

**Knights of Columbus Bishop Nold Council 6557**

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We meet at:  
 29327 South Plum Creek Drive  
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**Monthly Schedule:**

1st Thursday  
*Officer Planning Meeting 7:00 PM*

2nd Thursday  
*Council Meeting Starts at 7:30PM*

4th Thursday  
*Family Knight*

**Grand Knight**

Harold Schambach

**Chaplain**

Fr. Pat Garrett

**Deputy Grand Knight**

Ted DeMatteo

**Assistant Diocesan Deputy**

Bill Moeller

**Chancellor**

Phil Rimoldi

**Recorder**

Ray Wert

**Financial Secretary**

Pete Palasota

**Treasurer**

Ken Scales

**Lecturer**

John Lacey

**Advocate**

Ed Varosky

**Warden**

John Groneck

**Inside Guard**

Danny Spurlock

**Outside Guards**

Charlie Siragusa

Chuck Keesee

**Trustees**

Bob Castro (1yr)

Robert Perrotta (2 yr)

David Polasek (3 yr)

**Delegates**

**Insurance Agent**

Alexander Vu

**JFMHA President**

John Groneck

**JFMHA Vice President**

Ken Scales

**Standing Committees**

**Program Director**

Ted DeMatteo

**Church Director**

St. James - Arnold Rodriguez

Sts Simon and Jude - Phil Rimoldi

**Community Director**

Ken Scales

**Council Director**

**Family Director**

**Youth Director**

**Culture of Life Director**

Paul Ybarra

**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)**

Robert Castro

**Scholarship Committee**

John Groneck

Jay Kemper

David Dansek

Joe Ramrath

**Kitchen**

John Lacey

**Cleanup Crews**

Larry Hawkins

**VA Assistance**

Robert Hannasch

# Men's Holy Name Annual Retreat



October 20th through 22nd, 2017

## Ave Crux, Spes Unica: Hail to the Cross, Our Only Hope?

The expression comes to us from a 6th Century hymn honoring the Holy Cross. The Holy Name preaching team added the question mark because we – Christians of the 21st century living in the developed world - need to ask ourselves whether our faith runs deep enough to embrace the Cross as our only hope. Join us on re-treat as we gaze intently, lovingly and gratefully on the “One whom they have pierced.”

Sts Simon and Jude offers  
free transportation to and from the retreat center.

Register now with a \$50 deposit at:  
[www.holynameretreatcenter.com](http://www.holynameretreatcenter.com)

Plan to bring your favorite Crucifix for a unique, special blessing, only available through the Passionist Order, during a retreat.

For more information contact Lonnie Minze at  
[lonnieminze@gmail.com](mailto:lonnieminze@gmail.com)

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## GRAND KNIGHT REPORT

Brothers and Friends,

I would like to welcome a new member into our council, Mike Cox. Mike is married to Donna and attends SSJ. September has been a very traumatic month for our area. We had three brothers who suffered storm damage to their homes. The council has been very active in assisting these brothers and the community. Our council has helped staff the Red Cross shelter at Sts. Simon & Jude, distribute food for St. Edwards, cleanout flooded homes, cooked meals for 200 residents of Spring Forest subdivision and helping brother knights and other groups with financial assistance. A special recognition to Ray Wert who lead the cleanout team on one brother's house and other houses in the community. The council hall was spared any storm damage; however, we could not access the hall for three days and lost power for ten days. Please keep those affected by the storm in our prayers.

During October, we will begin our recruiting efforts in the two parishes. On October 22nd, we recruit at the pancake breakfast at Sts. Simon and Jude after the 7:30 and 9:30 masses. Phil Rimoldi will be heading up the drive and will need brothers after the 7:30 and 9:30 masses to staff the table. On October 29th, we will have our Corporate Communion at St. James the Apostle. After the 9:00 mass we will recruit and sponsor coffee and donuts. Arnold Rodriguez will be coordinating this event and all brothers can help after the mass to recruit a new member. I am still changeling each knight to recruit one new member.

We had a good turnout for our first Friday Night Lights Football concession. We cleared \$360 in tips! We will have our second Friday Night Lights Football concession on October 20th. The Woodlands HS will be playing Oak Ridge HS. This will be a big game and we will need 40+ volunteers to staff the concessions. More details to follow later.

Show your pride in being a Knight, wear their council shirts to parish events.

Vivat Jesus!,

Harold Schambach  
Grand Knight

**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!



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October

BIRTHDAYS

1	Louis G De Luna, Jr	10	Douglas M Robicheaux	17	David T Parisian
1	Richard Hernandez	11	Scott A Uselman	18	Scott M Cheyney
2	Timothy J Moorman	12	Keith E Mc Connell	18	Matthew D Vogt
3	Ronald R Davis, Jr	14	David Foltyn	19	SK Jim Witovec, Jr
3	Walter A Ebelt	14	Gene F Mc Cormick	21	Mark S Hecker
3	Jon J Vallery	14	Anthony J Wallace	21	SK Michael S Trahan
7	Stephen Kondik	15	Alfred S David	22	Robert D Perrotta, Robert
8	Victor E Hernandez	15	Lawrence A Garza	23	Deacon Arthur A Zepeda
8	Joseph P Rammrath	15	Patrick B Polasek	24	David J Lindinger
9	SK Anthony C Potter	16	SK Robert V Hannasch	27	Brian J La Cour
9	SK John G Tatman			30	Lukasz Cupial

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CALENDAR OF  
EVENTS

SUN	Oct 1	Family Picnic
MON	Oct 2	Shepard's Cup Golf Tournament at Kingwood Country Club
THU	Oct 5	1st THU JFMHA Meeting 7:00
THU	Oct 5	1st THU Officer's Meeting 7:30
TUE	Oct 10	2nd TUE Chapter Meeting 5:30 Lowes Parking lot
THU	Oct 12	2nd THU Business Meeting 7:00
SAT	Oct 14	Fourth Degree Exemplification at St. Francis De Sales Church (8200 Roos Road Houston, TX 77036)
SUN	Oct 15	Fourth Degree Exemplification at St. Francis De Sales Church (8200 Roos Road Houston, TX 77036)
TUE	Oct 17	Convalescent Bingo 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Northwest Health & Rehabilitation Center
FRI	Oct 20	Friday Knight Lights – Starts at 5:00 19115 David Memorial Dr. Shenandoah, TX 77385
SUN	Oct 22	Recruiting at Sts. Simon & Jude Pancake Breakfast after 7: 30 & 9:00 Masses
THU	Oct 26	4th THU Family Night Dinner 6:30
SUN	Oct 29	Corporate Communion Mass at St. James the Apostle
THU	Nov 2	1st THU JFMHA Meeting 7:00
THU	Nov 2	1st THU Officer's Meeting 7:30
THU	Nov 9	2nd THU Business Meeting 7:00
TUE	Nov 14	2nd TUE Chapter Meeting 5:00 Lowes Parking lot
SUN	Nov 19	VA Visit – Meet the Lowes Parking lot 20201 N. IH 45 by the portable buildings at 8:00
TUE	Nov 21	Convalescent Bingo 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Northwest Health & Rehabilitation Center
THU	Nov 23	4th THU NO Family Night

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*Get Involved!*

STANDING  
COMMITTEES

## RESPECT LIFE

My Brother Knights

First and foremost, I hope everyone survived Hurricane Harvey. I know some of us lost not only our home but all our worldly possessions. It will take time, but we all will rebuild better than ever!!

October is Respect Life month. "A child is not something owed to one, but is a Gift. The 'supreme gift of marriage' is a human person. A child may not be considered a piece of property, an idea to which an alleged right to a child would lead. In this area only the child possesses genuine rights: the right to be the fruit of the specific act of the conjugal Love of his Parents, and the right to be respected as a person from the moment of His conception."

40 Days for Life will be September 27-November 5. 40 Days for Life is an international group that campaigns against abortion, originally started in 2004 by a local group in Bryan, College Station led by David Bereit. The campaign is active in the fall and spring of each year. Though local campaigns may continue all year round. The name refers to a pattern of several events lasting for 40 days repeated in the Bible, such as Noah's Ark, Moses's 40 days on Mount Sinai and Jesus's 40 days in the desert!

You can protect Mothers and Children by joining the mobilization. Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 750,000 volunteers. With God's Help, here are the proven results on in 20 coordinated campaigns: 13,305 Babies saved from abortion, 154 abortion workers converted, 86 abortion centers closed.

What does this mean to you and me? We value and protect the Unborn Baby. We respect the preborn as a person known to God before they were even conceived. We fight for their rights to life. How far you go in life depends on your being tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with striving and tolerant of the weak and strong.

Our next chance to help the Helpers of God's Precious Infants will be on October 14, 2017. Motsy and Helpers 100th Anniversary Our Lady of Fatima with an 8:30 Mass at Catholic Charismatic Center 1949 Cullen Blvd Houston, Tx followed by procession and Jericho march to Planned Parenthood 4600 Gulf Freeway. The Helpers of God's Precious Infants will join the Catholic Organization of Life/March of Surviving Youth (MOTSY) on this special day.

Please put your best foot forward and step up to the plate as we become the Voice of the Voiceless, because together much can be accomplished!!!

Your Brother in Christ  
Paul (Yogi) Ybarra Jr

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## 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”.



*Spring Forest Food Delivery*

## HOME ASSOCIATION JFMHA

### JFMHA officers

Groneck (President)  
 Scales (VP)  
 Armbruster (Treasurer)  
 Patrick Polasek (Recorder)

# John Flanagan

*Serving Our Community Since 1989*

## Reception Hall and Property Rentals

(281) 292 - 4275 JFHALLRENTAL.COM

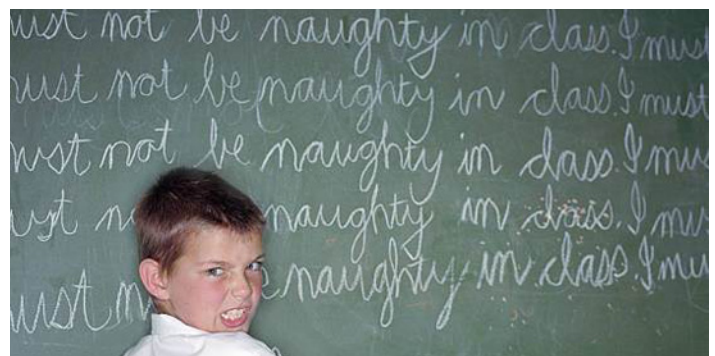
Meeting place of the  Knights of Columbus



## MEETING REMINDER:

Keep your mouth shut. During a meeting if you do not have the floor you should not be talking. Jabs and side conversations are not allowed. Having to deal with extracurricular activities during a meeting is costing us time that the officers need to get their jobs done. Be kind. Rewind.

- A Message from the last guy caught.





## **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 2016 we donated over 8907 hours of our  
time to charity, that is worth over  
\$200,407**

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PRAYER LIST



## **Bishop Nold Council 6557**

New Additions are in Bold for all categories. All ongoing Prayer requests are on the bottom. Illnesses are usually left on this list for a period of 30 - 45 days. For updating, please contact

GK Harold Schambach grandknight6557@aol.com (832) 526-0141

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:**

**Carol Groneck** mother of Brother John Groneck – undergoing vision testing (September 2017)

**Kathy Palasota** wife of SK Pete Palasota – Recovering from broken ankle (September 2017)

**Brother Henry Boyle** - Health Issues (September 2017)

**Carole Wrobel** – Recovering from a fall (September 2017)

**Jerald Wrobel** – Pneumonia (September 2017)

**Jacqueline Melchor** wife of Brother Manuel Melchor - Cancer (September 2017)

**Steven Salley** father of Brother Eric Salley - Health Issues (September 2017)

**Brenda Salley** mother of Brother Eric Salley - Health Issues (September 2017)

**SK Charlie Siragusa** – Entered home hospice (September 2017)

**SK Pete Palasota** – recovering from a heart attack (September 2017)

**SK Jerry Leiker** – leg infection (September 2017)

Marilyn Edwards wife of SK Jack Edwards knee replacement (July 2017)

Father Vincent Nguyen, former Parochial Vicar of Sts Simon and Jude - stomach cancer (June 2017)

Stephen Richardson, father of Jack Elliott's son-in-law - two operations to relive pressure on the brain (June 2017)

Ann Varosky wife of BK Ed Varosky who is recovering from back surgery (July 2017)

Leonardo Boada, friend of Robert Hannasch – special intention (August 2017)

Tom Atkins – Broken Neck

Deanna Bashinski – Wife of Casmer Bashinski - fractured vertebrae

Gary Dierker—Prostrate Cancer

Jack Elliot's Granddaughter – Medical Tests

Amy Farris – SK Mike & Alberta Curtin's Daughter – High Blood Pressure

Mack Githens – Granson of SK Ted DeMatteo – Trigeminal Neuralgia

Gary Joppich, friend of Larry Hawkins – inoperable cancer

Tom Kurland – Heart Caterization and Health

Betty McHenry – PGK Dan McHenry's wife – Back Problems – Unable to Walk

Margaret Nunez wife of Brother Lupe Nunez – back surgery (Mar 28)

John Robles - Pneumonia

Barbara Walsh -- Lymphoma

Kevin Wert – SK Ray Wert's Son - Pancreatic Cancer

Our Country and Religious Liberty

### **Ongoing Prayer Requests**

Pope Francis

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI



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# PRAYER LIST



Our Cardinals and our Church  
Our Bishops, priests, deacons, religious, and seminarians  
Pat and Mike Aaron - Cancer 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  
Walter Dishberger (Health)  
Walter Ebel, council charter member (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  
Gary Joppich, friend of Larry Hawkins (inoperable cancer)  
Jessie Klosterman (health) granddaughter of Herman Konczewski  
Michelle Koenig (cancer)  
Joe Kubeczka (Health)  
Tom Kurland (Health)  
SK Jerry Leiker (Health)  
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  
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

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Kathy Pace (Healing from Cancer)  
Karyn Posella (back pain) wife of Rick Reed  
Maria Jose Romero (Leukemia), proposed by Terry O'Donohue  
Mike Romeo for the loss of his wife Margaret  
Anthony San Miguel (Brain Cancer), proposed by Mark San Miguel  
Jaime Sepulveda (Parkinson's disease)  
SK Charlie Siragusa – Health  
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)  
SK Yogi Ybarra - health  
Our Men and Women serving in the Military

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

### **Brother Knights:**

BK Carl Wrobel (July 2017)  
SK Dick Brayer (April 2017)  
Deacon CJ Magano (April 2017)  
SK John McGrath, Council 4066 Maplewood, NJ, Uncle of Robert O' Sullivan (May 2017)

### **Family / Friends:**

#### **Margaret Romeo, wife of Brother Mike Romeo (September 2017)**

Anthony Thesing Father-in-Law of Brother Mile Gleason (August 2017)  
Ann Witovec wife of PGK Jim Witovec (August 2017)  
Richard Cruz father-in-law of brother Frank Young (July 2017)  
Josh Ochoa, grandson of Ina and SK Dick Brayer (July 2017)  
Hannah Abrahamson, niece of BK Jay Kemper (June 2017)  
Carolyn Hlozek, wife of BK Robert Hlozek (June 2017)  
Velia Pachecano, mother of BK John Pachecano (June 2017)  
Chuck Lamb, brother of Sandy Hawkins (June 2017)  
Donald May, father of PGK Jim May (June 2017)  
Kathie Binkle, wife of Bob Binkle (February 2017)  
Donna Cymbala  
Vanita Demel, wife of the late BK Elwood Demel (May 2017)  
Frank Hodel Sr., Father of Frank Hodel Jr.  
Paul Ledwig, brother of Jim Ledwig (April 2017)  
Bill Miski, brother-in-law of Jack Edwards (February 2017)  
Eleanore Sommer, wife of Herb Sommer (April 2)017  
Raymond Wilson, father of Tim Wilson (May 2017)  
Carol Ann Young, wife of the late long-time brother Knight Walter Young Sr. (March 2017)

*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 and may they rejoice in your Kingdom.*

**AMEN**