



Brothers,

I have a confession to make, I have not thought much about the Council this Month with so much going on with Christmas, Church, Family, Friends etc. So today I sit here and try and write the newsletter, so forgive me if I forget something coming up. I do know Wednesday January 1st is the Council Luncheon 11am – 2pm. I hope to see you there to kick off the new year. Also there will be no meetings this Month on January 1, Council or Assembly.



The Council Mardi Gras party will be February 22nd at the Hall, so be sure to look for details in separate emails and next Months newsletter. Remember this event is open to everyone so please share the event info with family, friends and co-workers. This event has grown each year and you don't want to miss it. All proceeds go into our account that we use for our Charity work. We always have a great evening and raise a nice amount for Charity.

We will have a 2nd and 3rd degree exemplification on January 11th in Fort Smith at Columbus Hall. Registration begins at 11am the 2nd degree will begin at noon. We will be serving lunch after the exemplification. Also Assembly 25 will have a 4th degree exemplification on January 25th. It is nice to have all three of these degrees here so you wont have to travel. If you are interested in taking any of these degrees please contact Rick Gramilich or Robert Collins.

I have also heard that Fort Smith will host the Knights of Columbus State Convention. We will have this honor in 2021 and 2022 in downtown Fort Smith and we look forward to having members of KofC from all over the State here in our home town.

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on February 26th. Our Lenten fish nights will begin on Friday February 28th and go through April 10th. Be sure to keep an eye on the calender's in the newsletters. We may need to change some upcoming dates as we do not want to conflict with any Lenten church activities.

God Bless,
Robert Collins GK

SPECIAL DATES OF INTEREST:

- **Bingo every Tuesday @ 7pm**
- **No Assembly or Council meetings January 1st.**
- **Next Assembly and Council meetings February 5th**
- **Family night Fish Fry January 3rd 6pm**
- **January 1st lunch 11am-2pm**
Black-eyed peas, corn bread, and greens.

FORT KNIGHTS IN ACTION

2019 Santa visit at Heart 2 Heart. Thanks to Santa (aka Matt Hutchinson), Gus Copenheaver, and Carder and Jacob Ferguson. We cooked Hot Dogs and help give Heart 2 Heart most deserving clients. This is always a wonderful feeling to give something back.





Knights of Columbus

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Patrick F. Horan Assembly 0025

P.O. Box 180367

Fort Smith , AR 72918-0367



NO January Meeting

February meeting is 2-05-2019 at 6:00pm

Greetings Sir Knights,

No January meeting, instead we are hosting an exemplification at the Council 996 hall. The exemplification will be 1-25-2019 beginning at 12:00 pm or 1:00 pm, we are still discussing the time. For guest that would like to come to the exemplification I will be sending out more info on cost and attire for Sir's to wear. State Chaplin Father Patrick Bolin of Subiaco will be officiating the Mass at around 4:00pm with a Banquet to follow. Wives are encouraged to attend the Mass and banquet, cost is \$25 per person. All guest and observers please contact me no later than Sunday 1-19-2019 so we can be sure to have enough food and refreshments. Candidates cost is \$70.00 payable to the State Master.



As you can expect, I need 8 to 10 Sirs Knights to help with setting up the hall for the exemplification, tear down and set up for Mass, and set up for the Banquet, all in the Ballroom.

Faithful Comptroller Art Sellers has mailed out dues notices, please pay these as soon as possible.

Thank You

FN Rick Gramlich

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Council 996

Upcoming Events

Brothers,

Fish night is Friday January 3rd 2020

January 1st luncheon 11am-2pm black eyed peas with cornbread and greens. Everyone is welcome hope to see you there.

Friday February 7th will be a spaghetti dinner.

Lenten Fish fries begin Friday February 28th 6pm



Thank you,

Art Rideout

Council Program Director

Fish Knights



You asked....we delivered!

1st Friday of every month!!

6:00pm at Knights of Columbus Hall

\$8.00 per plate



- **Fish**
- **Fried Shrimp**
- **Pizza (\$2.00 per slice)**

Dinners include Hushpuppies, Fries, & Coleslaw

Carry out orders available beginning at 5:30pm.

Call 479-649-7144



COLUMBUS CLUB REPORT

Meetings 2nd Wednesday of every Month

6:30pm

Columbus Club Officers

President	Gary Barker
Vice President	Matt Hutchinson
Treasurer	Marc Lux
Secretary	Art Sellers
3 year Board	Dickey Spahn
2 year Board	Tyler Hudgens
1 year Board	Rick Gramlich

Columbus Club

There was no meeting in December. Next meeting is January 8th 6:30pm

Gary



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL 996**

Meetings 1st Wednesday of every Month
7:30pm

Council Officers 2019-2020

Chaplain	Fr. Juan Guido
Grand Knight	Robert Collins
Deputy Grand Knight	Matt Hutchinson
Financial Secretary	Marc Lux
Treasurer	Mark Urban

Visit Council Web Site at kofc996.com

Facebook: Knights of Columbus Fort Smith AR

**COLUMBUS HALL AND ACRES
RENTAL INFO**

Hall and Acres rental contact:

Jayne Spahn 479-208-3108

Hall Phone: 479-649-7144

The Hall and Acres are located at:

10201 Columbus Acres Rd.

Fort Smith AR 72916



F a m i l i e s i n N e e d o f P r a y e r

Sick

Please keep all members and friends in your prayers.

Military

Jacob Ferguson Fort Sill FORSCOM, Seth Simson 188th Wing

Donnie Fredrick 188th Wing

If there are any notifications for the Sickness or deaths please contact Matt Hutchinson at mhutchinson56@yahoo.com



Pius XII Council 996

January 2020



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1. No meetings tonight !!! New Year Day Blacked Eyed Pea Meal at 11 am	2	3. Family fish Night 6pm 	4
5	6 Troop 3 Boy Scouts Mtg 6:45-9pm	7 Bingo 7 PM	8 Columbus Club Mtg at 6:30	9	10	11 2nd and 3rd De- gree at Columbus Hall 11am
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19 March for life Little Rock	20 Troop 3 Boy Scouts Mtg 6:45-9pm	21 Bingo 7 PM	22	23	24	25 4th Degree exem- plification at Co- lumbus Hall 12pm
26	27 Troop 3 Boy Scouts Mtg 6:45-9pm	28 Bingo 7 PM	29	30	31	



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February 2020



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March 2020



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1	2 Troop 3 Boy Scouts Mtg 6 pm to 9 pm	3 Bingo 7 PM	4 Assembly meet- ing 6pm Council meeting 7:30pm 	5	6 Lenten fish fry 6pm	7
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