



The Knight Light -Knights of Columbus

Official Newsletter of Father
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Regular Meetings ~ 3rd Tuesday of each Month @ 7:30 pm
Officers Meeting ~ 1st Tuesday of each Month

Grand Knight's Message:

Brother Knights,

Years ago, in an aircraft maintenance hangar at Ellington Field, there hung a sign that read "If better is possible, good is not enough!" As the Lenten season draws close to an end, it is a good time to reflect on that message. How are we as Knights doing as "spiritual leaders" of our families? Are we living up to the vision of the Venerable Fr. Michael J McGivney? Have we taken time to meditate on or go to the Stations of the Cross? Or the significance of the liturgical color of purple? As Catholic gentlemen, how is our public witness? The beauty of the Lenten season is that, so far it does not have the distractions & stress that all too often comes with Advent and Christmas. It is an incredible opportunity as a Knight to reflect on what our King has done for us and how we should continually strive to be more like Him. If better is possible, is good, enough?

Viva Cristo Rey!
SK Charles Boutte

Deadline for articles is **8pm on first Tuesday at the Officers Meetings.**
Articles may be emailed to kofc8960@gmail.com

From the Desk of our Chaplain Father Jim:

Greetings my brother Knights,

It is hard to believe but April is upon us and so is the great season of Easter. As we approach Holy Week and the celebration of the Paschal liturgies I want to thank all my brother Knights for all the good deeds done during the season of Lent. The visiting of the sick at the V.A. hospital, the praying of the rosary for the unborn, the attendance at corporate communion, the hard work at the fish fry, and the list goes on.

Thank you!

Just a reminder of the times and dates for the celebration of the Holy Week liturgies here at Saint Helen and at the Co-cathedral.

April 9th ...Palm Sunday...Regular mass schedule

April 11thChrism Mass at Sacred Heart Co-Cathedral....7:00 p.m.

April 13th....Commemoration of the Last Supper and Washing of the feet....7:00 p.m.

April 14th ...Good Friday

Solemn Morning Prayer...9:00 a.m....chapel

Noon...Live stations by the Youth

3:00 p.m.....Commemoration of the Passion of Our Lord

7:00 p.m.....Commemoration of the Passion of Our Lord

April 15thHoly Saturday Vigil Mass...8:00 p.m.....begins in the Prayer Garden

April 16thEaster Sunday...Masses...7:00..9:00..11:00....1:00....(Spanish)....No 5:00 p.m. mass.

I pray that my brother Knights will try to attend as many of these Holy Week services as possible, for it truly makes for a celebration of the Resurrection when one can attend all the services. Just a reminder that if you are planning on coming to the Co-cathedral on Tuesday, April 11thget there early. There will be a couple of hundred priests, numerous deacons and hundreds of people in attendance. Parking will be in great demand!!!!

Speaking of parkingwe are at a point in our construction where about 2/3 of our parking lot is complete (the rest will be complete when we take down the Family Life Center)...until then please feel free to park in the newly poured parking area.....it will be striped as soon as construction is finished.

Please keep our construction and all the workers in your prayers.

It is my sincere prayer that you and your loved ones enjoy an Easter Season filled with the joy of the Resurrect Lord and are able to enter deeply into the Paschal mystery that we all so joyfully celebrate.

May God Bless you and yours.

Fr. Jim

Live Broadcast of the Holy Week Masses from the Vatican

The Vatican will be broadcasting live the Holy Week Masses on YouTube for the world to watch on their English language YouTube channel. Just search for “The Vatican English” on YouTube or go directly there at this link <https://www.youtube.com/user/vatican/featured> The schedules are only out for Palm Sunday right now but the rest of the week will come out shortly. The Palm Sunday mass will be streamed live on this channel at 3 AM this Sunday local time. That may be a little early for most of us, but the Masses will be stored as videos on this channel so you can watch them later in the day if you don’t want to wake up that early.

2017 Communion and Liberation Way of the Cross Houston

Spend the morning of Good Friday in a reflective procession from the University of St Thomas to the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. The Way of the Cross, hosted by UST and Communion and Liberation, will begin at 10:15 am on April 22nd in front of the Chapel of St Basil, 3802 Yoakum. Last year, more than 300 people in Houston carried the cross for the 2.2 mile procession, which includes five stations, a Gospel reading, reflections and choral presentations. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact 713-203-1566 or email cltexas@sbcglobal.net

PASTORAL YEAR PARISH

DIACONATE VOCATION ANNOUNCEMENT



With great joy, I wish to inform you that *Mr. David Hust* has petitioned for the Order of Diaconate in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston in Texas through the imposition of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit by his Bishop on May 13, 2017. On behalf of the Church, I want to thank you for your assistance in forming David during his Pastoral Year from 2015-2016. Please keep David and all our seminarians in your daily prayers. If you have any grave concerns affecting his ordination to the diaconate, please contact me in writing enclosed in a “confidential” envelope and address to: The Very Reverend Father Trung Nguyen, Rector of St. Mary’s Seminary, 984th Memorial Dr., Houston, TX 77024.

Increase your weekly devotions with Pope Francis’ Wednesday Audiences

The Vatican YouTube channel will be hosting the Pope’s weekly audiences every Wednesday for those who wish to view them. These audiences are the weekly address by the Pope to the world. Each week is dedicated to the Pope’s teachings on a specific theological or ecclesiastical topic. Many of these audiences are part of a series. Have you ever heard of the “Theology of the Body?” That incredible theological work from Pope John Paul II was actually a compilation of several Wednesday audiences he did. Each audience will start off in Italian but there will be a translation of the Pope’s message after the Italian in several languages including English and Spanish. If you wish to watch these audiences, just search for “The Vatican English” on YouTube or go directly there at this link <https://www.youtube.com/user/vatican/featured> There is a new audience every week as well as important messages from the Vatican if you wish to view them.

Website

Our council website is kofc8960.com is going strong. If you haven't visited it before, please do so to find a wealth of info about our council including every event that is taking place over the next few months on our event calendar or to read any newsletter including the current one in our newsletter section.

There is also a member's only section that you can log into if you are a current member of the council in good standing. Simply use your membership number from your membership card and your birthdate to enter this section. This section has several important areas of interest:

Updating Information

The member's list gives the roster of all the members of our council. If you ever change your email address or phone number (or know someone who needs their information changed), simply go into this list and find your name to update your information. You can post a picture of yourself also so the council knows what you look like. You can also directly email any other member of the council from this page if you don't currently have their email address.

Of course you can always email me directly at kofc8960@gmail.com when you have changes to your information and I'll make sure they get added.

Recording Volunteer Hours

Have trouble keeping track of your volunteer hours for the year. The member's only section has a great place for entering those in. It breaks the hours up for you into several categories. Even if you do keep good track of these hours on your own, please enter your hours here as you make them. The website keeps totals for our Grand Knight and Financial Secretary to know where we are, so it will be a huge help for the officers for you to take the time to enter those hours here.

Officers

If you are a current officer, there are a couple of forms to view the volunteer information of our council including form 1728. The lists give a per-member and council total breakdown of all volunteer hours in a nice easy to use format.

Easy Mobile Access

Through our partnership with UKnight Interactive, we also have a mobile version of the website. Check it out at kofcmobile.org This new mobile version makes entering volunteer hours a breeze. You can also see events at our council, neighboring councils, assemblies, and chapters, find major degrees in our area and much more.

Prayer Requests

Have a request for prayer for you or a loved one? The Prayer Request section of the website lets you submit them for the council to see. Check this section often to find out about the prayer needs of our council and parish.

News, Pictures, Comments

Please let me know if you have any comments or suggestions about the website or newsletter by emailing me directly at kofc8960@gmail.com

If you have any news or comments to be featured in the newsletter or on the website, send it to me at kofc8960@gmail.com by the first Saturday of the month and I'll make sure it gets in.

Dustin Meyer
Council 8960 Webmaster

Squire's Corner

The Lenten season is always busy. Squires helping at Fish Fries, Highway Cleanup, Altar Servers training, and packaging candy for Easter Sunday.

The Squires will be making up bags at the regular meeting Monday April 10th. During Holy Week many Squires are helping as Altar Servers and what an honor to do this ministry. The Investiture will be held at the May 8th meeting and the Seminarian Jose Alonso will attend this meeting. Happy and Holy Easter to each of you.

Al Stryk, Chief Counselor. Circle # 3437

Basketball Competition: Priests vs. Seminarians

Young, elderly and in-between are invited to enjoy watching the basketball game with priests against seminarians. Join the fun in watching and cheering. The event will be held at Strake Jesuit, 8900 Bellaire Blvd, Houston, TX 77036 on April 21st. Doors open at 6 pm. Free Admission / Donations Accepted.

Together In Holiness: A marriage Conference

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Chrism Mass at the Co-cathedral

Brothers,

This year's Chrism mass will April 11th at 7 pm at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. For those of you who have never attended a Chrism mass, it is one of the most moving masses of the entire year. Cardinal Dinardo, along with every single priest, deacon, and seminarian in the diocese and many of the diocese's religious sisters and brothers will attend this mass to renew their dedication and vows. It is an incredible sight to see every priest in the diocese along with Cardinal Dinardo consecrating the Eucharist in unison. This mass is also the mass where the holy oils used in our Church for baptism, confirmation, and anointing of the sick will be blessed by the Cardinal. If you have never experienced this mass before, please try to make it to be a part of this wonderful celebration. However, because of the large attendance at this mass you should be there at least 1 hour before the mass begins in order to get a parking spot and a seat. It will be standing room only very quickly so come early.

Stations of the Cross and Fish Fry

Every Friday during Lent, St Helens will be performing a Stations of the Cross at 4:45 PM and at 7 PM. The 4:45 event is led by the children of our parish and the 7 PM is the adult stations. Try to make one of these very moving displays of our faith this Lenten season.

Then from 5:30 to 7:30 the Knights will be cooking a fish fry for all to enjoy. It will be \$9 for adults, \$8 for seniors, and \$6 for kids. The Catholic Daughters will also be there selling deserts. Proceeds go to supporting our council and the charities we support. There will be no fish fry on Good Friday.

Make your Fridays this Lent days of prayer, fellowship, and charity as we celebrate the Lord together.

Gulf Coast Men's Conference

May 13th will be the Gulf Coast Catholic Men's Conference, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Doyle Convention Center (2010 5th Avenue North, Texas City). Second annual conference features Bishop Brendan Cahill of Victoria and Father Larry Richards of Erie, Pa. \$40 through May 3, \$45 after; costs includes continental breakfast and lunch. Registration begins at 7 a.m. Register online: gc-cmc.org.

Walk-A-Thon at Tom Bass Park

April 22nd will be the annual Walk-a-thon for the Society of St Paul at 8 a.m. at Tom Bass Park (15108 Cullen Blvd., Houston). Registration begins at 8 a.m., walk starts at 8:30 a.m. Support the Missionary Society of St. Paul (MSP) priests and associate missionaries to empower through education, building schools, providing aid and support to children affected by AIDS in the areas served by the MSPs. 713-747-1722; usamp@yahoo.com.

Prolife Prayer Service on Good Friday

There will be a prolife prayer service on Good Friday at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart starting at 8 am. The Prolife activities will include a stations of the cross at 8 am followed by a rosary and divine mercy chaplet at Planned Parenthood on 4600 Gulf Freeway.

State Convention

This year's state convention is coming up quick on April 30th. It will be held at the Hilton Anatole 2201 N Stemmons Fwy in Dallas starting at 1 pm. If you are at least a 3rd degree Knight, please try to attend this event.

VA Visitation Schedule

Brother Knights,

This year's VA Visitation schedule is as follows:

May 28, 2017

Please mark your calendar and join us to give thanks to our veterans for their incredible sacrifice. We meet at the Church in front of the Family Life Center at 8 AM and carpool to the VA hospital in the med center. If you want to drive directly there, we usually arrive at the VA on the 2nd floor at the chapel about 8:45 AM, start visiting the veterans who are there at 9 AM, and then do Mass in the chapel at 10 AM. We are always back in Pearland before noon. Come out and join your fellow brother knights in this very impactful morning with our vets. And bring the whole family!

Holy Week Schedule

Holy week is next week and there are several masses that are happening at St Helens and the Co-Cathedral to celebrate the Lord's Passion and Resurrection. Here is a list of those events:

Palm Sunday April 9th:

7 PM Regular Mass schedule

April 11th Chrism Mass:

7 PM at the Co-Cathedral (make sure you come early!)

Holy Thursday: Evening of the Lord's Supper

7 PM Mass followed by Adoration until 12 AM

7 PM Mass at the Co-Cathedral also

Good Friday:

9 AM Sung Morning Prayer in the Chapel

Noon Live stations of the Cross followed by Lenten soups (Helena Hall)

3 PM Passion/Veneration of the Cross

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3 PM at the Co-Cathedral

Holy Saturday:

Sunset: Easter Vigil Mass (make sure you come early!)

8:30 at the Co-Cathedral (make sure you come early!)

Easter Sunday:

Regular Masses except there will be NO 5PM MASS

Diocesan Radio Programs

Brothers,

In case you aren't aware, the diocese of Galveston Houston produces several radio programs on our faith and life around the diocese. Here is a list of weekly programming:

INSPIRATIONS (Hosted by Father David J. DuBois)

SUNDAYS: 6:30 a.m. KODA (Sunny 99.1) FM

LIFE TO THE FULL (Hosted by Madeline Johnson)

SUNDAYS: 3:45 p.m. KYOK (1140) AM Conroe 7:15 p.m. KWWJ (1360) AM Baytown

CATHOLIC LIFE IN THE ARCHDIOCESE (Hosted by various archdiocesan personnel)

SUNDAYS: 5:30 a.m. KWWJ (1360) AM Baytown 6:45 a.m. KYOK (1140) AM Conroe

OUR CATHOLIC VOICE (Hosted by Dr. Marcella Colbert, M.D.)

SUNDAYS: 3 p.m. KKHT (100.7) FM

SHOW OF FAITH (Live call-in program hosted by Father Mario Arroyo)

SUNDAYS: 7 to 9 p.m. KNTH (1070) AM

Pray As Brothers

Each month, brother Knights from our council gather on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays to pray together as men of the faith. Please try to make these events.

The 1st Saturday of each month is a gathering in the prayer garden to pray a rosary for the lives of the unborn children in our nation. The rosary starts at 7:30 AM in the prayer garden.

The 3rd Saturday of each month is a gathering at the knights hall on Hatfield Rd in the small hall to read scripture and pray together. The meeting starts at 7:30 AM.

Come and join your fellow brother Knights at these events.

Our April 1st RoadSide Cleanup

Thank you to all our Brother Knights who attended the last Roadside Cleanup. We appreciate all that you do to keep Pearland beautiful. Our Knights and Squires joined together tom make this day successful.



Another Successful Membership Drive

Thank you to all our Brother Knights who made our membership drive a huge success. We have several new applications to present at our next meeting.

Divine Office Readings

Deacon Steve will be conducting weekly readings from the Breviary or Divine Office on Monday thru Thursday. Come and join your fellow parishioners in this prayerful dedication to our Lord. It is a great way to strengthen your faith with your community. The Monday and Wednesday prayers will begin at 6:30 PM and the Tuesday and Thursday prayers will begin at 7:30 AM.

Youth Ministry Program

Our Youth Ministry program at St. Helen is in need of volunteers on Wednesday nights from 7:30-8:15 pm to help with parking lot safety and traffic control during dismissal. Our program on Wednesday nights has grown to well over 200 youth in 6th-8th grades, and we need help to get them safely into their parents' vehicles at night. All volunteers must have completed the Virtus Protecting God's Children training course before starting to help. I would appreciate all of your thoughtful consideration in this matter! If you would like to help, please call or email me so that I can know to expect you.

Stations of the Cross

During Lent, we would like to remind all Brother Knights that St Helen's will be doing a Stations of the Cross every Friday at 4:45 pm and 7 pm. Bring your family to these powerful events in remembrance of the sacrifice of our Lord. 4:45 is the children's event and the 7 is the adult's. Afterwards join us at the hall for our Friday fish fries starting at 5:30.

Fish Fry Fridays

This Friday will be our last fish fry this season. Bring the family out for good food and great company! Food will be served between 5:30 and 7:30 PM. If you would be interested in volunteering, please contact event chairman Andrew Boniface at [281-917-7336](tel:281-917-7336). Come to the Stations of the Cross starting at 4:45 at the church and then join us for these delicious meals.

April 15th: Missal Reading and Prayer

Join us for our next Missal Reading and Prayer Service. We will meet in the morning from 7:30 to 8:30 am in the KofC Hall on Hatfield. Please join us for coffee, donuts and good Christian fellowship as we seek the Lord together as brother Knights. If you have any questions, please contact Michael Rodriguez at 713-885-1274.

April 17th: General Meeting

Join us for the monthly General Meeting of our council starting at 7:30 pm. Come early at 7 for a meal provided by the council. Come and learn about all the events and activities our council will be holding over the next month.

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26 Council 8960 Church Membership Drive VA visitation	27	28 First Degree [Host: 10861]	29 <i>K of C Founder's Day</i>	30	31	1 Rosary for Life
2	3	4 Council Officer's Mtg	5 Scholarship Award Applications Due	6 4th Degree meeting	7	8
9 <i>Palm Sunday</i>	10 Columbian Squires Meeting	11 Galveston/Houston Chapter meeting	12	13	14 <i>Good Friday</i> Live Way Of The Cross ProLife Prayer Service	15 Scripture Study / Fellowship
16 <i>Easter</i>	17	18 Council Meeting	19	20	21 Basketball Tournament: Priests vs. Seminarians	22 Society of St Paul Walk-A-Thon
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14 <i>Mother's Day</i>	15	16 Council Meeting	17	18	19	20 <i>Armed Forces Day</i> Scripture Study / Fellowship
21 Corporate Communion	22	23	24	25 <i>Ascension of the Lord</i>	26	27
28 VA visitation	29 <i>Memorial Day</i>	30	31	1 4th Degree meeting	2	3 Rosary for Life

