



The Knights' Time

ST. ROBERT BELLARMINI KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
BLUE SPRINGS, MO

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Council #14745

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The Grand Knight's Corner

2011 — 2012 Officers

My Brothers Knights:

February is an important month for us. Sure, we have lots going on, and if we are not careful, we might even let it overshadow the fact that Lent starts this month. Something we should not do!

Lent can mean a lot of different things to a lot of different Catholics. Hopefully it means more to you than simply an excuse to start that diet you had planned on starting January 1st. (I plan to do that too), but I also see it as a time of reflection. A time to take a hard look at myself and make changes to help better put my actions in line with my faith and to strengthen my relationship with Christ.

As Knights, let us all commit to making this time as meaningful to our faith as possible and not just another missed opportunity.

As I previously stated, February is a busy month for us. New membership is the lifeblood of any organization and if we want to continue to be strong and viable we need to continue to grow our brotherhood.

We will have a membership drive on the weekend of February 18-19. Please take this opportunity to ask your Catholic friend to join and please help us at the Masses that weekend.

Also that same weekend is our Trivia Night. The committee has done a great job with the planning and it looks like we are setting up to have a great time. I think we have need of a couple of more workers, so please consider volunteering your time.

Even if you are not planning on playing or scheduled to work, come on up and watch - it is a great time!

I hope to see you at our meeting next Wednesday.

God bless,

Kenny

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Next Officer & Director Meeting

(1st Tuesday of each month)

**Feb. 7th,
7:30 p.m.**

St. Robert's Parish Hall

Next Council Meeting

**Feb. 8th,
St. Robert's Parish Hall
7:30 PM**

Church Activities & Pro-Life Report

My Brother Knights,

Thanks to those of you that stepped up and helped with the Roses-for-Life. After the Masses we collected 268 Roses for Life with names and addresses. They have been sent to our local Representative Bryan Pratt. Below is a copy of the letter I sent with the Roses-for-Life tags.

Peace,
Ron Rey, Church Activities Director

January 24, 2012

Mr. State of Missouri Representative Bryan Pratt
201 West Capitol Avenue, Room 301
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

Enclosed are 268 Roses for Life signatures that were collected at the masses at St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church in Blue Springs this past weekend. These signatures represent our political position against this dreaded evil – abortion. Current Bills HB1274, 1357, & 1385 hopefully are receiving your strong support.

They were collected by the St. Robert Bellarmine Knights of Columbus Council #14745.

If you have any questions regarding these Roses for Life, please contact me.

Thank you for your time and consideration to this important matter.

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Enclosed: 268 Roses for Life

St. Robert Bellarmine Knights of Columbus Council 14745 Website

<http://kofccouncil14745.shutterfly.com/>

Have you visited our Website yet. Because it is a member-only site, the first time you go to the site you will be required to register and create a password. I encourage you to join. Over time this site will become a great place to build our Council's history, share information, photos, etc.

Please let me know of suggestions for improvements.

Kenny Yunker

Membership

My Brother Knights,

February is going to be a make or break month for our Council when it comes to membership. The State Council has organized a state-wide membership drive called "The Bishop's Blast". As you will see in our Parish bulletin, the weekend of the February 11-12, a letter from the Bishop will be addressed to all practicing Catholic men recommending that they prayerfully consider joining the Knights.

The following weekend, February 18-19, we will conduct a drive inviting men to come talk to us in the Parish Center. We are still working on the details of what this will look like. What I do know is that I am going to need help at all of the Masses, probably no more that 15 minutes before Mass and 15 minutes after - You can spare that, can't you?

This is the perfect time to ask your Catholic friend to join the Knights! We can put all the adds in the parish bulletin that we want and they will never be as successful as you personally asking a Catholic man you know to join. Even if he tells you no - this time - he will know that you are interested in him.

Welcome to Joe Gimmarro who took his First Degree Monday, Jan. 9th. Please congratulate him the next time you see him at church.

Fraternally yours,

Chris Mattix, Membership Director

Trivia Night - Saturday, February 18th

My Brother Knights,

Well, it is almost here!

The sale of tables is ahead of last year's pace and we very-well may set a new record. Thanks to a great planning committee we have almost everything ready to go!

If you haven't reserved your table yet, you can still contact Mike Meyers at: (816) 229-3914 or Email him at: meyers1980@sbcglobal.net

I am still short a few volunteers so if you are not planning on playing, I could sure use your help. I still need a judge and I still need at least one more table monitor. As you can imagine, if we keep selling tables I will need even more monitors and can always use folks to help sell the Ice-Breaker tickets.

If you can help, please call me at (816) 229-8573 or Email me at: richardadriano@comcast.net

Fraternally yours,

Richard Adriano
Trivia Night Chairman

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3 Chili-preparation	4 Men's Ministry Prayer Breakfast Super Bowl Chili Supper 3-6 p.m.
5 Super Bowl Chili Takeout After the Masses	6	7 Officers' Meeting 7:30 p.m. Parish Center	8 Council Meeting 7:30 p.m. Parish Center	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 Membership Drive 4pm Mass Trivia Night – 6 pm (2 pm setup)
19 Membership Drive 9&11 Masses	20	21	22 Ash Wednesday	23	24	25
26 Parish Breakfast 9 & 11 a.m. Mass	27	28	29 Simple Supper			



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"IT'S ALMOST TAX TIME AGAIN"

This month, I chose to pass up the opportunity to use the age old cliché about two things we must do.... although the timing should certainly bring it to mind. This season, in most homes, is financial accounting time. I'd like to wager that, at some point in the process, someone will ask (probably you!) "Where did all of our money go?" Surely, all of the money we earn finds a home somewhere....the grocer, the mortgage, and the tax man. Very little, if any, is left over for a personal bank account or other investments. Most of us consider ourselves fortunate if we've managed to pay our bills! Folks usually save what's left-over... and for most folks, that's nothing.

The point is, whatever the amount earned, chances are good that it is spent providing for and rearing a family. Think about that for a minute. The needs of that family continue - food, shelter, and clothing - even if the breadwinner suffers an untimely death.

So what does income tax have to do with insurance? Simply this...it can serve as a reminder that protection for dependents should include an estimate of the current needs for money. While it may be convenient to say "I can't afford it," that's probably not accurate-when you consider that your family will be without any income should you die. With this in mind, your Order has designed a plan which guarantees to continue income to your family for as long as they will need it. What's more, this plan will enable you to systematically save some of those dollars so difficult to account for at tax time.

Call me today for an appointment. I want to hear from you.

Jeremy

For the Good of the Order

We pray for

- ...all the unborn and especially the aborted.
- ...an increase in vocations.
- ...our brother Knights and their families that are ill or in distress.
- ...the families of all our fallen brothers.

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