



**Knights of Columbus Bishop Nold Council 6557**

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We meet at:  
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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 Shambach

**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**

Bill Moeller

David Polasek

Rich Eimer

**Insurance Agent**

Jose Oviedo

**JFMHA President**

John Groneck

**JFMHA Vice President**

Ken Scales

**Standing Committees**

**Program Director**

Harold M Shambach

**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**

Eric Salley

**Kitchen**

David Foltyn

**Cleanup Crews**

Larry Hawkins

**VA Assistance**

Peter Palen

**Degree Team**

Robert Perrotta

**Welcoming Committee**

John Groneck

**Parking**

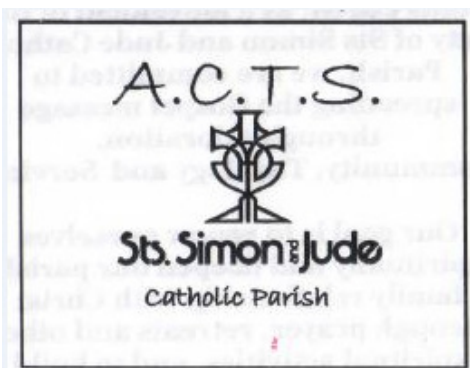
Danny Spurlock

## PET FEST

October 15 and 16th. We need your help! Sign up by contacting John Groneck [groneck@msn.com](mailto:groneck@msn.com)



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## Halloween

The Sts. Simon & Jude Men's ACTS Retreat will be held on November 17 – 20, 2016. The retreat will be held at the Circle Lake Retreat Center north of Tomball. Transportation will be provided to and from the Center,

An ACTS retreat is a three day and three night Catholic lay retreat presented by fellow parishioners. The retreat begins on Thursday evening and concludes at Sunday 11:30am mass celebrated with the parish community.

Sign up for the retreat will be the weekend of October 16th. Space is limited. Come join your fellow KC brothers for this spiritual and enjoyable weekend. Contact Harold Schambach at (832) 526-0141 or Don Fisher at (281) 298-1765.



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## GRAND KNIGHT REPORT

September started off with the Council being awarded two Football concessions. Our first concession on September 9 was a game between Woodlands and Katy. This concession turned out to be our biggest, busiest, and most profitable. Both sides came to eat, drink, and be merry. I want to personally thank all those hard working volunteers for all their efforts that night. It was a very busy night.

Our second game was on September 30 a game between Woodlands and Lufkin. This game proved to be busy as well. We seemed to have a constant flow of customers, but not to the wall like our first game.

We went from that to the Autumn Wine & Art Festival in Old Town Spring on Oct 1 and 2. It has turned out to be one of busiest weekends. Volunteers were needed going from one fund raiser to another. Thanks Ken for all that you do for your Council and taking the point for all of our Old Town Spring Festivals.

At Sts Simon & Jude this weekend we also had a fourth degree turnout at all the Masses for Pro-Life. SK Phil Rimoldi was honored to bring up a rose and place by the altar at some of the masses. After all that is going on this weekend we had a Fourth Degree Exemplification at St Bernadette's Church in the Clear Lake area.

Reminder that our Council will be having our Corporate Communion at Sts Simon & Jude on October 30, 2016 at the 7:30 AM Mass. I'm encouraging that we get back to the families participating and being part of this celebration. Please come a little early and gather in the foyer of the church so we can all process in being led by our Sir Knights. See you there.

As I have stated before it is not always easy to be a Knight. So as everyone can see many Knights are needed to fulfil our needs and obligations. Continue to recruit new Catholic gentlemen to join our ranks so we have enough help to meet our needs for our charities.

Fraternally,  
David Polasek  
Grand Knight

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## KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Fernando Ramirez

Fernando Ramirez is one of our new Knights to our Council. I encourage all new Knights to get involved in your Council's activities. Fernando recently volunteered for one our concessions and encourage you to get involved in other fund raisers. I know of no better way to get to know your brother Knights. Thanks for getting involved and helping your Council reach our charity goals.

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FAMILY OF THE  
MONTH

Don and Pat Hollis

Don and Pat Hollis are relatively new to our Council. Don has gotten involved in the Council meetings and they have been coming to Family night. So, I was not surprised when the first Football concession came up, they volunteered. It turned out to be our biggest concession to date. Don and Pat hung in there even though we were very busy. Thank you both for getting involved in your Council.



**FRIDAY  
KNIGHT  
LIGHTS**

## 2017 Clergy Appreciation Night

The Galveston Houston Chapter of the Knights of Columbus will host the Thirty-third Annual Clergy Appreciation Night on Friday, January 20, 2017, at the Stafford Centre, located at 10505 Cash Rd. Stafford, Texas 77477, (6:30 PM cocktails and 7:30 PM dinner). Once each year we Brother Knights welcome the opportunity to again express our thanks, respect, and solidarity with our Cardinal, Archbishop, Bishops, Priests, Deacons, and Religious

## 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 Nov 20*

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## BOWLING

The League is in its fourth week already. The League is finally settling down as far as teams filling the final spots in their teams. There is good bowling going on already as our high game so far is a 289. We have a couple new teams, but like this League does, everyone is making them feel welcome. Were here to have fun. Keep up the good bowling.

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## RESPECT LIFE

Brother Knights,

The month of October is designated for Pro-Life in our diocese. As Knights of Columbus we are called to be Pro-Life, from conception to natural death. We must stand for the unborn and be the voice of the voiceless as we protect the sanctity of Life as we give Life to possible.

As Knights of Columbus, we are committed to saving babies. We do this through education, Pro-life Masses, Rosaries outside abortion clinic, 40 Days for Life, Hike for Life, Life Chains and 40 Days for Life are a few examples. Incredible as it seems, most people do not know that as unborn baby is fully formed by 8 weeks. The fingers will curl around an object placed in their hands. The toes fan and curl. By 12 weeks they swallow, squint and swim around in their enclosed water world. Incredibly, this is when most mothers find out they are pregnant! At 4 months the baby has eye lashes and hair.

She can hear sounds including her/his mom's heartbeat and voice. In the fifth month the baby is about 12 inches long. Fingernails are growing and the baby often scratches him or herself. The baby has fully developed vocal cords and uses them to cry but the cries cannot be heard because there is no air. This was discovered when a doctor put air in a woman's amniotic sac and the baby's cries, exposed to the air, kept the mother up much of the night. Babies born at this stage have lived. From this point on, all a baby does is grow.

We are part of a much larger Family known as the Pro-Life movement. We care about the unborn child and also the pregnant woman. The Pro-Life movement is a movement of Love, through Pregnancy Care Centers, Maternity Homes and other ministries, women can find everything from free pregnancy tests to shelter and medical care. We are the ones who truly offer choice.

Our next Mass and Rosary Procession will be on October 15, 2016 Our Lady of Fatima and Motsy 8:30 mass at the Catholic Charismatic Center located 1949 Cullen, Houston 77023 in conjunction with Catholic Organization Life/March of Surviving Youth. Helpers will join the archdiocese prolife youth for mass and prayer at Planned Parenthood but will remain at Planned Parenthood to join with the tens of thousands across the world who will pray the Rosaries for Fatima this day.

Your Brother in Christ  
Paul (Yogi) Ybarra Jr.



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## 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.

## 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](mailto:dpolasek7388@sbcglobal.net)

## 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 'B' Team

Harold Schambach*	(281) 364-7360
Terry O'Donohue*	(281)678-4557
David Janning	(281) 362-8712
Richard Morgan	(281) 528-5518
Aaron Morgan	(281) 528-5518
Joe De La Torre	(281) 721-5307
Jack Edwards	(281) 367-9859
Boyd Schafer	(281) 367-3542



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## COLUMBIAN SQUIRES

Hi all,

I am announcing our October monthly meeting for Squires as October 4th at 7pm at Saint James.

### **Pancake Breakfast**

We have purchased the goods for the pancake breakfast next Sunday October 9th. We need to make sure that St. James has us on their schedule Monday. I will invite all Squire prospects to the pancake breakfast.

Please have squires in their shirts.

### **Veteran's Day Parade November 11th**

The County Commissioner's office (Noack) has asked me to change the parade route to allow more viewing in a safer location. I am proposing kitting the parade on Geneva, proceeding down Rayford, making a left turn on Aldine Westfield, a right turn on Elan Blvd, and a right turn on Birnham Woods. There is plenty of viewing area along Aldine Westfield, Elan and Birnham Woods. I will need to get Txdot approval for use of their frontage road along Grand Parkway from Birnham Woods into the Walmart parking lot. This is the safest route I could come up with (as a PE) and still utilize our beginning and end locations. Remember this is Veteran's Day November 11th from 9am to 11am. It is important that we keep this simple and honor the veterans as our primary focus.

Please have your squires message all their fellow squires concerning the Wednesday meeting.

Thank you,

Frederick Sunderman



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## **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)

St. Simon and Jude Parrish Support

St. James Parrish Support

St's. Simon & Jude Pro Life

St. James Pro Life

Boy Scout Troop 589

Cub Scout pack 1234

Clergy Night Celebration

Annual Cardinal Dinardo Golf Fundraiser

Brookwood Community

Catholic Daughters

Convalescent Bingo

Interfaith Ministries for Greater Houston

Loaves and Fishes Downtown Houston

Mowers of Faith

Montgomery County Food Bank

Northeast Assistance Ministries - NAM

Operation Military Embrace

Pregnancy Assist CTR

Spring Assistance Ministries

Seminarian Support

Special Olympics

State Charities

Tamina Community Center

Ultrasound Program

USO

Visit with Veterans at the VA Hospital

Wheelchair Mission

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

**So far this year we have donated over 5,913  
hours to charity, that is worth over \$133,042**





Activity Schedule

SUN	Oct 9	Breakfast for Squires at St James
THU	Oct 13	Business Meeting
SAT	Oct 15	PetFest in Old Town Spring (OTS)
SUN	Oct 16	PetFest in Old Town Spring (OTS)
SAT	Oct 22	Confirmation mass at St. James at the 5 PM mass on Saturday October 22. Plan to arrive at 4:15 for inspection of regalia and a rehearsal with sword drill. Uniform is Full Regalia or Social Regalia with white gloves. Please respond if you are available to participate
SUN	Oct 23	Fall Festival Sts Simon and Jude
THU	Oct 27	Family Knight
SUN	Oct 30	Corporate Communion Sts Simon and Jude 7:30 AM Mass 4th Degree Social
THU	Nov 3	Home Assoc and Officer Meeting
THU	Nov 10	Business Meeting
SUN	Nov 13	Veteran's Dinner St James
SUN	Nov 20	VA Visitation
THU	Nov 24	No Family Knight
TUE	Nov 29	Silver Rose at St. James
THU	Dec 8	Business Meeting
SUN	Dec 11	Christmas Party at the Hall
THU	Dec 22	Family Knight
THU	Jan 5	Home Assoc and Officer Meeting
THU	Jan 12	Business Meeting
SUN	Jan 15	VA Visitation
FRI	Jan 20	Clergy Appreciation Night
THU	Jan 26	Family Knight
SAT	Jan 28	Vocation Ministry Breakfast Sts. Simin and Jude
THU	Feb 2	Home Assoc and Officer Meeting
THU	Feb 9	Business Meeting
THU	Feb 23	Family Knight
THU	Mar 2	Home Assoc and Officer Meeting
THU	Mar 9	Business Meeting
SUN	Mar 12	VA Visitation
THU	Mar 23	Family Knight
SUN	May 14	VA Visitation

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PRAYER LIST



## Bishop Nold Council 6557

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:**

**Norma Barton, SK Mike Trahan's Mother in Law (Oct 1)**

SK Albert Halphen – health and surgery recovery (Aug 3)

Esther Kubeczka, wife of Joe – health (Aug 31)

Don LaBarge – back surgery (Aug 12)

PGK Dan McHenry – back surgery recovery (Aug 5)

SK John Lacey – heart surgery (Aug 15)

**Dick Nash's brother in law Nick – Throat cancer (Sep 22)**

Paul Nestor – knee surgery recovery (Aug 15)

Cristal Ohm, granddaughter of Chad Uselman, ATV accident (Aug 31)

Margaret Romeo, wife of Mike Romeo – hospice

**Scott Uselman's Sister Rita , neck surgery (Sep 11)**

Genevieve Wolinski – wife of Ed, health

SK Yogi Ybarra – health (Aug 21)

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)

Kathy Binkle (Cancer) and Bob Binkle (Brain tumor)

Diane Curtin (Cancer), proposed by Mike Curtin

Donna Cymbala (cancer)

Henry Dishberger (cancer)

Shirley Elliott wife of Brother Jack Elliott (cancer)

Amy Evans, Chuck Keese'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

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# PRAYER LIST



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  
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)  
David Vorpahl, brother of Peggy Husky (brain tumor)  
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

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

Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed; through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace in company with Christ a may they rejoice in your Kingdom. AMEN

**Family / Friends:**

**Jo Dolengowski, Wife of Brother George Dolengowski**

**Teresa Ozog, the Mother of Brother Andy Ozog and wife of deceased Brother Bill**