



# Knights *focus*

FR. EDWARD V. McCULLOUGH COUNCIL #7736  
St, Jude Catholic Church  
Mansfield, TX  
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## “Many Hands Make the Load Light”

*By Grand Knight Bill Tillotson*

As we reach the end of our fraternal year, it is a good time to look back and reflect on all we've accomplished. And we've done a lot.

We have given thousands of dollars and hours to our church, St. Jude. We had a booth at the Parish Festival – we gave away hot dogs after masses – we cooked pancake breakfasts – we cleaned up ice and snow in front of the church – and the list goes on.

We have supported our clergy – through financial gifts and performing odd jobs father, the sisters and the deacons ask of us.

We have supported our community – by donating to St. Vincent de Paul – by working on local houses in need of repair – by marching in parades and taking part in local festivals.

We are staunchly prolife – praying at the abortion clinic every month and throughout 40 Days for Life – donating funds to diocesan prolife efforts.

We have enjoyed family events – parties, installations and Ranger games.

We have supported our youth by donating our time and money towards their formation – most especially by awarding six \$1000 scholarships to our graduating seniors.

And we have grown – we have added 22 new brothers this year and will bring in at least 5 more this month. We have an active degree team that will have put on four First Degrees this year. And we have a strong and

good looking Honor Guard that has stood and marched at many events this year.

And these are but a handful of the things we've accomplished this fraternal year.

In Boy Scouts, there is an old saying that “many hands make the load light”. Many of you have donated you time and treasure over the course of the year to make all these things happen.

In particular, the officers and committee chairmen have been incredible in what they have accomplished this year. I'll list these guys later in the newsletter as there are too many names to list here. Without the efforts of these individuals, nothing substantial would have happened this year.

But I do want to take a moment to thank someone who made it possible for me to serve as your Grand Knight this year – my beloved bride Christina. Without her love and support, I would not have been able to serve you as I have. All too often, she has handled many of the family chores while I'm out “playing Knights”. I love her more than I can say and cherish her deeply.

As we look to next year, the sky is the limit in what this Council can achieve. There is no reason we can't be a Double Star council again with all the guys we have doing so much. I look forward to the coming year.

*Vivat Jesus!*  
*Bill*

## Upcoming Events

- June 4 – J&J Show
- June 4 – Corp Communion
- June 5 – Raffle Drawing
- June 5 – 1st Degree @ St. Jude
- June 7 – KCS Training
- June 14 – Monthly Council Meeting – Officer Elections
- June 18 – Matlock Road Cleanup
- June 20 – 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Mtg
- June 21 – Lady Knights
- June 23 – Confirmation
- June 25 – Abortion Clinic
- June 25 – Bingo!
- June 26 – Pancake Bfast
- June 28 – Council Planning

## Scholarship News

Due to your generosity and that of the Parish, we are awarding six \$1000 scholarships to graduating seniors this year. Scholarships will be awarded after masses this coming weekend. The drawings for the winners of the prizes will be after 7:45 A.M. Mass on June 5.

## Corporate Communion

We will be having a Corporate Communion on Saturday, June 4 at 5:00 P.M. Mass. If you have your regalia, please come and stand for the Mass. If you don't, please come with your family and pray for the repose of the souls of our deceased brother Knights. Remember, someday we'll be praying for you!

**Have the Knights  
made you a better  
Catholic?  
Pass on the gift by  
asking someone to  
join the Knights!**

## Officer Elections

At the General Meeting on June 14, DD Carlos Ortiz will be conducting officers elections for the 2011-2012 Fraternal Year. Nominations were in last month's newsletter, but nominations can be made from the floor. Please attend to help choose your officers for next year.

## Matlock Road Cleanup

We will be cleaning up our stretch of Matlock Road on Saturday morning, June 18. We'll meet in front of Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market at Matlock and Debbie at 8:00 A.M. It shouldn't take more than an hour if we have plenty of guys show up. Please come out and help.

### First Degrees This Month

(all at 7:00 P.M. unless noted)  
**6/5** – St. Jude in Mansfield – 2:00 P.M.  
**6/12** – St. Mark in Denton – 1:00 P.M.  
**6/24** – St. Rita in Ft. Worth  
**6/28** – Most Blessed Sacrament in Arlington

## Bingo!

The next Bingo is Saturday, June 25 at 6:30 P.M. Please come out and help with the gaming (if you are licensed) or the food

## Pancake Breakfast

The next Pancake Breakfast is Sunday, June 26. Please come out and help if you can.

Call Speedy Gonzales at 817-680-8240 or e-mail at [speedyg@hotmail.com](mailto:speedyg@hotmail.com) if you have a lead on a new member

## Thank You!

To all the officers and chairmen for the 2010-2011 Fraternal Year – thank you. We couldn't have done what we did without your efforts.

### Officers

Grand Knight – Bill Tillotson  
Deputy Grand Knight – Dave Tomlin  
Chancellor – Speedy Gonzales  
Financial Secretary – Marvin Sulak  
Recorder – Dave Kennedy  
Treasurer – Lee Livingston  
Advocate – Tom Pailliotet  
Warden – Chris Laurent  
Inside Guard – Bob Pulley  
Outside Guard – Rich Malinowski  
Trustees – Chris Heath, Tim Henz, Russ Hart  
Chaplain – Fr. Jerome Jayasuriya

### Committee Chairmen

Church – Russ Hart	Pro-Life – Chris Heath
Community – Marty Verville	Prison Ministry – Mario Gamez
St. Vincent de Paul – Eddie Jackson	Special Olympics – John Pressley
Family- Jerry Rodriguez	Youth – Bill Bellman
Scholarships – Tim Henz	Boy Scouts – Paul Fox
Athletics – Kevin Henry	Council – Bob Kowalski
Recruitment – Speedy Gonzales	Retention – Dave Tomlin
Budget – Marvin Sulak	Honor Guard – Chris Laurent
Degree Team – John Pressley	Fundraising – Dave Tomlin
Bingo – Gary Marcucci	Bingo Food – Larry Ciarkowski
Turkey & Brauts – Jerry Rodriguez	Fish Fry – Larry Evans
Boo in the Park – John Pressley	Magnets – Dave Tomlin
Pancake Breakfast – Bob Schuljak	Pecan Festival – John Pressley

## Monthly Awards

**KNIGHT OF THE MONTH** – Fabian Madrigal – Fabian is a guy doing much behind the scenes that few ever see. He is one of the first guys to jump in and help when a brother Knight is in need. He has been there to help several brother Knights with house and childcare duties at all hours of the day and night. Fabian is quietly and humbly living the first principle of Charity and deserves to be recognized. Way to go Fabian!

**FAMILY OF THE MONTH** – Marty and Kay Verville – Marty has been doing it all the last few months. He was at every Fish Fry early and stayed late. He has taken over the Community Director job with gusto, helping get a handicap ramp built at a parishioners house. His lovely bride Kay helps as a Eucharistic Minister and is a picture of gracefulness to us all (especially at Super Bowl parties with many Steeler fans present). Thank you Marty and Kay for all you do.



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[www.kofc7736.org](http://www.kofc7736.org)

## Council 7736 Upcoming Events

June 3/4 - Carnivore Cookout at Council 6269

June 4 – Jewel and Junk Sale at St. Jude – Cookout and sell drinks from 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

June 4 @ 5:00 P.M. – Corporate Communion at Saturday afternoon Mass (Honor Guard stand)

June 4/5 – Scholarship Awards after Masses

June 5 – Scholarship Raffle drawing after 7:45 A.M. Mass

June 5 @ 2:00 P.M. – First Degree Ceremony at St. Jude

June 7 @ 7:00 P.M. – Keeping Children Safe Training at Parish Offices

June 14 @ 7:00 P.M. – Monthly Business Meeting

June 18 @ 8:00 A.M. – Matlock Street Cleanup

June 20 @ 7:00 P.M. – 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting at Council 6269 – Officer Installation

June 21 @ 7:00 P.M. – Lady Knights Meeting

June 23 @ 7:00 P.M. – Confirmation Mass at St. Jude (Honor Guard stand)

June 25 @ 8:15 A.M. – Monthly Abortion Clinic visit to pray the Rosary

June 25 @ 6:30 P.M. – BINGO at the Parish Center

June 26 @ 7:00 A.M. – Pancake Breakfast

June 28 @ 7:00 P.M. – Monthly Planning Meeting

June 28 @ 7:00 P.M. – First Degree at Most Blessed Sacrament Council 9299 in Arlington

June 29 @ 7:00 P.M. – Chapter Meeting at Council 759 in Keller

July 2/3 – Turkey and Brauts after all Masses

July 12 – Officer Installation

July 18 @ 7:00 P.M. – 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting at Council 6269

July 19 @ 7:00 P.M. – Lady Knights Meeting

July 23 @ 8:15 A.M. – Monthly Abortion Clinic visit to pray the Rosary

July 23 – Major Degree at St. Maria Goretti in Arlington

July 25 @ 7:00 P.M. – Monthly Planning Meeting

July 27 @ 7:00 P.M. – Chapter Meeting at Council 7099 St. Francis in Grapevine

August 2 @ 6:00 P.M. – Diocesan Religious Appreciation Banquet at St. Francis in Grapevine

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