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# Bulletin

Knights of Columbus, St. James Council 1728, 1900 Central Ave, Kearney, Ne.68847

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## *A Note from the Editor*

Congratulations go out to all the Grads in our area. Of all these grads that have been going to church for years but once they got out of the house stop going. They think they are too busy or out having fun with friends. Joseph Stalin of Russia said one time the United States is one step away from being a nation of atheists and he may be right. We have always heard the saying: Families that pray together, stay together but is that true anymore?

Do you know anyone who does not go to Mass anymore? Oh, what a silly question. Of course you know someone who doesn't go to Mass anymore; you probably know dozens of people. Maybe you yourself are a person who doesn't go to Mass anymore.

Up until the early 1960s, a full 75-percent of Catholics in America went to Mass on a regular basis. ("Regular basis" being defined as every Sunday plus Holy Days of Obligation.) Nowadays, of those people who identify themselves as Catholic, the figure is more like 25-percent. And that's not counting the people who have left the Church completely, those who no longer identify themselves as Catholic. Don't forget, although the church denomination in the U.S. with the largest membership is the Catholic Church, the second largest religious group in this country are people described as "former Catholics."

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**On why young drop away from the church**



*A Message from the desk of:*

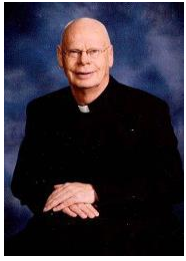
**Mark Glatter  
Grand Knight**

Thanks to all the Brothers who helped clean the hall, wax the floors and clean behind the appliances plus the cleaning of all the chairs! Please try to attend the TV masses which will be recorded on Wednesday, May 9th at St. James Church at 12:00pm and 12:30pm. Thanks to the Brothers who helped with the 5th Sunday Breakfast. Next month meeting moved to May 21st because of Memorial Day. A big thanks to Jim Bogner and Denny Behlmann for all the leg work they did for the Tootsie Roll Drive...as a result Council 1728 was awarded 2nd Place in the State in the Intellectual Disabilities category!

**At our last month's meeting, a motion was made and seconded to donate \$5,000 to the Veterans Memorial in Kearney. We will vote on this at our next meeting on the 21st.**

We will also vote on officers which are:

- 1) Mark Glatter GK
- 2) Andy Donovan FS
- 3) Dan Arens Recorder
- 4) Jim Bogner Treasurer
- 5) Tim Franco Advocate
- 6) Denny Behlmann Warden
- 7) John Lakey Inside Guard
- 8) Paul Oberbrockling Outside Guard
- 9) Jim Hausmann Trustee
- 10) Dave Bonk Trustee
- 11) Cliff Jarecke Trustee
- 12) Tony Wathen Lecturer



## *A Message from the desk of Fr. Art*

The K of C State convention held here the last weekend of April was again a great success. The Friday evening banquet highlighted the many success stories of councils throughout our great state. It is heartwarming to know of the many people whose lives are enriched because of the projects of these councils that address human needs and that make life a little better for so many.

The scope of these projects is evident, in part, by the length of time it takes to present awards for the individual councils. Thought it is fitting that we “hold up” these great acts of kindness, it is likewise imperative that we acknowledge the goodness and grace of God that enables us to extend his compassion to others. In that spirit of gratitude, we remember the words of Jesus that we hear on Ash Wednesday as we begin the weeks of Lent: “Do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing...Keep your deeds of mercy secret...” In short, we keep a proper balance of acknowledging the good we do with a spirit of being servants who merely “do what we are called to do”.

It seems that warmer days are here to stay. This month we honor our beautiful mothers and graduates, even as we celebrate other signs of Easter Life in those who are baptized and married.

Peace + Blessings

Fr. Art



We are done with the State Convention and it was well attended. Congratulations to 12687 Elm Creek/Amherst/Overton for their ICC Bronze award. Congratulations to 10923 Prince of Peace for their ICC Bronze award, and for First Place for money raised for the Intellectual Disabilities Foundation program. Congratulations to 1728 St. James for their Intellectual Disabilities Foundation award.

Now it is time to step up and finish the year strong by energizing your council. Election of officers is done in May. Third degree members are eligible for election to all offices, and all First Degree members are eligible to be program chairmen. I hope each member will be open to an officer position, or be willing to volunteer to be a program chairman. If we all do our parts, all will run smooth. Please be a servant as Jesus has asked us to be.

We have an Admissions Degree scheduled for Wednesday, May 23 @ 7 PM at the Old Town Hall. Contact me if you have any candidates.

Now is the time to seek new Catholic men, and then ASK. The Admissions DVD is available to all councils to assist them in initiating new members, don't make a man and his family wait to become a Knight!

Vivat Jesus

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### Council Officers - 2017 –2018

Grand Knight – Mark Glatter  
Deputy Grand Knight – Andy Donvavan  
Recorder – Dan Arens  
Financial Secretary – Andy Donvavan  
Treasurer – Jim Bogner  
Advocate - Tim Franco  
Warden – Denny Behlmann  
Chancellor - Richard Boden  
Inside Guard – John Lakey  
Outside Guard – Paul Oberbrockling  
Lecturer- Tony Wathen  
Trustee 1 year – James Hausmann  
Trustee 2 year – Dave Bonk  
Trustee 3 year – Cliff Jarecke  
District Deputy – Mitch O’Neill  
Council Chaplain - Fr. Joe Hannappel  
Chaplain Emeritus - Fr. Bob Rooney  
Bulletin Editor Gailen Kotrous  
Hall Manager CMO Hall Info - Call  
(308)237-4255

Council Meetings 4th  
Monday of every month at  
7:30 p.m. at the Hall. A  
steak dinner is served at  
6:30 PM, prior to the  
meeting at a cost of \$8.00.  
All are invited.

Officers Meetings 3rd  
Tuesday of the month at  
6:30p.m. at the Hall.

CMO Meeting 2nd Tuesday  
of the month at 7:00 p.m  
at the Hall



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## May Bingo Workers

**Chairman:** Lynn Artz, Andy Donovan, Greg Hervert, Phil Landon, Greg Reidy, Kelley Tucker and Marcus Vacek  
**Seller:** Brien Moody **Caller:** Rich Boden

Lynn Artz, Andy Donovan, Greg Hervert, Phil Landon, Greg Reidy,  
Kelley Tucker and Marcus Vacek

### Notice!

**Nov. bingo committee is scheduled to serve the dinner for the May. Council meeting.**

## June Bingo Workers

**Chairman:** John L Augustyn **Seller** Mitch O’Neill **Caller:** Fred Stuart

Phill Badura, Jon Butler, Ron Dobesh, Greg Green, David Hoyt, Robert Huddleson, Dan Javins, Michael Lewis, Peter Longo, Mick Neill, Rich Petri, Dave Sokolowski, Fred Stuart, Randy Volkmer and Marvin Wemhoff

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## **Knight of the Month**

### **Cliff Jarecke**

There is not enough room in this bulletin to tell all of what Cliff does for our council. He is always there when it comes to bingo, fish fries, hall clean up, breakfasts and so many other things.

Cliff is active with the 4<sup>th</sup> degree serving as Honor Guard

Cliff is active with St. James. He serves as a eucharist minister and when there is something to do you can count on Cliff to be there.

For all he does, he receives the honor for this month's knight of the Month.

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Available**

## **Family of the Month**

**All Knights who cleaned the hall, stripped and waxed the floor and cleaned the kitchen.**

This Month we honor all the Knights that helped with the hall clean.

This a big job and it takes several Knights to get it done. They

Stripped and waxed the floor, Cleaned up behind the stoves, touched up paint where it needed it and cleaned up the club room.

A big THANK YOU goes out to you Brother Knights and therefore we honor you as the family of the month.

# 4<sup>th</sup> Degree



## Fourth Degree

### Knights of Columbus, Kearney Assembly #0609

Meetings - 2nd Thursday, 7:30 P.M.  
Knights of Columbus Hall  
1900 Central Avenue

Faithful Navigator: Denny Behlmann

Faithful Captain: David Stubbs

Faithful Pilot: Gailen Kotrous

Faithful Scribe: Pat Kistler

Faithful Purser: Mitch O'Neill

Faithful Comptroller: Tom Schachta

Faithful Admiral: Jim Bogner

Inside Sentinel: Ken Richter

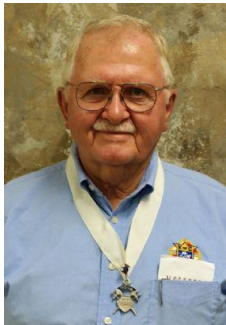
Outside Sentinel: Emory Pankas

Trustee 3 years: Dan Glatter

Trustee 2 years: Jim Dubas

Trustee 1 year: Cliff Jarecke

## 4<sup>th</sup> Degree News



### Brother Knights!

This is a reminder of the 4th Degree Exemplification on June 3rd, 2018, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 2302 Crawford Street, Bellevue, NE at 2:30 P.M. and a 5:00 P.M. Mass.

Following the Mass, there will be a Social and Dinner at approximately 6:00 P.M. \$11.00 each.

The Candidate's Fee is \$70.00.

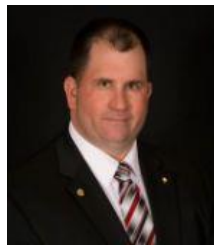
Candidate's Attire is: Dark Suit, black tie, white shirt, white gloves, black socks and shoes.

Sir Knights Attire: New Uniform, Tuxedo with social baldric.

We will meet at the Hall about 12:00 Noon.

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Serving Last Named L-Z



### *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. In the unthinkable event that something tragic happens, those funds can prove critical at a time when a financial burden of final expenses would only add more difficulty to the grieving process. In my experience of delivering benefits to grieving parents, the profit realized is simply the value of the removal of financial stress. Family and loved ones are better able to focus on what is most important.

Child plans are commonly purchased with a limited-pay premium structure. So, after a certain period of required premiums, parents can eventually turn the now paid-up policy's ownership over to their adult child. It then becomes a very low-cost plan for final expenses as life unfolds and marriage and grandchildren typically follow. When visiting with insured members, it is always the policy that Mom and Dad purchased for a member, when he was young, that really stands out with its low cost and continual growth.

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

Here's to graduating on from "spring" to warmer weather and a satisfying summer with our kids and grandkids!

John Vanderbeek, FICF

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## Why do young people drop away from the Church

If you ask people why they no longer go to Mass, by far the most common answer you will hear is, "Because I don't get anything out of it."

Literally millions of American Catholics stay home each and every Sunday because they, quote, "Don't get anything out of Mass."

Is going to Mass similar to going to a movie or a ballgame, or going out to a restaurant, where the whole reason for going is to get some personal enjoyment or entertainment? No, of course not.

At the risk of being rude, let me ask a question: "Who the hell ever said you're supposed to GET SOMETHING out of Mass?" (I use the word hell not profanely, but in the theological sense, as the idea that the sole purpose of Mass is to get something out of it surely comes from the Evil One.)

Mass is not a show; it's not a party; it's not entertainment. Mass is community worship where believers gather to offer praise and thanksgiving to the God who created them, and to enter into a mystical communion with the Almighty Lord by receiving the body and blood, soul and divinity, of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

Many people think of Mass as a show. The priest is the performer; God is the prompter, who whispers to the priest what to say; and the people in the pews are the audience, who sit back and expect to be entertained. And if the priest does not entertain the audience, either with inspirational or humorous comments, then the show is a flop. By this standard, virtually every Mass is a flop.

But in reality, here are the correct roles: The people in the pews are the performers; the priest is the prompter who guides the pace of the performance; and the audience is God. When we go to Mass, we're not going as audience members to be entertained. We're going as performers to put on a presentation of prayer and worship and gratitude for our audience of One: God Himself.

When we ask someone, "Why don't you go to Mass?" and they reply, "Because I don't get anything out of it," our next question should be, "What do you put into it?"

In yet another amazing Christian paradox, when we forget about trying to "get something" out of Mass, and instead focus on putting something into Mass, that's when we discover that we truly do get something out of it after all. When we go to Mass determined to give God our best performance of prayer and devotion and thanksgiving, we are filled with His joy and peace and love. We enter into a personal relationship with the Eternal Being who knows us and loves us and has prepared a heavenly dwelling for us. And that is a whole lot better than any Broadway show or ballgame.

**As Knights what can we do to try to get young people back to church .**



## Sick or in Distress

If you have a member of your family or a friend who needs some prayers, email me and a little detail and I will post it here.

**Gailen Kotrous, Editor**

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Please continue to prayer for Becky & Gailen Kotrous, Dave Glatter, Dick & Althea Bugay, Fr. Tom, Fr. Rooney, Bernard Loeffelholz, Marv Williams, Jim Richter, Shirley Bonk, Cliff Jarecke, Orville Schuster, Fr. Ray, Mike O'Meara, Fr. Jim Novakowski and the Pat Kowalski family. Thanks!  
Mark Glatter GK 1728



## KCHS Ground Breaking





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## Hall Rentals

Is there a wedding coming up in your family?  
Maybe a Family reunion or a Birthday Party  
**Consider having the reception at the  
Old Town Hall.**

For More information  
Call the The Old Town Hall, leave a message  
and someone will get back to you.

**308-237-4255**



## Change for Bingo

At the last officers meeting we talked about making some changes with our Bingo workers. This is what we want to try.

If you help with bingo, you know sometimes we have to work 4 – 5 times a month depending on the number of Tuesdays in that month. We are looking at setting up a sign-up-genius for bingo. Our Chairman, Seller and Caller will still stay the same unless someone wants to step up and fill in. We can get by with only 3-4 workers beside the Chairman, Seller, and Caller. If you want to work the whole month that is fine. We think we might be able to get some new people other than the same guys every week.

You will still stay on the same month unless you want to change but you can sign in at any time.

If we come up short the chairman will make a few call to fill up the slots.

The reason for the change is that some Months we have only 3-4 guys to work the month. That puts a lot on these guys and thing this could help. We will start this in July. Look it over and help us out. Keep watching to got the signuugenius website.