

St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church

March, 2016 ****** **Council #7613**

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR MARCH 2016

DATE	EVENT	TIME & PLACE	
3/02/16, Wed	CHOC Meeting	7:00 pm – Christopher Hall	
3/03/16, Thurs	Mass & General Meeting	7:00 pm – Christopher Hall	
3/04/16, Fri	Lenten Fish Fry	5:00 pm - St Francis Circle	
3/05/16, Sat	Monthly Rosary	4:30 pm - Church	
3/06/16, Sun	Squires Meeting	9:00 am – Christopher Hall	
3/10/16, Thurs	Assembly Meeting	7:00 pm – Christopher Hall	
3/11/16, Fri	Lenten Fish Fry	5:00 pm - St Francis Circle	
3/18/16, Fri	Lenten Fish Fry 5:00 pm - St Francis Circle		
3/16/16, Wed	Chapter Meeting	Council 15343 – Santo Nino Catholic Church, 5655	
3/10/10, wed		Rigsby Ave.(U.S. Hwy 87E)	
3/17/16, Thurs	Officers Meeting 7:00 pm – Christopher Hall		
3/17/16, Thurs	St Patrick's Day		
3/19/16, Sat	Cycling Competition	9:00 am to 3:00 pm – Southwest High School,	
	Special Olympics	11914 Dragon Ln, #800	
3/20/16, Sun	Palm Sunday		
3/24-26/16	Holy Thursday, Friday, & Saturday		
3/25/16, Fri	LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS	SS 3:00 pm – starting in the Church	
3/26/16, Sat	Easter Egg Hunt	9:00 am - St Francis Circle & Outside Areas	
3/27/16, Mon	Easter		

ZAPPIE'S DEER STEW

At the Council 7613 General meeting on Thursday February 4, Zappie (SK Gerardo Zapata) prepared his "World Famous" Gluten Free, Low Fat, High Carbo, and Wine Marinated Deer Stew.

The picture below shows Zappie and the deer he shot and served as his "World Famous" Gluten Free stew. Everyone really liked it however the only complaint I heard (made) was that it was too hot when spilled on their (my) hand.



Zappie with deer he killed for us

NEW KNIGHTS AND AWARDS

On January 26 a **First Degree Ceremony** was held to bring forth Jeffrey Schorsch & Phillip Eyhorn as new Knights and new members of our Council 7613.

Jeffrey Schorsch is a Mechanical Engineer graduate of UTSA and Phillip Eyhorn has served as one of our Squires. Phillip is also a grandson of SK Marvin Boroski.

The following picture shows Jeffrey and Phillip as 1st Degree Knights at the our General meeting on February 4 as they are welcomed to our Council and are being presented membership cards and badges.

The 2nd picture below is of our newest Assumption Seminarian Praveen K. Lakkisetti with PKG Ysau Flores. We are all very happy for our Council 7613 to have the opportunity to sponsor Praveen as an Assumption Seminarian.



NEW 1ST DEGREE KNIGHTS Jeffrey Schorsch & Phillip Eyhorn



NEW ASSUMPTION SEMINARIAN Praveen K. Lakkisetti

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

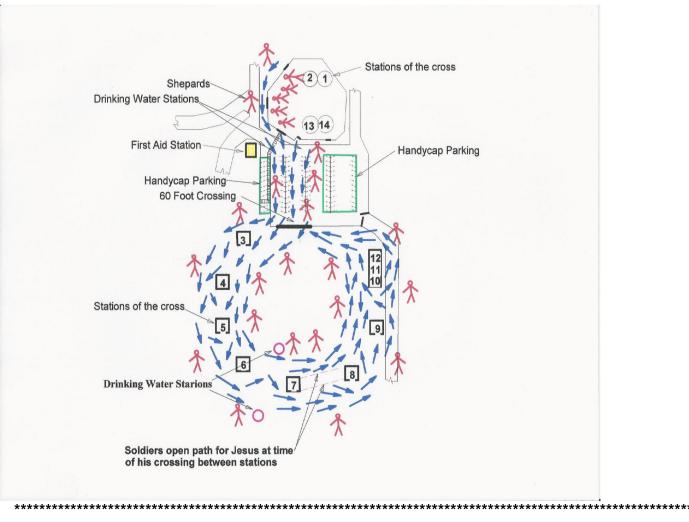
St. Marks is planning to provide for the second time, an outside full scale representation of Jesus being led to his crucifixion on the cross with 10 of the 14 "stations of the cross" located on the west side of the church. Four of the 14 stations will be in the church. The date for all to participate in the "stations of the cross" will be on "Good Friday, March 25 starting at 3:00 PM.

SK Stephen Rohrbough is chairman of the Logistics committee which is responsible for arraigning signs for parking and routing, the first aid station location, providing transportation for handicaps, and controlling people movement around each of the "stations of the cross". Members of Stephen's Logistics Committee include: Arthur Sosa, SK Ron Hrncir, SK Jon Klauenberg, SK John Thabet, SK Chris Huggins, SK Marvin Boroski, SK AC Rogers, Bill Burckhardt, Mary Peterson, Roy H. Rodriguez, and George Hide.

Last year it was difficult for all to see what was happening on each stage representing a "station of the cross" and many suggested that each stage be raised about 2-feet to provide better vision. Instead of raising each stage, which might have created a safety problem, we have decided to allow everyone to surround each station so that everyone can have a much closer view. Basically, we will eliminate the use of ropes to restrict movement around each station.

The soldiers leading Jesus will actually clear the path of all of us in the way while Jesus is moving from station to station. As Jesus has passed our way, we can fall in back of the path and follow the procession.

Following is an overview of the features and pathways for personal movement about the Stations of the Cross.



REMODELING THE NEW LEGACY (OLD CHURCH)

SK John Thabet says that the Squires office has plans to remodel the old church area now referred as the "**New Legacy**". The remodeling of the old church is set to establish a much needed storage area to accommodate items that are currently just leaning against walls and causing a hazard to our youth activities. Basically, the remodeling would provide the needed storage area as well as controlling the atmosphere in the "**New legacy**" to help ensure the health of our Squires.

This project is in dire need of funds for the required labor and building materials (2x4's, plywood sheets, etc.). Presently, the redesign plans have been completed and a number of volunteers have come forth for some of the work.

More help is needed as well as supplies for the work. Please contact SK John Thabet (210-834-8478) if you can help out to ensure the success of this much needed project.

KC FREE THROW CONTEST

Since 1972, councils have sponsored the Knights of Columbus International Free Throw Championship for boys and girls between the ages of 9 and 14 (starting in the fraternal year 2013-2014). The K of C Free Throw Championship involves a series of competitions that begin at the **Council** level then the 1st place winners are eligible to participate in the **District** level competition. Finally the 1st place winners of the **Regional** competition are eligible to participate in the **State** competition.

The **Council** Free Throw Championship was held in the St. Marks Gym on February 2 where 5 girls and 4 boys pictured below were 1st place winners in the **Council** competition. Also shown below are group pictures of the competitors; the Brother Knights "At Work"; and the Awards table.

Our 1st place winners of the **District** level competition on February 5 were 4 boys (Riken Smith, Garren Burnell, Aaron Garza, & Max Lange) and 4 girls (Lilly Von Dohlen, Elaine Stewart, Alyssa Flores, & Olivia Arellano).

For the **Regional** level competition on February 20, congratulations go to those listed below who won metals at the event:

BOYS Age 9 – Riken Smith – 2^{nd} place Age 11 – Aaron Garza – 3^{rd} place Age 13 – Max Lange – 2^{nd} place **GIRLS** Age 9 – Lilly Von Dohlen – 4th place



Reviewing Rules & Instructions Before the Competition



Mark Jackson, Bill Faucher, Chris Huggins, Bob Parrotte, Jason Hill, & Al Gill Helping with Registration & Scorekeeping for the Free-Throw Championship



Susan Huggins & Jean Robinette at the Awards Table Showing 10 Leather Basketballs, Certificates.



Max Lange, 13 yrs old



Lilly Von Dohlen, 9 yrs old



Aaron Garza, 11 yrs old



Olivia Flores, 14 yrs old



Riken Smith, 9 yrs old



Alyssa Flores, 13 yrs old



Alexis Lange, 10 yrs old



Elaine Stewart, 11 yrs old



Garren Burnell, 10 yrs old

VALINTINES DANCE

Whoever said Knights can't dance and/or have fun, see the attached pictures for the truth!

Thank You, PGK John Thabet for coordinating our dance at Christopher Hall. Nearly 100 Valentine Sweethearts were at the dance.





LENTEN FISH DINNER

A big thank you goes to SK Richard Lee and his team of Brother Knights for an outstanding job of coordinating our Lenten Fish Fry's this year. We understand at least 175 fish dinners were sold for the 1st Lenten Fish Fry this year. The Second Fish Fry, pictures below, 210 plates were served!

The Women's Guild is really appreciated for assisting in this Fundraiser for Habitat. We have commitments from our Ladies to provide their delicious desserts for all 6 Fridays. Some of the deserts that were left over were donated to the Archdiocesan KC Free Throw contest in the name of St Mark's Women's Guild.

This is a great success for all 6 Lenten fish dinners (which includes Sam Szalwinski's famous homemade bread) to be served as delicious meals to our parishioners, their famines, and friends. Following are pictures of the crowd of dinner guests and of a lot of Knights dedicating their time in servitude.













SUPER BOWL CHICKEN BBQ

The Super Bowl BBQ was a resounding success! That does not mean there were not many challenges that had to be overcome. Suffice it to say there were outstanding men who went above and beyond the call of duty to pull this off, not to mention the many new faces who made it all the more special. Look at our hard workers barbequing chickens in the picture below. Also, see the next two sections below regarding some of the means for acquiring wood for the barbeque fire and for much work required to clean up the huge Ash pile form the wood fires. More regarding much that had to be done by our Brother Knights is included in the February Newsletter.

Every chicken half and sausage was sold out after the noon Mass.





































FRANK PEACHER'S WOOD FOR CHICKEN BBQ

Many thanks go to Frank Peacher who cut and neatly stacked the wood from a tree that fell in his yard. A view of his work is shown below. Thanks also goes to SK Sal Scalia who single handily picked up and delivered the wood for the BBQ.



Frank Peacher's Wood stacked neatly ready for delivery

ASH MOUND CLEANUP FROM CHICKEN BBQ

As shown in the following pictures, much work was required to eliminate a large amount of Ash piled near the BBQ area. We appreciate the large amount of effort put forth by SK Gary Richmond, SK Ron Hrncir, SK Al Gill and SK Rubin Ayala to remove the Ash.









SOUTH TEXAS SPECIAL OLYMPICS – AREA 20 – SAN ANTONIO

SK Roy Dearman says that the Special Olympics would not exist today and could not have been created without the time, energy and dedication of thousands of volunteers throughout Texas. Volunteers are the backbone of this organization.

If you are interested in volunteering for this event, you may email Ms. Shawn Britt at **sbritt@sotx.org** or call (210) 530-9898 to request volunteer information. Contact SK Roy Dearman at **rdearman@satx.rr.com** or (210) 854-1250 if you plan to volunteer for an event in area 20 (San Antonio)

Following is the latest spring schedule. As usual dates, venues and start times are always subject to change. Notices of any schedule changes will be made as soon as possible.

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Cycling	3/19/2016, Sat	9:00 AM to 3:00 PM	Southwest High School 11914 Dragon Ln #800
Soccer	4/02/2016, Sat	9:00 AM to 2:00 PM	McAllister Park, Lower Bee Tree Fields 13102 Jones Maltsberger Rd
Gymnastics	4/16/2016, Sat	TBA	Alamo Heights Gymnastics Academy 14242 Cross Canyon
Equestrian	4/16/2016, Sat	9:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Bexar County Sheriff's Posse Arena 11755 Foster Rd
Tennis	4/30/2016, Sat	9:00 AM to 3:00 PM	McFarlin Tennis Center 1503 San Pedro Ave.

EASTER EGG HUNT

See the following announcement regarding the St Mark's annual Easter Egg Hunt. This is a joyous time for all of us and our children. Come and watch our kids having so much fun participating in the egg hunt.



HAVEN FOR HOPE

Approximately 400 homeless at the Haven for Hope Shelter at the St. Vincent de Paul dining room were served meals for the homeless this Thursday (February 25). As shown in the following pictures, our Brother Knights SK Willie Boes, Arnold Sanchez, and GK Ysau Flores helped in the serving. Our KC7613 council has volunteered 3 Knights every 5th week for this service.

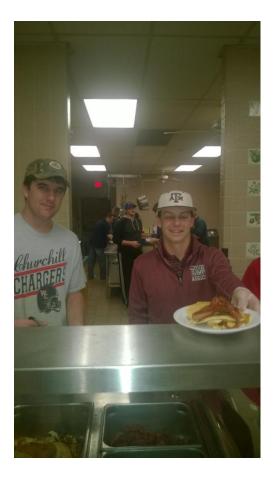


ST MARKS CRIMINAL JUSTICE MINISTRY

There in the prison of the Briscoe Unit in Dilley Texas meals for approximately 150 inmates were served home cooked meals on Saturday, February 27. Mr. & Mrs. Ramon De Hoyos, Bill Schelgel and GK Ysau Flores assisted in preparing and delivering the meals consisting chicken breasts, Charro-Beans (donated by HEB) and coldslaw.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUND RAISER

This fundraiser was conducted at the 8 and 10 am Masses on Sunday, February 28 and was conducted to **support Elf Louise and Fr. Phillip's mission.** You can see from the look on their faces below that they really liked the great breakfast they got.



BLOOD DRIVE

Approximately 50 pints of blood were collected on Sunday, February 28. This drive was a little better than the 42 pints collected last October. However, we hope to attain more in the near future to fill the empty "blood doner" lounges shown below. Note that there are a number of lounges filled with "happy faced" doners who know that they are serving a much needed life saving event.

