



*June 2015*



**Congratulations to the Following Honorees**

**April Knight of the Month  
John Maloney, Sr.**



**April Family of the Month  
Inez & Otto Storr**

**Knight of the Quarter  
January, February, & March  
Salvador Moreno**

**Council 802 Knight of the Year 2015  
John Kasper, PGK**

**Council 802 Family of the Year 2015  
Bob & Rosalie Leo**

**Assembly 1251 and State  
Sir Knight of the Year 2015  
David Viger**





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## The Main Principles of Our Order

Charity

Unity

Fraternity

Patriotism

THE KNIGHTS  
OF COLUMBUS



PROTECTING FAMILIES  
FOR GENERATIONS



*We Thank You Lord for all that  
you give us freely*

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## Grand Knight Patrick J Carter



I would like to congratulate John Maloney, Sr. for being chosen as our Knight of the Month for April and the Otto and Inez Storr Family for being selected as our April Family of the Month.

I would also like to Invite everyone to our Grand Knight Recognition Banquet at the K. C. Hall on June 20th at 6:30 pm. Dress will be casual.

I would also like to remind the officers and committee chairmen that there will be a Budget Meeting at 2:00pm at the Council Hall on June 14th. Please be in attendance if you would like to have some input into your budget for 2015-2016.

I hope everyone has a good and safe summer.

Patrick J Carter  
Grand Knight



## Associate Pastor Fr. Jose' de Jesus Sanchez



Dear friends,

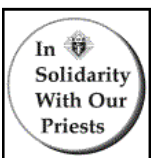
I was nineteen years old when I felt deeply in my heart that the Lord was calling me, but I was afraid to follow him. In prayer, I shared with Him all my fears and he helped me to overcome them. For this reason, I began my priestly formation and I remained in it for twelve years. During that time, I encountered different people who contributed in my priestly identity and I still remember some of them because through them I was able to be generous with the Lord.

I was ordained to the priesthood on May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014, by the Laying of Hands of our bishop Joseph Kopacz. After I was ordained, the bishop told me that my first assignment would be in Meridian. I remember that in one occasion I came to visit Father Lenin, but I did not know that much about this town; for this reason, I did not say anything. After a year, I am so pleased to be here because all people are so good to me.

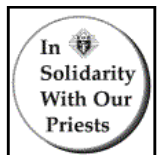
My first year in the priesthood has been full of surprises. During this year, the Lord continues helping me to grow in my faith and become more mature as a person. At the same time, I thank the Lord for this wonderful assignment in Meridian because I have learned a lot from each of you, and I thank each of you for having been patient with me.

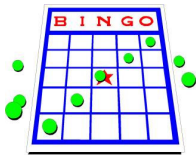
My dear friends, please continue praying for me that the Lord may help me to remain faithful in the priesthood for the rest of my life. My mission is to pray for you and, believe me, I am doing it every day; therefore, as we continue our journey of faith, let us pray for one another. God bless each of you and your families as well.

Sincerely,  
Fr. Jose de Jesus Sanchez

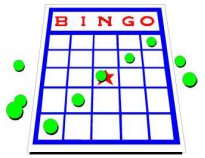


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## Bingo Bob Leo



Hey!! Where did all those people come from. We are back into the 170's -180's. Last week we had a head count of 183 attendees. I thought that the Kemper plant started to hire again, but then I realized, that it could possibly be that word got around that our **jack-pot** had been hit for \$3000 in one week and \$2000 in another week. We still came out with a pretty good net profit at the end of the month. Keep up the good work.

I would like to thank our newest member, Richard Norman for volunteering to train as a cashier at the front window. In fact I would like to thank all of the cashiers that work the windows. This may look like a cushy job, but take my word for it, it is not. While you fellows out on the floor are running up and down selling sheets and making change, which is tiring enough, you get to get a have a break in between games, those cashiers do not. They are counting money, making change, getting the bank money ready for deposit, etc. You get the picture. So my hats off to Liberty Moreno, Roland Stewart, and our Grand Knight, P.J.Carter.

So to all you new Brother Knights out there wherever you are, we have bingo every Wednesday night at 6:00 P.M. why not come out and see what the Knights of Columbus is all about. Come on out and meet your Brother Knights.

Bob Leo  
Bingo Manager



## Family Bob Leo



This will be a very short article this month, due to no family activities in the month of June. Our next family activity will be on July 31st, and it will be our first family outing in the picnic area. We will have more on that at a later time.

At this time I would like to congratulate the Otto and Inez Storr family for being chosen as our Family of the Month for April. Otto and his lovely wife, Inez, perform a multitude of tasks for the church and the community, as well as looking after the sick and infirmed. They have done this on many occasions. Again, congratulations to Otto and Inez for all that they do.

Well, I'm off to Tennessee. See you in June. I told you it would be short.

Bob Leo  
Family Director



## Seminarians' Corner Nick Adam



Brother Knights,

I have arrived at Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska to begin my two month summer assignment at the Institute for Priestly Formation. IPF is an annual program that aims to teach seminarians how to go deeper in their spiritual life. As priests, we will be expected to be experts in the spiritual life, and these two months are designed to help us get in touch with God in a deeper way and help us teach others how to deepen their spiritual life as well.

There are 176 seminarians from around the world embarking on this journey with me. I have already met a man who was once a TV meteorologist in Sioux City, Iowa, a man who actually went to high school with me in Pensacola, Florida, and a fellow from Canada who has never been this far "south."

Please keep me and the rest of the program participants in your prayers. I am so sorry that I had to miss Father Frank's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, but I know that this program can help me in my ministry and I am honored that Bishop Kopacz has allowed me to take part in it.

God Bless,

Nick

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## Fourth Degree John Harwell, JN



The month of May was a good one for our Assembly. On Tuesday, May 12th, 8 members of our Honor Guard participated in the Confirmation Mass at St. Patrick Church. As always, they lend a beautiful touch to a wonderful celebration. Thank you to SK Frank Polizzi for filling in for SK Bob Leo as Commander that night as Bob's two granddaughters were part of this years Confirmation Class.

On Memorial Day, May 25th, at St. Patrick Cemetery, we raised the colors at 0800 to full staff and then we brought the flag back to half staff. At 1200 the flag was brought to full staff and then at 1700 the flag was retired. A record number of people (27) attended this years ceremony. They included Richard Norman, Tom Zettler, Bob Leo, John Kasper, Chris Drennen (friend of David Viger), George Walston, Dewayne Klutz, David and Sandy Klutz, Sue Blier, Theresa Cutright (retired from the City of Meridian Police Department and long time friend of our Catholic Community), Marti Snowden and her son James, Donna White and her daughter Christy and granddaughter Gracie, PJ Carter and his granddaughter Tiffany Browning, Frank Polizzi, Howard and Gloria McCarty, John Bennett, David Viger, Roland Stewart, Otto and Inez Storr and John Harwell. Tiffany played a beautiful rendition of the "Star Spangled Banner" and we shared several names of friends/family members who died during times of war for our country. At 1200, Joanne Zettler joined in with us raising our total participants to 28. As we retired the colors at 1700, Tiffany Browning played "TAPS" to conclude our day. It was beautifully done. Thank you, Tiffany!! We remember and honor all those who gave all of themselves to preserve our freedoms.

June 1st will be Father Cosgrove's Golden Jubilee. The Honor Guard will participate in the Mass. Please contact SK Bob Leo or Frank Polizzi for details ASAP.

Upcoming in June/July, we will have flag ceremonies again at St. Patrick Cemetery on Flag Day (June 14th) and Independence Day (July 4th). 8:00AM (0800) both days with the colors being retired at 5:00PM (1700). Please join us if you are able.

I hope everyone has a great month.

John Harwell  
Faithful Navigator  
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## June Birthdays



**3rd** John Kasper, PGK **6th** Andrew Freyaldenhoven, Jr., Russell Keene, & Wilson Stone

**9th** Augustin Caballero **14th** Ron Duckworth **15th** Brandon Allen, Luis Alonso, & Fr Suresh

**19th** Dennis Deviney & William Thomas **22nd** Lee Foley, Bob Leo, Joshua McPherson, & Robert Stone

**23rd** Sal Moreno **24th** Juan C Cervantes **25th** David Fries **26th** Mel Brumfield & Billy Mitts

**28th** Daniel (Danny) Zettler





## Pro Life Darrell Hober



### Brother Knights

The 2015 Walk 4 Life held on Saturday, May 9th was a huge success. This year we had 100 walkers and raised \$4085.00. Council 802 was well represented. THANK YOU to David & Sandy Klutz, and my Grandson, Johnathan Hober and his brother Charles Rogers for walking with us. *(See Picture below)*

After arriving at the clinic, we said the following prayer and released our balloons in honor of all the babies that had lost their life at this facility...

God of Life, we gather here today asking you to comfort all the fathers who have lost a child to abortion, especially at this place of destruction, who either did not know about their unborn child or were not given a "Choice" about giving their child life. Lord, for the fathers who knew about their children but nevertheless encouraged mothers to come to this place to kill their children, we pray that You will soften their hearts so that they may come to repentance and be transformed by Your Holy Spirit into true fathers and protectors of life.

We pray also for the mothers who come here to kill their children. May they come to know you as their Savior and become sisters in the fight against this evil. We pray for the parents of the children who have been murdered here and around the world by abortion, that they receive healing and forgiveness from You.

May the people who work at this place of death come to know You, repent of their complicity in this evil that has destroyed so many of our children and become healers rather than destroyers of human life.

Lord, we pray for the Sidewalk Counselors who labor here and at abortion clinics across the nation, that as they speak to the fathers and mothers coming to this place of destruction You keep them safe, give them the right words to speak, and keep their conduct honorable.

We pray for our political leaders and Judges, both state and federal, that You will show them this evil needs to stop and give them the courage to stand against the Culture of Death. O Heavenly Father, our final prayer to You today is that You cause this evil place to close and thus cleanse our beloved state of Mississippi of the innocent blood that has been shed here. May our lives and actions once more bring You Glory. In Jesus name Amen.

For those who shop on Amazon, you can now go to [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) and select almost any charity (including **Pro-Life Mississippi**) and then every time you make a purchase from Amazon using the smile.amazon.com site Amazon will donate a small percentage of the price to that charity, no additional charge. It's automatic, and it adds up! God bless you and the work you are doing.

Darrell, Pro-Life



Pictured Front Row l-r Sandy Klutz, Darrell & Johnathan Hober  
Back Row l-r David Klutz and Charles Rogers



## Membership David Viger



Brother Knights,

It was an honor to serve as our Membership Director for the past year and a half. Thank you to all who helped me along the way during Membership Drives and in recruiting new members. Membership is truly a team effort!

Beginning in June, Brother David Stephens will take on the duties and responsibilities of Membership Director. I know he will do a GREAT job and that he will also appreciate any and all support we give him along the way!

We do have a 1<sup>st</sup> Degree scheduled for Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. That said, we are still ***“in search of”*** membership applications – No Applications = No Degree. Seek out those who you believe might be qualified and interested and plant a seed...

Thanks again for all your support!

Vivat Jesus!  
Dave Viger  
Membership Chairman...Departing!



## Community Roland Stewart



Thanks for all of the help at our East Mississippi State Hospital visits. We are serving more people now that the Ladies are no longer visiting on Wednesday. We will need a little extra help for our June 25th visit, as that will be when we have our special Watermelon Night.

If you are able to help in cutting up the Watermelons, please be at the KC Hall at 3:30 that afternoon. We will cut up the watermelons and put them in Ice Chests for delivery that night.

If you are able to accompany us to the Hospital, please meet out front of the Nursing Home at 6:00pm. We usually go in around 6:15.

Thanks again for all of your help with these visits.

Roland Stewart  
Community Chairman



## Church Larry Birzer



The only thing under Church for June is the Corporate Communion scheduled for June, 20th at the 5:00 pm Mass at St. Patrick. Please wear you KC shirt and sit on the left side in the front. Don't forget Fr. Frank's Golden Jubilee on June 1st at 6pm.

Larry Birzer  
Church Chairman

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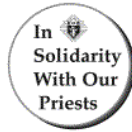


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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> Celebrate Fr. Cosgrove's Golden Jubilee Mass at 6pm Reception follows	<b>2</b> Business Meeting 7:30pm	<b>3</b> Bingo 6pm	<b>4</b> Adoration St Aloysius Chapel 12 Noon to 8PM	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> No Meeting Tonight	<b>10</b> Bingo 6pm	<b>11</b> Adoration St Aloysius Chapel 12 Noon to 8PM KC Responsibility	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> Flag Day St Patrick Ceme- tery 8:00 am <u>Budget Meeting</u> <u>2:00pm KC Hall</u>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> First Degree Before Meeting 6:30pm If there is a candidate for the Degree Meeting begins at 7:30	<b>17</b> Bingo 6pm	<b>18</b> Adoration St Aloysius Chapel 12 Noon to 8PM	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Recognition Banquet KofC Hall 6:30pm Corporate Communion 5pm
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 4th Degree Meeting 7:30pm	<b>24</b> Bingo 6pm	<b>25</b> EMSH Visitation 6:10pm Adoration St Aloysius Chapel 12 Noon to 8PM	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	Please continue to pray the Rosary for an end to Abortion in our lifetime	Abortion Kills the Innocent	Please wish a Happy Birthday to all whose names appear on page 5 of this New	