## March 2017

## **Brother Knights:**

Lenten season is upon us. For us as Knights, this means Fish Frys!

This year, we are instituting a simpler menu offering either a two or three piece fish dinner; or grilled shrimp tacos. The simpler menu does mean no french fries, but our first fish fry of the season proved almost no one missed them. No fries meant one less fryer to have to clean up and more counter space for food prep in the kitchen. We also started serving at 5pm instead of 5:30pm in the past. We had a great start to our fish fry events and hope to see you at the next one, either as a helper or customer.....or both!

Congratulations go out to our Worthy Chaplin, Father Jayaraju Polishetty, for becoming a Knight of Columbus 1<sup>st</sup> Degree. I don't know who is prouder, Father Jay for becoming a knight, or our Council of Father Jay.

A special thank you goes out to our Worthy Inside Guard and Youth Director, Lukasz Karwowski, for planning and conducting the KC Youth Soccer Challenge at the School of Saint Mary Cathedral on March 3rd. The contest was held for 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades. The winner of the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Division was Isaac Tovar, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade was Ben Hoang and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade was Carlos Benitez.

Our Worthy Trustee 1 Yr, Victor Castillo, has been appointed to the Saint Mary Cathedral Parish Council. This is very good news for our Council as we now have representation on the parish council. Victor will let us know of any issues or concerns the parish council may have that we as Knight might be able to help resolve.

Our Council needs one more Youth Activity to complete in order to meet the requirements for Star Council. The KC Substance Abuse Poster Contest was selected as a way to accomplish this goal. The poster kit from Supreme has been ordered and we hope to have the contest completed by the end of March.

I hope you have been able to view this Lenten Season as an opportunity to reflect upon your Catholic faith and possibly what being a Knight adds to that faith. For me, being a Knight allows me an opportunity to serve God and my Church in ways I would not be as able to not being a Knight. Make an effort to reflect what being a Knight means to you this Lenten season. Perhaps focusing not so much as what you are giving up this Lenten season (beer and ice cream for me), but perhaps increasing what you do for the Knights may make a meaningful Lenten offering for you this year.

Vivat Jesus,

SK David Matocha Worthy Grand Knight