

# CROW'S NEST



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## Council News

Dues statements for 2017 have been mailed! Please pay promptly and save us the time and expense of second and third notices!

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Beer and Wine Tasting event, January 14th, 2017

We need volunteers to help with the event: serving, selling entry and raffle tickets, set-up, etc.

Please let Chuck Bergman know if you can help. [chuckbergman@sbcglobal.net](mailto:chuckbergman@sbcglobal.net)

Super Chili Bowl event, February 5, 2017

Can you help plan, set-up, clean up after? This is easy buy need commitments. Let me know if you are available. Also, let me know if you plan on bringing chili. [mj.huszar@comcast.net](mailto:mj.huszar@comcast.net)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**January 1-15, 2017:** Your report of your 2016 Volunteer hours is due by January 15.

**Monday, January 9:** Monthly Council Meeting. 7 PM.

### **Saturday, January 14th, 2017**

Beer and Wine Tasting !

Plan on attending our FIRST EVER Beer and Wine Tasting event at our council. Only \$15/person with reservations....\$20 at the door. Make your reservations now by contacting Chuck Bergman at [chuckbergman@sbcglobal.net](mailto:chuckbergman@sbcglobal.net) .

### **January 21, 2017**

Free Throw Contest, St Matthew Gym, 9AM. Let Ryan Grill know if you can help or have a child that would like to participate. Boys and Girls ages 9-14. [ryangrill@gmail.com](mailto:ryangrill@gmail.com)

### **January 29th, 2017:** Fifth Sunday Rosary.

Our council is leading the rosary at St Jude and St Matthew Churches on the fifth Sunday of the month. A volunteer is still needed to arrange and lead the rosary this month at St. Jude. [ericvm729@gmail.com](mailto:ericvm729@gmail.com)

### **February 4th, 2017**

Our annual Trivia Contest is set for Saturday night of Super Bowl Weekend. Please save the date and get your team together. Only 12 teams of 8 players will be reserved. Only 6 remaining!

### **February 5th, 2017**

Super Chili Bowl is back! Yes, we are planning to hold our famous chili contest and game watch on our new large screen TV! Make your chili or just come and try the others.

**February 18, 2017:** Rekindle the Fire Men's Day of Reflection.

## 2016-17 Officers

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## Membership and Degree News

We welcome two brother Knights who have recently transferred into our council. Andrew Lynch and Raymond Korson are both parishioners at St. Matthew Cathedral and both come to us from Council 9540 in Bremen. They are first-degree Knights.



At our Admission Degree on December 6, we initiated four new brother Knights: they are, left to right, Michael Balint (St. Jude), Paul Orban (St. Matthew), Norb Brenner (St. Jude), and Mark Therrien (St. Michael Ukrainian Catholic Church). Please welcome them to council 5521!

**Our next admission degrees** are scheduled for February 7 and April 4. If you have a potential member to propose or sponsor, contact membership co-chairman John Burzynski at [jburzynski@gmail.com](mailto:jburzynski@gmail.com) so we can get the candidate in for one of the exemplifications. Candidates and sponsors should arrive by 6:30 p.m. Guests should arrive by 6:45 p.m.

**The next Fourth Degree** exemplification will be held on March 11 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Carmel. Registration forms must be received by February 15. Instructions were emailed to all third-degree members in November. If you're interested, contact GK Mike Huszar or FS George Adams immediately.

### Article deadline for next issue: March 10.

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## Upcoming Events

Unless otherwise noted, all Council meetings, Admission (First) Degree exemplifications, Council planning meetings, Knights Nites Out, and South Bend Francis Club meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. Fish fries and spaghetti dinners are from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

January 9 – Council meeting

January 14 – Beer and Wine tasting

January 15 – Members' Survey of Fraternal Activity due

January 16 – South Bend Francis Club meeting  
*Martin Luther King Jr. Day*

January 20 – Spaghetti dinner

January 21 – Free throw contest

January 23 – Council planning meeting

January 29 – Fifth Sunday Rosary

February 3 – Fish Fry

February 4 – Trivia Night

February 5 – Super Chili Bowl

February 6 – St. Joseph Valley Chapter K of C meeting

February 7 – First Degree exemplification

February 13 – Council meeting

February 15 – Council audit due

February 17 – Spaghetti Dinner

February 18 – Rekindle the Fire Day of Reflection

February 20 – South Bend Francis Club meeting  
*Washington's Birthday (Presidents' Day)*

February 27 – Council planning meeting

March 1 – Ash Wednesday

March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 & April 7, 14 – Lenten Fish Fry

March 5, 12, 19, 26 – Host WNDU TV Mass

March 12 – Daylight Saving Time begins

March 7 – Knights Nite Out

March 13 – Council meeting

March 20 – South Bend Francis Club meeting

March 27 – Council planning meeting

## Council Reflection

### WORK AND FAMILY LIFE

*From St. John Paul II's Redemptoris Custos*

Work was the daily expression of love in the life of the family of Nazareth. The Gospel specifies the kind of work Joseph did in order to support his family: he was a carpenter. This simple word sums up Joseph's entire life. For Jesus, these were hidden years, the years to which Luke refers after recounting the episode that occurred in the Temple: "And he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them." This "submission" or obedience of Jesus in the house of Nazareth should be understood as a sharing in the work of Joseph. Having learned the work of his presumed father, he was known as "the carpenter's son." ... What is crucially important here is the sanctification of daily life, a sanctification which each person must acquire according to his or her own state, and one which can be promoted according to a model accessible to all people: "St. Joseph is the model of those humble ones that Christianity raises up to great destinies; he is the proof that in order to be a good and genuine follower of Christ, there is no need of great things — it is enough to have the common, simple and human virtues, but they need to be true and authentic." (Reprinted from *Knightline*, January 2017)





## 2017 March for Life



**Friday, February 27** Santa Maria Council 553 will again be the rally point for the **South Bend Life March** to the Federal courthouse in downtown South Bend. Guest speakers sponsored by **St. Joseph County Right to Life** will get the pro-life faithful young and old inspired and fired up at 11 am for the trek across Jefferson Blvd. Bridge and on to the courthouse. One of the speakers chose life for her baby after originally going to the Women's Pavilion for an abortion. Come out and participate in this inspirational and moving event! For more information, visit Right to Life's website at [www.prolifemichiana.org/marchforlife](http://www.prolifemichiana.org/marchforlife). (Adapted from Council 553's *The Anchor*, January 2017)

*"It is a poverty to decide that a child must die so that you may live as you wish."—Saint Teresa of Kolkata*

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### Volunteer Corner

The Council is continuing its Tootsie Roll sale to aid our intellectually challenged citizens. We raised over \$650 one weekend this past fall! We need volunteers for shifts at various locations, including weekend Masses at our parishes. To volunteer, contact Cel Lopez at (574) 291-4589 or email at [cellopez@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cellopez@sbcglobal.net).

In March, it is again our council's turn to host the WNDU-TV Mass. The dates are March 5, 12, 19, and 26. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact brother Knight Jim Kramer at [kramer.james@comcast.net](mailto:kramer.james@comcast.net) or by phone at 286-4151 (cell) or 291-6683 (home). Volunteers should bring a half gallon of orange juice and a gallon of milk; doughnuts will be provided. Please arrive at the station by 10:15.

### Rekindle the Fire 2017 All men are invited to the Seventh Annual Diocesan Men's Conference South Bend on Feb. 18, 2017

Registration fee is \$45.00  
Don't wait—go to [www.rekindlethefire.net](http://www.rekindlethefire.net) to register  
today!

Registration opens at 7:30 a.m.  
Conference starts at 9:00 a.m.  
Mass with Bishop Kevin Rhoades at 4:30 p.m.

“Takin’ it to the Streets” theme: Trying to be a faithful Christian man in today’s world is challenging. But while it feels like there’s an unending assault of negative forces attacking our families and us, Christ never abandons us. God equips each one of us with the courage, wisdom and strength to “Go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature” in our everyday lives. Get ready—because at the 2017 conference you will experience Christ’s love in a way that will help in battling the challenges facing men today!