



Knights *focus*

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

Fratres Usque Ad Aram Fideles

by Grand Knight Dave Tomlin

For those of you that know my history, you know that I have been a part of other fraternal organizations in my life. None of them have been as encompassing as our Order, but all of them have had some influence on my formation. Pieces of culture and wisdom from those organizations have adhered to my persona to shape my belief system. I thought it appropriate to share with you one of those imparted gifts this month.

Fratres Usque Ad Aram Fideles means “**Brothers Faithful until Death**”.

When I think of these words, I seem to gravitate around faithfulness and forever. What does it mean to be faithful? Most of us will put this into context by relating it to our married lives or our spiritual calling. But in the fraternal context, there is meaning as well. In our Order, we understand the term. We Knights are ever mindful to continue the works of our Order until the time that we are called to the Creator. However, what does it mean to be faithful? And this, my brothers, is where the wisdom is most profound.

Being a faithful Knight has different meanings for each of us. And, perhaps, sharing my thoughts with you on what it means to me, will inspire you into a deeper relationship between you and our council, and our Order.

Some of the items on this list may seem rudimentary or obvious to you, but continue to give them your consideration...

1) Pay your dues on time as it helps us to continue the works of the Order even when we cannot be there physically.

2) Recruit new members. We have a duty to pass on this great organization's principals to other

Catholic men in order to continue the works of charity for years to come.

3) Participate in our council events. Jesus called us to spread the gospel and to love our neighbors. We do this through our works and deeds. Do good works and please God through your actions. Be faithful to the call of our Lord!

4) Call your brothers and get them to events. This is an area where many of us struggle. We need to invite those new and existing brothers to participate in our programs.

5) Attend events. Remember that many hands make light work.

6) When you are at events, participate fully. Remember that you are serving God and your brothers with your actions. Help with serving and especially with cleaning. Ensure that we are ready for the next event by putting away our council equipment in its correct location.

7) Finally, love each other. While this may be the hardest challenge and against our own human nature, with loving hearts let us try to accept each other's personal flaws and move past them in the spirit of charity.

Thank you for all that you do for the Knights of Columbus and for Council 7736. Please give our service some reflection, and ask yourself if you are truly being a brother who is faithful until death!

Vivat Jesus
Dave Tomlin
Grand Knight

MAY 2013

Upcoming Events

- May 4-5 – Our Lady of Guadalupe Icon at St. Jude
- May 8 – Pro-life Rosary
- May 11 – BINGO!
- May 12 – Mother's Day Breakfast
- May 14 – Council Business Meeting
- May 18 – Charity Home Repair
- May 18 – Matlock Street Cleanup \ Ham Raffle
- May 19 – Ham Raffle
- May 20 – Mary Queen of Peace Assembly Meeting
- May 24-25 – State Special Olympics Meet at UTA
- May 25 – Pray at Abortion Clinic, KNIGHTS CAN Weekend

Our Lady of Guadalupe Icon at St. Jude

Our Lady of Guadalupe Icon will be at St. Jude the weekend of Saturday, May 4th and Sunday May 5th

Check for more details

<http://kofcknights.org/CouncilSite/event-detail.asp?ID=11740&CNO=7736&FROM=C>

Major Degree

There is a Major Degree (2nd and 3rd Degree) here in Mansfield at the Council 7736 Hall on Saturday, May 4th at 8AM. If you are a First Degree member, this is a great time to make your Major at home. Watch for e-mails with more details on signing up to attend.

BINGO!!!!

Monthly Bingo is in May 11th! 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

Mother's day Breakfast

Mother's day Breakfast will be held on Sunday, May 12th. We start at 7:00 A.M. over in the Parish Hall. Please come out and help, even if you can only help cleanup. This is a fun and easy way to get involved with the Council, so we hope to see you there!

Charity Home Repair

Saturday May 18th at 8:30 AM, we will be helping out an individual in our parish that needs our help. We will replace the kitchen cabinets, counter tops, and rebuild their shower. Please contact Tim Henz and Speedy Gonzales if you have any additional questions

State Special Olympics Meet at UTA

We will need volunteers Friday and Saturday of Memorial Day weekend to help cook for all the volunteers, come out and help cook or cheer on the contestants! Schedules and more details to come at the Council Business Meeting on May 14th.

KNIGHTS CAN!!!

Our next KNIGHTS CAN Weekend is May 25th/26th. On this weekend, the Knights all make an effort to remember to bring in canned goods for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. This is the time of year Christmas charity plays out for many, so this is when we STEP UP!!!

Matlock Street Cleanup

Our next Matlock Street Cleanup will be on May 18th. We will meet in front of the Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market at Matlock and Debbie at 9:00 A.M. (Note the time change). We are usually done by around 10:30 A.M. Bring the whole family and help keep Mansfield beautiful!



Congratulations to the Council 7736 Scholarship Recipients

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

First Degrees

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

5/1 – Council 11937 in Dallas

5/11 – Council 12300 in Wylie

5/20 – Council 7850 in Plano

5/21 – Council 14549 in Arlington

5/23 – Council 13044 in Arlington

5/24 – Council 11423 in Ft. Worth

Contact George Kimmel at
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or e-mail at
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if you have a lead on a new member

Monthly Awards

Knight of the Month- Ray Reyes

We affectionately call him Ray Ray! That affection comes as a return of the love that Ray shows for his brothers. Thank you Ray Reyes for being there for us at our events and for answering the call when clean ups are needed, bingo food needs to be prepared, and for the many other things that you have done for our council!!

Family of the Month- Dennis Levine

I truly love seeing the Levine's at our events. Dennis and Cathy have an infectious air about them that warms your heart with just a smile! Thank you for all that you do for our council!!



Find out everything going on with Council 7736 at

Council 7736 Upcoming Events

May 4/5 – Our Lady of Guadalupe Icon at St. Jude

May 8 @ 6:30 P.M. – Prolife Rosary

May 11 @ 6:30 P.M – Bingo

May 12 @ 7:00 P.M – Mother’s day breakfast

May 14 @ 7:00 P.M. – Monthly Business Meeting; Rosary at 6:30 P.M.; Meeting at 7:00 P.M.

May 18 @ 8:30 A.M – Charity Home Repair

May 18 @ 9:00 A.M – Matlock Street Cleanup

May 18/19 – Ham Raffle after all Masses.

May 20 @ 7:00 P.M. – Mary Queen of Peace Assembly Meeting

May 24/25 – State Special Olympics Meet at UTA

May 25 @ 8:15 A.M. – Pray at Abortion Clinic

May 25/26 – KNIGHTS CAN Weekend

May 28 @ 7:00 P.M. – Council Planning Meeting

May 28 @ 7:00 P.M. – Western Metroplex Chapter Meeting at Council 8512, Dinner at 7:00 P.M. - meeting at 8:00.

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