

FATHERS NELLEN COUNCIL # 6371 - PO Box 322 - WAUNAKEE, WI 53597-0322

JULY NEWSLETTER

NEXT BUSINESS MEETING WILL BE: WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2020 AT 7:00 PM NEXT OFFICERS MEETING WILL BE: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2020 AT 7:00 PM

The Business Meeting will be held online on Zoom, a link will emailed a few days before the meeting.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH



Chris and Erin Lezotte Family

Chris is a First Degree Knight and is very active in youth activities with the council serving a co-lead for Rollerskating and willing to lend a hand during the Soccer Challenge and Free Throw Championship. Chris also helps coach the St John's School athletic teams. Erin is on the Home and School Committee. Both Chris and Erin are very active in volunteering for all events held by the school or parish, it is rare to not see the Lezotte family either volunteering or in attendance at school or parish event. Chris and Erin have three sons, Brennan (8th grade), Kallan (6th grade) and Tavin (3rd grade). Like their parents the boys are also very involved in the school and the parish whether it is participating in the annual Knowledge Contest and Keep Christ in Christmas Poster contest and receiving awards for their submissions. Brennan and Kallan are altar servers. During the pandemic, Brennan was a huge help to his younger brother Tavin during the distance-learning. The Knights would like to extend a huge thank you to the Lezotte family for all that you do for the school and parish.

LIFE

• **Prayer for the end to abortions** – the thousands of deaths due to COVID 19 is horrible, however the pace of abortions continue at an unacceptable pace during this pandemic, one is too many. Please find time during your daily prayer and reflection to pray for the end of abortion.

COMMUNITY

- Fifth Monday Men's Shelter Meals Every fifth Monday our council takes a meal to a men's shelter in downtown Madison and serves the homeless. Here is the 2020 schedule, please consider serving our most vulnerable. Next scheduled dates are August 31 and November 30.
- St John's Wednesday Drive Up Taproom Results 6/24 thank you very much to all who volunteered on June 23 and 24, your tireless effort helped serve over 700 meals bringing greatly appreciated revenue to the parish. Thank you for all you do for the parish.
- Wednesday Night Taproom These events have been a great success in not only being able to support many local businesses but also to as a safe way to get out of your house. The Knights have been called upon to help man the greeting booths and collect donations to the food pantry. Thank you to all of you who have helped staff the greeting booths and collect the hundreds of pounds of food for the food pantry. The Taprooms are occurring every other Wednesday, upcoming dates are July 8, July 22, August 5, August 19 and possibly some into September. Help is still needed to staff the greeting booths and collect food for the food pantry. To sign up for an upcoming full shift or a split shift, please email Erik Hayko at ehayko@tds.net
- Facebook Are you on the council's Facebook page (<u>https://www.facebook.com/WaunakeeWestport-Knights-of-Columbus-132085603804533</u>). Our Facebook site can serve as a great tool to communicate. Like and a follow our website.
- FlockNote If you have not heard of FlockNote, please learn more in the weekly bulletin or go to http://stjb.org and follow the link and information how to create an online account and sign in. FlockNote is being used by the Diocese and Parish to communicate various events and needs and communications. Information on the Wednesday Taproom including menus can be found here as well as volunteering to help your neighbors or seeking assistance from these volunteers. Please consider utilizing FlockNote, there is even an APP for that.

FAMILY

• Fellowship Weekends – Every third weekend after masses at St John's our council and other groups will be hosting fellowship weekends to bring parishioners together and enjoy some fellowship. In the kitchenette we will be serving cookies (after evening masses) and donuts (after morning masses) as well as beverages. Prayer for the end of the pandemic so it can return soon.

FAITH

- Sanitizing Pews After Mass HELP WANTED Some additional hands are needed to help Simon Tipps wipe down and sanitize the pews after masses. Please consider lending and hand weekdays (Mondays through Friday) and masses on Sunday. Please show up when you can help out, if you can help all times, perfect or when you can.
- Patriotic Rosary July 3 Please consider attending and spreading the word for upcoming Patriotic Rosaries. Also please considering helping lead a decade. Mark your calendars for upcoming Patriotic Rosaries on July 3, September 7 and November 2 at 7:00 in the new air conditioned church. Please contact Bob Sachtjen for more information (608) 218-0872 <u>rsachtjen@charter.net</u>

- Rosary with Simon Tipps We are blessed to have a wonderful seminarian with the parish this summer. One the
 many important tasks Simon is leading is a rosary in the chapel (old church) every Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and
 Saturday at 7:00 PM. Please consider attending
- HELP WANTED to LIVE STREAM MASSES do you have a hidden (or widely known) talent and interest in technology and have always wanted to be a cameraman? Andy Rothschadl has been volunteering his time to live streaming masses on the parish's YouTube Channel (STJB Waunakee). Andy is now looking to hand this off to the Knights to help coordinate this effort going forward. St John's has purchased the equipment and what assistance is needed is learning to use the equipment and make the transitions to the zooms of choir, altar, lecturn and other preset views. I have already reached out to Eileen Daley and Liz Goldman to inquire if any older students may be interested in helping out, however the Knights are in need of someone to coordinate this effort and be responsible for ensuring masses are available for live streaming. The plan is to live stream the Saturday 5pm mass, Sunday 10:30am mass and Sunday 1:00pm Spanish mass. Please consider this once in a lifetime opportunity, email Erik Hayko <u>ehayko@tds.net</u> if you are interested or would like to discuss further.
- Fifth Sunday Rosary Schedule In 2020, the council will be leading the rosary before the 8AM mass on the following Sundays: August 30, and November 29. Please consider attending and helping lead a decade. The rosary will begin 30 minutes before the start of mass.
- FORMED If you have not heard of FORMED, please learn more in the weekly bulletin or go to http://stjb.org and follow the link for information how to create an online account and sign into a plethora of online videos to deepen your faith. There are many different study and reflection programs guaranteed to deepen everyone's faith. Please consider utilizing FORMED, there is even an APP for that.
- A Moment with Bishop Hying Every weekday, Bishop Hying records and posts online a 2-3 minute video reflecting on a timely topic. These are great videos that provide an intimate connection to our Bishop while deepening our faith. You can access the videos many ways
 - Create an account on YouTube and subscribe to the Diocese of Madison (subscribe to STJB Waunakee too)
 - Follow the Diocese of Madison on Facebook
 - o Go to https://madisondiocese.org/bishop and under "links" will take you to the daily video
- **Relevant Radio (App)** tune into 1240 and listen to many relevant and timely discussion on our faith and social issues. You also have the ability to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 every day, the family rosary at 7:00. There are also links to several prayers and devotions and daily readings. And yes there is an APP for that too.
- **Tweets from Pope Francis** you may wish to consider creating a Twitter account, doing so will permit you to receive daily tweets that are prayers and intentions from Pope Francis. Simply go to http://twitter.com create an account or if you have an account follow Pope Francis by searching "@Pontifex".
- Men's Fellowship Groups If you are interested in growing your faith and fellowship, please consider attending one or more of the following men's groups
 - **Tuesday Morning Rosary and Bible Study** After the 8 AM mass, men and women are invited to pray the rosary, study the bible and your faith and enjoy some fellowship
 - Wednesday Evening Men's Group whether you need a midweek recharge or are dropping your child off at faith formation, consider attending this men's group for enrichment on becoming a better father and husband in Christ
 - Thursday Morning Men's Group from 6 AM 7:30 AM in the narthex (rosary begins at 5:35 AM) start with breakfast and then enjoy a video series that is sure to get you more deeply about your faith and then conclude with small group discussions on the video.
 - Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study join other men on Saturday mornings from 7 AM 8 AM to grow your faith by studying the bible and other spiritual growth programs.
 - If you know of other men's groups that should be listed here, please forward to Erik Hayko at <u>ehayko@tds.net</u>

Some of the above groups are meeting through online meetings and video conferencing to adhere to social distancing to permit the groups to continue to meet.

SUPREME CHAPLAIN'S MONTHLY CHALLENGE

"No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him." (Gospel for July 5, Mt 11:27)

Have you ever known a man who was just like his father; who not only looked like him, but also acted, spoke and thought like him? Jesus is the very image of his Father and reveals the Father to us. By striving to know God the Son more intimately — through prayer, the Mass, the sacraments and Scripture — we also come to know God the Father more intimately. May we better understand the Father's love for us and model our own fatherhood after his.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to commit to at least one hour each week in prayer before Jesus in the tabernacle, spending some of this time meditating on God the Father. Second, I challenge you to work with your brother Knights to implement the Faith in Action Holy Hour program in order to help others grow closer to Christ.

Questions for Reflection:

What is the difference between "knowing about the Father" and "knowing the Father"? Jesus always sought to do the will of his Father in heaven, so how does the life of Christ show you how to be a good son to God the Father? What are some attributes of God the Father, and how can you model your own fatherhood on these attributes of the first person of the Holy Trinity?

MESSAGE FROM FIELD AGENT – Dennis O'Connell

Only Group Life Insurance "Through Work" Doesn't Work

As we celebrate our Independence Day again this 4th of July, I would like to give you a thought to think about.

Do you know anyone whose life or career has drastically changed during these months of economic uncertainties? It's very likely that someone in your immediate or extended family or group of friends is facing financial uncertainty. Maybe there's a possibility that you (or your spouse) could lose your job or change employers.

Too many people have often relied on group term life insurance as their only safety net. Often, this insurance is an employee benefit provided at low or no cost. The existence of this coverage might convince someone that personally-owned life insurance is not necessary.

But only having "through work" insurance can leave you and your family vulnerable. Most group life insurance policies are limited in amount, which may be tied to salary or some other benchmark. These numbers are often capped, and this cap may be dangerously low when compared to your family's actual needs. In fact, a detailed needs analysis that evaluates your specific situation, will likely show that any employer-provided coverage falls short.

In addition, the amount of group insurance offered is almost always reduced, sometimes dramatically, when you retire. You could one day find yourself without coverage, and if your health has changed (which it will as you age), you might also find yourself unable to secure individual protection. At the very least, it will definitely be more expensive.

While group life insurance can help, it does not replace the need for individually owned life insurance. I'll be happy to meet with you either in person or Via a Skype meeting and provide a no-cost needs analysis, so you'll know exactly where you stand.

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