



The Knight Light -Knights of Columbus

Official Newsletter of Father
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"We are Knights of Columbus, go out and make a positive difference"

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Regular Meetings ~ 3rd Tuesday of each Month @ 7:30 pm
Officers Meeting ~ 1st Tuesday of each Month

Grand Knight's Message:

Brothers,

Peace be with you.

Recently I had a conversation with a Past Grand Knight and he recently had a conversation with another Past Grand Knight. He informed me that the gist of their conversation was that we are a Council in decline. I don't necessarily agree with them but there is some evidence that supports their conclusion. For example, our two biggest fundraiser's revenue has declined over the last couple of years. Hopefully, it is all due to poor leadership from the Grand Knight because luckily his time is almost up and surely the new Grand Knight will turn it around and make our Council great again. I want to once again thank every one of you my Brothers for your usual great turnouts in volunteering at all events, as you have for the Fish Frys lately. Nothing we do could be successful without all of us participating. That being said, areas of concern are membership. We have to replenish our ranks by increasing our membership drives and when we get new Brothers, we need to get them involved immediately. Supporting our events, Brothers purchasing and selling tickets to our fundraisers if possible. Commit to purchasing or selling at least 5 tickets. If every Brother does this every event will be successful. Those who have big friend, family and business networks should step up to refurbish those Brothers who are no longer able access their networks. All in all the State of our Council is Great. We will still have great enthusiasm, wonderful Brothers who work and play well together and a Great Chaplain who is a true shepherd and wonderful example to us all. Let us all focus on how we can contribute to making our Council a better council for the future.

Respectfully,

Michael Rodriguez

Deadline for articles is **8pm on first Tuesday at the Officers Meetings.**

Articles may be emailed to kofc8960@gmail.com

From the Chaplain's desk

Greetings my brother Knights,

As you all know we are in the midst of the wonderful season of Lent, a time for prayer, fasting and almsgiving. I hope that each of us are "doing" something extra during this Lenten season as we remember that "We are dust and unto dust we shall return". We of course appreciate all the hardworking men and women and their young ones who are helping with our weekly Friday Fish Fry, what a great means of fellowship and great food....thank you. A reminder that our Holy Week services are fast approaching.....beginning with Palm Sunday. Remember that on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday our mass schedule on Sunday will be 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 and 1:00 p.m.. We will return to our regular schedule the weekend after Easter. Also a reminder that our Knights will lead the stations on Friday March 20th. This is such a wonderful time of the year for us to spend time in prayer, meditation and contemplation about our own mortality and the promise of Resurrection as is shown to us at Easter Celebrations. May you and yours be blessed abundantly during this most holy season.

Fr. Jim

My Brother Knights,

As we are all painfully aware the Covid 19 Virus (Coronavirus) has impacted our world in a significant way. Let us make sure that all of us are taking the necessary precautions to avoid contracting this virus. I know that with continued prayer, fasting and almsgiving during this season of Lent we can make a difference in our lives and the lives of our loved ones. Please keep in mind we are fast approaching the Holy Week of the Church....the celebration of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, the Easter Vigil and Easter itself. Let us keep our minds hearts and prayer focused on this holiest day of our Liturgical year. You will find also in this newsletter a prayer that can be offered for the victims of the Virus and all those who are fighting to combat the virus. Please pray it and feel free to duplicate it and pass it on. God bless you and yours....."Wash your hands!".

Corona Virus Prayer

Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace.

Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace.

Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve. Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth.

Christ heal us.

Website

Our council website at kofc8960.com is going strong. If you haven't visited it before, please do so to find a wealth of info about our council including every event that is taking place over the next few months on our event calendar or to read any newsletter including the current one in our newsletter section.

There is also a member's only section that you can log into if you are a current member of the council in good standing. Simply use your membership number from your membership card and your birthdate to enter this section. This section has several important areas of interest:

Updating Information

The member's list gives the roster of all the members of our council. If you ever change your email address or phone number (or know someone who needs their information changed), simply go into this list and find your name to update your information. You can post a picture of yourself also so the council knows what you look like. You can also directly email any other member of the council from this page if you don't currently have their email address.

Of course you can always email me directly at kofc8960@gmail.com when you have changes to your information and I'll make sure they get added.

Recording Volunteer Hours

Have trouble keeping track of your volunteer hours for the year. The member's only section has a great place for entering those in. It breaks the hours up for you into several categories. Even if you do keep good track of these hours on your own, please enter your hours here as you make them. The website keeps totals for our Grand Knight and Financial Secretary to know where we are, so it will be a huge help for the officers for you to take the time to enter those hours here.

Officers

If you are a current officer, there are a couple of forms to view the volunteer information of our council including form 1728. The lists give a per-member and council total breakdown of all volunteer hours in a nice easy to use format.

Easy Mobile Access

Through our partnership with UKnight Interactive, we also have a mobile version of the website. Check it out at kofcmobile.org This new mobile version makes entering volunteer hours a breeze. You can also see events at our council, neighboring councils, assemblies, and chapters, find major degrees in our area and much more.

Prayer Requests

Have a request for prayer for you or a loved one? The Prayer Request section of the website lets you submit them for the council to see. Check this section often to find out about the prayer needs of our council and parish.

News, Pictures, Comments

Please let me know if you have any comments or suggestions about the website or newsletter by emailing me directly at kofc8960@gmail.com

If you have any news or comments to be featured in the newsletter or on the website, send it to me at kofc8960@gmail.com by the first Saturday of the month and I'll make sure it gets in.

Dustin Meyer
Council 8960 Webmaster

Fish Fry

February 28th – April 10th

State Convention

April 24th-26th

Dallas

District Deputy Report

All office holders need to be in compliance with “Safe and Sound” certification or risk being removed from post.

New website for recruitment

“Knights.net”

To sign up new members (E-members)

Casino Night

Chairman is needed for this committee

Hall Sitters Needed

Contact Jimmy Novak

We're on Facebook

In order to get more of an outreach and make it more convenient for you, we have started our very own Council 8960 Facebook page! Follow us @kofc8960 or Knights of Columbus Council 8960 to see our upcoming events. Please share our events with your friends to help with our fundraisers.

Pro Life Rosary Every 1st Saturday

Come join us for our monthly rosary for an end to abortion. We meet at St. Helen Catholic Church in the prayer garden at 7:30am. In the event of inclement weather, we will meet in the chapel. If you have any questions, please contact Michael Rodriguez at 713-885-1274

Missal Reading and Prayer Every 3rd Saturday

Join us for our next Missal Reading and Prayer service. We will meet in the morning from 7:30 to 8:30am in the KofC Hall on Hatfield. Please join us for coffee, donuts and good Christian fellowship as we seek the Lord together as brother Knights.

General Meeting Every 3rd Tuesday

Join us for the monthly General Meeting of our council starting at 7:30pm. Come early at 7:00pm for a meal provided by the council. Come and learn about all the events and activities our council will be holding over the next month.

| | LA | SM | BAR EVENT | DUTY TIME | 2020 GUEST | SECIBAR | CLEAN | Duty |
|-----------------|----|----|-----------------|--------------|---------------|---------|-----------|------|
| February | | | | | | | | |
| 2/1/2020 | X | | Gun Raffle | 8AM-5PM | 200 | 0 BM | FULL | |
| 2/1/2020 | | X | 1st Birthday | 11AM-3PM | 160 | 0 BM | FULL | |
| 2/7/2020 | | X | Funeral Dinner | 11AM-4PM | 120 | 0 | 0 Partial | |
| 2/8/2020 | X | | Fund Raiser | 11AM-3PM | 200 | 0 BM | FULL | Pw |
| 2/8/2020 | | | | | | | | |
| 2/9/2020 | X | | BUNCO | 1PM-5PM | 200 | 0 BM | FULL | DE |
| 2/14/2020 | | X | 4th Degree | 5PM-11PM | 100 | 0 | 0 FULL | |
| 2/15/2020 | X | | Quin. | 5PM-12AM | 300 | 2 | 6 FULL | |
| 2/15/2020 | | X | 60th Birthday | 7PM-12AM | 160 | 1 | 6 FULL | |
| 2/16/2020 | X | | Corp. Comm. | 9AM-12PM | 120 | 0 | 0 Partial | |
| 2/16/2020 | | X | Cub Scout 436 | 1PM-4PM | 100 | 0 | 0 Partial | |
| 2/22/2020 | X | X | Mgrs Braden Dan | 5PM-12AM | 400 | 2 | 4 FULL | |
| 2/28/2020 | X | | Fish Fry | 5PM-11PM | 400 | 0 BM | Partial | |
| 2/29/2020 | | | | | | | | |
| 2/29/2020 | | X | Dad/Daughter Da | 6:30PM-8:30 | 120 | 0 | 7 Partial | |
| March | | | | | | | | |
| 3/6/2020 | X | | Fish Fry | 5PM-11PM | 400 | 0 BM | Partial | |
| 3/7/2020 | | | | | | | | |
| 3/7/2020 | | | | | | | | |
| 3/8/2020 | | X | Baby Shower | 2PM-5PM | 64 | 0 BM | Partial | E K |
| 3/13/2020 | X | | Fish Fry | 5PM-11PM | 400 | 0 BM | Partial | |
| 3/14/2020 | | | | | | | | |
| 3/14/2020 | | | | | | | | |
| 3/20/2020 | X | | Fish Fry | 5PM-11PM | 400 | 0 BM | FULL | |
| 3/21/2020 | X | | Wedding | 7PM-12AM | 350 | 2 | 5 FULL | |
| 3/21/2020 | | | | | | | | |
| 3/26/2020 | X | X | Red Hat | 9AM-2PM | 500 | 0 | 0 FULL | |
| 3/27/2020 | X | | Fish Fry | 5PM-11PM | 400 | 0 BM | FULL | |
| 3/28/2020 | X | | FAA | 6PM-11PM | 300 | 2 | 1 FULL | |
| 3/28/2020 | | | | | | | | |

Prayers for Members of Our Council Family

Larry Alvarez, Issac Montelongo, Mr. Laitkep, Rick Johnson (daughter),
Ed Klein (mother and sister), Steve Lowry (sister), Daniel Ornales,
JR Robles (wife), David Hensworth

May the Lord send His healing power and consoling Spirit upon our Brothers and
their families.

Recently Deceased

Albert Courville, Carl Halik

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen