

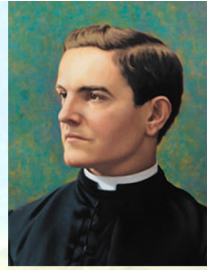


FLEET NEWS

Bishop Nold Council 6557



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



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Monthly Schedule:

1st Thursday
Officer Planning Meeting 7:00 PM

2nd Thursday
Council Meeting Starts at 7:00PM

4th Thursday
Family Knight

Grand Knight

David Polasek

Chaplain

Fr. Pat Garrett

Deputy Grand Knight

Harold M Schambach

Assistant Diocesan Deputy

Bill Moeller

Chancellor

Phil Rimoldi

Recorder

Dan Armbruster

Financial Secretary

Pete Palasota

Treasurer

Ken Scales

Lecturer

David Foltyn

Advocate

Ed Varosky

Warden

Yogi (Paul Ybarra Jr.)

Inside Guard

Danny Spurlock

Outside Guards

John Groneck

Chuck Keesee

Trustees

Jim Ledwig (1yr)

Bob Castro (2 yr)

Robert Perotta (3 yr)

Delegates

Insurance Agent

Alexander Vu

JFMHA President

John Groneck

JFMHA Vice President

Ken Scales

Standing Committees

Program Director

Harold M Schambach

Church Director

Community Director

Ken Scales

Council Director

Family Director

Youth Director

John Tatman

Culture of Life Director

Yogi (Paul Ybarra Jr.)

Membership Director (Recruitment)

Rich Eimer

Retention

Jim Ledwig

Health

Dan Armbruster

Vocations

Deacon Rene Ramon

Emergency Coordinator (Site Commander)

Ricky Rogers

Charity

Larry Hawkins

Golf

Rich Laboda

Bowling

David Polasek

Bingo

Mickey Manore

OTS (Old Town Spring)

Ken Scales

Scholarship Fund

Bill Moeller

Fundraising

Kitchen

David Foltyn

Cleanup Crews

Larry Hawkins

VA Assistance

Degree Team

Welcoming Committee

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GRAND KNIGHT REPORT

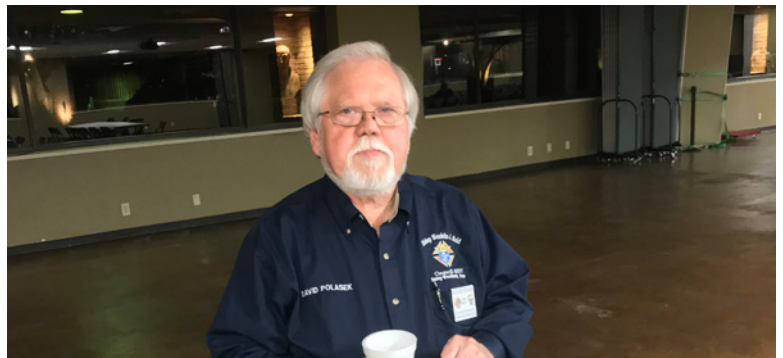
WOW!! What a good time we all had at our recent “WHITE ELEPHANT” night. Everyone was being real kind until the first gift was taken, then the real personalities came out. There was lots of wine and Polish beer switched around. This year it seemed to be the ever popular wine and some very nice picture frames that were the hit of the party. Everyone needs to put this special Family night on your calendar and come and enjoy the fun. This night is like a box of chocolates, you never know what your gonna get.

The weekend of February 18 and 19 St. James had their Festival of Ministries. Our Council set up a table not only recruit possible new candidates, but to talk and answer any questions anyone may have in hopes of peaking their interest of joining the Knights of Columbus. I want to thank Arnold Rodriquez for being proactive in getting the Literature from the hall, contacting our insurance agent to get the display and setting everything up. All the helpers had to do was show up. Thanks Arnold for taking care of all the details.

This coming Family Night on March 23, we are have two special speakers. We will have Nicole the High School Director from Sts. Simon & Jude to have a brief presentation on vocations. Our second speaker is Seminarian Paul Foltyn , brother of our Lecturer David Foltyn. I have asked Him to speak on a day/week in the life of a seminarian. I believe it should prove to be a very interesting evening and we will all have an opportunity to ask questions from both of our speakers. Come prepared to ask those questions and plan to attend our March Family night.

As always continue to recruit those Catholic gentleman to become part of our Knights of Columbus.

Fraternally,
David Polasek
Grand Knight



SALESMAN NEEDED:

We need a Membership Director. Please contact WGK David Polasek if you can help. Duties include arranging orientation meetings for new candidates. Must be able to meet and greet new candidates and their wives. Scheduled meetings usually are on Wednesday nights for about an hour. Show these new recruits what we are all about with a video and Q&A.

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KNIGHT OF THE
MONTH

Dan Armbruster

Dan Armbruster is our Knight of the Month for March. Dan is a long time Knight and a past Grand Knight. You will find Dan volunteering at several of our fund raisers, like the Football games, Crawfish Festival and other OTS festivals. Dan is also the current Treasurer for the Home Association. There was recently a need for a Recorder for our Council and Dan stepped up for the challenge. Thank you Dan for all that you continue to do for your Council.

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FAMILY OF THE
MONTH

Larry and Sandy Hawkins

Larry and Sandy Hawkins is our family for March. Larry currently chairs the Charity and the Watkins committees. Larry and Sandy have both stepped up to lead us in our Super Bowl Party for our specific charities that proved to be worthwhile for both of our churches. Larry is also a past Grand Knight, but both continue to stay involed in our Council. Thank you Larry and Sandy for all that you continue to do for your Council.

St James Fish Fry - Thank you

Special thank you to all the Knights, their wives and the Squires for helping launch the first St. James Fish Fry Friday of the year.



Took advantage of a captive Father Charles to get a picture (A recreation of the event that happened during mass) of the \$25,000 check donation to the St. James Catholic Church from the Knights of Columbus council 6557.

Worthy Grand Knight David Polasek presenting the check to Father Charles.

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Get Involved!

STANDING
COMMITTEES

RESPECT LIFE

My Brother Knights,

The Knights of Columbus has been a leader in the Right to Life movement for a number of years. With the Knights of Columbus Day of the Unborn Child soon approaching on Saturday March 25, also the day of the feast of the Annunciation, this year Knights have the opportunity to stand up and speak out against the evil of abortion.

All members of our Order are encouraged to participate by holding a special prayer service in council homes, meeting places or local parishes. On Saturday March 25, 2017, the Feast of the Annunciation, is the date for the next observance of the annual Knights of Columbus "Day of the Unborn Child." Councils are encouraged to hold Pro-Life activities on behalf of the unborn children and their mothers on or around this date. Our next Helper's of God's Precious Infants will be on Saturday March 18, 2017. Mass will be at 8:15 at St Dominic Village Warren Chapel, located at 2401 Holcombe Blvd, Houston, Tx followed by a Rosary at Planned Parenthood at 4600 Gulf Freeway.

Your Continued prayers and support are needed and appreciated because together, much can be accomplished!!

May God Bless you abundantly for all you do for the Dignity of Life!!

Your Brother in Christ
Paul(Yogi)Ybarra Jr.

FAMILY COMMITTEE

We are looking for a knight to be the Chairman of the Family Committee. Responsibilities include gathering info on all the young families and getting info to them about family nights and programs. If you have a family or know a family, let this be your big start. Keep track of events so you can get our families together and grow our council family. Kids love doing stuff where other kids are doing stuff.

John Flanagan

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of Columbus**

Keep our work in front of people

VA ASSISTANCE

The goal of the VA Assistance Committee is to have an active corps of Knights serving as volunteers at every Veterans Administration medical facility in the nation. We meet once a quarter and venture down to the Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, Houston, TX to mingle with the veterans and take them to mass if they choose to go.

Next Visit Mar 12

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Dues*Dues*Dues

RETENTION COMMITTEE

Retention Committee Update for March 2017

Brothers, if you have not had a chance to pay your dues or did not receive your payment notice, please contact our Worthy Financial Secretary Pete Palasota.

Most importantly, if you know of a brother who is sick or distressed and in need of help, please contact your Grand Knight, Financial Secretary or your Retention Committee Chairman.

Sometimes it is so easy for a Brother Knight to lose contact with the Council when illness sets in. Please stay in touch with our members who have not been around in a while.

God Bless,
Jim Ledwig WPGK
Retention Chairman

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Retention Committee Chairman Jim Ledwig
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BOWLING

Good Bowling continues in our League, even I bowled a 613 series last week. I don't get a 600 series very often. State Tournament is coming up on the first two weeks of April in Austin at Westview Lanes. Should be a good time as well as being able to visit with Brother Knight from around the State.

KITCHEN

The kitchen staff hopes all Brothers are enjoying the meals that are prepared for business night and family night. Please remember that on Family Night, please bring a side dish or dessert. Your help is greatly appreciated. Brothers, if you enjoy the KC dinners, please do not forget to leave a donation in the "kitty".



The 'C' Team

Ken Scales*	(281) 716-1104
Buz Bussolati*	(832) 797-1370
John Groneck	(281) 409-9290
Rich LaBoda	(832) 592-3714
Jose Ruvalcab	(281) 624-8169
Robert Perrotta	(281) 825-7404
Mark Votsmier	(281) 799-7823
Yogi Ybarra	(281) 827-4282

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March BIRTHDAYS

1	Fr. Robert Brennan	12	Ryan Dalton	25	William Janacek
2	David Novotny	12	Thomas Zievert	25	Timothy Ross
4	John Lacey	12	Gerald Sargent	26	James Linden
5	John Pachecano	13	James McCormick	26	David Polasek
6	William Schultz	14	Stephen Bussiere	28	Michael Curtin
8	William Christiansen	19	Deacon Glendon Schmidt	28	Theodore Dematteo
9	Francis Hodel	21	Manuel Melchor	28	Jacob Odom
10	David Dancsak	23	Herbert Sommer	30	James Ledwig
11	Norbert Narvacan	24	Victor Palermo		

We need your support at Events - Come out and join us!

RECRUIT! RECRUIT! RECRUIT!

Be sure to invite people out to see us, and when you get a chance to speak to a Catholic gentleman show them what we do! What you do is really pretty awesome - TELL SOMEBODY!

FUNDRAISING

We are always looking for opportunities. The committee meets periodically to discuss possible events or fundraisers that the council can explore. If you are interested in becoming a member of this committee please contact the Grand Knight David Polasek dpolasek7388@sbcglobal.net



WHY JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS?

If you're interested in helping those in need, serving your parish, growing in your faith or having exclusive access to top-rated insurance protection for your family, then the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you. Becoming a Knight of Columbus can transform your life.

These are just some of the reasons to become a Knight with Council 6557.

We are a band of brothers, dedicated to doing good in the service of God and our neighbors. We do a lot of fundraisers because we have already committed to helping the following charities:

COUNCIL 6557 YEARLY CHARITY OBLIGATIONS

Herman Konczewski Memorial Scholarship Fund (Exclusive to Council 6557)	Mowers of Faith
St. Simon and Jude Parrish Support	Montgomery County Food Bank
St. James Parrish Support	Northeast Assistance Ministries - NAM
St's. Simon & Jude Pro Life	Operation Military Embrace
St. James Pro Life	Pregnancy Assist CTR
Boy Scout Troop 589	Spring Assistance Ministries
Cub Scout pack 1234	Seminarian Support
Clergy Night Celebration	Special Olympics
Annual Cardinal Dinardo Golf Fundraiser	State Charities
Brookwood Community	Tamina Community Center
Catholic Daughters	Ultrasound Program
Convalescent Bingo	USO
Interfaith Ministries for Greater Houston	Visit with Veterans at the VA Hospital
Loaves and Fishes Downtown Houston	Wheelchair Mission

This council alone has donated over **\$27,000** in cash to Charities like the ones above.

In 2017 we donated over **676 hours** Year to Date of our time to charity, that is worth over **\$15,210**

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RESUMES, JOBS
AND WORK

IF YOU HAVE SPECIAL SKILLS, NEED HELP, NEED A JOB OR NEED TO FILL A
POSITION AT YOUR COMPANY, SPREAD THE WORD HERE

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Industrial Management and Technology student with experience in customer service and in a shop environment. Experienced with high and low pressure gas lines. Member of Society of Manufacturing Engineering. Experience using Creo Parametric 3.0. Have taken classes over safety and manufacturing class. Have 10 hr. OSHA card and PEC training. Knowledgeable in lean production.

EDUCATION

Texas A&M University- Kingsville

Bachelor of Science- Industrial Management and Technology Major GPA: 3.27

Relevant Courses: Lean Production, Quality Assurance, Manufacturing Processes, Leadership and Supervision, OSHA for General Industry, Cost Estimating

COMPUTER SKILLS

Engineering: Creo Parametric 3.0

Microsoft Office: Word, Excel, PowerPoint

LEADERSHIP & INVOLMENT

Member, Society of Manufacturing Engineering 2016

Treasurer, Good OL Boys Off-Road 2013-2015

HONORS AND AWARDS

Honor Roll Spring 2016

Star Performer (Lowe's) 2015

HEADS UP

Remember your contacts, if you know anyone that can help or if you know of a position somewhere, please make contact, e-mail your friends, employees or employers. Just a little nudge can go a long way.





CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Activity Schedule

THU	Mar 2	Home Assoc and Officer Meeting
FRI	Mar 3	Fish Fry at St. James – Start 4:00 PM thru 7:30 PM
THU	Mar 9	Business Meeting
FRI	Mar 10	Fish Fry at St. James – Start 4:00 PM thru 7:30 PM
SUN	Mar 12	VA Visitation
WED	Mar 15	Golf League Starts – See Brother Rich (richardlaboda@consolidated.net)
FRI	Mar 17	Fish Fry at St. James – Start 4:00 PM thru 7:30 PM
FRI	Mar 17	Retreat – Sts Simon and Jude
SAT	Mar 18	Retreat – Sts Simon and Jude
SUN	Mar 19	Retreat – Sts Simon and Jude
TUE	Mar 21	Convalescent Bingo @ 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Northwest Health & Rehabilitation Center
THU	Mar 23	Family Knight – Paul Fulton Speaker ‘A Day in the Life’
FRI	Mar 24	Fish Fry at St. James – Start 4:00 PM thru 7:30 PM
FRI	Mar 31	Fish Fry at St. James – Start 4:00 PM thru 7:30 PM
SAT	Apr 1	Old Town Spring (OTS) – Winefest
SUN	Apr 2	Old Town Spring (OTS) – Winefest
FRI	Aor 7	Fish Fry at St. James – Start 4:00 PM thru 7:30 PM
TUE	Apr 18	Convalescent Bingo @ 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Northwest Health & Rehabilitation Center
SAT	Apr 29	Old Town Spring (OTS) Crawfish Festival
SUN	Apr 30	Old Town Spring (OTS) Crawfish Festival
SUN	May 14	VA Visitation



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PRAYER LIST



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Illnesses are usually left on this list for a period of 30 - 45 days. For updating, please contact GK David Polasek dpolasek7388@sbcglobal.net 281-350-1921 or PGK Bill Moeller billmoeller78@yahoo.com 832-594-4980

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to You in this time of illness and need. Oh dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate the worry and sorrow with your gentle love and grant us the peace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place those on our prayer list under your care and humbly ask that You restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever You do, You do for the love of us.

We pray for our Brothers and family members that are ill or in distress:

SK Dick Brayer - heart attack (Feb 26)

Logan Flores, grandson of Jay Kemper, 10 month old – surgery (Feb22)

Cynthia Futch, friends of Rich and Pat LaBoda – infection (Feb 27)

Gary Joppich, friend of Larry Hawkins – inoperable cancer

Mike Kennan, brother in law of Scott Uselman – heart issue (Jan 8)

Bill Kern, Uncle of Scott Uselman – pneumonia recovery (Feb 13)

Grant Milton, high school football player, injured, coma (12/1)

Bill Miski Brother-in-Law of Jack Edwards - cancer

Margaret Romeo, wife of Mike Romeo – hospice

Ann Witovec, wife of PGK Jim Witovec – fall recovery (Feb 16)

Our Country and Religious Liberty

Ongoing Prayer Requests

Pope Francis

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Our Cardinals and our Church

Our Bishops, priests, deacons, religious, and seminarians

Pat (cancer) and Mike Aaron proposed by Danny Spurlock

George Adams (Health)

Cathy Barcello, proposed by Terry O'Donohue (kidney cancer)

Barbara Barnes, proposed by SK Dan Armbruster

Teresa Bratcher, daughter of SK Robby Westbrook (cancer)

Joyce Becker - Alzheimers

Brian Berger, proposed by GK Jim Ledwig (Crohns Disease)

Bob Binkle (Brain tumor)

Diane Curtin (Cancer), proposed by Mike Curtin

Donna Cymbala (cancer)

Henry Dishberger (cancer)

Sandy Effler, wife of Mike Effler (Health)

Shirley Elliott wife of Jack Elliott (cancer)

Amy Evans, Chuck Keesees's daughter, (progressive paralysis)

Helen Foltyn, mother of David, health

Brent Fry (Brain cancer), nephew of Bill and Bridget Moeller

Maria Jose Garcia de Romero, sister-in-law of Terry O'Donohue, Leukemia

Thomas Gleason (leukemia) father of SK Mike Gleason

Linda Gonzalez (lung cancer) wife SK Rudy Gonzalez, Co 14512

Hannah Henry, Granddaughter of Mary Jo Henry (Health)
Frank Hodel (Alzheimer's)
Becky Jeffries (Diabetes), proposed by SK Jerry Leiker
Jeremy Jimenez (Muscular Dystrophy), proposed by SK John Tatman
Dave Johnston (cancer)
Jessie Klosterman (health) granddaughter of Herman Konczewski
Michelle Koenig (cancer)
Tom Kurland (Health)
Paul Ledwig (Cancer)
SK Jerry Leiker (Health)
Helen Van Keulen (Stage 4 Breast Cancer) wife of Field Agent Daryl
Beryl Lucia (ALS) proposed by SK Dennis Pomonis
Susan Marong (Cancer) proposed by Steve Kane
Gretchen Manchester (Blood Disorder) David and Judy Polasek niece
Rose Merrill (Alzheimer's), sister of SK Rudy Charest
Ben Miele (liver and nasal cancer), proposed by Pat Testa
Paul Moarman (heart problems), proposed by Henry Brownfield
Jean Morgan (cancer), sister of Mike Cali
Elsey Mudackalil (stroke), sister of Father Mathew Thottiyil
Sister in Law of Richard Nash, cancer
Hannah Navarro, grand-niece of Deacon John Charnisky, rhabdomyosarcoma cancer
Joshua Ochoa, 19 year old grandson of Dick Brayer – melanoma
Carmen Oviedo (liver cancer) wife of Field Agent Jose Oviedo
Servando Osorio, friend of Terry O'Donohue, liver cancer, 3 months to live, and young family
Karen O' Sullivan (Multiple Sclerosis) cousin of Robert P. O' Sullivan
Kathy Pace (Healing from Cancer)
Karyn Posella (back pain) wife of Rick Reed
Maria Jose Romero (Leukemia), proposed by Terry O'Donohue
Anthony San Miguel (Brain Cancer), proposed by Mark San Miguel
Jaime Sepulveda (Parkinson's disease)
Richie Spurlock (Health recovery)
Verna Strickland, founding parishioner Sts S&J, losing her eyesight and hearing
Bobbie Torguson (Cancer)
Leo Torzewski (bladder cancer)
Tony Trahan (Blood Cancer)
Lillian Trahan (Stage 2 Multiple Myeloma of the blood)
Dean Welter (bladder cancer) proposed by Chad Uselman, brother in law
SK Walter White (health)
Carl Wrobel – lung cancer
SK Yogi Ybarra - health
Our Men and Women serving in the Military

We also remember our Brother Knights and Family Members that have died:

Family / Friends:

Kathie Binkle
John Blatt cousin of Danny Spurlock
Jon Kemper, brother of Jay
Fred Stash, a Charter member of our Council