



Knighly News - February 2016

Holy Spirit Council 7264

Weatherford, Texas

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Grand Knight's Report:

Dear Brothers,

February is here, and Ash Wednesday is just around the corner. Lent begins on February 10th, which means it is not too early to think about those special things that we intend to do in preparation for Easter. Most people tend to focus on what they can give up rather than the special things they can do during the Lenten Season. I personally feel that we should focus on the positive things we can do.

Some of the things to consider might be Praying the Rosary daily or at least weekly, attending Daily Mass, reading the Bible, being more generous, or simply praying more during the day. Lent is only six weeks long; certainly we can all do something special for Our Lord in preparation for Easter. We have all received so many Blessings from Christ; surely we can do something special for Him.

We will again be distributing the Lenten Collection Cans for the Pallottine Fathers. We will begin giving out the cans on February 6th and 7th, Ash Wednesday February 10th, and again on February 13th and 14th. We will need Knights at the back of the Church at the end of all Masses to help distribute the cans.

There will be a Knight in a Day event in Mineral Wells on Saturday, February 6th. If you have not made your 2nd and 3rd degree, this is a great opportunity to make both of those degrees. Several of us are planning to attend. If you are interested in going, give me a call at 817-723-9140.

The Burrito Breakfast will be held on Sunday, February 14th. We will need help that morning starting at 6 AM.

Our February Business Meeting will be held on the 9th. The Trustees will be presenting our charity budget, so please plan to attend.

God Bless,

Stan Stanislav

Grand Knight

Lent Fast + Give + Pray
40 DAYS OF RENEWAL



Prayer Intentions

At the January Business Meeting, we were asked to remember the following individuals in our prayers:

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| Andy Blanchard (RIP) | Betty Young |
| Bob Tracey | Bernadette Tallman |
| Pat Tracey (RIP) | Albert Allen |
| Marc Pariel | Lorraine Yaniko |
| Sue Martin | Jimmy Dixon (RIP) |
| John Young (RIP) | |

Saint Augustine's Prayer

Watch, O Lord, with those who wake, or watch, or weep tonight, and give Your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend Your sick ones, O Lord Christ. Rest Your weary ones. Bless Your dying ones. Soothe Your suffering ones. Pity Your afflicted ones. Shield Your joyous ones. And for all Your love's sake. Amen.

Neal Hoelting Recognized for Achieving 50 Hrs of Volunteer Service

At the Business meeting in January, Brother Neal Hoelting was presented with a council jacket in recognition for having surpassed 50 hours of volunteering to council activities, most notably serving as the 2015 Golf Tournament Chairman.



Grand Knight Stan Stanislav and Brother Neal Hoelting. Congratulations, Neal! And thanks for all the hard work!

Come Help Us Prepare and Serve



Lenten Soup & Sandwiches

Friday, February 26th

We will gather in the kitchen around 3 PM.

Texas State Council Educational Grant Applications Must Be Received By March 1st



Knights of Columbus
Texas State Council

The Texas State Council awards at least one \$1,000 Educational Grant

per diocese each year, and this year our diocese is eligible to have two grant winners. All winners will be announced at the Annual State Convention.

These are not scholarships, but Educational Grants based on "need" for education in a University, College, Junior College, Technical School, Business School, or Seminary.

This program is open to all Knights and any of their family members, so if you or someone you know is interested in applying, please go to the Texas State Council website for complete details, including eligibility requirements and application information.

Here is a link to the [application form](#), or you can contact John Achtyl or Lawrence Bierschenk if you would like to have a paper copy sent to you.

<http://www.tkofc.org/programs/v/educational-grant-programs>



Saint of the Month for February — Saint Jerome Emiliani

February 8th is the Feast Day for Saint Jerome Emiliani. Saint Jerome is the patron saint of abandoned children and orphans. Born in 1486 in Venice, Italy to wealthy parents, he left home at the age of 15 and eventually became a soldier for the city-state of Venice. He was captured by forces from the League of Cambrai and imprisoned in a dungeon. While chained in the dungeon, he learned to pray. It is said that he prayed to Our Lady and was miraculously freed and was thought to have hanged his chains in a nearby church in Treviso, having been freed from a physical prison as well as a spiritual one.

He returned to Venice and began studies for the priesthood. When plague and famine swept through northern Italy, he cared for the sick and fed the hungry at his own expense.

While doing so, he resolved to devote himself and his worldly goods to others, in particular to abandoned children. He founded orphanages in other cities in addition to founding a hospital and a shelter for penitent prostitutes. In 1532, he and two other priests founded the Clerks of Regular Somasca, which was dedicated to the care of orphans and educating the young. While tending the sick, he fell ill himself and died as a result of caring for them in 1537. He was canonized by Pope Clement XIII in 1767.



Caboni Antonio, St Jerome Emiliani, 1844, 19th Century, canvas, Italy, Sardegna, Cagliari, San Lucifero Church.

Deuteronomy 24:19

"When you reap the harvest in your field and have forgotten a sheaf in the field, you shall not go back to get it; let it be for the resident alien, the orphan, and the widow, so that the Lord, your God, may bless you in all your undertakings."

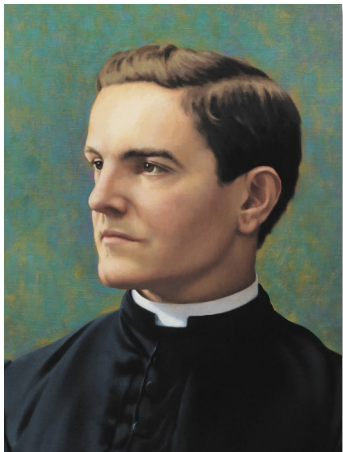


A Prayer to Saint Jerome Emiliani —

O St. Jerome Emiliani, our country is in such need of your powerful intercession before the throne of God. So many children are orphans of broken homes, some are missing and others have been used for evil purposes on our city streets. Even worse than this, people are killing children before they are even born.

Inspire parents to adopt orphans. Help us to have your fervor for all children, especially those in most need. Finally, we ask you to transform us into children so that we may one day enter the Kingdom of Heaven and with you praise the Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit forever. Amen.





Our Founder
Fr. Michael McGivney

Upcoming Events:

Feb 14th @ 6 AM
Burrito Breakfast

Feb 26th @ 3 PM
Lenten Soup
And Sandwiches

Mar 13th @ 6 AM
Burrito Breakfast

Mar 26th @ 12 PM
Easter Egg Hunt

Upcoming Meetings:

Feb 9th @ 7:30 PM
Business Meeting

Feb 23th @ 7 PM
Planning Meeting

Mar 8th @ 7:30 PM
Business Meeting

Mar 22nd @ 7 PM
Planning Meeting

Remember to visit the

Council Website:

kofc7264.org

Knights of Columbus Holy Spirit Council 7264
Business Meeting Minutes for January 12, 2016

- Meeting called to order at 7:34 PM by Stan Stanislav
- Roll Call of Officers: (P)resent, (E)xcused, (A)bsent
 - ▣ **Chaplain** (Fr. John Karanja) (A)
 - ▣ **Grand Knight** (Stan Stanislav) (P)
 - ▣ **Deputy Grand Knight** (Dave Straka) (P)
 - ▣ **Chancellor** (Francis Roterling) (P)
 - ▣ **Recorder** (Ray Carr) (P)
 - ▣ **Financial Secretary** (John Achtyl) (P)
 - ▣ **Treasurer** (Derrick Rice) (P)
 - ▣ **Lecturer** (Robert Tracey) (E)
 - ▣ **Advocate** (Lawrence Bierschenk) (P)
 - ▣ **Warden** (Hector Arevalo) (P)
 - ▣ **Inside Guard** (Robert Picha) (P)
 - ▣ **Outside Guard** (Charles Clark) (P)
 - ▣ **Trustee 3rd Year** (David Yaniko) (P)
 - ▣ **Trustee 2nd Year** (James Nowak) (E)
 - ▣ **Trustee 1st Year** (Joseph Wright) (P)
- Chaplain Report — no report
- Minutes of Previous Meeting were approved as published.
- Membership
 - ◊ Hector Arevalo reported that we have one new member application, Faust Parker, a retired chemist from Houston who has been at Saint Stephen from about a year. Motion by Dave Straka to accept, seconded by Adam Mann. Passed.
- Grand Knight Report
 - ◊ The Corporate Communion is this coming Sunday, January 17th, at the 12:30 PM mass; therefore, we will not have a First Degree ceremony this month. However, Mineral Wells will be hosting another “Knight in a Day” on February 6th, so that’s an excellent opportunity for our new members to make their First and/or Second and Third Degrees.
 - ◊ Thanks to everyone who came out and supported the Weatherford Nursing Home visit last month, with special thanks to Dave Straka for doing a great job organizing it all. In addition to the many gifts donated by Saint Stephen parish, we also donated one of our Knights of Columbus wheel chairs.
 - ◊ Reminder to submit any charity recommendations to the Trustees as soon as possible.
- Treasurer Report was read and accepted.
- Communications
 - ◊ One “Thank You” letter was read from Jonathan Demma for our \$100 seminarian support gift last month. Two Christmas cards were read — one from Father Casey, and one from Dennis and Debbie Stark from “What’s My Name”.
- Financial Secretary Report
 - ◊ Council Statement and Fraternal Survey are due, and have been submitted.
 - ◊ The annual audit is due by February 17th.

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Prayer for Vocations

Father, you call each one of us by name and ask us to follow you.

Bless your church by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve your people as Sisters, Priests, Brothers, Deacons, and Lay Ministers.

Inspire us as we grow to know you, and open our hearts to hear your call.

We ask this in Jesus name. Amen.

Links to other Publications



Please send inputs and/or suggestions for the newsletter to:

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- Financial Secretary Report (continued)
 - ◊ 49 members still need to pay their 2016 dues.
- Trustees Report
 - ◊ Everything is set to conduct the annual audit, and the Trustees will schedule a meeting complete it.
- Program Chair Report
 - ◊ Our next Patriotic Rosary will be Tuesday, January 19th, 2016 at 7 PM at the chapel on main street. Volunteers are needed for the readings.
 - ◊ The Easter Egg Hunt will be on March 26th. Setup will start at 12 PM at the Club House.
- Old Business — none
- Unfinished Business
 - ◊ The Hike for Life will be Saturday, January 23rd, 2016 (rain or shine). Please show up at 1 PM to get organized. The event starts at 1:30 PM, with the hike stepping off at 2 PM. We will serve hotdogs after the hike, and Leonard Wright is taking care of the food again this year.
- New Business
 - ◊ Motion by Dave Yaniko to donate \$625 to the Hike for Life, seconded by Adam Mann. Passed. For reference, \$625 is the amount Hike for Life says is needed to save one life.
 - ◊ We will distribute the Pallottine Mission cans for Lent again this year. 200 more will be ordered.
 - ◊ We received our annual insurance bill in the amount of \$577.51. Motion by Adam Mann to pay it, seconded by Dave Yaniko. Passed.
 - ◊ The Texas State Council is awarding Educational Grants again this year. Two \$1,000 grants will be awarded within our diocese. Applications must be submitted by March 1st.
 - ◊ Discussion on the upcoming Charity Dinner. Motion by Matt Casey to schedule it for April 14th, seconded by Ray Carr. Passed.
- Meeting closed at 8:30 PM by Stan Stanislav.

Knights of Columbus Insurance

Please contact our council's insurance agent, Terry Peffers, if you are interested in information on any of the various Knights of Columbus insurance products, or if you would like to have a review of your insurance needs.



R Terry Peffers

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YOUR SHIELD FOR LIFE

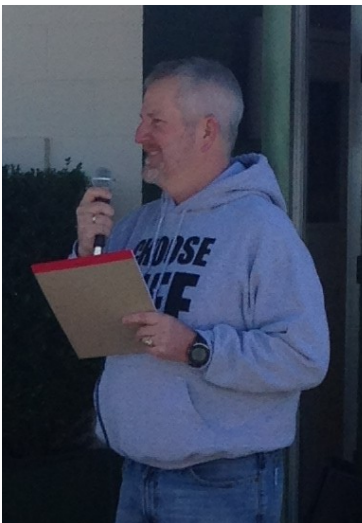




Weatherford Hike For Life — January 23rd, 2016



Hikers from all over the area, including several different local churches, arrive early for registration.



Event chairman Rusty Gibson, and Grace House director Dana Blankenzship address the crowd.



Many pro-life messages were displayed during the 3.5 mile hike from the church to the chapel and back.



Hike for Life 2016 proceeds down Main Street escorted by Weatherford Police and Brother Knights.



FEBRUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	 Business Meeting, 7:30pm	Ash Wednesday 10	11	12	13
 Burrito Breakfast, 6:00am Council 7264 First Degree Ceremony 1:30pm 14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	 Planning Meeting, 7:00pm 23	24	25	 Lenten Soup and Sandwiches, 3:00pm 26	27
28	29	1	2	3	4	5

<i>1 - John Achtyl</i>	<i>6 - Reginald Bouthillier Sr</i>	<i>11 - David Levesque</i>	<i>17 - Charles Hill Jr</i>
<i>February Birthdays 3 - Lewis Brandin</i>	<i>7 - Gerald Kelly</i>	<i>11 - Jonathan Demma</i>	<i>19 - John Huff</i>
<i>5 - Vernon Greenlee</i>	<i>7 - Richard Angona</i>	<i>11 - Ronald Westendorf</i>	<i>22 - Johnny Sosa</i>
<i>6 - Ray Carr</i>	<i>9 - Victor Jungman</i>	<i>15 - Brandon Vennel</i>	

MARCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	 Business Meeting, 7:30pm 8	9	10	11	12
 Burrito Breakfast, 6:00am Council 7264 First Degree Ceremony 1:30pm 13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Palm Sunday 20	21	 Planning Meeting, 7:00pm 22	23	24	25	 Easter Egg Hunt, 12:00pm 26
Easter Sunday 27	28	K of C Founder's Day (Founded 3/29/1882) 29	30	31	1	2

<i>1 - Julian Garcia</i>	<i>14 - David McKeown</i>	<i>19 - Joe Portillo</i>	<i>26 - Robert Klein</i>
<i>March Birthdays 2 - Brian Lang</i>	<i>14 - Mitchell Cooper</i>	<i>20 - Irvin Justice</i>	<i>30 - Louis Leal Jr</i>
<i>2 - Fr. John Casey</i>	<i>15 - Bruce O'Keefe</i>	<i>21 - James Lee</i>	
<i>6 - Neal Hoelting</i>	<i>19 - Anthony Lucia</i>	<i>24 - Vic Verstracte</i>	