



Knights *focus*

St. Jude COUNCIL #7736
St. Jude Catholic Church, Mansfield, TX

Dear Brothers

By Grand Knight Mark Von Plinsky

March 2018

February 2018, Lent began on Valentine's Day 2/14 and we have been pretty busy since then. The 16th began our 1st fish fry event and although the turnout was not that great, I was very impressed with the amount of Brothers who came out and helped, setup, cook and clean up. With the FULL PAGE bulletin Fish Fry stuffer which went in the last weekend in February I am hopeful that business will pick-up. The MAJOR we hosted on the 17th was very successful as we welcomed 17 brothers into full Knighthood 6 from our council, Charles Akpan, Mike Austin, Scott Brinkman, Austin Crehan, Thomas Gaytan and TJ McCormack. March 2018, Our Fish Fry's continue, come on out and help and eat, bring the family. BINGO again on the 10th, hope we build on our successful event in January. On Monday the 12th our parish is holding a reconciliation service hope to see you there. St. Patrick's Day the 17th we have a huge fundraising event, the Pickle Parade, will be a blast. Scholarship raffle ticket sales begin later this month, please help out and remember all profit goes towards \$1,000 Scholarships.

Lent continues as does our individual preparation and here is a Lenten Prayer that I will leave with you:

Dear Lord, we are now in the holy season of Lent. We begin to realize anew that these are the days of salvation, these are the acceptable days. We know that we are all sinners. We know that in many things we have all offended Your infinite majesty. We know that sin destroys Your life in us as a drought withers the leaves and chokes the life from the land, leaving an arid, dusty desert. Help us now, Lord, in our feeble attempts to make up for

past sin. Bless our efforts with the rich blessing of Your grace. Make us realize ever more our need of penance and of mortification. Help us to see, in our ordinary difficulties and duties, in the trials and temptations of every day, the best opportunity of making up for past infidelities. Every day we are so often reminded in field and wood, in sky and stream, of Your own boundless generosity to us. Help us to realize that You are never outdone in generosity, and that the least thing we do for You will be rewarded, full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and flowing over. Then we shall see, in our own souls, how the desert can blossom, and the dry and wasted land can bring forth the rich, useful fruit that was expected of it from the beginning. Amen.

God Bless the Knights and Their Families!

Vivat Jesus!
Mark Von Plinsky
Grand Knight

Upcoming Events

- March 1 – Fish Prep AM/PM
- March 2 – Fish Fry
- March 3 – Prolife Rosary
- March 8 – Fish Prep AM/PM
- March 9 – Fish Fry
- March 9 – Scholarship Raffle Sales
- March 10 – Bingo!!
- March 13 - Monthly Business Meeting
- March 14 – Council Rosary
- March 15– Fish Prep AM/PM
- March 16 - Fish Fry
- March 17- St. Patrick's Day
- March 17 – St. Paddy's Pickle Parade
- March 18- Easter Egg Stuffing
- March 22- Fish Prep AM/PM
- March 23 - Fish Fry
- March 25 – Palm Sunday
- March 27 – Monthly Planning Meeting
- March 29- KOFC Founders Day
- March 30 – Good Friday

**Ask a good Catholic man
to join the Knights today!
It'll make him a better
Catholic – just like it did
to you!!!**

Bingo!!!

Our Monthly Bingo is on March 10th! Come out and help or just bring the whole family and play! Food prep starts around 4:00 P.M. – gaming at 6:30 P.M.



First Degrees

(all at 7:00 P.M. unless noted)

**3/5 – Council 14568
Dallas**

**3/23 – Council 11423
Ft. Worth**

**3/24 – Council 15789
Colleyville 10 AM**

**Contact Roger Cosby at
210-834-0662
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If you have a lead on a new member

Lenten Fish Frys

Fish Fry prior to Stations of the Cross. Start cooking around 3:00 PM - Dinner starts at 5:00 PM and ends out or at 7:00 PM. Please come out whenever you can, even if it's right at the end to help clean up.



Knights Can Weekend

Our next KNIGHTS CAN Weekend is March 24th. On this weekend, the Knights all make an effort to remember to bring in canned goods for the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

St. Paddy's Pickle Parade

St. Paddy's Day Parade March 17th. We will have a food stand for event and also a marching unit. Food Crew - Starting at 9 AM to load at St. Jude, then move to Main Street



Monthly Awards

Knight of the Month – Johnny Ross

From running the grill, the fryer, or coming up with the best darn po-boy we can serve. Johnny is up to the challenge. Johnny we appreciate your commitment to our council and to our parish. Keep up the good work and thank you for all that you do.

Family of the Month – Gary and Francis Marcucci

The Marcucci's are definitely an asset to our parish and our council. Whether Gary is in the clink, "prison ministry" setting the alter for mass, cooking pancakes, or running the bingo machine. You can count that the Marcucci's will be available to assist. Thank you Marcucci's for all that you do. You're a pretty amazing family, for being Yankees.

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