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MEETINGS HELD ON SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH

March 2020

Coming Events

- Mar. 1 Sausage Supper (3:00-6:30 PM, John Paul II School Auditorium)
- Mar. 8 Daylight Savings Time Begins
- Mar. 12 KofC Monthly Meeting (7:00 PM)
- Mar. 17 St. Patrick's Day
- Mar. 25 Annunciation
- Apr. 9 KofC Monthly Meeting (7:00 PM)
- Apr. 5 Palm Sunday
- Apr. 10 Good Friday
- Apr. 12 Easter Sunday
- Apr. 24-26 State Convention, Aberdeen



Pope's Prayer Intentions

March

Catholics in China:

We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

April

Freedom from Addiction:

We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.

Council Notes

- There has been a gap in newsletters since last summer, but we're catching up. Read on for what is happening in the Council and say a prayer for the Knights in Memoriam.
- Your council was awarded Star Council Award for 2018-2019!
- The January 25-26th Tootsie Roll distribution raised approximately \$1,900.
- Vince Boddicker was named Knight of the Quarter.
- Steve Mentele was named Knight of the Year.
- Gene & Jackie Kessler were named Family of the Quarter.
- Willie & Kay Schoenfelder were named Family of the Year.
- Brad Osterloo was awarded the Lou Mayer Service Award.
- Sleep in Heavenly Peace is having a build on Saturday March 14th in Brookings. Contact Vince Boddicker if you would like to attend.
- Special Project Fund Raffle tickets are still available from Vince Boddicker. The drawing is the last Saturday of April and tickets should be sold by mid-March.

Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge

"You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? It is no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot." Mt 5:13

Imagine that you're at a steakhouse, and your plate finally arrives. Then, just as you are looking for the salt, you learn that the restaurant has completely run out of it. It's easy to see that without salt, our food can be bland and tasteless. Turning to the words of our Lord, has your life of faith become bland and insipid? Jesus did not die for our sake in order that we might offer the world a mediocre reflection of his life. As we embark on our Lenten journey, may we strive to be men who season the world and our communities with the salt of an authentic and inspiring Christian life.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to sharpen your Christian witness by saying grace before meals at home and in public. Second, as you begin your Lenten journey, I challenge you to develop your "saltiness" through spiritual reflection, either with the Faith in Action Spiritual Reflection program or on a more informal basis.

Questions for Reflection:

When was the last time you intentionally brought up your faith in a conversation? How did saying grace in public differ from saying it in the home? Practically speaking, what would you need to do to take your Christian "saltiness" to the next level?

2020 Hoop Shoot Winners



On Sunday January 26, 2020 Council 1079 of Mitchell held their annual hoop shoot contest at the Mitchell Park and Rec gymnasium. The winner of each division received a Knights of Columbus basketball.

Front Row L to R: Collin Weier, Brayden Koch, Tyler Sanderson, Parker Mandel, Carter Miller
Back Row L to R: Seth Erwin, Darrin Brewster, Doug Miller, Steve Schoenfelder, Gavin Soukup.

Knights in Memoriam

Lawrence Haiar, 85, passed away on Monday, August 5, 2019. Lawrence was born February 10, 1934 to Herman and Anna (Steilen) Haiar in Farmer, South Dakota. Lawrence married Dorothy Schaffer on October 1, 1952 and together they had ten children. Dorothy passed away on December 20, 1997. Lawrence owned and operated the North Main 66 business for over 38 years, retiring in January of 1998. He married LaVonne Tietz on July 12, 2002; she passed away on December 11, 2018. Lawrence was a member of the Holy Family Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, the Elks and Optimist International. He truly enjoyed spending time with his family as well as hunting and fishing.

Alvin Henry Nolz, 87, passed away on October 4, 2019. Alvin, son of Joseph and Mary (Tischler) Nolz, was born January 3, 1932. He grew up near Parkston and later moved to Delmont with his parents and siblings. He attended school in Parkston and Delmont. He graduated from Delmont Country School in 1946. He worked on the family farm and entered the Army in December 1951. He attended Basic Training in Fort Riley, Kansas. He served two years in the United States Army spending one year in Misawa Air Base in Japan. He received an Honorable Discharge in Fort Carson, Colorado in 1953. After his years in the Service, he returned to the farm near Delmont for four years and then moved to a farm by Mount Vernon, where they lived for nine years. In 1970, they purchased a farm northeast of Mitchell, and in 1982, Alvin and his son, David, started Nolz Limousin and sold purebred bulls to area cattlemen. In 1990, Alvin and Devona moved into Mitchell, but Alvin continued to help on the farm until he retired at the age of 64.

Henry Fergen, 77, passed away October 28, 2019. Henry was born to Henry and Helen (Weber) Fergen on November 23rd, 1941. He grew up on a farm, attended Dimock Catholic Grade School and graduated from Parkston High School. In 1962 he married Carol Stoltz and together they had four children. Henry was employed in the lumber industry for almost 45 years. He was a former sales manager for Anderson Lumber, United Building Centers and ProBuild. Henry loved people and found no one to be a stranger for long. He was a lifetime member of the Knights of Columbus, served on the Ag Advisory Board at Mitchell Tech and was on the Holy Spirit School board. In his spare time, he loved playing cards, hunting, listening to music and visiting with his many friends and family.

Howard Bechen, 92, passed away January 20, 2020. Howard was born on May 30, 1927, to Ruben and Elizabeth (Mader) Bechen. He was born in Kadoka and joined the Navy after graduating high school in May of 1945. Howard served in both World War II and the Korean War. After returning from the wars, Howard met and married Marg Moore. They were married on June 20, 1952. They were the proud parents of ten children. In January of 1982 the good Lord called Marg home. He then met Mary Beaner, and they were married on Dec. 23, 1983. Howard was involved in many things other than ranching and farming. He was a member of the St. Charles Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus, the Artesian Saddle Club, the Moose Club, the VFW and the Artesian America Legion. He was a 4-H leader and received numerous conservation awards. He enjoyed riding horses to check his cattle, as well as camping and boating for relaxing.



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