

St. Jude Catholic Church, Mans

Something for the Heart

By Grand Knight Speedy Gonzales

# Potatoes, Eggs, and Coffee Beans

Once upon a time a daughter complained to her father that her life was miserable and that she didn't know how she was going to make it. She was tired of fighting and struggling all the time. It seemed just as one problem was solved, another one soon followed.

Her father, a chef, took her to the kitchen. He filled three pots with water and placed each on a high fire. Once the three pots began to boil, he placed potatoes in one pot, eggs in the second pot, and ground coffee beans in the third pot.

He then let them sit and boil, without saying a word to his daughter. The daughter, moaned and impatiently waited, wondering what he was doing.

After twenty minutes he turned off the burners. He took the potatoes out of the pot and placed them in a bowl. He pulled the eggs out and placed them in a bowl.

He then ladled the coffee out and placed it in a cup. Turning to her he asked. "Daughter, what do you see?"

"Potatoes, eggs, and coffee," she hastily replied.

"Look closer," he said, "and touch the potatoes." She did and noted that they were soft. He then asked her to take an egg and break it. After pulling off the shell, she observed the hard-boiled egg. Finally, he asked her to sip the coffee. Its rich aroma brought a smile to her face.

"Father, what does this mean?" she asked.

He then explained that the potatoes, the eggs and coffee beans had each faced the same adversity—the boiling water.

However, each one reacted differently.

The potato went in strong, hard, and unrelenting, but in boiling water, it became soft and weak.

The egg was fragile, with the thin outer shell protecting its liquid interior until it was put in the boiling water. Then the inside of the egg became hard.

However, the ground coffee beans were unique. After they were exposed to the boiling water, they changed the water and created something new.

"Which are you," he asked his daughter.
"When adversity knocks on your door, how
do you respond? Are you a potato, an egg, or
a coffee bean? "

#### Moral:

In life, things happen around us, things happen to us, but the only thing that truly matters is what happens within us.

Which one are you?

Viva Cristo Rey Speedy Gonzales Grand Knight May 2015

### **Upcoming Events**

- May 9 Bingo
- May 10 Mother's Day Breakfast
- May 10 Corporate Communion
- May 12 Monthly Business Meeting
- May 13 Prolife Rosary
- May 14 Ascension of the Lord
- May 16 Armed Forces Day
- May 22 Special Olympics
- May 23 Special Olympics
- May 23 Pray at Abortion Clinic
- May 23 Keith Hathaway
   Ordination
- May 25 Pentecost
- May 25 Memorial Day
- May 26 Monthly Planning
   Meeting
- May 30 KNIGHTS CAN Weekend

### BINGO!!!

Our Monthly Bingo is on March 9<sup>th</sup>! 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



### **Special Olympics**

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 12<sup>th</sup>.



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)

5/5 - Council 799 Dallas

5/9 - Council 759 Keller 9:00 AM

5/29 - Council 11423 Ft. Worth

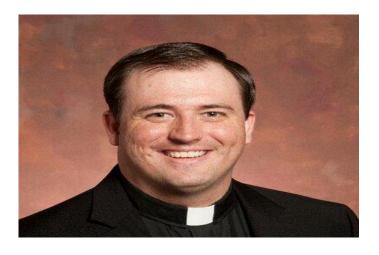
**Contact Randy Duhon at** 360-821-1107 RANDYDUHON@HOTMAIL.COM If you have a lead on a new member

## Knights Can Weekend

Our next KNIGHTS CAN Weekend is May 30th. On this weekend, the Knights all make an effort to remember to bring in canned goods for the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

### Ordination of Keith Hathaway

The Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth joyfully announces and invites you to attend the Ordination of Keith Hathaway to the Sacred Order of Presbyter through the imposition of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit by The Most Reverend Michael F. Olson, STD Bishop of Fort Worth. May 23, 2015 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM, St. Patrick Cathedral.



### Monthly Awards

Knight of the Month - Greg Ipock

Greg serves on our council as the inside guard, event chair for our fish fry, helps at breakfasts, bingo and other events. Always there when we call out for help. Helping out the 4th degree with its car show, he is a tremendous asset to our council. Thanks for all you do!

Family of the Month – Ramos Family

Although new to the council Marcos, Justin and Cynthia are there when the call goes out, Pickle parade, prolife events, bingo, breakfast and they just completed their major degree. Truly a family affair. Thanks for all you do!



Find out everything going on with Council 7736 at www.kofc7736.org

# Council 7736 Upcoming Events

May 9	9 - Bingo!
May 1	0 - Mother's Day Breakfast
May 1	0 - Corporate Communion
May 1	2 - Monthly Business Meeting
May 1	3 - Prolife Rosary
May 1	4 - Ascension of the Lord
May 1	6 - Armed Forces Day
May 2	22 - Special Olympics
May 2	23 - Special Olympics
May 2	23 - Pray at Abortion Clinic
May 2	23 - Ordination of Keith Hathaway
May 2	24 - Pentecost
May 2	25 - Memorial Day
May 2	26 - Monthly Planning Meeting
May 2	29 - Confirmation Mass
May 3	30 - Major Degree in Mansfield
May 3	30 - KNIGHTS CAN Weekend
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