

The Knight Light -Knights of Columbus

Official Newsletter of Father **Eugene Heyck Council**

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Grand Knight's Message:

Brothers I want to share an article from the Texas Knight-news with you,

This year the councils of Galveston-Houston hosted the 32nd annual Clergy Appreciation Night on January 22nd to thank all our clergy for the sacrifices they make for each Catholic. The event fills to capacity the Stafford Centre's banquet hall with clergy, brother Knights, and guests. Each year a call goes out to the young adults in Columbia Squires and Junior Catholic Daughters of America to volunteer the meals to all the guests. There is always some fear that this year the call will not be answered but happily the young adults show-up eager to be in service to our clergy. This was also an opportunity for the Squires and the JCDA to work together at a Catholic activity.

This year a combined 63 Squires and JCDA under the guidance of 15 adult Squire and JCDA Councilors served 1300 salads, prime rib dinners, deserts and drinks. As in previous years these young adults came together, many of whom were there for the first time, without practice to serve. Working together they efficiently and promptly delivered the food and drinks to all diners.

All the young adults worked well together and new friends were made. After the last desert was served, they enjoyed pizza before returning home. Galveston-Houston Chapter is very appreciative of all their hard work. Thank you all the Squires, their councilors, the Junior Catholic Daughters, and their

http://texasknight-news.net/articles/2016-3-youth-serve-at-galveston-houston-clergyappreciation-dinner

I want to give a personal thanks to the Squires, counselors, and especially Al STRYK for everything they have done this year!

The squires are our future, and our future looks strong.

Ralph Aulds Jr **Grand Knight**

Deadline for articles is **8pm on first** <u>Tuesday at the Officers Meetings</u>. Articles may be emailed to kofc8960@gmail.com

Insurance Update from our Agent Brian Hyek

The Value of Life Insurance for Children

As a father, you worry about your children and do everything you can to protect them. You try to raise them right and make sure they are prepared to become adults. But have you ever thought about buying life insurance for your child?

When you insure a child, you are protecting his or her future. Did you know that one out of every six adults get rated, postponed, or denied for insurance coverage? If you purchase a policy for your child from the Knights of Columbus with a guaranteed purchase option, it guarantees that more insurance can be purchased for that child at certain set dates, without proving insurability.

Unfortunately, as fathers we don't have a crystal ball, and we don't know what the future may have in store for our children's health. But did you know that right now you can purchase a child's policy, in many cases, for less than \$10 a month?

I've heard it said that people don't want to "profit" from the death of a child, so they won't purchase coverage on their children. God forbid something tragic happens, those funds can come in handy at a time when finances will be the last thing on a parent's mind. I have never heard a story about someone who regretted buying coverage on their child.

Contact me today to discuss the many policy options for child plans, including 10- and 20-Pay life insurance.

Brian K. Hyek (281)796-2040 Brian.Hyek@KofC.org

Vocations

Our resident seminarian David Hust will be leaving us on May 16th Farewell receptions after 9:00am and 11:00 am masses on the 15th

20 new seminarians are coming in to our Diocese.

Our new seminarian for St. Helen is Jose Alonso. He will be coming to us in September.

On Tuesday evenings during Adoration we pray the rosary for vocations. Helen Drab Stigant leads the rosary at 7pm and encourages people to stay afterwards to pray additional prayers for vocations in front of the Blessed Sacrament. This is a powerful time for our prayers to be heard, Jesus is in the room with us!

On Wednesdays after 7pm Mass, there is also a dedicated prayer time in front of the Tabernacle. This prayer lasts about 25 minutes.

We as Brother Knights are asked to please help Helen advocate for more people to come together to pray for vocations. Pope Benedict XVI proclaimed when people pray fervently, vocations flourish. Cardinal DeNardo spoke to a group of us several weeks ago about vocations. He said when people call to tell him they need more priests at their parish, he responds with the question: "How many seminarians have you sent me?". St. Helen's has over 6,000 families, yet we have 2 seminarians, and only one who is diocesan. Trey Crespo will unlikely serve in the archdiocese unless he is sent to Mary Queen in Friendswood.

We are asking all parishioners to pray daily for the seminarians and priests who serve our Church and diocese during the week.

Make a special effort to attend a Tuesday evening or Wednesday evening prayer for vocations

If you have adopted a seminarian, make a special effort to send them a note of Thanksgiving for saying "Yes" to the call to priesthood.

There is a website called <u>invisiblemonastery.com</u> where one can pledge to pray for vocations. This offers a continuous prayer for priestly vocations. If we can build a strong prayer ministry dedicated to the increase of vocations, I am sure St. Helen's will be sending more than 1 seminarian to serve our archdiocese

Capital Campaign News

As I am sure most of you have heard by now, St Helen's will be making some significant changes to the parish facilities and the school. Next weekend May 21-22 will be Commitment Weekend for the parish. Father Jim will be inviting all those parishioners that have not made pledges to the campaign to do so at that time. We will be putting pledge envelops in the pews if you need one. Please take the time to consider your sacrifice for the future of our Church Family. Only about 33 families haven't attended a campaign reception from our entire parish! We need the support of every family in the parish to make this campaign a success.

If you are interested in volunteering, there are opportunities available. Contact Daryl Thomas at the church office or at 281-485-9088. Thank you for everyone who has made this campaign a success so far.

Dustin and Laura Meyer – Capital Campaign Committee Members

Attention Texas Aggies

Some of you may know Father David Konderla who has been the longest serving priest at St Mary's Catholic Church in College Station. The church is located a block from the A&M campus. He has served as the pastor and director of Campus Ministry, St. Mary's Catholic Center at Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas since 2005. Pope Francis has named Father David as bishop of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and accepted the resignation of Bishop Edward Slattery, 75, from the pastoral governance of that diocese.

Join all the Aggies of the past decade in congratulating Fr. David on his new position as bishop and pray for his continued wellbeing and success in his new role!

Read the full article on the usccb's website http://www.usccb.org/news/2016/16-055e.cfm

Red Rooster Night

This month we will be holding our red rooster annual general meeting. It's one of the best nights for food of the year! Due to this our meeting time will begin at 7 PM and food will be served at 7:30. Come early to get your spot!

Divine Office Readings

Deacon Steve and our Seminarian David Hurst will be conducting weekly readings from the Breviary or Divine Office on Monday thru Thursday during the Lenten Season. Come and join your fellow parishioners in this prayerful dedication to our Lord. It is a great way to strengthen your faith with your community during Lent. The Monday and Wednesday prayers will begin at 6:30 PM and the Tuesday and Thursday prayers will begin at 7:30 AM.

May 17th: General Meeting: Red Rooster

This month's general meeting will be on May 17th at 7:00 pm due to our Red Rooster Night. Dinner will be served at 7:30 Please come and meet your fellow brother Knights and learn about the events that will be happening in the coming month.

May 21st: Missal Reading and Prayer

Our next missal reading study and prayer meeting will be May 21st. We will meet in the morning from 7:30 to 8:30 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. If you have any questions, please contact Michael Rodriguez at 713-885-1274.

May 22nd: Squires Breakfast Fundraiser

The squire's will be holding a fundraiser and providing a fantastic pancake and sausage breakfast from 7am to 11am in Helena Hall on May 22nd. Tickets are \$5 and must be pre-purchased. You can buy tickets after mass on Pentecost (May 15th) weekend if you are interested.

National Day of Prayer and Remembrance for Mariners and People of the Sea, May 22

The National Day of Prayer and Remembrance for Mariners and People of the Sea will be celebrated on Monday, May 23. The day is observed in conjunction with National Maritime Day in the United States, which has been celebrated since 1933, to recognize merchant mariners and others in the maritime industry.

June 4th: Pro Life Rosary

Come join us for our monthly rosary to pray for an end to abortion. We meet at St Helen's Catholic Church in the prayer garden. 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.

June 12th: Bazaar!

This year's bazaar is rapidly approaching. Mark your calendar for Jun12th. Come out and meet your fellow parishioners at this fun family friendly event. Don't forget to get in on the parking spots that will be auctioned off. Please note that there will not be a 5 pm mass this Sunday. If you wish to help out with this great event contact Gilbert Rodarte at 281-485-2492.

June 14th – June 25th: St Helen's Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Parishioners from St Helen's will be departing for a two week trip to the Holy Land to pray at the holy shrines and basilicas there. Around 50 parishioners, many wo are Brother Knights and Catholic Daughters, will be making this journey with Father Edmund Eduarte from St Joseph's in Baytown. Please pray for all those who are making this pilgrimage.