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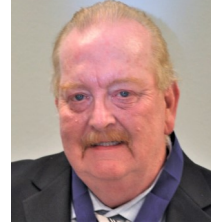


Grand News

My Brother Knights,

I think everyone would agree that this has been a severe winter, and it's not over yet. I am hoping that the weatherman will be better to us during the month of March, since we have a lot of important events coming up.

To start off with I would like to thank the men who helped John Bitunjac conduct the Council and District basketball free throw contests this past month. Congratulations to the overall student winners of the district free throw event. I want to thank event chair John Bitunjac for a wonderful job and for the dedicated and organized work that he performed to make this event a success despite the challenging weather delays.



The upcoming month of March is filled with lots of Knight-sponsored events. March 8th will be the first date of our Parish Lenten Dinners. The Council will need the help of lots of volunteers to complete the four Lenten Dinners we have planned. Please lend us your time and talents for these dinners to succeed.

Tuesday, March 19th will be a Diocesan sponsored event at St Joseph Co-Cathedral for display of the relic of St. Jean Vianney. I have been appointed to coordinate the District #2 Knights of Columbus support for this event. I will have the completed program schedule for that day-long event to share with you at our next business meeting on March 5th.

Our Council will also be helping, along with other St Joseph Knight Councils, to support the Missouri State Indoor Special Olympics Games Opening Ceremony at the St Joseph Civic Arena by preparing a the meal at noon on Friday, March 29th.

I would like to ask for the council to please keep our Pastor and Council Chaplain Father Joe Miller in your prayers, now that he is going through another round of Chemotherapy treatments for his cancer.

For those who are having birthday's this month I wish you all a Happy Blessed Birthday!

Until next time God Bless and have a save month.

Your Grand Knight & District Deputy

John Catron

If you have not already paid your 2019 Council dues please do so now. Third notices have been sent out. Dues are manditory. Send your dues immediately to Gordon Carmichael, Financial Secretary.



District 's 14 Yr Old Free Throw Contest Winner—Parker Wegenka From SFX

Council Members Who Helped With The Basketball Free Throw Events



Results of 2019 District 2 Free Throw Shoot

Names, Councils, Scores Highlighted in Red Indicate "Regional Qualifiers"

| Name | Council | Baskets | Name | Council | Baskets |
|----------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| 9 Year-old Boys | | | | | |
| Walter Meierhoffer | 571 | 8 | Maya Acosta | 571 | 7 |
| Jensen Nash | 5067 | 14 | Kate Garvey | 5067 | 4 |
| Logan Bergeron | 15126 | 9 | Abbi O'Rourke | 15126 | 13 |
| 10 Year-old Boys | | | | | |
| Cole Sigrist | 5067 | 17 | 10 Year-old Girls | | |
| Tiger Bartlow | 12463 | 13 | Lilly Yost | 571 | 1 |
| Satchel Studer | 15126 | 13 | Ava Bodde | 5067 | 1 |
| 11 Year-old Boys | | | | | |
| Reese Searcy | 571 | 14 | Rilyn Conard | 12463 | 15 |
| Parker Conroy | 5067 | 16 | Brooklyn Gaume | 15126 | 14 |
| Briar Vanbelkum | 15126 | No Show | 11 Year-old Girls | | |
| 12 Year-old Boys | | | | | |
| Davis Jungbluth | 571 | 16 | Daisy Harshman | 571 | 17 |
| Greyson Heck | 5067 | 18 | Isabella Giles | 5067 | 11 |
| Conner Wegenka | 15126 | 13 | Isabella Woodson | 15126 | 14 |
| 13 Year-old Boys | | | | | |
| Max Bachali | 571 | 4 | 12 Year-old Girls | | |
| Jackson Sigrest | 5067 | 20 | Cali Hatcher | 5067 | 7 |
| David Welchert | 15126 | 4 | Kyla Conrad | 12463 | 18 |
| 14 Year-old Boys | | | | | |
| Lane Harshman | 5067 | 15 | Gracie Grom | 15126 | 11 |
| Parker Wegenka | 15126 | 16 | 13 Year-old Girls | | |
| 14 Year-old Girls | | | | | |
| (No Entries in this group) | | | | | |

Knight's Birthday List For March

Wish the following Brother Knights a Happy Birthday when you see them during the month.

- Mar 2-Chuck Hayes
- Mar 8-Doug Glidewell
- Apr 1-Alex Luke
- Apr 3-Joseph F. Marmaud

May they have many, many more!



Christopher Walters is the newest member of our Council having recently transferred from the Knights Council in Wathena, KS. Welcome Christopher when you see him!

FOOD FOR FAMILIES PROGRAM UPDATE

By Gordon Carmichael – *Food For Families Coordinator*

As of now our council has given our House of Bread 1,105 pounds of food to the House of Bread. We have also donated 1,800 pounds of food to Catholic Charities through the Thanksgiving Food Baskets program giving us a total of 2,905 pounds donated for the **FOOD FOR FAMILIES PROGRAM**.

Lent is nearly upon us and once again we will participate in the **40 CANS FOR 40 DAYS PROGRAM**. Last year our Council gave over 3000 pounds of food to this cause. Our goal this year is 4,000 pounds of food donations. Your individual help is critically needed. Consider that if 60 individual members of this council would each donate 40 cans of food during Lent, that would add about 2000 more pounds of food to our total Council donation and put us very close to 5000 pounds of food donated in a single year! During this Lenten season, when you go to the grocery store consider picking up some canned food goods that are on sale and bring them to church and put them into the House of Bread grocery basket located in Gaspar Hall. Then please call or email me how many items (or the poundage) you gave. Please help us by supporting this worthy charitable project. For every 1000 pounds of food our local Council donates we will get a \$100 rebate from the Supreme Council. **Cash donations are also very welcomed for this program. Just make your cash donations to Gordon Carmichael at one of our business meetings. Twenty dollars will buy 40 cans of food.**



Supper Bowl 2019 St Francis Xavier Parish Food Collection

ANNUAL PAYMENT OF DUES IS A FIRM REQUIREMENT

For those who have not paid their 2019 DUES, time is essential for your continued membership in our council. The **FIRST NOTICE** of dues went out in December and the **SECOND NOTICE** was sent in January. A **THIRD NOTICE** was sent out in February. To follow our recent change in Council By-Laws regarding annual dues payments, there will be only **one more notification attempt** before a **SUSPENSION NOTICE WILL BE SENT TO SUPREME.** Every member Knight is truly appreciated by our council and we would certainly like to retain each one of you, however your prompt payment of annual dues is now mandated by our Council By-Laws and is a rigid requirement for continued membership. Please comply as soon as possible.

Gordon Carmichael - Financial Secretary



A NOVENA FOR REPENTANCE, RENEWAL & REBUILDING

As bishops from around the world met in Rome with Pope Francis Feb. 21st-24th to discuss the sexual abuse crisis, members of the Knights of Columbus from around the world simultaneously have also embarked on a nine day prayer novena (Feb 20th-28th) for the success of this landmark Vatican meeting. If you did not receive these daily prayers via email directly from the Supreme Council, they are reproduced here for you to make your own private novena in support of this critically important event in the history of our church. Conclude each daily prayer with one Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be.

Day 1 "In their distress they cried to the Lord, who saved them in their peril, sent forth his word to heal them, and snatched them from the grave. Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, such wondrous deeds for the children of Adam."
Ps 107:19-21

Heavenly Father, we cry out to you today to heal those who are victim-survivors of abuse. May they know the depth of your healing love.

Day 2 "Keep watch over yourselves and over the whole flock of which the Holy Spirit has appointed you overseers, in which you tend the church of God that he acquired with his own blood."
Acts 20:28

Heavenly Father, as Pope Francis and bishops who head episcopal conferences begin their meeting in Rome, grant them wisdom, humility and courage as they discern your holy will.



Day 3 "And when the demon was driven out the mute person spoke."
Mt 9:33
Lord, it was you who conquered sin and death. We pray for the purification of the Church from the evil of sexual abuse. May our Church speak and know the truth that can only come through you.

Day 4 "Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus."
Phil 4:7
Heavenly Father, bless the discernment process of Pope Francis and the bishops who are meeting in Rome this very day. May they emulate Jesus by radically and intentionally giving of themselves to heal the Church.

Day 5 "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, on your own intelligence do not rely; In all your ways be mindful of him, and he will make straight your paths."
Pv 3:5-6

Dear Lord, we ask that you strengthen our Holy Father and bishops as they seek to restore trust in the Church, and renew those whose faith has been shaken by scandal.

Day 6 "The Lord rebuilds ... healing the brokenhearted, and binding up their wounds."
Ps 147:3

Lord, it is only through you that we are truly healed. May all victim-survivors of sexual abuse offer you their suffering, so that their hearts may be joined with yours.

Day 7 "For the grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age."
Titus 2:11-12

Blessed Mother, we ask that you intercede for our priests, so that they may always know the love that your mantle provides. By dying unto themselves, may they empty their hearts of all worldly desires and radiate the love of your Son, Jesus.

Day 8 "But now, thus says the Lord, who created you, Jacob, and formed you, Israel: Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name: you are mine."
Is 43:1

Lord, we pray for all seminarians. For those whom you are calling to the priesthood, may they never doubt your will as they boldly follow you.

Day 9 "For through faith you are all children of God in Christ Jesus. For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ."
Gal 3:26-27

Lord, we pray for an abundance of holiness in the entire Church. We ask for your blessing and mercy on us all, that we may truly be one Body in Christ.

Council 15126 Hosted 4th Degree Assembly 569 Covered Dish Dinner On Feb 25th

The Assembly 569 held their annual covered dish dinner for members, spouses and their guests at the St Francis Xavier Parish Center hosted by The St Francis Xavier Council 15126. Assembly Faithful Comptroller, Gordon Carmichael was the event chair for this dinner. The Assembly provided fried chicken and drinks and the members and guests brought a wide variety of cover dishes to share with those attending. Presider at this event was Assembly Faithful Navigator, Jay Pflugradt who welcomed and thanked those attending for their delicious dishes. The Assembly conducts an annual fund raising raffle associated with the dues collection period to support the costs of the 4th Degree Exemplification ceremony held in Kansas City. Winners of this raffle are selected during this annual dinner event. Jim Buhman's ticket was drawn as the \$200 raffle winner and Ray Heitman won the \$75 prize with his ticket.



Faithful Navigator Jay Pflugradt Presents Ray Heitman's Winning Ticket At The Covered Dish Dinner At St Francis Xavier



Thank you goes to the Council 15126 Fourth Degree members who attended this dinner and served as hosts. 72 Assembly 569 members and their spouses and guests attended.





ST. JEAN VIANNEY RELIC PILGRIMAGE

St Joseph Co-Cathedral, March 19th 8:00 am—8:00pm

The Shrine of Ars, France, has entrusted to the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus the major relic of St. Jean Vianney's incorrupt heart for a nationwide tour in the U.S., from November 2018 through early June 2019. The heart of St. Jean Vianney was taken from the saint's body after his death in recognition of his burning love for God and humanity. It has remained intact (or incorrupt) for more than 150 years. It is classified as a first class relic since it is a part of the body of a Saint. The Knights of Columbus welcomes this special opportunity to offer for veneration a major relic of the patron of parish priests, whose holiness and integrity is a model

for clergy and laity alike.

[The pilgrimage's national schedule brings this KC-St Joseph Diocesan event to St Joseph, MO on Tuesday, March 19th at the St Joseph Co-Cathedral from 8 am to 8 pm.](#)

The local Knights of Columbus Councils are supporting the cost of hosting the St. Jean Vianney Relic Pilgrimage. 4th Degree Honor Guard Knights will be standing watch over this relic during the veneration periods. The day-long event begins with an opening Mass at 8 am followed by public veneration of the relic until a 5:30 pm Vespers ceremony and a closing prayer ceremony at 8 pm. This national relic pilgrimage began in Baltimore, MA on Nov

10th, will travel all the way to the state of California and currently has it's last scheduled display set for New Jersey on May 4th. It will have been displayed in cathedrals, universities, and churches in more than 30 states from coast to coast. In between scheduled public events, the relic will travel to seminaries, religious houses and other locations for private veneration.

Plan now to support this Knights of Columbus sponsored event in whatever way you are called upon to do. Check with your Grand Knight for opportunities to serve the Order on this day. Take advantage of the opportunity to visit this relic and to pray for our Church and Priests.

A First Class Relic , The Heart Of St Jean Vianney, The Patron Saint Of Parish Priests Will Be Displayed For Public Veneration At St Joseph Co-Cathedral All Day On Tuesday, March 19th Beginning At 8:00 AM And Closing At 8:00 PM. This Nationwide Relic Pilgrimage Is Being Sponsored By The Knights Of Columbus Supreme Council.





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Newsletter deadline for articles and pictures is 10 days prior to monthly business meetings. Email content to: archer@missouriwestern.edu

March Calendar of Events

Mar 1st-Annual Dues Payment Deadline

Mar 5th-Council Business Mtg 7 pm

Mar 8th-Lenten Dinner #1 5-7 pm

Mar 10th-1st, 2nd & 3rd Degrees At Council 571
-1:00 pm (1st) & 2:15 pm (2nd & 3rd)

Mar 15th-Lenten Dinner #2 5-7 pm

Mar 19th-St Jean Vianney Relic at Co-Cathedral

Mar 22nd-Lenten Dinner #3 5-7 pm

Mar 25th-Assembly 569 Mtg at Council #571

Mar 26th-Council Officers & Directors Mtg

Mar 27th-Knights Serve Parish Soup Supper

Mar 29th-Special Olympics Noon Meal Prepared
By St Joseph Knights Councils

Apr 2nd-Council Business Mtg 7 pm

Apr 5th-Lenten Dinner #4 5-7 pm

Apr 7th-Parish Biscuits & Gravy Breakfast

(Click the Council webpage event calendar on the date of interest for additional event details)

Friday Lenten Dinners At St Francis Xavier Parish

St Francis Xavier Council is planning to host four Friday Lenten dinners this year that will be served at the Parish Center. Instead of an additional Lenten dinner the Council members will be assisting Knights from the other St Joseph Councils to prepare a Friday noon meal for the Opening Ceremonies of the MO State Indoor Special Olympics Games to be held at the St Joseph Civic Arena. We will also be hosting one of the Parish Lenten Soup Suppers held on Wednesday evenings. The following schedule of planned menus and events is listed here for your convenience:

March 8th—Lenten dinner #1 (*Fish Fillet Sandwiches*)

March 15th—Lenten dinner #2 (*Baked Mexican Cheese Enchiladas*)

March 22nd—Lenten dinner #3 (*Shrimp Tacos*)

March 27th—Knights Council Hosts SFX Parish Lenten Soup Supper

March 29th—MO State Special Olympics Opening Ceremony Noon Meal To Be Prepared at St Joseph Civic Arena

April 5th—Lenten dinner #4 (*Baked Tilapia*)

Apr 7th—Knights Host Parish Breakfast (*Biscuits and Gravy*)