



The Knight Crier

Knights of Columbus Council # 4034
August 2020

Time really flies.

Just as things seem to be getting better life takes us down another path. And when you don't think it can get any worse, it often does.

Here we are in August and it seems like the year has just gotten started. My Brother Knights regardless of how bad things are our mission remains the same. It is to provide members and their families with volunteer opportunities in service to the Catholic Church, their communities, families and young people.

Hebrews 13:16 reads “Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.” and

Philippians 2:4 Reads “Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.”

As Knights of Columbus we have the responsibility of making the world a better place. Through our culture we make a profound difference for our brothers and sisters, our families, our parish and communities with our enduring mission and relevant principles as Knights of Columbus.

We value respect, freedom, kindness, tolerance as we strive for harmony in our individual lives, in our parish, and in our communities.

We are a knighthood of like minded Catholic men who greatly care about those around us. We foster personal growth and take satisfaction knowing those in need have someone they can turn to. So this month I'll be reaching out to you and thanking you for taking responsibility for the well-being of those in need within our parish and community around us.

Every person regardless of who they are, where they come from can make a difference and impact the lives of those around us. We will not permit this Coronavirus to

hold us back or even slow us down. We will continue to stand firm and committed to build upon and strengthen our parish and communities in positive, and meaningful ways.

So thank you for helping to make life better, not just for ourselves, but for everyone around us. We have the tools and know how to make a difference and I stand firm with you in our

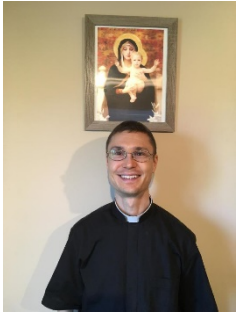
challenge to make the world a better place as one collective body of Knights of Columbus.

May the God continue to Bless and keep you and your families safe and may we continue to pray for one another.

Fraternally

Your Brother in Christ,

Anthony B. Hall



How Much Are you Willing to Give?

How much are you willing to give? As good knights we have a natural instinct to give. In all the various ways that we keep St. Mary's thriving and bringing people to God. Giving others

hope as we cooperate with the Holy Spirit working in us.

In the 1st Sunday Gospel of August we have the multiplication of the loaves and fish taken from Matthew 14:13-21. And what stirred Christ's Most Sacred Heart to perform this miracle of taking 5 loaves of bread and 2 fish and then multiplying them to the point of being able to feed 5,000 MEN – *not counting the women and children who were there* – was the pity He had for them. The compassion He had towards them as He could tell that they were tired and hungry. Much like Him at that moment. Yet His concern was for them – others – not Himself.

Furthermore, imagine just how drained Jesus must have been at that moment. He just tried to get away “in a boat to a deserted place by Himself” as He just heard of His good friend and relative's death – St. John the Baptist. Truly sad. Yet the crowds followed Him.

So, Jesus ends up “curing their sick,” despite this, and then evening comes. Now He must have been super drained and tired. However, He keeps giving more. All because He really cares for the crowd, just as He really cares for US.

And so, there are times in life when we may feel that we have nothing left to give when we are tired and drained from the day. And then the Lord asks us to keep going. To give more. Maybe one of your children get sick or make a huge mess, or the hot water heater unexpectedly breaks, a family member or friend needs to talk, etc. Overall, someone needs your help. And although you were just going to sit down to relax and unwind, Jesus, in the form of another person, knocks on the door of your heart. Will you answer Him?

So whatever little energy you have at the end of the day, trust that if God is asking you to give more, He will provide the grace that you need and will multiply what little bit of strength you seem to have at the moment. For He is God and will give us what we need. All so that we may give others what

they need. Praise God!

I. COUNCIL SERVICE AREA

Happy Birthday

Brother Knights born

in August!



Social – 26 Aug 20 @ 1930

Please join us for a good talk and please bring your family.

Topic for this month: Novel Coronavirus

Topic: Social Meeting

Time: Aug 26, 2020 07:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86450579993?pwd=U25BZ3d1T09adzhhR3RvVXBxdEV3UT09>

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Bowling League Starting

All parishioners are invited to join the KOC Bowling League. Teams are forming now. Gather your family and friends and join us for fun-filled evenings.

There will be a league meeting on Monday August 24, 2020, 7:00pm at the AMF Bowling Center, 12100 Killarney Drive, Fredericksburg.

Cost is \$17 per week-per player. It's a mixed league which the following can participate; 16 years and older, male / female. The league starts September 14th, 2020 at 7:00pm and continues until April 26th 2021 An awards party with prizes is held sometime after season-end. Come and enjoy a fun time!! If you would like more info about the league or want to join, please contact Rick Reschick at [540-368-9345](tel:540-368-9345) or rez55@cox.net . Rick also has information on how AMF is making it safe to bowl.

II. Faith Service Area

1. Looking for a Knight to lead monthly prayer this month on Facebook Live. If interested, please let Michael Kasey and Anthony DeMaio know. Our Virtual Holy Hour and Rosary were a success and can still be viewed (https://www.facebook.com/kofc4034/live_videos/)
2. America Needs Fatima Rosary event on October 10th for more on this event please see the website link. <https://www.americaneedsfatima.org/Rally-News/rosary-rally-central-2.html> Our Rosary Rally Captain for this year is PGK Michael Kasey.

III. Community Service Area

1. The PGK dinner was held last month and can still be viewed on the following link: https://www.facebook.com/kofc4034/live_videos/
2. Our Blood Drive was a success, thank you to all those that dedicated their time or gave blood. Being able to help the Red Cross gain 32 gallons of blood during a vital time right now is awesome.

Here is a thank you note from the Red Cross: The American Red Cross is so grateful to all our partners that continue to stand with us through the evolution of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). Hundreds of thousands of donors and blood drive hosts have responded to the call to support the lifesaving mission and we can't thank you enough!

Your commitment to host a blood drive with the American Red Cross truly made a difference! our commitment to host a blood drive with the American Red Cross truly made a difference! Your team registered 37 total donors,

collected 34 pints of blood and recruited 9 first-time donors. Your efforts have helped boost the community blood supply and ensure hospital patients have the lifesaving blood they need.

Thank you for your gifts of time and support. We truly appreciate your generosity. The patients who have benefited from the blood collected at your blood drive are beyond grateful.

3. Coats for Kids is coming up soon. Our council is considering an online fundraiser event to raise money to provide coats for those in need in our Parish and our community. More information coming.
4. **Leave No Neighbor Behind!** As part of our efforts to continue to support the Foodbank. Additional help is needed this year on a recurring basis to deliver boxes of food to those in need.

Please go to the link to sign up and help if you can.

<https://signup.com/go/Kxfvyks>

5. We are still having the Freedom 5K this year. We are transitioning to a virtual run this year due to the Pandemic. The run will be in October.

<https://www.facebook.com/kofcfreedom5k>

IV. Family Service Area

Nothing to Report

V. Youth Service Area



Trail Life – Mark Gardner

Contact [Mark Gardner](#).

Group activities suspended.

VI. Life Service Area

1. Choices Inaugural Golf-A-Thon

Choices Women's Center would like to invite a team of KNIGHTS to come out and swing golf clubs in our inaugural **CHOICES Golf-a-thon**

on Monday, 24 Aug at Lee's Hill Golf Club.

This is a unique fundraising event because it's ***all-you-can-play golf, from sunup to sundown*** (i.e. golf course closed just for us). There is no entry fee, but we are asking each golfer to raise at least \$250 by asking their family & friends to sponsor them for this charitable event (i.e. .25 cents per hole x 100 holes = \$25 x 10 fam/friends = \$250). We hope that each golfer will raise twice that (\$500) in order for us to reach our fundraising goal of \$20,000 to offset half of our lost revenue during this pandemic. Just think of the possibilities if each golfer was able to get 30 individual sponsors or sponsorships at .50 cents or \$1 per hole!!!

A few individual golfers will try to play 100 holes themselves (9 holes/hr), but most are forming teams to accomplish the **100-200 hole challenge** together. You get to decide how you want to configure your team for this (i.e. twosome, foursome, play together or relay/tag team). You are not limited to a foursome; could have six-eight golfers if you want, broken down into shifts (e.g. blocks of time or # of holes).

See below link and attachment for more information. Let me know soonest possible if you will have a team and I will reserve you a spot since we will only have a total of 10 teams (no more than 40 golfers on the course at a time).

<https://birdease.com/choicesgolfathon>

2. National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children – 12 September

More information to come on this.

Additional Announcements:

Insurance:

Did you ever consider:

Can your family survive without you? It is an uncomfortable question, but an important one. How would your wife replace your income? What would happen to the house? How would your children pay for college? Life insurance is a powerful tool that — properly structured — can help you secure your family’s future and achieve peace of mind.

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VII. Schedule of Events - Check our online calendar at:

<http://www.kofc4034.org/pages/membersonly/eventcalendar.html>

VIII. Websites

Supreme Council	www.kofc.org
Virginia State Council	www.vakofc.org
Fredericksburg Council	www.kofc4034.org
Honor America Corps	www.honoramericacorps.org
Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception	www.stmaryfred.org



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