## DISCOVERER

#### Knights of Columbus Council #3412

#### **Praise & Worship**



Our song for the month of December is called Waymaker, by Leeland

A lot of times we don't realize the everyday Blessings we receive from God. He is our Waymaker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper and Light in the Darkness. He is all of that for Us! All that he does for us, we should Thank Him and Worship Him every single day. Loud and proud we sing, I worship you. Lord!

#### **No Meeting**

We will NOT have an Officer and Directors meeting on Monday,
December 7th.



## **Grand Knight's Report**

Brothers,

November was a good month for our Council. We welcomed in 3 new members, we completed our Essay Contest, our raffle was a success and we were in the Seguin Gazette Sunday paper for the Thanksgiving meals we donated to the St. James School and staff. It's good to see that we are staying busy and still doing our best to fundraise money as we navigate ourselves through this difficult time, along with the rest of the world.

Thank you to everyone who helped out with our 2020 Outdoorsman Raffle. It came down to the last minute but we were able to sell every ticket. To our raffle committee, thank you

#### 4th Degree

The 4th Degree Christmas party has been cancelled. Next meeting will be in January. We will have it posted in next month's newsletter.

#### **Columbus Club**

There is no meeting for C.C. this month. Next meeting will be Monday, January 17th at 7pm.

#### **New Members**

Last month we voted in three new members. Let's all welcome Jose Avalos, Julian Lomas and Noe Hernandez to Council #3412.

#### **Vendor Event**

On Saturday, December 12th, Columbus Club will be hosting a **Small Business Vendor Event** inside of the Hall. It will be from 10am-5pm. We have about 20 small business vendors who will set up a booth and we will open up to the community. We also have a food truck who will park out back. The goal of course is to get our community to shop local and get these businesses some more attention. The event page is on our Facebook if you can help us promote it. Of course we will be following all guidelines to be able to host this event and keep everyone safe. We are looking for volunteers to assist us with this so if you would like to help, please let me know. Thank you

for your hard work and continuous dedication to this fundraiser. We would not be able to do what we do without your help.

Another Thank you to the handful of Brothers that helped pass out meals to the students and staff at St James School. Mike Lopez, Darrel Neinast, Charles Villeneuve and myself. It was a wonderful experience to go in the classrooms and be able to hear the students say Thank You all at once. That's the feeling you Love to get knowing that you are doing something good for others. The students and staff are going through a lot having to adjust greatly, so the least we could do was put a smile on their face with a delicious meal.

With everything that is going on right now, I know a lot of you want to help but are still hesitant to go out. And that is completely fine. While we are limited to what we can do, I still want to ask for everyone's help as we try to under take other initiatives that don't exactly involve gathering together. One way you can help out is with our Toy and Food drive. Please consider bringing some Toys and canned goods to our drive next Sunday, on the 13th or to the Council meeting on the 14th. We want to continue doing what we do every year and donate Toys to the Women's Shelter and canned goods to the local food pantries. Times are hard for everyone and we especially see it with the Feed My Sheep event coming up. People in our community are struggling and while we can't do much, we can at least help by donating. If we come together as a Council to help, I know we can raise a ton of toys and food.

At some point in our lives we have struggled with something. Remember that feeling of how bad it must have felt. Maybe some of us were even too proud to ask for help. Now let's think about the people who are really struggling during the Holidays. What can YOU do to make it better? To help Others? How good would it feel to bring Joy to someone? My Brothers, remember how Blessed a majority of us are. What better way to Thank God for our blessings than to help His children, our Brothers and Sisters. Cause even the simplest thing can bring happiness to someone in need. For the Lord tells us in Hebrews 13:16, "Do not neglect to do good and share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God." He constantly reminds us how to Love by helping others. Let us pray that we understand and do only what is right and pleasing to our God.

With Christmas just around the corner, I ask that you all take the time to remind your families what the true meaning of Christmas is and why we celebrate it. It's not just about presents and lights but a time to celebrate the greatest gift to man; Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. May he Bless each and everyone of you this Holiday season and keep you all safe. I pray that everyone enjoys their break with their families and makes nothing but great memories. From my family to yours, we wish you all a very merry Christmas!

Thank you and God Bless!

-Jericho Lomas

Grand Knight

## **Knight of the Month**



It is my pleasure to announce that one of our newest members, Felix Moreno, is our November Knight of the Month. Felix is a hardworking humble man who, like many guys in our Council, almost never says No to helping others. Even before he was fully a member, he was already helping out with Bingo and our Pork Steak plate sale. The one night he wasn't able to make it on time cause of work, he still showed up later that night right after he got off, to see if we still needed help. Thank you, Felix, for helping us and joining Council 3412. We are lucky to have you.

#### **PGK Dinner POSTPONED**

We have decided to Postpone our PGK/ Ladies Appreciation dinner once again until early next year. Once we are able to figure out a date, we will let everyone know. We want to wait until we know for sure that it will be safer for our members and their families to attend. I know a lot of you wanted to attend but were concerned about gathering together and I completely understand. For those that were expecting to come, I hope you understand and realize that this decision is for the better. Thank you.

## **Toy Drive & Food Drive**

Even though our PGK Dinner has been postponed, we still want to try and have our **Council Food and Toy Drive**. On Sunday, December 13th, I will be set up in front of the Hall from 12pm-2pm, taking any donations you all might have. All of the Toys will go to the women's shelter and food will go to the Christian Cupboard and St. James Food Pantry, just like we did last year. No need to get off your car, just pull up to the front and we'll take care of the rest. However, if you do plan on attending our Council Meeting Monday, December, 14th, you can bring your donations there as well.

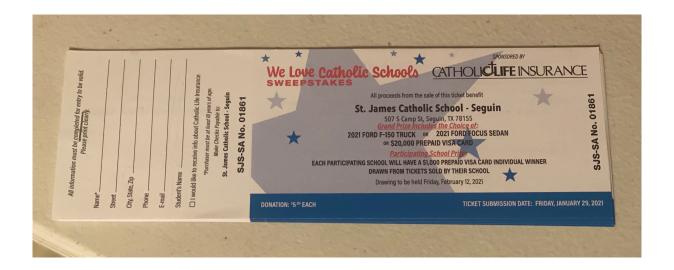
#### **Bingo Help**

If you would like to help with Bingo on Tuesday nights, please contact Aniceto Canales or Jericho Lomas so they can get you a form to obtain your Bingo Worker License. There is no fee or training but you do need to be registered with the Bingo Commission. Even if you can only help a couple of times every month, we still need the assistance. Bingo is a Knights of Columbus function, so any Brother Knights or even their family members, can help out on Tuesday nights. Let's keep pushing to get our Bingo back to where it was before the pandemic!

#### **On Demand Exemplification**

If you have not received your 2nd and 3rd degrees, I would strongly consider taking advantage of this opportunity while it's still present. Down below is the link for the On Demand Exemplification. Follow the link, register and you'll be directed to the video. Please, only sign up when you are ready to watch it. We will be notified when you have completed the video. If you need any help at all just let me know and we can get you registered.

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#### **St James School Raffle**

Catholic Life Insurance is sponsoring a huge raffle for Catholic schools. Principal, Johanna Lopez, asked me if we could help them sell some tickets. I have quite a few ticket books if anyone would like to help us sell or if you want to buy some. Tickets are \$5 each. The Grand prize winner can choose between 2 new vehicle options or 20,000 pre paid card. Then every school will have a \$1000 winner. One of our members, Adrian Chitta, actually hit the \$1000 a few years back so it is possible to get that prize. Tickets aren't due back till the end of January but we want to sell them as fast as we can. Please contact me if you're interested.

I was asked to please include this in our Newsletter to show our members as it pertains to the Friends of Fr. Greg Fundraising:

Dear Friends of Fr. Greg:

This letter serves to update you on our fundraising efforts, housing, and general information.

Thanks be to God, due to the generosity of many of you to date, Fr. Greg has located a wonderful place to move into as he turns the next page of his "book of life." The lease has been signed and the deposit has been made. He will be living in a duplex, located in the Wood Lake neighborhood in McQueeney. It is in a nice, quiet area and will allow for much needed relaxation. The best part is that it is within the budget that we have discussed with you.

Our fundraising efforts are bearing fruit. We have collected about 41% of our goal. Our sincerest thanks to all of you who have contributed and continue to contribute to Fr. Greg's housing fund. We have had several people send in "one-time" donations, and we thank you for that. For those of you who submitted a pledge card, indicating that you would be giving an annual gift, we will be sending a friendly, annual reminder. For those who indicated that you would be sending a monthly gift, we will be relying on you to remember to send your gifts.

While we are making progress, we are not at our goal yet. If you have not had a chance to submit a gift, please consider doing so. Some people have expressed regrets about only being able to give small amounts. Please, know that all gifts are welcome. No amount is considered small. The more people who contribute, the easier the load on all. To that end, we have included a copy of the pledge sheet that we asked you to complete as well as a copy of the information letter for your review and we ask that you pass these on to anyone that you believe may be interested in helping us support Fr. Greg's rent.

Finally, while Fr. Greg has no access to the funds and no idea who has contributed, nor how much has been collected, he is aware that we are well on our way to meeting his need. He is overwhelmed by the generosity that you have shown him and is extremely grateful. As we mentioned in our first letter to you, if you are unable to support him monetarily, please keep him in your prayers as he transitions into this new stage.

If you have any questions, please contact any of us below.

Thank you

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#### **Outdoorsman Raffle Winners**

1 Ruger Precision 6.5 Creedmoor Bolt-Action Rifle Donor- Anonymous Donor Winner- Carrie Mueller-844

2 Browning BT-99 12 Gauge Shotgun Donor- Anonymous Donor Winner- Willman-109

3 Browning BT-99 Micro Midas 12 Gauge Shotgun Donor- Luling Chevrolet Winner- Adam Garza-1170

4 \$1,000 Travel Voucher Donor- CMC, Leap Ahead Learning, Backyard Lagoons Winner- Leonard Sosa-1240

5 Weatherby Orion I 12 Gauge Over/Under Shotgun Donor- Walter and Joyce Ritchie Winner- Mark Swalm-674

6 Remington V3 Field Sport 12 Gauge Semiautomatic Shotgun Donor- Anonymous Donor Winner- Rodger Humphries-686

7 Remington Sportsman Model 11-87 12 Gauge Semiautomatic Field Shotgun Donor- Tom and Liz Sedlacek Winner- Greg Price-425

8 Winchester XPR Bolt-Action .30-06 Springfield Rifle Donor- TRDI Winner- Terry Tschirhart-869

9 Hand Crafted Backyard Fire Pit Donor- Gabriel Aguilar, Mark Hartmann Winner- Greg Grein-1257

10 Henry Golden Boy .22 Lever-Action Rifle Donor- Walter and Joyce Ritchie Winner- Gary Wallace-1358

11 Yildiz SPZ ME/12 12 Gauge Over-and-Under Shotgun Donor- Huser Mineral Mgmt. LLC Winner- Connie Ramirez-1158 12 Remington 870 Express 12 Gauge Pump-Action Shotgun Donor- Memory of Chris Chance Winner- Johnny Mcrary-150

13 Henry .22 Lever-Action Repeating Rifle Donor- Tri County Winner- Daryl Kirkland-921

14 Savage Axis .223 Remington Bolt-Action Rifle Donor- Bertling Equipment Winner- Lisa Shoemaker-78

15 Savage Axis .22-250 Remington Bolt-Action Rifle Donor- Oehlke CPA Winner- Kasmiroski-1046

16 KDF Muzzel Break Installation Donor- KDF Winner- Victor Pizana Jr.-737

17 Stihl ChainSaw Donor- Scheel Construction Winner- Albert Luna-415

18 CVA Wolf .50 Break-Open Muzzleloader Rifle Donor- Ken's Equipment Repair Winner- Johnathan Fischer-1249

19 2-\$100.00 Granzin Gift card Donor- Wade Busby Memorial Winner- Derrick Stone-707

20 Angel Pest Control Free Treatment Donor- Angel Pest Controll Winner- Dennis Friesenhahn-1224

21 \$100.00 Amazon Gift Card Donor- Allan Dreibrodt Memorial. Winner- Cheryle Kolbe-1031

#### **Feed My Sheep**

On Thursday, December 10th, we have Feed My Sheep. This year will be different as there will not be a dinner and everything will be picked up in a drive thru set up at our Hall. Thank you those who have said they can help but we are still looking for more volunteers. We are getting there around 3:30 pm to set up and the drive thru will run from 5-6pm. If you can help please let me know ASAP. This will not be an all night event. Thank you!

# 5th Annual Feed My Sheep Dinner

## December 10, 2020 Columbus Hall

Thank to those who have already signed up to help this Thursday for Feed My Sheep. We will start setting up at 3:30pm and the drive thru will run from 5pm-6:15pm. If you are able to help, please let us know ASAP. We still need more volunteers.

For more information on the Feed My Sheep Dinner & Angel Tree, visit <u>our website</u> or contact:

- Deacon Victor Garcia at 830.832.2568 or email vgarcia@saintjamescc.org
- Amy McCarthy at 830.549.5274 or email <a href="mailto:ltcolamac@aol.com">ltcolamac@aol.com</a>
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## December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1-BINGO	2	3	4	5
6	7	8-BINGO	9	10-Feed My Sheep 3:30pm Set-up 5-6:15pm	11	12 -Vendor Event 10am-5pm
13	14-Council Meeting 7pm	15 -BINGO	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 -BINGO	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas	26
27	28	29 -BINGO	30	31 New Years Eve	1	2

## **Don't Forget**

-Feed My Sheep 12/10
-Holiday Shop-n-Stroll 12/12
-PGK Dinner & Christmas Party 12/13 \*Postponed\*
-Council Meeting 12/14
-Officers and Directors Meeting 1/4
-Council Meeting 1/11

#### **Prayers**

Please pray for our Council Recorder, Tom Sedlacek, as he underwent an emergency appendectomy earlier this week. He is now at home recovering. We pray that he has a speedy recovery and starts to feel better soon.

We also ask that you please pray for the family of Bill Aguirre. Bill passed away last week due to complications with COVID. He was a member of our Council but had moved to east Texas.

We ask that you please keep the following people and their families in your daily prayers as we pray for their healing, pain, suffering, safety and overall health.

Tom Sedlacek

Terri Hartmann

Rick Dominguez

Rene Aguirre

## **December Birthdays**

Michael J Castillo 12-2-1968

Garrett L Anderson 12-3-1983

James K Newton 12-4-1961

Ruben J Reyes 12-6-1976

George J Smith 12-10-1967

William R Fishbeck 12-11-1975

Robert L Sczech Jr 12-13-1946

Clarence W Hartmann 12-14-1948

Jeff A Kolbe 12-18-1961

Derrick Rosas 12-18-1980

James M Fealy 12-20-1950

Craig L Schaefer 12-22-1970

Scott A Noel 12-23-1957

John A Grein 12-29-1944

James R O Leary 12-29-1943

Charles F Villeneuve 12-29-1946

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