



# Knights *focus*

FR. EDWARD V. McCULLOUGH COUNCIL #7736  
St. Jude Catholic Church, Mansfield, TX

## In The Books

by *Grand Knight Dave Tomlin*

Well, another year has come and gone. Many of us have grown a little larger, and perhaps a little wiser, but more importantly when we look back on 2012, what have we learned?

- 1) Cliffs can be fiscal
- 2) It is very entertaining to talk to the furniture, especially, if you are Clint Eastwood
- 3) Chik-Fil-A can cause a stir, even in Mansfield, by taking a stand behind their beliefs
- 4) We would say goodbye to so many of our music and film stars and celebrities: Whitney Houston, Etta James, Davy Jones, painter Thomas Kinkadee, newsman Mike Wallace, Dick Clark, Donna Summer, Robin Gibb, football great Junior Seau, Richard Dawson, Ray Bradbury, Rodney King, writer/filmmaker Nora Ephron, Andy Griffith, Ernest Borgnine, Kitty Wells, Celeste Holmes, Sally Ride, Michael Clarke Duncan, Sherman Hemsley, Chad Everett, Marvin Hamlisch, Ron Palillo, Phyllis Diller, Arlen Specter, George McGovern, Larry Hagman, and Hector "Macho" Camacho
- 5) From Aurora to Newtown, violence has no boundaries
- 6) Former Penn State assistant coach Jerry Sandusky would be convicted of molesting young boys that were part of a second-chance charity he was involved in, sending him to prison
- 7) Queen Elizabeth thrilled her subjects with a Jubilee to mark her 60 years on

the throne

- 8) Britain's Queen Elizabeth II would become something of an idol when she played opposite actor Daniel Craig in a "Bond" sendup that had the Queen seemingly sky diving into the opening ceremonies of the London Olympics.
- 9) Superstorm Sandy would put out the lights on Broadway and wreak havoc on the East Coast.
- 10) An extramarital affair and a plot that had a whiff of "Fatal Attraction" would end the career of the CIA director, David Petraeus.
- 11) Korean rap can be catchy! Gangnam Style!!
- 12) THE MAYANS WERE WRONG!!!!

There are probably many more that can be added to this list. One more in particular is there is still need in this world for our mission as Knights-charity. At each of our service events this year, we absolutely have seen the continued need to help our fellow brothers and sisters. As knights, you are answering God's call. I have been proud to witness to your answering that call as you fed the homeless, visited the prisoners, and clothed those folks in need. You did this while supporting the building a new temple to God in our community. This has made me proud to your Grand Knight, and I look forward to serving you in for the balance of this fraternal year. I wish all of you a wonderful and prosperous 2013.

**VivatJesus**  
**Dave Tomlin**  
**Grand Knight**

January 2013

## Upcoming Events

- Jan 5 – Abortion Clinic
- Jan 5/13 – Free Throw Contest
- Jan 5/6 – Membership Blitz
- Jan 8 – Monthly Mtg
- Jan 12 – Officers Symposium
- Jan 12 – BINGO!
- Jan 15 – First Degree
- Jan 19 – Roe v. Wade Memorial
- Jan 19 – Diocesan Conference
- Jan 21 – 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Mtg
- Jan 22 – Planning Mtg
- Jan 26/27 – Knights CAN
- Jan 30 – Prolife Rosary
- Feb 2/3 – Turkey & Brauts
- Feb 3 – Super Bowl Party

## Membership BLITZ!

The biannual Membership Blitz will be after all Masses on the weekend of January 5/6. All Brother Knights are requested to help hand out brochures after the mass you attend. Please come to the back of the church right after Communion to help out. Ask that fellow Catholic man you know to join the Knights!

## Bingo!

Come out and help or just bring the whole family and play on January 12! Food prep starts around 4:00 P.M. – gaming at 6:30 P.M.



## Prolife Rosary & Prayer

We will be leading a Prolife Rosary before Mass on Wednesday, January 2 at 6:30 P.M. We then will be going to pray at the Abortion Clinic at 8:15 A.M. on January 5. Please come out and help us pray. Help make a statement that abortion is murder.

## First Degree

We will be having a First Degree ceremony at St. Jude on the evening of January 15. We will be inducting all the guys we get signed up for the Knights during our Membership Blitz. Come on out and watch the ceremony, especially if you haven't seen it since your own..

## Super Bowl Weekend

The Super Bowl weekend is coming. Pencil in Turkey and Brauts, as well as the Family Super Bowl Party, on the weekend of February 2/3. This is a big weekend for our Council, so plan on helping out and enjoying the big party as well.

## Free Throw Contest

Free Throw Contest is on two Saturdays, January 5 & 12, at the Mansfield Activity Center, from 1:30-2:30. Kids need only come one day. Bring your kids out and bring yourself out to help!



## Officers Symposium

Council Officers and Activity Chairmen meeting will be held on January 12 starting at 9:00 A.M. All officers and activity chairmen should attend, but all members are welcome. Come on out and help us plan the next 6 months.

## Diocesan Conference

The Fort Worth Knights of Columbus Diocesan Conference will be held at St. Jude on January 19. Please come out and help with set up around 8:00 A.M. or help with lunch around 11:00 A.M.

**Ask a good Catholic man to join the Knights today!  
It'll make him a better Catholic – just like it did to you!!!**

## First Degrees

(all at 7:00 P.M. unless noted)

**1/15** – Council 7736 in Mansfield  
**2/11** – Council 13470 in Arlington

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if you have a lead on a new member

## Monthly Awards

**KNIGHT OF THE MONTH** – Tom Wilson – Tom is one of our newly inducted 4<sup>th</sup> degree knights, who is dedicated to helping out the council. At this month's bingo, Tom spent his time working in the kitchen while cheering on his wife as she tried to win some CASH! Thanks for all your hard work Tom!!

**FAMILY OF THE MONTH** – Josh and Angelica Vetrano – The Vetranos are involved in many areas of our community from working with our youth to playing in the Christmas Choir. Please join me in congratulating them as January's family of the month!!



Feeding the Homeless in Downtown Fort Worth in December



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## Council 7736 Upcoming Events

- January 1 – Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)
- January 2 @ 6:30 P.M. – Prolife Rosary before Mass.
- January 5 @ 8:15 A.M. – Pray at Abortion Clinic
- January 5 @ 1:30 P.M. – Free Throw Contest at MAC
- January 5/6 – MEMBERSHIP BLITZ!
- January 8 – Monthly Business Meeting; Rosary at 6:30 P.M.; Meeting at 7:00 P.M.
- January 12 @ 9:00 A.M. – Council 7736 Officers Symposium
- January 12 @ 1:30 P.M. – Free Throw Contest at MAC.
- January 12 @ 6:30 P.M. – BINGO!
- January 15 @ 7:00 P.M. – First Degree at St. Jude
- January 19 @ 8:00 A.M. – Roe v. Wade Memorial events in Dallas
- January 19 @ 9:00 A.M. – Fort Worth Knights Diocesan Conference at St. Jude
- January 21 @ 7:00 P.M. – Mary, Queen of Peace Assembly Meeting at Council 6269 Hall
- January 22 @ 7:00 P.M. – Monthly Planning Meeting
- January 26/27 – KNIGHTS CAN weekend
- January 30 @ 6:30 P.M. – Prolife Rosary before Mass
- January 30 – Fort Worth Chapter Meeting at Council 2813 in Fort Worth
- February 2 @ 8:15 A.M. – Pray at abortion clinic
- February 2/3 – Super Bowl Turkey and Brauts after masses
- February 3 @ 3:00 P.M. – Family Super Bowl Party at Parish Center
- February 9 @ 6:30 P.M. – BINGO!!! (tentative)
- February 10 @ 7:00 A.M. – Pancake Breakfast
- February 12 @ 7:00 P.M. – Monthly Business Meeting; Rosary at 6:30 P.M.; Meeting at 7:00 P.M.
- February 13 – ASH WEDNESDAY
- February 15 @ 3:00 P.M.– Fish Fry
- February 18 @ 7:00 P.M. – Mary, Queen of Peace Assembly Meeting at Council 6269 Hall
- February 22 @ 3:00 P.M. – Fish Fry
- February 23/24 – KNIGHTS CAN Weekend

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