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Grand Knight's Korner

Brother Knights and Ladies

God chooses the most unlikely leaders. For instance, God chose an Egyptian slave with a stutter to proclaim the Ten Commandments. He hand-picked a young shepherd boy to fight a giant with nothing but a slingshot, who later became an honorable king. This theme is repeated throughout God's salvation story. I often wonder how I became a leader of the Knights. I was a reluctant Catholic, going through RCIA *twice* as an adult. I thought my only obligation was attending Mass on Sundays, notably with a lukewarm attitude. I was too proud to sing and often distracted by thoughts of football games scheduled later that afternoon. I had convinced myself that I was just too busy raising my daughters, traveling for business, keeping up the house, etc.

However about 10 years ago, I noticed changes in my wife, a life-long Catholic. She had attended an ACTS retreat, and her attitude changed overnight. She was getting involved "up at the church". I found myself sitting on the couch watching TV *by myself*. She was enthusiastic about the ministries that she was involved with in the parish. We no longer dashed out after mass because she was hugging and talking with the other parishioners. *She knew people by name*.

Fast forward, I eventually followed her lead by getting involved with a couple of ministries and volunteering for the fish fry and sausage supper. Eventually we found ministries that we could do together such as the Knights with the Ladies Auxiliary. Yes, we are busier than we've ever been, but our lives have more purpose and direction. We are connected to our parish.

To paraphrase John F. Kennedy, ask not, "What can my parish do for me?" rather "What can I do for my parish?" We need you. The community we serve needs you. We need your presence. We need your talents and time. What's holding you back? Trust in God. He will equip you. He just needs your "yes".

"Never let the things that you can't do, stop you from doing what you can do." Ronald Reagan

Perhaps you can start by attending our next council meeting. We are doing our best to focus on our faith, keep the business short, and our fellowship fun. If you need a ride or have questions, please call me at 314-517-6514 or contact me by email at ed_cox@sbcglobal.net.

God Bless

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Council Calendar

Council / Assembly meetings for February 2019

February 7th Thursday, 7:00 PM – Rosary – Cafeteria February 7th Thursday, 7:30 PM – Council Meeting - Cafeteria February 21th Thursday, 7:00 PM – Planning Meeting – Notre Dame House Basement February 27th Thursday, 7:00 PM – 4th Degree Assembly 3588 Mtg – TBD **Council / Assembly meetings for March 2019** March 14th Thursday, 7:00 PM – First Degree Ceremony - Cafeteria March 14th Thursday, 7:30 PM – Council Meeting - Cafeteria March 27th Wednesday, 7:00 PM – 4th Degree Assembly 3588 Mtg – TBD March 28th Thursday, 7:00 PM – Planning Meeting – Notre Dame House Basement

Event Calendar

<u>Bingo!</u> – St. Joseph's Santen Center – doors open at 6:00 first game at 7PM	Feb 2
Have fun with others playing Bingo and maybe win some cash!	7:00 pm
District Free Throw Basketball Challenge! – St. Joseph gym and/or Parish Center	Feb 3
Come watch the winners of the local Council challenges and cheer them on	12:00 pm
<u>Felice Coeurs</u> – St. Claire of Assisi	Feb 9
Valentine's Day Theme	7:00 pm
Doughnut Sunday – after masses 7 – 11AM	Feb 10
Volunteer or come have a doughnut	After mass
Gift of Mary Soup Kitchen – Leave from Legion Post at 7:45AM	Feb 11
Work with other brothers to help feed those that can't provide	7:45 am
24 th Annual Trivia Night – St. Joseph's Santen Center – Doors open at 6:15	Feb 16
Get a table together and have some warm fun in the middle of winter	7:00 pm
<u>Knights Card Club</u> – Notre Dame House	Feb 19
Join up with other Knights for some cards and fellowship	1:00 pm
<u>Bingo!</u> – St. Joseph's Santen Center – doors open at 6:00 first game at 7PM	Mar 2
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King of Diamonds 50/50 Progressive Jackpot

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Thank you for supporting our charitable endeavors

New Year's Eve Party

116 attended the New Year's Eve Party to close out 2018. Coordinators received great comments from those attending. The even was co-chaired by Tony Grindstead and Jim Schuessler.









Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest

Students at St. Joseph's Grade School participated in the Knights Keep Christ in Christmas Poast Contest again this year. Winners will received certificates and checks on February 1st after an all school mass.











Jim Schuessler reviews poster as part of the judging.



Dick Glatz and Tom Landzaat review poster as part of the judging.

Knights Annual Basketball Challenge

Students from St. Joseph School participate in the Knight's annual Basketball Free Throw Challenge. Winners move onto the district challenge to be held in the Parish Center on 2/3.



Brothers Denny Pezzani and Gene Banner score a student



Brother Rob Libera scores one of the many St. Joe students that participated.



Brother Tom Landzaat scores another shooter





Brother Dick Glatz looks on as another shooter warms up.

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Special thanks to PE teacher Mrs. Helen Buchanan for her help in organizing the event.

24th Annual Trivia Night – Feb 16th

The Trivia Night Committee is looking for some help....

Items for the Silent Auction

Did you get a Christmas present that was nice, but you just really don't want it or don't know where to store it? Donate it to the silent auction.

Get a gift card that you won't use or you'd like to donate, please do. We are including a good deal of attendance prizes this year and are looking for good coupons and gift cards.

Do you have a special talent? Do you like making things for others? Please make you favorite item for the silent auction. Everyone loves handmade items.

Attendance

We have set a goal of 30 tables for this years event. Given our financial planning sheet, we would net over \$5K to give to our charities, so please spread the word and get a group together. It will be a fun event with Zip as the Emcee.

We have fliers available for folks to pass out to others, put on retail bulletin boards, etc. Just contact anyone on the committee for some fliers.

Volunteer

The committee has been out signing up volunteers, but we could always use more help; selling raffle tickets, bar tending, setup, cleanup, etc.

Thank you in advance!

Your Trivia Night Committee

Joe Caratenuto Denny Pezzani Tom Landzaat Tom Will



Knights of Columbus shirts

If you haven't paid for your KofC shirt order with Rob Libera, please get the money to Rob or Terry as soon as possible

If you need to know how much you owe, please contact Terry Altepeter. You can send him the money at 807 La Feil Drive, Manchester, MO 63021-7011

Rob's office is at:

Lafayette Industries 179 Gaywood Drive Manchester, Mo 63021

Make Checks out to: Knights of Columbus Marian Council 9522.

Costs are

Pullover Fleece - \$37, +\$2 for XXL and larger

Polo Shirt - \$25, +\$2 for XXL and larger

Long-sleeve oxford - \$35. +\$2 for XXL and larger



THE BEDROCK OF OUR IDENTITY

A CHALLENGE AND MESSAGE FROM SUPREME CHAPLAIN ARCHBISHOP LORI

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

— Gospel for Jan. 13, Lk. 3:21-22

Think about it. Do you really see yourself as a beloved son in whom your Heavenly Father is well pleased?

To be honest, most men, including this archbishop, go through seasons when we don't seem to sense that our father is well-pleased. Maybe we see ourselves as self-made men who don't owe our father anything. Maybe we did not experience love from our dad, and the very idea of being beloved is ludicrous. Maybe instead of Jesus' actual words, we hear, "This is my wayward son, in whom I am much disappointed."

Yet we know that we are baptized into Christ and share in his identity as the beloved son. Being beloved sons is the bedrock of our identity. The plain fact is that your heavenly Father is well-pleased with you.

This Month's Challenge

This month I challenge you to hear the Heavenly Father saying these words — "you are my beloved son" personally to you, and reflect on your identity in him. I recommend that you do so, if possible, in Adoration. Secondly, I challenge you to spend time with someone who loves you unconditionally. Ask them why? Their answer should give you a small glimpse of God's unconditional love for you.



Knights Accomplishments

January

- Donation made to help the school cover the cost of their annual musical
- Awarded Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest
 Winners
- Another successful Bingo night, supporting our charities
- Sponsored Donut Sunday for the Parish
- Soup kitchen help for those in need
- Help Council Basketball Free Throw Challenge for St. Joseph students

December

- Another successful Bingo night, supporting our charities
- Sulphur Springs road cleanup
- Supported another Felice Coeurs Dance
- Sponsored Donut Sunday for the Parish
- Soup kitchen help for those in need
- Handed out collected monies to our charities at our annual Christmas party

October

- Held Recuiting event at Soccer Fields
- Volunteers helped at the Felice Coeurs Dance
- Soup kitchen help for those in need
- Tootsie roll drive at Church
- Bartending at the Multicultural Gala
- Sponsored Donut Sunday for the Parish
- 40 Days for Life at Planned Parenthood
- Supported another Felice Coeurs Dance

September

- 3 volunteers from our council at the Felice Coeurs Dance that supported 202 guests
- Sponsored our first Donut Sunday with great success
- Held successful Golf Tournament in support of our charities

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- Tootsie roll drive
- Held Soccer Challenge at St. Joseph's School

August

- Another successful Bingo fundraiser!
- Sulfur Springs road clean-up
- Soup kitchen help for the dedication
- Membership recruiting pulpit talks

July

- Held second Bingo event raising funds for the parish and our supported charities
- Soup Kitchen volunteers
- Held CPR class with 7 participants
- Helped sell raffle tickets for Special Olympics
- Provided bartending for the St. Joe music review

June

- Held first Bingo event raising funds for the parish and our supported charities
- Bartending donated for the first annual Parish Cow Paddy Bingo event
- Soup Kitchen volunteers
- Many Knights donated blood at the parish blood drive
- Handi Helpers maintained the Memorial garden, worked at a parishioners house, helped a lady move and at LaSalle retreat center

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May

- Supported Felice Coeurs Dance for the developmentally disabled on May 12
- Supported the St. Joseph Junior High PSR with the Msgr. Mancuso Education Grant
- Soup Kitchen has fed 1,455 meals and worked 275 hours year to date.

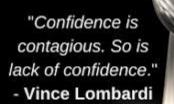
- Supported Felice Coeurs Dance for the developmentally disabled on April 14
- Collected over 1,000 pounds of food during our lenten fish fry that was delivered to food panties.
- Cleaned up Sulphur Springs Rd
- Completed planting flowers around the Memorial to the Unborn on the parish grounds
- Repaired benches behind Notre Dame House
- Began repairs of a parishioners house
- Fixed a bed frame for a parishioner
- Held AED/CPR classes, which were open to all parishioners

March

- Handed out basketballs and certificates to parish winners of the Free Throw Basketball Challenge
- Sponsored St Patricks Day Felice Cuores Party for those 18 and older who are physically handicapped or developmentally disabled. 197 guests attended with 36 volunteers, 6 from Marian council.
- Volunteers to fry fish, cook food, tend bar, and serve others at the Parish Fish Fry's
- Donated the beer and wine sold at the Lenten Fish Frys
- Donated 19 meals to our First Responders at the Fish Fry on March 16th

February

- Held canned food drive at all St. Joseph's Fish Fry's to benefit local Soup Kitchens and Food Pantries
- Held Almost Spring Trivia Night, collecting \$2.900 for charity
- Sponsored district Basketball Free Throw Championship in the Parish Center
- Sponsored Valentine's Day Felice Cuores Party for those 18 and older who are physically handicapped ordevelopmentally disabled





Hear the prayers we offer for our brothers and sisters who are sick and in distress, especially:

Roy Schlumpberger Frank & Rita Holland Ann Funk Maureen & Jim Winkler Ron & Linda Hantak Myron Willis Sol Hamway Frank & Rita Holland Bruce Verkruyse Jason Moore Stephanie Caratenuto Lucia Lindh Lynn McMillan Cathy & Dick Glatz Barb Lynn Pat Viazanko Aubrey Banner Marian Desloge

Bernie Landau Gerri & Andy Villaire Tom Brown Rich Triola Bill Fogerty Gus & Carroll Baechle Penny Hartley JoAnn & John Kaestner Greta Haynes Deacon Larry Damato Margi Watowa Jan Flake Jean and Sam Tedesco Sue Wilkes Margie Boever Mike Bick Marianne Finnegan



December Birthdays

January 3
January 8
January 12
January 12
January 15
January 20
January 20
January 21
January 22
January 22
January 27



Welcome New Members

Please welcome - Julio Santiago and Dale Foster



Please help in assisting in the publication of this newsletter by providing feedback and by submitting an article and/or pictures. If you have an article to submit, please forward it to me, Tom Will at <u>tom.will@sbcglobal.net</u>

Deadline for the next newsletter is 10 days prior to the first of the month.

If you know a member that would like a printed copy of this newsletter, please contact me at <u>tom.will@sbcglobal.net</u>

FROM YOUR WEBMASTER!

Thanks to everyone who submitted a photo to be placed in the Membership Rosters. If you go to our website <u>http://www.KofC9522.org</u> you can view the pictures. If there is not a picture by your name, don't be alarmed, just email me at <u>tom.will@sbcglobal.net</u> with your photo and it will be placed next to your name.

If you have any suggestions or comments about our council site, please let me know.

Our Officers

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