



Knighly News - March 2017

Holy Spirit Council 7264

Weatherford, Texas

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Grand Knight's Report:

Brothers, Happy March! Wow the year is really passing by quickly. February was a really slow month. We hosted a Burrito Breakfast on Sunday, Feb 12. I want to thank all of you who participated in making it successful. I am going to keep this brief, but I do want to mention that in March, we begin the Lenten season. Lent is a time of preparation for the death and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus

Christ. Lent is a time of prayer, penance, repentance, almsgiving, atonement, and self-denial. It is a time to get closer to God. Brothers, it is my sincere wish that each and every one of you make the most of this time to enrich your spiritual life and experience true closeness with God. I look forward to seeing you at Stations of the Cross!

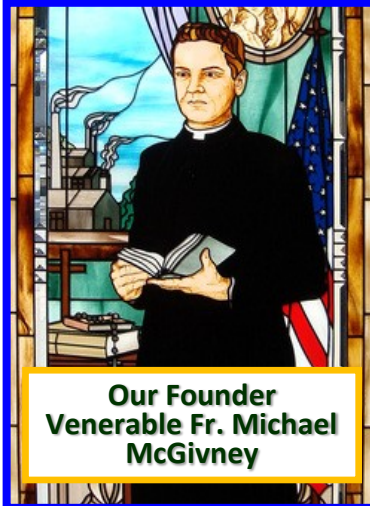
Brothers, on March 10, we will be hosting Soup and Sandwich dinner before Stations of the Cross. As always, we can use your help. Please plan on being at the kitchen around 4:00 P.M. Also, our Business Meeting will be held on March 14. Rosary will start at 7:15, and the meeting to follow. Please plan on attending as we are going to discuss our charitable contributions, charity dinner, and the Patriotic Rosary. See Y'all Friday!

God Bless you and your families,

Dave Straka, Grand Knight

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT: Membership Dues

Brothers: 2017 Membership Dues is do, Second notice has gone out along with an email reminder. If you wish remain a member in good standing please send your dues to the Financial Secretary John Achtyl or even pay at the upcoming Burrito Breakfast on March 12th.



Our Founder Venerable Fr. Michael McGivney

Upcoming Events:

Mar 12th @ CANCELLED
NO Burrito Breakfast due to Spring Break

Mar 10th @ 2:30 pm
Lenten Soup & Sandwiches
Start serving @ 5 pm

Mar 29th @ 6:30 pm
Western Metroplex Chapter
Meeting hosted by Council
9884 in Lewisville
Dinner @ 6:30
Meeting @ 7:30

KofC Founder's Day

Apr 9th @ 6 am
Burrito Breakfast

Upcoming Meetings:

Mar 14th @ 7:30 pm
Business Meeting

Mar 28th @ 7:00 pm
Planning Meeting

Apr 11th @ 7:30 PM
Business Meeting

Please send inputs and/or suggestions for the newsletter to:

Matt.Casey.7264@gmail.com

Business Meeting Feb 14, 2017

- Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM by Deputy Grand Knight Ray Carr
Roll Call: (P)resent, (E)xcused, (A)bsent
Chaplain (Fr. Mike O'Sullivan) (E)
Grand Knight (Dave Straka) (E)
Deputy Grand Knight (Ray Carr) (P)
Chancellor (Francis Rotering) (P)
Recorder (Matt Casey) (P)
Financial Secretary (John Achtyl) (P)
Treasurer (Derrick Rice) (P)
Lecturer (Robert Tracey) (P)
Advocate (Lawrence Bierschenk) (P)
Warden (Charles Hill) (A)
Inside Guard (Robert Picha) (E)
Outside Guard (Leonard Wright) (P)
Trustee 3rd Year (David Yaniko) (E)
Trustee 2nd Year (Joe Wright) (E)
Trustee 1st Year (Stan Stanislav) (P)
Chaplain Report: N/A
Minutes of Previous Meeting were: Approved as published.
Membership Report: Transfer Ron Coenen moved from Wisconsin to Weatherford requesting permission to join our council. Motion to accept made by Adam and 2nd by Stan 2nd.
Grand Knight Report: Hike for Life was 28 Jan. Had over 300 hikers and raised more than \$11,000. Christ the King covenant church won the \$200 pizza party.
Thanks to all who showed for Corporate Communion.
Thanks to all who showed for Breakfast Burrito.
Reminder deadline for submitting Texas State Council Educational Grant is 1st of March.
Treasurer's Report was: Accepted as read.
Communications: Thank you card from Jonathan Demma, seminarian, for our "generous seminarian support", requesting our prayers as he continues preparation for diaconate ordination in April, and prayers particularly as he prepares for comprehensive exams on March 21st. "Be assured of my prayers for you and your families."
Thank you card from Thomas Jones, seminarian, for our support and "the kind card. Only a few more months to go on pastoral year. I don't know what the summer will entail but I've been studying my Spanish so maybe Guatemala. God bless you all."
Thank you card from GraceHouse Ministries thanking us for all our "help with the 2017 Hike for Life. We were so grateful to have a team from GraceHouse participate and encouraged by all the community members that came out to show their support for life! God is Good!" - Dana Blankenship
The Options Clinic sent us an invitation to their Open House on February 19th from 12 - 3 pm or February 23rd from 6 - 8 pm.
Financial Secretary's Report: We're in good standing with Supreme.
38 members have not paid their dues yet.
Trustees' Report: No report.



ATTENTION

Thank you to Robert & JoAnn Picha for joining the Meals on Wheels Team!

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Prayer Intentions

At the last Business Meeting, we were asked to remember the following individuals in our prayers:



Besty McGee
Betty Young
Virginia Uptain
Linda Foster
Helen Wright
Father Casey
Gene Anastas

John Young (RIP)
Jimmy Dixon (RIP)
Andy Blanchard (RIP)
Patricia Tracey (RIP)
Joe Bayer (RIP)
J. W. Wright (RIP)
Lee Perkins (RIP)
Don Schabow (RIP)
Ron Nowak (RIP)
Robert Casey (RIP)
Don Casey (RIP)

- ❖ Chancellor's Report:
 - No report.
- ❖ Program Chair Report:
 - Weatherford Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association's casino night is Saturday 18 February. Need volunteers. 4:00 pm show time for pizza, otherwise show at 5:30 pm, gambling starts @ 6:30 pm.
 - Palentine cans for Lenten donations: Pass out on Ash Wednesday, and the following weekend. Need Knights to volunteer to hand out cans. Cans will be at the Church exits on Fat Tuesday. Sunday after Easter we collect the cans. Father Noel thanks us for supporting the event. Stephenville will be doing the cans this year as well.
 - March 10th is our Friday to do Lenten Soup and Sandwiches. Brother Dave Yaniko will be heading up the event. Details can be ironed out at our next planning meeting on 28 Feb. Volunteers please show at 3 pm to prepare food, serve at 5:30 pm. Date was scheduled for March 17th, but is bumped to March 10th to accommodate CDA. Lawrence needs someone to boil 5 dozen eggs for egg salad since he won't be able to make the March 10th Soup and Sandwiches.
 - No burrito breakfast in March on account of Spring Break, will pick up again in April.
 - Easter Egg Hunt will be April 15th. Will be discussed in further detail in subsequent meetings. Must have a \$1 million-dollar insurance policy to receive candy donations from Ricky Maitlin's supplier. Will need to discuss start/end time taking into consideration folks need time to get home and ready to go to 5:30 pm Saturday Mass.
- ❖ Old Business
 - None.
- ❖ Unfinished Business:
 - Need to get nominations for charities to receive our financial support to the Trustees, GK Deputy GK, or John Actyl. Note Cross Roads no longer exists since they merged with Freedom House.
- ❖ New Business:
 - Texas State Convention will be held 28-30th April in Dallas. Grand Knight & Deputy Grand Knight will be attending. Will vote on alternate delegates next month.
 - There are no candidates for 1st Degree.
- ❖ 4th Degree Report:
 - Ladies appreciation dinner is on 19 February.
 - Lawrence announced there is a screening of the movie Apparition Hill in Southlake on 15 Feb and another in Arlington at the Parks Movie Theatre on 28 Feb 7:30 pm. Mrs. Bierschenk has information on how to get tickets. Movie synopsis: "A documentary where seven strangers journey to Medjugorje, a village in Bosnia-Herzegovina, to investigate reports of miracles and supernatural phenomena. Join two atheists, one believer, a mother struggling with cancer, a man diagnosed with ALS, a struggling addict, and a woman questioning her faith as they search for answers to life's big questions on Apparition Hill."
- ❖ District Deputy Report:
- ❖ Member's under ill or duress.
 - See prayer intention sheet.
- ❖ Good of the order by the Lecturer:
 - An A.C.T.S. (Adoration, Community, Theology and Service) retreat is coming up on 23-16 March. Father Mike has paperwork and is trying to get 20 people to go. If interested contact

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Father Mike.

- Prayer works: Bob Tracey’s son, a roofer by profession, called with an unbelievable story. Business has been really slow, and with no work and thus no income it’s affecting his 6 employees. He hasn’t been much of a prayer but he did pray about this. Shortly after he received a call from a lady that owns a funeral home in Live Oak, Florida and needs a new roof. She went on to explain that it’s been raining for 9 days, it’s ruining her facility, and no one would come out and do the roof. What makes it peculiar is that she was in the social hall asking if anybody knows a roofer. This guy came up and gave her Bob’s son’s name. She went to get a piece of paper to write down his phone number but when she got back the guy was gone. Nobody knew who he was nor did he show up again. She was able to Google Bob’s son’s name and contacted him. Bob’s son subsequently traveled to her location and gave her a bid and got the job. It was as if the mystery guy was sent there to answer Bob’s son’s prayer.
- Prayer to St. Anthony: “O Holy St. Anthony, gentlest of Saints, your love for God and Charity for His creatures, made you worthy, when on earth, to possess miraculous powers. Encouraged by this thought, I implore you to obtain for me (request). O gentle and loving St. Anthony, whose heart was ever full of human sympathy, whisper my petition into the ears of the sweet Infant Jesus, who loved to be folded in your arms; and the gratitude of my heart will ever be yours. Amen.”

Meeting closed at 8:10 PM by Ray Carr

Prayer for Vocations

Father, you call each one of us by name and ask us to follow you.

Bless your church by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve your people as Sisters, Priests, Brothers, Deacons, and Lay Ministers.

Inspire us as we grow to know you, and open our hearts to hear your call.

We ask this in Jesus name.

FOUNDER'S DAY - MARCH 29TH

On Founder's Day this March 29th, we celebrate the anniversary of the Knights of Columbus.

As we celebrate the legacy of Venerable Michael McGivney and the contributions of our brother Knights since 1882, we also prepare for an even greater future as we vision of our live out the founder.



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what the Knights of Columbus has accomplished in the past years, the ideals of the Order, and their own local achievements.

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THANK YOU

Thank you for your support and the lovely card. Only a few more months to go on pastoral year I don't know what the summer will entail but I've been studying Spanish so may be Guatemala. God bless you all.

Jonathan

Thank You

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 7264,

THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR GENEROUS SEMINARIAN SUPPORT. PLEASE PRAY FOR ME AS I CONTINUE PREPARATION FOR DIACONATE ORDINATION IN APRIL.

PLEASE PRAY FOR US PARTICULARLY ON MARCH 21. WE WILL BE TAKING OUR COMPREHENSIVE EXAMS.

BE ASSURED OF MY PRAYERS FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES.

God Bless,
Jonathan Demma

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David,

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OPTIONS CLINIC • 902 FOSTER LANE
Weatherford, Texas

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19 • 12 - 3 PM OR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23 • 6 - 8 PM

Join us in celebrating the legacy of life our community has built. Don't miss your opportunity to be a part of this milestone in the history of Grace House Ministries!

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SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
26 <i>March</i>	27	28 Fat Tuesday Council Planning Meeting	1 Ash Wednesday Family of the Year Applications DUE! State Service Program Awards Applications DUE! Texas State Council Educational Grant Application DUE!!!	2	3	4 Council 7641 Casino Night
5	6	7	8	9	10 Lenten Soup & Sandwich	11 4th Degree Exemplification in Carriage
12 Burrito Breakfast 	13	14 Council Business Meeting 	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day 	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 Council Planning Meeting 	29 Western Metroplex Chapter Meeting  KofC Founder's Day	30	31	1

March Birthdays	2 - Brian Lang 2 - Fr. John Cascy 6 - Neal Hochling	14 - Mitchell Cooper 15 - Bruce O'Keefe 19 - Anthony Lucia	19 - Joe Portillo 20 - Irvin Justice 21 - James Lee	24 - Vic Verstracte 26 - Robert Klein 30 - Louis Leal Jr
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9 Palm Sunday Burrito Breakfast 	10	11 Council Business Meeting 	12	13	14 	15 Council Easter Egg Hunt 
16 Easter 	17	18 Patriotic Rosary 	19	20	21	22
23 First Degree in Granbury [Host: 9748]	24	25 Council Planning Meeting 	26 Western Metroplex Chapter Meeting	27	28 TX State Convention	29 TX State Convention
30  Corporate Communion Mass TX State Convention	1	2	3	4	5	6

April Birthdays	4 - Gregory Libby 8 - Francis Rotering	9 - Denis McCaffrey 11 - Brian Kechnie Jr	13 - Ray Torres 25 - W. Cristian Fischer	30 - H. Lee Villarreal
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