



Knights *focus*

St. Jude COUNCIL #7736
St. Jude Catholic Church, Mansfield, TX

Greetings to all

By Grand Knight Speedy Gonzales

July 2014

My Brother Knights
Greetings to all of you, our fraternal year begins today and it is time to start preparing and making plans for our upcoming activities. Your new officers will be meeting this Saturday morning to begin the process.

For you Brothers that have come to a meeting or two have probably noticed that sometimes it is full to capacity. I envision that someday we will be needing a larger meeting room. I believe we can make it happen. This will be a great discussion to have.

A little something from the Heart:
Last week I took my children to a restaurant. My six-year-old son asked if he could say grace. As we bowed our heads he said, "God is good. God is great. Thank you for the food, and I would even thank you more if mom gets us ice cream for dessert. And Liberty and justice for all! Amen."

Along with the laughter from the other customers nearby, I heard a woman remark, "That's what's wrong with this country. Kids today don't even know how to pray. Asking God for ice-cream! Why, I never!" Hearing this, my son burst into tears and asked me, "Did I do it wrong? Is God mad at me?" As I held him and assured him that he had done a terrific job and God was certainly not mad at him, an elderly gentleman approached the table. He winked at my son and said, "I happen to know that God thought that was a great prayer." "Really?" my son asked. "Cross my heart."

(indicating the woman whose remark had started this whole thing), "Too bad she never asks God for ice cream. A little ice cream is good for the soul sometimes."

Naturally, I bought my kids ice cream at the end of the meal. My son stared at his for a moment and then did something I will remember the rest of my life. He picked up his sundae and without a word walked over and placed it in front of the woman. With a big smile he told her, "Here, this is for you. Ice cream is good for the soul sometimes, and my soul is good already."

Vivat Jesus
Speedy Gonzales
Grand Knight

Upcoming Events

- July 4 - Independence Day
- July 5 - Officers planning Meeting
- July 8 - Monthly Business Meeting
- July 9 - Prolife Rosary
- July 12 - Matlock Street Cleanup
- July 12 - Bingo
- July 19 - Family Night at GP Air Hogs Game
- July 22 - Monthly Planning Meeting
- July 26 – Pray at the abortion clinic
- July 26 – Deacon Installation Mass
- July 26 – KNIGHTS CAN Weekend

Then in a theatrical whisper he added

Mansfield Street Cleanup

Matlock Street cleanup. Meet in the parking lot of the Walmart Neighborhood Market at the corner of Debbie and Matlock at 9:00 A.M.



Bingo!!!

Monthly Bingo is in July 12th ! Come out and help or just bring the whole family and play! Food prep starts around 4:00 P.M. – gaming at 6:30 P.M



Family Night at Air Hogs Game

Family Night to go see the Grand Prairie Air Hogs. We will be in an air conditioned area with some drinks and food provided by the Council. Tickets are \$10 each. See Chris Heath for tickets.

Knights Can Weekend

Our next KNIGHTS CAN Weekend is July 26th. On this weekend, the Knights all make an effort to remember to bring in canned goods for the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Brother Knight Keith Hathaway
DEACON ORDINATION MASS 7-26-14



**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)

7/24 – Council 7736
Mansfield

7/25 – Council 11423
Ft. Worth

7/27 – Council 9748
Grandury 2PM

Contact Mark Von Plinsky at
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if you have a lead on a new
member

Monthly Awards

Knight of the Month – Donald Mayo

Donald has been a fantastic contributor to our council, he works tirelessly at the food pantry, thanks Donald for your constant support

Family of the Month – Larry and Nancy Evans

Larry and Nancy both work for our Pro-life and Bingo activities. Thank you both for all you do!!



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