KofC Grand Knight Report for December 26,2015

Vivat Jesus

My apology for this late report.

My first statement must be one of hope and prayer for the good health of all who read this. Many of our church and fraternity do not find themselves in such fortunate circumstance. Several are, or will be, undergoing tests and procedures. We must bind ourselves together in prayer for a happy outcome to all.

Let me express my appreciation to all who participated in the Blood Drive on December 13. Brother Alan Holet reported something like 25 successful donations and about 10 who came to donate but were rejected for some reason. This is a significant improvement over December 2014. I was not in town that day but did donate, as well, on the 23rd in North Myrtle Beach.

We did a timely contribution of 2 boxes of coats to Help For Children at their depot on Forestbrook Road. If the weather stays this warm, though, they might just use them as a ground cover during a picnic!

Please reserve your bus seats for the Right to Life March in Columbia January 9. Call Lori Videan (843-503-3607) immediately, to do so. The cost is \$10.

We had a 2nd Degree exemplification in September, if you are a first degree and were unable to advance at that time, the next one is scheduled for Friday evening, January 22nd at 6:30 p.m. in Conway. Please come to our next business meeting on Monday, January 4. Present yourself to our Financial Secretary, SK Mike Aldridge, to be placed on his list to attend that exemplification.

Our next parish wide fund raising dinner is Monday, January 18. Please check your schedule to prepare to assist or attend. As a friendly reminder, you can sign up and designate a time slot of your availability via our website.

I pray, as I believe most of you do, for the blessings of Christ's peace in this world. In as much as no-one can please everyone at all times with some thing, deed, or event. It may fall to you in your family or social circle, to be an instrument of peace. YOUR gift of peace may come as a consoling

word, a needed compliment, some feeling of reassurance in an anxious or hectic moment. It may also be NOT saying something cruel or hurtful to your fellow Knight, clergy, or family member. Help those around you find contentment in your expression and mood. Division may be destructive in a family, a church, and a nation. To a Knight of Columbus, our vow of Fraternity and Unity are synonymous with Charity of spirit. Be joyful in the exercise of your spirit of Charity.

God bless you.

Bruce Miller, GK