

Grand Knight's Korner

Quick Links

My fellow Brother Knights,

As the summer season arrives soon, vacations will start. Please be safe in any travels or other activities you might be planning. I look forward to seeing you at the next business meeting and at the May 22nd Family Picnic.

Council Web Page

National Web Page

Welcome to our new Knights Denny Pezzoni and Hank Bowers.

The next opportunity to serve the community is the **Soup Kitchen on May 9th**, a second date this month is **May 30th**, the fifth Monday of May. Meet at the American legion Hall to car pool. Our next **business meeting is May 12th** at 7:00 PM, with a 1st Degree prior. The next Felice Couers Dance is May 14th at St Clare of Assisi, If you have never joined us give it a try, this is the last dance of the year! Our Council Picnic is May 22, please see the attached flyer for information of when, where, and what to bring along. The next **Business meeting** is May 26th at 7:00.

Finally, just a reminder, our **Business meetings start promptly** at 7:30 PM, except this month because of the degree date we

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will begin at 7 PM, It is my hope that you have a blessed month, and stay active in our great Council!

Rob Libera, Grand Knight

"For me prayer is an upward leap of the heart, an untroubled glance toward heaven, a cry of gratitude and love which I utter from the depths of sorrow as well as from the heights of joy."

(Saint Thérèse of Lisieux)



News

Felice Couers Party

Felice Coeurs is May 14th at St. Clare of Assisi, consider joining the party. This month's theme is Celebrate Patriotism, be sure to wear your red white and blue. There is a lot of joy to be had by helping these developmentally disabled adults interact together.

Council Picnic

May 22nd we will have our Family Picnic. It starts at 1, and food is served at 3. See the attached page for more information on when where and what to bring, besides a smile.

New Knights

Welcome to our new Knights **Denny Pezzoni** and **Hank Bowers**. Welcome them to our council, and encourage them to be active.



1st Degree

This month, our council has the honor of hosting a 1st Degree prior to our **May 12th** monthly meeting. Come and show your support for new Knights this evening. Because of the 1st Degree, our monthly meeting will start at 7PM. There will be no rosary before the meeting.

Soup Kitchen

The monthly **Soup Kitchen** is Monday the 9th and the 30th meet at the American Legion Hall to carpool at 7:30 AM.



Please watch this page for activities we do, that might interest you.

Ours is an organization dedicated to the Church and it's people.



Business Meeting

Our Business Meeting is on the May 12th beginning at 7:00 PM

Planning meeting

Rounding out May is the Planning meeting on May 26th which starts at 7:00 PM.

Manchester Trivia

Thanks to all those who volunteered to make this night successful. Without you we would not be able to help.





In the Spirit

A lot of First Communions are happening this month across St. Louis and in particular here at St. Josephs. This is a good time to talk about this sacrament.

As Catholics, we believe that the Eucharist *is* the body and blood of Jesus. Other protestants believe it is merely a representation of Jesus. Which makes our belief, or faith stronger. When we eat the bread and drink from the cup, we are accepting Jesus in full communion with our body *and* soul. And that is what it does. Bread and wine, in and of themselves can nourish the body. When the symbols Jesus use are transmuted through the Eucharistic Prayer, they become much more than nourishment for the body, they also nourish our soul.

WWJD was popular few years back, it means what would Jesus do. Jesus would become one with us in Glory to the Father, just as He is one in the Father. It is a simple, yet beautiful Sacrament. It Unites us as a Church with Jesus and God. It reminds us of His ultimate Sacrifice and His rising from the dead to conquer death and offer us eternal life.

Attending the First Communion Mass, I observed the children as they came in, as the went to the altar to receive Communion. They were all respectful, they were all in a mental state to best receive Jesus. Remember your first communion? How did you feel? Should we all not feel the same way each and every time we receive Jesus in to our body? Should we not be joyful and accepting? We grow our love of God through our union with Him and our church community through this sacrament; it is a wonderful thing.

When our parents, spouse, or children hug us we smile. Communion is a hug from God, smile with the joy of that hug! Relax in a caring and loving God, talk to him and hug him back through prayer.

It is my prayer that these children never lose their belief, that they understand the power of prayer. And that they are granted understanding from God to accept the good and the bad that life presents us, knowing the bad is just the way God uses to make us stronger and the good are presents from God's Grace to help us see his love and power.





Happy Birthday to these Knights, born in May!

Michael	Costello	Michael	93
Louis	Gibbons	Lou	79
Joseph	Haack	Joseph	23
Suleiman	Hamway	Sal	79
James	Massmann	Jim	58
George	<u>Prsha</u>	George	42
Mark	Tamboli	Mark	58
Ben	Verhagen	Ben	56
Louis	Banner	Gene	75
Michael	Book	Mike	53
Robert	Breen	Robert	57

Annual Family Picnic

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus

Council #9522
Sunday, May 22nd,
1:00 PM @ Schroeder Park in Manchester
Pavilion #3

If your last name begins

A – I, bring salad or veg

J – R, bring potato, pastadish, etc.

S – Z, bring dessert

Meat & drinks (soda & water) will be provided as well as paper plates, cups, napkins, utensils.

Note: Food will be served at 3:00 PM Games:
"Bag in-thehole toss",
Washers,
Cards,
Board games

Please RSVP
By 5/15 to
Martin Longo
at
314-283-2265
or

usasasp4@

yahoo.com



18 April 2016

Men of St. Joseph,

As pastor of St. Joseph Parish, there are so many organizations I value. One of them is the Knights of Columbus. The Knights of Columbus is an organization that is independent of our parish, while at the same time a valuable part of parish life. Their vision and focus takes them beyond our parish boundaries while contributing so much to parish life. They strive to be Christ-centered in all they do

I want you to consider joining the Knights of Columbus. As you will see from the literature enclosed, the Knights initiate efforts to better our community, cooperate with others by supporting activities, and provide so much more. If you take time to look over the enclosed sheets, you will be impressed by all that they do.

As a national organization, their work extends far and wide. I am especially grateful for their efforts on behalf of the physically and mentally disabled.

Allow me to underscore one important quality of the Knights of Columbus that is frequently overlooked: **fraternity**. The Knights strive to build a spirit of fraternity among its members. I have been impressed by the way brother knights reach out to brother knights in their time of need: sickness, personal loss, job search, etc. Be a Knight. Be a brother!

Again, I ask you to give prayerful consideration to become part of the Knights of Columbus. Knights make a difference. You can also as a brother Knight.

Blessings to you and your family.

In the Lord.

Rev. Thomas J. Santen

Pastor

Felice Cuores Party Time

A party for adults, age 18 and older, who are physically handicapped or are developmentally disabled.

St. Clare of Assisi School Cafeteria 15642 Clayton Road Ellisville, MO 63011

3 1/2 miles West of Hwy 141; 1/2 mile East of Clarkson

7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. \$5.00 includes SounSational DJ/snacks/soda/door prizes (refreshments served from 7:20 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.) 2015

September 12, October 10, November 14, December 12
September—Welcome Back

October – Halloween Party – wear your costume November --Thanksgiving December – Christmas Party with Santa

2016

January 9, February 6, March 12, April 9, May 14

January – Welcome in the New Year

February – Valentine Party

March – Celebrate the Cardinals--wear Cardinal Red

April – Hawaiian Luau

May – Patriotic Celebration — wear your red, white, & blue

For additional information call Bill or Jan Lukas (636) 537-9801 Gerry Villaire (636) 391-1620

Sponsored and chaperoned by the Knights of Columbus & Ladies
Auxiliaries in West St. Louis County in cooperation with St. Clare of
Assisi parish

In the event of inclement weather, call: 636-537-9801 or 636-226-6822 or 636-391-1620 or 314-570-5261 for cancellation information. DO NOT CALL THE CHURCH RECTORY.



Why Choose Us?

We are strong

The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal benefit society that is strong, secure and stable. Members can be confident that we'll be here when you need us. We've been

successfully protecting families since 1882, and our outlook remains bright. Don't just take our word for it. There is no more highly rated insurer in North America

than the Knights of Columbus. A.M. Best has bestowed on us their highest rating (A++, Superior) for 37 consecutive years.

Remember, in 2012, the Knights of Columbus gave more than \$155 million to Catholic and other charitable causes. In these uncertain times, find comfort in an organization that leads the way in doing good for others while doing good for our own

We are secure.

Since 1882, we have been committed to protecting the financial futures of our Knights and their families. We do this by paying claims and dividends to our insured

members. In 2012, we paid well over \$487 million in death claims and other benefits,

and more than \$349 million in dividends to our policyholders. Even more impressive

is the fact that in the past decade, the Knights of Columbus paid more than \$3.4 billion in dividends to insured members.

We are stable

Prudent leadership and management has led to the rapid growth of our assets, providing an adequate foundation for our member's protection, and securing our obligations to our insured and their beneficiaries. Also, because we are a fraternal benefit society, we have no stockholders. Our owners are our members and we return our good fortune in the form of dividends to our policyholders.

See the next page for an application for a low dollar annuity, it's a great way of starting your retirement savings at a guaranteed rate of return.

ANNUITY APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBERS

Knights of Columbus, A Fraternal Benefit Society, 1 Columbus Plaza, New Haven, CT 06510-3326

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Name of Applicant (last-first-middle initial)					insurance or annuity now in force? Yes □ No □				
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3.	Street								
4.	4. City State/Province Zip Code/P		Zip Code/Postal C	ode	INFORMATION CONCE	BNING BENEF	ICIARY		
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