

#### GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE



Brother Knights,

The late Country music Artist Glenn Campbell had a song called Try a Little Kindness. It reminds me of the Knights of Columbus. One of the verses goes something like this: "Don't walk around the down and out. Lend a helping hand instead of doubt. And the kindness that you show every day, will help someone along their way. You got to try a little kindness. Yes, show a little kindness. Just shine your light for everyone to see. And if you try a little kindness, then you'll overlook the blindness of narrow-minded people on the narrow-minded streets. It seems like this song was written for the KC's. We are a light in today's troubled world for all to see. We are sharing the light of Jesus. Keep shining your light!

The songs also remind us that many of our Brothers are carrying heavy Loads. They struggle with illness, the pains of aging, loneliness, fear, financial struggles, and for some the loss of a loved one. Yet through this all, each of you continues to support our council, church and Community. God, I am truly blessed to have learned so much from all of you during the last three years as your Grand Knight. You are great examples of men!

Glenn also shares a verse demonstrating the support I have received from our Council officers during my tenure as your Grand Knight. When I started "falling by the way", you stopped me and said, "you're going the wrong way". You were there to share your knowledge and experience. Yet you also embraced new ideas that helped our council grow. The respect and dedication I have for each our you can't be put into words. I thank each one of you for the countless hours you dedicate to our council and hope that I can continue to live up to the high standards you have established in my new role as a Trustee.

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# **Upcoming Events**

Tuesday June 9<sup>th</sup> Council "Zoom" Meeting with

Election of Officers

Saturday June 13<sup>th</sup> Walleye Classic Raffle

#### WALLEYE CLASSIC LIVE RAFFLE DRAWING

Live broadcast of the raffle ticket drawing will be held on Saturday, June 13th at 5:00 PM on the Facebook page for the Walleye Classic.



https://www.facebook.com/KnightsofColumbusWalleyeClassic



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I would be remiss if I didn't thank two others, my wife and God. Many of you know that I have truly leaned on God for answers during the past year. As our council faced numerous challenges, I prayed for guidance. I listened and he spoke to me. Without his guidance and direction, I would be lost.

I praise God for all the blessings he has given me. Finally, I need to thank my wife Mary. She gave me the time and support I needed to be your Grand Knight. She is my best friend and I look forward to more time with her.

As I close this final article, I invite each of you to join us for our next Council meeting via Zoom on Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. I'm thrilled to announce that we have a great group of highly qualified nominees for a variety of positions to be voted onto the council board. Plan to join and support your council during our last meeting of the fiscal year.

Dan Voss, Grand Knight

### The 2020 KC Spring Raffle

Thanks and appreciation to those of you who have already returned both your tickets and money. There are three ways in which you can turn in your raffle tickets, whether sold or unsold... and your raffle money:

- 1) Place in the mail to our Financial Secretary, Dan Shea.
- Drop off at the Parish Office with Tammy; she will place in the K.C. mailbox.
- 3) Drop off in the collection basket at this weekend's masses.

I do want to point out and remind you that all members who turn in at least 20 sold raffle tickets will be eligible to win one of ten \$100 cash prizes. This drawing is taking place next Tuesday evening, June 9<sup>th</sup>, as part of our regular scheduled council meeting. To be eligible for that drawing, your tickets and raffle money will need to be received either in this weekend's collection basket; or in Dan Shea's mailbox or at the Parish Office by the END OF BUSINESS DAY ON MONDAY, JUNE 8th. (This will give us time to make sure we have all our "Ducks in a Row" for the actual incentive drawing, taking place that next day.)

You may still submit raffle tickets and money anytime next week- up through End-of-Business on Friday (if need be), but to be eligible at winning \$100 CASH, we need your tickets and money by 5 PM next Monday evening, June 8<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions on that matter, please don't hesitate to let me know.

Lastly, for those of you who have sold 40+ tickets, I will be contacting you in the next week or two regarding the various incentive(s) that you have also qualified for. Don't forget that the drawing is taking place on Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. We will broadcast it live. (More information on that will be sent out in the near future.)

Enjoy the rest of your week and keep those tickets coming in.

Thanks again, Terry Belanger KCWC Raffle Chairman 218-766-8378 tbelanger28@hotmail.com

#### Use our Council Website!

Note, our council website, www.kofc1544.org, lists all upcoming council events. Please bookmark the site for future reference.

## KC Council Meeting Via Zoom

Daniel Voss, Grand Knight (218) 556-3662 or daniel.j.voss@gmail.com

Due to Covid-19 and guidance from Supreme, the June Knights of Columbus council meeting and elections will once again be held via Zoom on June 9th starting at 6pm. Zoom is a video and telephone conferencing program allowing all members to meet. You will be able to join the meeting using a desktop computer, laptop computer, tablet, smart phone, or a regular phone. Those joining via a computer or smart phone will be able to activate video to see one another and to see the items being shared during the meeting. Those joining using a traditional phone will be able to hear the meeting. All members will have the opportunity to participate in the meeting by raising their hand and then being called on to share their thoughts. Members will also be able to use the chat function to ask questions and share any comments

If you would like to test your connection prior to the meeting, I will be available at 5:00pm for those wishing to practice. I will also be available via my cell phone for questions at (218)556-3662. If you are joining on a desktop computer, laptop, tablet or smart phone, you can use the link below. I will also send it out in an email.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81371622800? pwd=ZFd0d0RLWU1DUU5BV3ovK3RNOWRYQT09

Meeting ID: 813 7162 2800

Password: 788013

Join by phone at (312) 626 6799

Elections- This year, we will also be conducting our council elections in a new way via the council website at www.kofc1544.org. Once you are at the council website, you will need to log in under the "Members Only" section of the website located part way down on the left-hand column. You will then use your member I.D. Number which is located on your KC Membership card along with your birthdate to gain access to the members only section of the website. Be sure to type in your birthdate as specified. Once in you will be able to vote in the council elections. Members should log into the council website members only section prior to the meeting. We will be taking additional nominations from the floor. The council election committee has already developed a list of nominees which will be included on the site. If you have any questions about logging onto the site, feel free to reach out to me at your convenience.

Dan Voss

Grand Knight



## Financial Secretary Report

Dear Brother Knights,

Brother Randy Lipscy and I attended the virtual State Convention recently. Unfortunately they did not do the drawing for the MINNESOTA FOUNDATION raffle at that time. They have done it now and the winners will be announced in the next Knightly News Bulletin. Please watch for you name to show how much you won.

I want to thank our GK Dan Voss for his outstanding work that he has done over the past 3 years as our Grand Knight. It has been a real pleasure working right next to him and watching him do his magic in getting the job done so well.

For me, I am looking forward I will be looking forward as always for my 9th year of being your financial secretary starting July 1st. It has and will continue to be a real pleasure in doing this work for the you, the council and the Order.

Just a reminder we will be getting back to the Sunday morning Rosary as soon as I get the go ahead from the church office. If someone wishes to lead the Rosary please let me know. It has been the same 5 Knights doing it and I know one Brother is looking for a replacement. Please let me know if you wish to lead the Rosary one Sunday a month.

As always, I am looking forward in getting back and working with you in all of our activities.

Vivat Jesus,

Daniel J Shea

F/S 1544



# HOT DOG STAND (AKA WEINER WAGON)

## NO EVENTS SCHEDULED!

Both events subject to cancellation depending on COVID-19 conditions.

# Help Needed!

Brother Knights,

It was nice to be able to open for our first weekend masses in awhile. In total we had 261 people come to mass. With that comes the need to keep everything as clean as we can. I along with Rick my full-time worker worked this weekend to work out any bugs and get a better plan if need be. We are given about 30-35 minutes to get the church sanitized and put back together before we have parishioners showing up. It was taking us about 30-32 minutes to be done.

What I am hoping is that a few of you would be interested in staying after the mass you may attend to just help with the first part of sanitizing the pews so they can dry. It would take about 15 minutes or so if you are interested. I do want to make sure nobody feels they have to. My safety for you and our church is my number one priority. If you are willing I will send out our sign up website for you to sign up at. Also I would like to train in anyone interested. It would not take to long. Please let me know when it works for you to be trained. For details, call 218-556-1739 or email barel1@stphilipsbemidji.org . You may also sign up online at https://volunteersignup.org/9DP7W.

Thank you for your time. Brad Arel





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