

CROW'S NEST



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Grand Knight's Message



Brother Knights,

As the calendar continually turns and provides us a new Fraternal Year, many things change but many things remain the same....
"Be Not Afraid."

My favorite quote from St. John Paul II will certainly guide us and me as your new Grand Knight.

First Off, a huge Thank You to Mike Huszar, who for the second time, is our Past Grand Knight. Thank You, Mike, for leading us these past two years as our Grand Knight. Mike will become a 1st Year Trustee and I pray will continue to be a trusted advisor and mentor to me.

A second Thank You to Brad Soule, our Former District Deputy. He also has been a trusted advisor and mentor. Brad is now the Faithful Navigator of our 4th Degree and the Administrative Assistant for our state Knights of Columbus Council.

Thank you to Fr. Eric Zimmer who will continue as our Chaplain and George Adams who will continue to be our Financial Secretary. To all the officers and program directors, Thank you.

Gill Martin is our new District Deputy. If you have not met him, you soon will, as he will be here for the installation of officers soon. I look forward to continuing to do our charitable work together and to grow in our faith as Catholic gentlemen and Knights!!!

Eric Van Meter
Grand Knight

2017-18 Officers

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Save the date:

Family week corn and sausage roast.....Sunday,
August 6th, 1-5pm

Membership and Degree News

Our next admission degrees are scheduled for **August 1** and **October 3**. If you have a potential member to propose or sponsor, contact membership co-chairman John Burzynski at 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.

Welcome New Members!

Four new members to our council completed their First Degree Exemplification June 6th:
Joseph Cline (Son of PGK Danniell Cline)
Louis Cavadini
Roy Brooke
Dan Tychonievich
Sam Milligan made his first degree at Council 553 two weeks earlier. All five men are parishioners at St. Matthew Cathedral.

A District Formation (2nd) Degree Team is now being formed. As of January 1, 2018, Formation (2nd) and Knighthood (3rd) degree ceremonies will be separate events. The Formation degree will now be the district deputy's responsibility. He is seeking volunteers for a degree team that will serve St. Joseph County. This degree team will serve District 11 as well as our neighbors in District 10. Both district deputies are looking for volunteers to participate. Having degrees administered in this manner should make it easier to hold Formation degrees more frequently. If you are a 3rd Degree Knight and are interested in joining the Formation Degree team, contact Grand Knight Eric Van Meter or District Deputy Gil Martin, e-mail district11@indianakofc.org.

Good of the Order

Please call one of the officers if you know of any member sick or in need of prayer. Your prayers have been requested for Brothers Mark VanDerKlok, and PGK Ed Willamowski, and for the father of Brother John Burzynski.

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.

August 1 – Admission Degree Exemplification

August 4 – Fish fry

August 6-12 – Family Week – Corn & Sausage Roast
Sunday, August 6, 1:00-5:00 p.m., Council grounds

August 7 – K of C SJV Chapter meeting
Council 553, 7 p.m.

August 9-18 – Holy Family Icon at St. Matthew

August 14 – Council meeting: Installation of Officers

August 15 – Assumption of the BVM – Holy Day

August 18– Spaghetti dinner

August 21 – South Bend Francis Club meeting

August 28 – Council Officers' planning meeting

September 1 – Fish fry

September 4 – Labor Day

September 5 – Knights Nite Out

September 11 – Council meeting

September 15 – Spaghetti dinner

September 18 – South Bend Francis Club meetings

September 23 – Council clean-up day

September 25 – Council Officers' planning meeting

October 1-31 – Month of the Rosary

The rosary will be said before all meetings at 6:30 p.m. on October 3, 9, 16, and 23.

October 3 – Admission Degree exemplification

October 6 – Fish fry

October 9 – Council meeting

October 12 – Right to Life Dinner
Century Center, 7 p.m.

October 16 – South Bend Francis Club meeting

October 20 – Spaghetti dinner

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Star Award! It appears that we have met all the criteria to receive the Supreme Council Star Award again! Thanks to everyone who helped make this possible. With the award comes a financial bonus from Supreme! Last year was over \$400!

Congratulations to our newly elected officers for the 2017-2018 year:

Grand Knight: Eric VanMeter

Deputy Grand Knight: Tim Bonadies

Warden: Rob Diltz

Treasurer: Cel Lopez

Recorder: Doug Gilman

Outside Guard: Tom Kajzer

Trustees: Kevin Thibodeau, Ryan Grill, Mike Huszar

Openings: Chancellor, Inside Guard, Advocate

Golf Tournament



The rains delayed the start of the golf tournament last Wednesday (July 12) at Erskine Golf Course, but soon after, the guys were able to golf and then return to our Council for dinner from The Skillet. Mark your calendars for July 11, 2018, so that you can be a part of this event!!

Holy Family Icon at St. Matthew

Thanks to Knights of Columbus Council #5521 the Holy Family Icon will be on display in the Sanctuary of St. Matthew Cathedral from Wednesday, August 9 until Friday, August 18. The Holy Family Prayer Service will take place after the Parish Pot Luck on Wednesday, August 9.

Please take the opportunity to come pray before the Icon throughout the week and devote your family to the Holy Family.

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Chaplain's Column

Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul Rome, Italy

After a full and very difficult year for me, I was able to take some time off and go back to my old haunting grounds for some vacation. On this day in Rome, as has happened for many years, the newly appointed archbishops come to receive their pallia from the Holy Father. The pallium represents the office of archbishop and consists of strips of sheepskin with the wool on it, sewn together, that the archbishop wears over his shoulders like a collar. Archbishops who serve in archdioceses receive the pallium. An archbishop whose job is exclusively in Rome or, for that matter, in the diplomatic corps of the Holy See, does not receive one. Here in Rome this important day signals both the universality of the Church but also how the hierarchy stems from the Bishop of Rome (the Holy Father) out to all reaches of the globe. As I write this missive, I hear the choir of Santa Maria in Trastevere singing *Gloria a Te, Cristo Gesu* during Mass (you may remember this song sung by the blind singer Andrea Bocelli a few years back). The weather is hot, in the 90s, and all our windows are open. It reminds me of childhood, before ubiquitous air conditioning. It is impossible to get away from the humidity. And yet, it is still Rome, and a good place for walking around, visiting museums, having nice meals out on patios, and seeing friends. Around town, I am reminded of the diversity in the Church, seeing priests and seminarians from all over walking to and from different commitments. I also see many tourists who seem, all too often, like sheep looking for a shepherd. When I come to Rome, I recognize how we all need a shepherd, whoever we are. We might need the guidance of a confessor, a chaplain, a pastor, our bishop, the pope, all representing Christ to us in their respective roles. I also recognize that on this day when we remember the execution of Saint Paul and the upside down crucifixion of Saint Peter, both here in Rome, we also remember how we as Christians stand in opposition to the ways of the world and how that opposition may lead to our suffering, as it did for Peter and Paul. So, amidst all the glory of present-day Rome, as we strip away the difficult layers of history, we also see the glory of God and we sing, as well, *Gloria a Te, Cristo Gesu*.

Rev. Dr. Eric Albert Zimmer

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The Family Council

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Volunteer Corner

The Council is continuing its Tootsie Roll sale to aid our intellectually challenged citizens. Earlier this year, we raised almost \$1000. For more information, or to volunteer, contact Cel Lopez at (574) 291-4589.

Council 5521 is again hosting the WNDU TV Masses in August. To volunteer, call Jim Kramer at 574-286-4151, or email jkramer@holycrossusa.org. Volunteers should bring a gallon of milk and a half-gallon of orange juice. Coffee and doughnuts will be provided. Please arrive by 10:15 a.m. You will be able to leave by 11:15.

Article deadline for next issue: September 10.

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Habitat for Humanity

Special thanks to Brother Jim Kramer for coordinating a Habitat for Humanity volunteer day. KofC5521 spent the day installing siding at a local home.



Pictured left to right are Brothers GK Eric Van Meter, PGK Mike Huszar, PGK Dave DeVliegher, John Burzynski, Cel Lopez, Jim Kramer. More photos of this project may be seen on the council website.

