



The Messenger

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Palm Sunday



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Tax day and finances

April 16th (tax day) is right around the corner. If you have gotten the jump on completing your taxes, or are still trying to organize your finances from prior years, give me a call for some professional advice. The Knights have very competitive annuity accounts that can be opened for traditional and Roth IRA contributions and rollovers to ensure you are not overpaying taxes. Our whole-life insurance plans can be customized to your needs to minimize taxes to you now as well as in your estate.

To organize your finances consider consolidating your 401(k) or IRA accounts into an annuity with the Knights. If you have had multiple employers or investment professionals, you may have retirement plans scattered all over. If you would like to eliminate the hassle of eventually contacting and drawing on all of those accounts, consider rolling them into a Knights annuity and have a local source to coordinate your retirement draws when the time arrives. Knights of Columbus annuities have no fees that will detract from your investment returns. We will handle all of the paperwork for you, and tapping your retirement savings will be only a phone call away.

I am happy to meet with you – at your convenience and in your home – to explain in detail the benefits of opening a Knights of Columbus annuity, along with the benefits of our top-rated life insurance, disability income and long-term care insurance plans.

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Grand Knight's Message

Brothers in Christ

Brother Knights, hard to believe we are already two weeks into the Lenten season. As we reflect on these 40 days of Lent, may we look into our hearts and realize the many gifts that Our Lord has given to us. His many Blessings and Generosity is beyond reproach. Now, as we live each day of Lent, may we remember the the terrible suffering that Our Lord endured to free us from Sin. Then, we can look with great excitement on His glorious Resurrection on Easter Sunday. May He continue to Bless our lives each and every day!



Brother Dan Koshiol has organized a Rosary Devotion schedule for our SJTW Haiti team as well as our brothers and sisters in Bouzy. I encourage all Knights to participate in this blessed week of devotion. The schedule is: Mar. 2 6:30pm, Mar.3 4:00pm, Mar.4 10:00am, Mar.5, 6:30pm, Mar.6, 6:30pm, Mar.7, 6:30 pm and Mar.8, 6:30pm. All will be held in the Chapel. What a wonderful 7 days of devotion with our Parish.

Our last Fish Fry will be held on Friday, Mar.9. Please set aside that evening to help out in set up, serving, and clean up to make this a success. We need all your help because the Parish is having "One With the Cross" after. There should be many dinners served. Set up starts at 3:00pm and serving from 5-7:00pm.

We will be having the Recruiting Weekend on March 17 and 18. We need Knights to pass out information to prospective Men of our Parish to become part of our Council. Also, please contact me if you would be willing to speak to the Parish about what it means for you to be a Knight. I would appreciate your "voice" to proclaim the many virtues of being a Knight!

Guys, our sales for the tickets for our Raffle and Steak Dinner is slow. Please step up and contact either Larry Gervais or Steve Jacobs for your tickets. We must sell many more to make this a special occasion. Also, we are thinking about doing a silent auction during this event. Guests could bid on items donated by membership, maybe \$20 and up. Contact me with ideas.

Remember to put onto your calendars the Mass honoring our founder, the Venerable Michael McGivney on Sat. April 7 at 4:30pm. The Mass will be held at St. Bridget Parish Community's St. Austin Campus, 41st and Thomas Ave. N. Please celebrate the Knights Mass!

The Silver Rose, honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe will be available to us during the Month of April. Please let me know if you would be interested in organizing a devotion service. The Rose makes its way to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico on Dec. 12th for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

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FMSC Check Presentation

Grand Knight, John Yaeger presented Bob and Sandy Johnson, Parish FMSC drive co-chairs, with a \$500 check for our Council's donation to Feed My Starving Children. Also, this is in conjunction with Mega Pack Saturday that many Knights participated in. What a worthy cause to be part of!



**March 25th - Palm Sunday
Volunteers Needed!**

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The Council's final Pancake Breakfast will be held on March 25th Palm Sunday. It is our biggest turnout of our four breakfasts so we need plenty of help! Please put this on your calendar to help out.

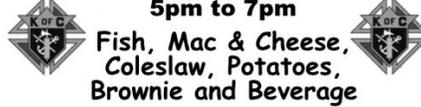
Please remember to bring your "40 Cans for 40 Days of Lent" that the Council is running for Lent. Bring a food item to SJTW and we will then bring it to Cross where the Council will receive credit for pounds of food donated. Large baskets are located at the two Church entries. Don't forget!

Raffle/Steak Fry April 21st.
Get your raffle ticket and enjoy an evening of fun and entertainment.

KC's Fish Fries- February 23rd & March 9th



**February 23rd & March 9th
5pm to 7pm**



Enjoy our delicious Lenten Fish Fry with Fried or Baked Fish.
Our Fish Fry is a free-will offering benefitting the Knights' charitable works.

Get your 2018 KC Raffle Tickets NOW!

\$100 donation includes: raffle ticket, steak dinner for two with wine & beer tasting and entertainment.
Contact Larry Gervais - 763 229-1971
or Steve Jacobs - 763 494-4407

March Knight of the Month

I would like to present the Knight of the Month to Paul Vandergon for all of his help in acquiring all of our supplies for the Fish Frys and also tirelessly trying to get the "best" deal for the cod. It is in short supply this year and the costs have sky rocketed. Paul has put a lot of time and effort into making our meals run smoothly! Thanks to you!

March Family of the Month

For Family of the Month, I would like to Honor Mike and Donna Hirschman for all that they do for our Parish. Mike is always at our meals tirelessly in charge of the dishwasher, a hot and sweaty task! Mike and Donna donate their time to our funeral program necessary to all Parishes. They are involved in other activities. Thanks so much for all you two do for SJTW. !

Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities



Our Annual Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities Drive will be held on April 20th, 21st, & 22nd. A few hours of your time will help tremendously. Families and friends are also welcome to volunteer. Mark your calendar to save these dates.



Who would have guessed that I could have a chance meeting with this ridged but stately fellow near the Gulf of Mexico.

Get your 2018 KC Raffle Tickets NOW!

Call Larry Gervais 763 229-1971 or Steve Jacobs 763 494-4407
\$100 donation includes: raffle ticket, steak dinner for two with wine & beer tasting and mystifying entertainment.

- DewDahMagic -

Creating a variety of magic, Kenny Dew It and Tod Dah! defy the laws of physics. From flowing silks to the clanging of chains and locks, disappearances, levitation, and appearing objects. With surprise appearances of oddball characters... Don't blink or you might miss the greatest opportunity to laugh, cry, or just have a good time.

District 52 Basketball Free Throw Championship



District 52 held its annual Basketball Free Throw Championship hosted by Council 9139 at St. Vincent De Paul on Saturday, February 17. It was a morning of fellowship, sportsmanship and competition for youth from St. Alphonsus, St. Gerard's and St. Vincent de Paul who won their Council contests. Each winner was presented an impressive District medallion and earned the right to compete in the Regional Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship at SVDP on Saturday, February 24. Winners of the Regional competition will go home with a trophy and earn the right to compete in the State Basketball Free Throw Championship on April 7 in Saint Cloud. More than 12 Knights from 3 Councils worked together to make this a smooth and memorable event, led by District Warden Kevin Ahlers.

SJTW voted not to host a Council competition this year, but even so, Brother Burt Martinson and DD Patrick Farrelly of 13359 SJTW carried the ball representing our Council at this District event. "There can be no District events without Council participation," said Farrelly, "and I'm grateful for the support of so many Knights to make this a fun and smooth event for the athletes, their families, and for all the Knights who helped! I'm looking forward to the Regional competition next week and I welcome all Knights to come and help or just watch. It's sure to be fun!"

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest



Winners of the 2017 Keeping Christ in Christmas Poster Contest were presented with certificates and cash awards at our Council's February meeting. Pictured from left to right are: Age 8-10 Allie Freed, Age 5-7 Olivia Dammann and Age 11-14 Nick Septon.



**First Fish Fry
Feb. 23rd**
*Thank you to all
volunteers! Your
time is appreciated.*



We had a good group of volunteers for our First Lenten Fish Fry and the weather was reasonable. We served approximately 260+ meals and raised about \$2,300, before or after expenses, I think. Everyone deserves a huge THANK YOU for giving up their time, it is well appreciated. March 9th is our 2nd Lenten Fish Fry and we hope to see everyone again.

2017 - 2018 Officers

John Yaeger	Grand Knight	763 420-5942
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Aaron Manse	Treasurer	612 202-0608
David Miller	Advocate	515 883-0316
John Jordon	Warden	763 557-6997
Don Berg	Inside Guard	763 551 4705
John Ruffing	Outside Guard	763 559 1668
Mike Johnson	Financial Secretary	763 498-2536
Fr. Mike Sullivan	Chaplain	763 425-6505
Patrick Farrelly	Trustee 3	763 218-3816
John Lape	Trustee 2	763 772-2481
Paul Vandergon	Trustee 1	763 494-3006

2017/2018 KC Calendar

March

- 9 Second Lenten Fish Fry
- 13 6:30 pm Officer's Planning Meeting
- 13 7:30 pm Members Meeting
- 25 Palm Sunday KC Pancake Breakfast

April

- 1 Happy Easter
- 10 6:30 pm Officer's Planning Meeting
- 10 7:30 pm Members Meeting
- 20-22 Annual Tootsie Roll Drive
- 21 Raffle Drawing and Steak Dinner
- 28 Ladies State Auxiliary Convention

May

- 8 6:30 pm Officer's Planning Meeting
- 8 7:30 pm Members Meeting

Plan to attend the KC monthly meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm.
 Contact Burt at martinson88@comcast.net with any contributions to our KC monthly newsletter.
 KC Council page on parish web site:
<http://www.sjtw.net/sjtw-knights-of-columbus>
 (under pastoral ministries)

Pray the Rosary
 The council will pray the Rosary together the first Tuesday of the month.
 February - Rosary is on the 6th
 March - Rosary is on the 6th
 April - Rosary is on the 3rd

Sympathy Committee
 If you know of a brother Knight or relative who is sick or in distress (or has passed away), please contact Brian Meline at silverado1947@yahoo.com.

