It is important to have friends we can trust. But it is essential to trust in the Lord, who never lets us down.”
- POPE FRANCIS

YOUCAT # OF THE MONTH

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HOW CAN WE RESPOND TO GOD WHEN HE SPEAKS TO US?

To respond to God means to believe him. Anyone who wants to believe needs a heart that is ready to listen.

Conquest National Camp 2015 – Call & Duty!

BUILDING MODERN DAY KNIGHTS



Conquest National Camp for 2015 – Call & Duty – Building Modern Day Knights only has a few spots left!

The camp will be held July 11-19, 2015 in Mount Joy, PA. **Registration will close on June 19th**, and there are only a few spots remaining! Register now!

[CLICK HERE](#)

- **Laser Tag (onsite)**
- **Knight Games**
- **Leadership Activities**
- **Spiritual Talks**
- **Horseback riding**
- **Sports & Fun!**

TRACKS:

\$399 - 10-14 year old boys – REGISTER [HERE](#)

\$200 - 15-17 year old officers – APPLY [HERE](#)

\$75 - Fatherhood Track – REGISTER [HERE](#)

Click [HERE](#) to view the official flyer!

28 Conquest Summer Camps in 2015!



Conquest will offer approximately 28 summer camps for boys June ~ August 2015. Check the Conquest website for a complete list of dates and locations around the USA and Canada. This is a great opportunity for boys to receive excellent Catholic formation while having a great time with sports, fun and friends! [CLICK HERE](#) to check for updates!

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