



The Knight Light - Knights of Columbus

Official Newsletter of Father
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Regular Meetings ~ 3rd Tuesday of each Month @ 7:30 pm
Officers Meeting ~ 1st Tuesday of each Month

!!!Addendum to the July Newsletter!!!

Next General Mtg., July 21st, we will be voting on the acceptance of the fraternal budget 2020-2021 and 2 Home Association officers.

Grand Knight's Message:

Peace be with you my Brothers,

I hope you and your families are well. It has been a pleasure and an Honor to represent our Council for the past 2 years as our Grand Knight. Thank you from my heart for all of your support to our Council and to me. It takes all of us to keep our Council successful in our mission of Charity and no one man can do it all. Our success depends on our unity and diversity of ideas. I pledge my continued involvement and participation in our Great Council and encourage and challenge you my Brothers to continue your support as well. I want to congratulate Rick Johnson our new Grand Knight and I know that he will make us all proud. Thanks again, and I will see you in the funny papers. God Bless you all, God Bless our Council, God bless St. Helen and God Bless the United States of America.

Vivat Jesus

Respectfully,

Michael Rodriguez

Deadline for articles is **8pm on first Tuesday at the Officers Meetings.**

Articles may be emailed to kofc8960@gmail.com

Deputy Grand Knight's Report

I am truly honored to be elected as the incoming Grand Knight. I thank you for your support and I am blessed by your brotherhood. It is a position that I respect and take to heart for its importance to Council 8960. Many great leaders have come before me and built this council into a solid, quality program. My main focus will be to maintain the integrity and build from that solid foundation. I would like to congratulate Worthy Grand Knight Michael Rodriquez for his service and leadership in a historical period of time for all. Michael came in as the community was healing from the effects of Hurricane Harvey and ended this spring in the middle of COVID-19. He provided true vision, encouragement and guidance during his time as Grand Knight. I am pleased Michael will remain with us as a Trustee. I look forward to working with him, the officers and all the membership in the upcoming fraternal year. It will be a challenging since there are so many unknowns as I write this article. I am sure in the end we will come together as Knights, provide the service and charity to our church and community that we have sworn to withhold. Personally, I wish to thank all my brothers for your thoughts, words, hugs and prayers during a difficult time for me over the past year.

God Bless
Viva Jesus!

SK Rick Johnson

From the Chaplain's desk

Thanks to my Brothers!

I wish to offer a sincere thank you to my brother Knights for the work morning we had at Saint Helen on Saturday, June 20th. Our landscaping around the church has been sorely neglected because we have had to furlough our yard service. Anthony and Brian have done a fantastic job of cutting, edging and blowing the sidewalks to keep our plant looking good, but the weeds were too much of a challenge. As you all know we have many beautiful flower beds that surround our church, which had begun to sprout many weeds as of late...however after my request for help at the last general meeting....the calvary arrived and now we are looking so much better....Thank you my Brothers! You always answer the call.

I would be remiss if I did not remind you that on Monday, June 29th, we were informed that Archbishop Fiorenza and Bishop Rizotta were both test positive for Covid 19. As you know they live at the Joseph Fiorenza Retirement Center for priests. Fourteen priests live there and all were tested. Twelve were tested negative and two are awaiting their results. Let us pray for these priests and their good health.

It is not necessary of course to remind all that the spread of Covid 19 is rampant in our area and the number of people tested positive is not good. Let us remember that each of us has a responsibility to ourselves and our families to try to flatten the curve of this Virus and the best way we can do this is for each of us to do our part, social distance, wear masks and wash hands! None of this is fun or delightful, but all three are necessary to help stop the spread. A special thanks to all my brother Knights who help each weekend to disinfect our pews after each mass on Sunday. We try to make our church as safe a place as possible to worship and I so much appreciate the help my brother Knights give to help make this happen.

Finally let us remember, in the midst of this pandemic, that we have all been so truly blessed by the grace and mercy of God. It is easy for us to concentrate on the negative things we hear on the news every day, but let us remember the truly Good News.....we have a God who knows us, loves us and will take care of us....He is the Shepherd, we are the sheep.....He will lead us to greener pastures.

May God bless you and yours and let us not fail to give thanks in these troubled times.

Fr. Jim

Corona Virus Prayer

Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace.

Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace.

Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve. Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth.

Christ heal us.

Website

Our council website at kofc8960.com is going strong. If you haven't visited it before, please do so to find a wealth of info about our council including every event that is taking place over the next few months on our event calendar or to read any newsletter including the current one in our newsletter section.

There is also a member's only section that you can log into if you are a current member of the council in good standing. Simply use your membership number from your membership card and your birthdate to enter this section. This section has several important areas of interest:

Updating Information

The member's list gives the roster of all the members of our council. If you ever change your email address or phone number (or know someone who needs their information changed), simply go into this list and find your name to update your information. You can post a picture of yourself also so the council knows what you look like. You can also directly email any other member of the council from this page if you don't currently have their email address.

Of course you can always email me directly at kofc8960@gmail.com when you have changes to your information and I'll make sure they get added.

Recording Volunteer Hours

Have trouble keeping track of your volunteer hours for the year. The member's only section has a great place for entering those in. It breaks the hours up for you into several categories. Even if you do keep good track of these hours on your own, please enter your hours here as you make them. The website keeps totals for our Grand Knight and Financial Secretary to know where we are, so it will be a huge help for the officers for you to take the time to enter those hours here.

Officers

If you are a current officer, there are a couple of forms to view the volunteer information of our council including form 1728. The lists give a per-member and council total breakdown of all volunteer hours in a nice easy to use format.

Easy Mobile Access

Through our partnership with UKnight Interactive, we also have a mobile version of the website. Check it out at kofcmobile.org This new mobile version makes entering volunteer hours a breeze. You can also see events at our council, neighboring councils, assemblies, and chapters, find major degrees in our area and much more.

Prayer Requests

Have a request for prayer for you or a loved one? The Prayer Request section of the website lets you submit them for the council to see. Check this section often to find out about the prayer needs of our council and parish.

News, Pictures, Comments

Please let me know if you have any comments or suggestions about the website or newsletter by emailing me directly at kofc8960@gmail.com

If you have any news or comments to be featured in the newsletter or on the website, send it to me at kofc8960@gmail.com by the first Saturday of the month and I'll make sure it gets in.

Dustin Meyer
Council 8960 Webmaster

State Convention

April 24th-26th

Dallas

District Deputy Report

All office holders need to be in compliance with “Safe and Sound” certification or risk being removed from post.

New website for recruitment

“Knights.net”

To sign up new members (E-members)

Casino Night

Chairman is needed for this committee

Hall Sitters Needed

Contact Jimmy Novak

Work Party

A very hearty “Thank You” to all the knights and their family that helped out weeding the gardens around St. Helens on June 20th.



We're on Facebook

In order to get more of an outreach and make it more convenient for you, we have started our very own Council 8960 Facebook page! Follow us @kofc8960 or Knights of Columbus Council 8960 to see our upcoming events. Please share our events with your friends to help with our fundraisers.

Pro Life Rosary Every 1st Saturday

Come join us for our monthly rosary for an end to abortion. We meet at St. Helen Catholic Church in the prayer garden at 7:30am. In the event of inclement weather, we will meet in the chapel. If you have any questions, please contact Michael Rodriguez at 713-885-1274

Missal Reading and Prayer Every 3rd Saturday

Join us for our next Missal Reading and Prayer service. We will meet in the morning from 7:30 to 8:30am in the KofC Hall on Hatfield. Please join us for coffee, donuts and good Christian fellowship as we seek the Lord together as brother Knights.

General Meeting Every 3rd Tuesday

Join us for the monthly General Meeting of our council starting at 7:30pm. Come early at 7:00pm for a meal provided by the council. Come and learn about all the events and activities our council will be holding over the next month.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Lg</u>	<u>Sm</u>	<u>BAR</u> <u>Event</u>	<u>DUTY</u> <u>Time</u>	<u>2020</u> <u>Guests</u>	<u>Security</u>	<u>Bar Crew</u>	<u>Clean</u>	<u>Duty</u>
June									
6/6/2020		X	Wedding	4pm-9pm	52	1	4	Full	TAB
6/7/2020		X	Baby Shower	3pm-7pm	36	0	0	Partial	
6/20/2020	X		Wedding	5pm-12am	200	2	1	Full	P. TAB
July									
7/17/2020	X		Ducks Unlimited	6pm-11pm	250	0	BM	Full	TAB
7/25/2020		X	Graduation	12pm-5pm	144	1	3	Full	