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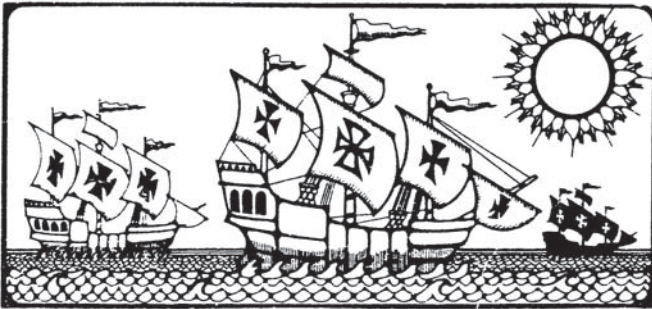


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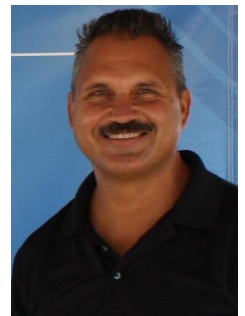
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# Knights Of Columbus

## Father Boecker Council No. 6090

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Knight Light News

March/April 2020

**Worthy Brother Knights,**

A mid-year review finds our council in very good standing. We are well on our way to Star Council with only one remaining obstacle in front of us. Spiritual Reflection is a required program, and like many of the first time programs we have taken on this year, we would like to encourage participation from our council members. Reflecting upon the upcoming Lenten season you may want to consider giving up some aspect of your daily life and stretch your faith in a new way by doing something more. I would like to ask that you all consider joining our council's spiritual reflection retreat as an opportunity to grow in your faith. The Faith Program planning team led by John Matyasik is putting together our first spiritual reflection retreat. I encourage all brother knights to attend. The retreat is scheduled for March 14, 2020, starting with an 8:30 Mass.



**WE GROW IN UNITY WE GROW IN FAITH WE GROW IN GOD**

### **Questions For Reflection**

- How does being a Knight bring you closer to God?
- When was your last holy moment?

### **Call To Action**

- Support Spiritual Reflection Retreat by attending
- March Madness Watch Party is set for April 4th St. Pius Social Center
- Attend Men's Group Saturday Morning Spiritual Reflections Readings

### **Acknowledgements**

- Todd Lechtenberg Knight of the Month for the Month of January
- Ken LeBeau, Dennis Jensen, Albert Treado excellent delivery of the movie Unplanned
- Joseph Spada efforts to obtain 100% of insurance goal

### **Membership News**

- We have reached 100% in both membership and insurance goals.
- Five members have registered to take their 4 degree on February 22, 2020

**In God All Is Possible!!!**

**Your Brother in Christ,**

**D. Thurman  
Grand Knight**



## MEMBER NEWS

### CONGRATULATIONS - MARCH HAPPENINGS

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

#### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

04 William P Sutton	
12 Anthony J Anton	
15 Rev Mr. Larry Lissak	
15 Rev Arthur R Lapore	
16 Humberto Garcia	
23 Gabreal L Monreal	
25 Bro Rapheal Mieszala	
25 Kevin J Rigney	
29 Joseph L Lemens II	29 Founding of our Order
30 Bradley M Schaub	
30 Harold P Stricher	

Please contact Frank Birner 630-816-5527, if there are any additions, deletions or corrections to this list.



## MEMBER NEWS

### CONGRATULATIONS - APRIL HAPPENINGS

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

#### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

01 C Patrick Whitehead	
03 Andrew Kowalski	
08 Vladimir N Bajic	
09 Anthony R. Maroney	
12 Mark J Yurich	
14 Robert Di Rienzo	
14 Eric R Shoesmith	
15 John J. Walsh	
	16 Gerald & Elizabeth Kramer
	16 Frank & Jean Birner
	17 Michael & Regina Wiedman
19 Ken Lebeau	
30 John P. Sikorski	30 Peter & Margie Breen

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# Dues are Way Over Due



Great big **THANKS** to all members who have paid their dues. Second Notices have been sent to those members who have not yet paid. **A number of members have yet to respond to our call for dues.** Please return payment as soon as possible. Knight Alerts will be mailed to those members at the end of the month. Your prompt attention to this matter is appreciated and will eliminate additional expenses to the Council. Please keep in mind even though you haven't paid your dues the Council still has to pay per-capita tax on you.

Also, as in past years, we are asking for a donation to the Newman Fund. Our goal is 100% participation; we suggest a \$10 contribution but any donation will be appreciated. Brothers, we urge you to pay your dues. Please take the time to drop your check in the mail, or even better, come to our meeting on Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, get reacquainted with your Brother Knights, and hear first-hand what your Council is doing. If you have any questions or request assistance with the payment of your dues, please contact either Grand Knight D. Thurman at 630-642-2618 or Financial Secretary Frank Birner at 630-816-5527.

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## TRACK MEET SCHEDULED



Our track and field coordinator Ray Morello advises us that this year's track meet (53<sup>rd</sup>) has been scheduled for Saturday, April 25, 2020 at Montini High School.



Ray requests that volunteer's report to either him or Mary Dee (near the scoring tent) on the field at 8:15 a.m. for the morning session and 11:45 a.m. for the afternoon session. There will be a sign-up sheet at the April 2<sup>nd</sup> business meeting or you may e-mail Ray at ([raydormor@sbcglobal.net](mailto:raydormor@sbcglobal.net)). You will have a chance to choose your assignment or take whatever is available. This will be a new and fun time especially for the new members.

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## FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Please keep all members, their families and friends in your prayers, especially for Bishop Daniel Conlon, Bill Sutton, Ray Seranko's wife Dorothy and his Grandson Brad Benes, Geraldine Cvach, Ray Morello, Mike Wiedman's sister Kathy Turner, his brother Rick and his youth minister at Corpus Christi Parish Mark Herwaldt, John Matayasik, Matt Koykar's parents Frank and Mary, Marco Incrocci's friend Michael Kosowski, Gerry's Kramer's son Tom, Larry Lissak's Brother-in-Law Jeff McKinney, Chris Hanes friend of his father Klaus Herzog, Louis Artiaga's mother in law and her husband Mary Jo and Gene Gaetano, Mariano Vilcher, John Plotke's mother Eleanor and his wife Nancy's friend Pam, the repose of the soul of former member John R Gerlisits and the Brother of new member Peter Rodriguez, all those unemployed or underemployed, and all of our service men & women.



# MARK YOUR CALENDARS

## SPECIAL OLYMPICS



Northeast DuPage Special Recreation Association is looking for volunteers to help at their 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Special Olympics Track & Field meet to be held on Saturday, May 16, 2020 at Glenbard East High School. Report time is 8:45 am. Whether to participate or to just watch the athletes compete in the events is amazing. It is an experience you are not likely to forget! Please contact Communications Manager Kristen Seefurth at (630) 576-4017 with questions or for additional information. There will be an Honor Guard to escort the athletes onto the field, so if you have regalia please bring it with you.

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## St. Pius X Carnival

The parish will host Windy City Amusements for the weekend of June 4-7 for their 5<sup>th</sup> Annual carnival. The Knights have been asked to man the beer tent on these days. There are several 2 hour shifts available to volunteer for. If you are interested we will have a sign-up sheet at the April 2nd meeting or call Grand Knight D. Thurman at 630-642-2618 for a time.



## LILAC PARADE



Father Boecker Council will be marching in the Lilac Parade on May 17<sup>th</sup>, and will be wearing either 4<sup>th</sup> degree Regalia or Council/Assembly shirts. We will be requesting the Santa Maria again this year for those that are unable to march. We invite all members, and their families to participate. As in past years, Gerrie Cvach has opened up her house and yard for us to use. We will gather before noon and provide a shuttle to the parade site. There will be a picnic at the Cvach's following the parade, so bring a dish to share and come join us for a little camaraderie and fellowship. Call GK D. Thurman at 630-642-2618 for info.

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# 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Report

The next meetings of Dr. Dooley Assembly will be on Mar. 11 at St. John the Apostle, 330 N. Westmore Ave. Villa Park, and Apr. 8 at St. Philip the Apostle, 1223 Holtz Ave., Addison. The meetings start at 7:30pm with dinner at 6:30pm. Honor Guard requests can be found at [drdooleyassembly.com](http://drdooleyassembly.com)



**Congratulations to Todd Lechtenberg, Rudy Bianchi, Andrew Kowalski and Ken LeBeau for becoming 4<sup>th</sup> degree Sir Knights at the February 22<sup>nd</sup> Exemplification.**

**The Knight of the Month for December was the recognition of all of the Vocation Raffle Contributors who were deemed Extraordinary Friends of the Knights for their support of the Vocation Raffle by contributing at least \$150.00. They all helped set another record for the Vocation Raffle Contributions by helping to raise over \$16,500.00 towards Vocations.**

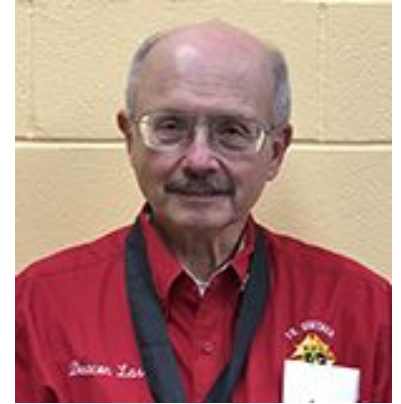


## From the Deacon's Desk

Lent 2020 – I have to find myself again.

Ash Wednesday heralds the start of Lent. The signing with ashes has biblical roots. Look up these references – 2 Sam 13:19, Est 4:1, Is 61:3, Est 4:3, Jer 6:26, Ez 27:30, Dn 9:3, Mt 11:21, Lk 10:13.

Lent is a time for spiritual introspection – fancy word for trying to figure out if we're on the heavenly track. We do this by fasting, abstaining, reading Scripture, meditating, praying, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



Yes, the Sacrament of Reconciliation should be on your bucket list of Lenten activities. Be thankful that you were born in the current period. In the early middle ages Ash Wednesday penitents dressed in sackcloth, would present themselves before the bishop, would have ashes placed on their heads, and then would be expelled from the church for 40 days. Your penance would most often include fasting for several years. Having bad thoughts would get you 7 days of bread and water. Irish monks were creative.

When setting up your March calendar, mark the times parishes have weekly and parish Lenten Reconciliation Services. I doubt any priest is going to assign bread and water (hopefully)

Deacon Larry Lissak

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## Knights of Columbus Men's Lenten Day of Reflection

Saturday, March 14, 2020 8:30am till 3:00pm



Long before there was a Knights of Columbus Organization for men there were the Benedictines living under the Rule of St. Benedict. Even though the Rule is 1,504 years old, its practical precepts and guidance defines a Christ centered life – *Ora et Labora*  
– *Pray and Work.*

Please join our Knights of Columbus at St. Pius X for a Lenten Day of Reflection, which will start with 8:30am Mass and will include reflections based on the Rule, Liturgy of the Hours, lunch, and Benediction. Deacon Larry Lissak, a Benedictine Oblate, will facilitate the Day of Reflection.

The event is open to all men of St. Pius X and Sacred Heart parishes. Please contact John Matyasik at [jmatyasik@stpiuslombard.org](mailto:jmatyasik@stpiuslombard.org) or call 630-947-5672 to register. There will be a free will offering to cover lunch.

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## “KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS” POSTER CONTEST WINNERS



Past Grand Knights Dennis Jensen and Joe Martinet and Poster Contest Chairman Fred Kaefer presented awards to the St. Pius X “Keep Christ in Christmas” Poster Contest winners for 2020 (left) Jackson (Second Place Age 5-7) Elizabeth (First Place Age 11-14) Sasha (First Place Age 8-10)

Sacred Heart School Principle Maureen Nielsen accompanied Knights Fred, Dennis and Joe in presenting awards to Sacred Hearts “Keep Christ in Christmas” Poster Contest Winners, Delaney (Second Place Age 8-10) (left) Sunee (First Place Age 5-7) (right)



## I.D. DRIVE DONATION

Pictured to the right are Dennis Jensen-PGK, D. Thurman-Grand Knight, Colleen McDonald-Director Special Camps, and Matt Koykar-I.D. Drive Chairman. Colleen was presented one of the four checks from our 2019 Annual I.D. Drive which totaled in all over \$5000.



## Pasta Dinner

The 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Pasta Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, May 9, 2020 beginning at 5:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. in the St. Pius X Church Social Center.

### Proceeds to benefit Sacred Heart and St. Pius X Schools

If you are able to volunteer for this very special event please contact Dan Matasek at [dmatasek@gmail.com](mailto:dmatasek@gmail.com) or Paul Warda at [pbw218@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pbw218@sbcglobal.net)

Please **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**, we want and need you to attend and to work this event. We will be serving beginning at 5:00 P.M. and for those of you working the event this would be a great time to eat before serving, etc. If either you or your spouse has the gift of baking, (PLEASE NOTE) we will be having a sweets table again this year so that we do not have a single dessert. We are also asking for donations of small gift baskets or other types of gifts for the blind raffle. We are also looking for Knights to sell tickets before and after all masses at both parishes on a designated Saturday/Sunday in March. See calendar for dates and mass times.

We are still in need of volunteers to help at the event with the following:

- Set up and take down tables and chairs.
- Serving the meal, and will also assist in clean up including the kitchen.
- Selling tickets at the door, including split the pot and the blind raffle.
- Pre-cooking which will occur on May 8.
- Cooking on the day of the event.
- Advertising/sponsor sales as many as we can get.

**PLEASE ATTEND THE EVENT AND SUPPORT YOUR COUNCIL**

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# *Pasta Dinner*

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Contact Dan Matasek for sponsorship opportunities  
[dmatasek@gmail.com](mailto:dmatasek@gmail.com)

March 2020						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 SH 11:00 AM Corporate Communion	2	3	4	5 7:00 PM Council Business Mtg.	6	
8	9	10	11 7:30PM Assembly Mtg. St. John 8365 330 Westmore	12	13 SPX Simple Supper	14 SPX 8:30A-3:00P Lenten Day of Reflection
15	16	17	18	19 7:00 PM Council Planning Mtg.	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 SH/SPX 40 Cans for Lent Collection	30	31				

April 2020						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 7:00 PM Council Business Mtg.	3	4
5 PALM SUNDAY	6	7	8 7:30PM Assembly Mtg. Council 650 1233 W Holtz Addison	9	10 GOOD FRIDAY	11
12 EASTER SUNDAY	13	14	15	16 7:00 PM Council Planning Mtg.	17	18
19 SPX 10:00AM Corporate Communion	20	21	22	23	24	25 8:15 am & 11:45 am Track Meet – Montini High School
26	27	28	29	30		

## St. Pius X Simple Supper

Father Boecker Council has been asked to host a Simple Supper one Friday evening during Lent. Following the Stations of the Cross, the Knights will be serving Simple Supper on Friday, March 13, 2020 in the Martha Room from 7:00-8:00pm, please arrive by 6:00pm. If you can help, email John Plotke at [turbojet84@yahoo.com](mailto:turbojet84@yahoo.com) Thank you for your time.



*Father Boecker Council 6090 in conjunction with the St. Vincent DePaul Food pantry will be having their 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Food Collection, which is designed to help fight hunger. It is a small sacrifice that turns into a big difference in the lives of others. All that is required is the desire to help others. As you prepare for Easter during Lent, remember the 40 days and nights that Christ spent in the desert, without food or water, praying and preparing for his sacrifice on behalf of mankind. We are asking that you collect one can of food per day during the 40 days of Lent, which begins on Ash Wednesday, and then drop them off at church on the designated weekend in the container provided. Get your family involved and join the effort to make Easter season even more meaningful this year. All donations will go to your Parish food pantry to aid the less fortunate throughout the year. Thank you for your help.*



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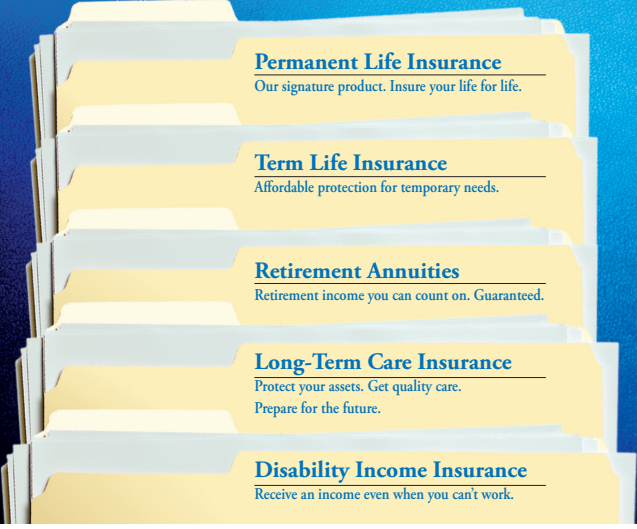
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