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FYI from Grand Knight

by GK Jim Parrott

In this busy quarter Council 16730 was involved in a variety of initiatives. Council growth continued adding 11 new members for a current total of 130 members. We will continue our recruiting efforts and seek out practical Catholic men who are 18 or older. We have established our 1st Degree Team, which is ready to induct our new members. Thanks to the generosity of our members, we have the equipment needed to exemplify the Degree. On September 26, 2017, we welcomed our 11 new members with a wine and cheese reception after the degree. We are planning a 1st Degree early in the next quarter.

The Murray family, former Our Lady of the Atonement parish members who moved to Houston, suffered heavy damage from the hurricane and needed help in preparing their house for repairs. On September 9, 2017 a group of six Knights from Council 16730 and some of their family members went to Houston to help the Murray family in cleaning out and preparing their damaged house for needed repairs.

On September 16, 2017 the Council sponsored a welcoming taco dinner for Fr. Lewis and Mrs. Lewis in the piazza. We estimate over 200 parishioners attended, extending the welcome of the entire parish. Tours of the new building were given, and all enjoyed a late Summer evening in the new piazza. On October 1, members of the Council participated in the Life Chain in support of pro-life efforts. On October 13, the Council sponsored a video celebrating a Family Night of Our Lady of Fatima, which was very well received. We are planning another presentation or a study series in St. Anthony Hall.

The Saint Vincent De Paul Society (SVDP) has been working with an



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immigrant family who are studying to become members of the Catholic Church at Our Lady of the Atonement. The family needed help in moving from an apartment into a house. On October 15, at the request of SVDP, 10 members of the Council and members of SVDP helped move the family into their house.

On October 21, the Atonement Academy's annual King's Fair was held in the piazza. The Council sponsored a beer booth and sold bar-b-que, which contributed to the overall support of the Atonement Academy. Thanks to a tip pitcher, we also added to the Council Scholarship Fund. We received several membership requests and had plenty of help at the booth.

On October 28, nine Council 16730, 1st Degree members received their Major Degrees at Knights of Columbus Council #4183, Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church, New Braunfels, Texas. There were over 90 participants from different councils. Congratulations to those now 3rd Degree members.

The First Annual Clergy and Religious Appreciation Spaghetti Dinner was held in St. Anthony Hall on November 4. The cooking, serving and all around good time were hosted by Council 16730 and presented by council members and their families. We held a 50/50 drawing for the Council's Scholarship/Charity Fund, gave door prizes and held a silent auction for a magnum of

wine. Thanks to all parishioners and members who attended. A special thanks to all the council members and their families who worked so hard to make the dinner a success. There were many and it was an honor and a pleasure to show appreciation for our Clergy and Religious.



Chaplains Corner

with Fr. Mark Lewis

Fr. Paul of Graymoor Council 16730 welcomes our new Chaplain, Fr. Mark Lewis who is taking over the post from Fr. Phillips. We offer our thanks to Fr. Phillips for getting us started and we look forward to working with Fr. Lewis and continuing to serve our parish.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
3 <i>1st Sunday of Advent</i>	4	5	6 1st Degree Ceremony @ St John Neumann Family Center [Host: 9291]	7 General Business Meeting	8 <i>Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception</i>	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 1st Degree Exemplification St. John Hall [Host: 8521]	19	20	21 Officer/ Agenda Planning meeting	22	23
24	25 <i>Christmas Day</i>	26	27	28	29	30
31	1	2	3 1st Degree Ceremony @ St John Neumann Family Center [Host: 9291]	4 General Business Meeting	5	6

Prayer Requests

Please include those identified below in your prayers. The prayer requests described below have been submitted by brother Knights. Each request remains here for one month.

Lee Hall

Going in for a medical procedure.

Bob Novak

For his speedy recovery.

+Linda Duda

John James Henry Cortez

Council 16730's Knights Answers the Call to Houston

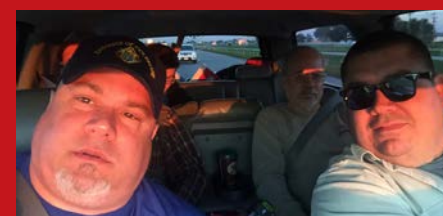
by Ed Monroe, Deputy Grand Knight

This past year, our great State of Texas took some mighty hits from Mother Nature. None more devastating than Hurricane Harvey. Hurricane Harvey not only devastated Houston, but it also tragically resulted in one of Our Lady of the Atonement's former Parishioner family and Music Directors at the Atonement Academy, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Murray. The Murray's home had flooded with over two feet of water, which destroyed all of the Murray's furniture and all of their first floor kitchen and bathroom cabinets, counters and appliances. The drywall on the entire first level was also ruined and the Murray's needed help and they knew who they could count on; the Knights!



Alejandro joined the team in Houston to help out.

The team spent over 8 hours, demoing the home by tearing down drywall, removing all kitchen counters, cabinets, and appliances from the home to prepare the house for repairs. The Murray's home received tens of thousands of dollars' worth of damages and the Knights did what they could to help them in anyway, including giving the Murray's a monetary donation of \$200 that the Council collected at their previous monthly Council meeting. The Murrays' stated they were very grateful for the Knights and all those who helped out and Fr. Phillips was also very thankful for the work and dedication displayed by Knights. It was a great team effort!



On the early morning of September 9, 2017, at 5:00 a.m., six Knights from the Fr. Paul of Graymoor, Council 16730, departed Our Lady of the Atonement enroute to the Murray's home in Houston. The six members were; Ed Monroe (Deputy Grand Knight), Andy Wilburn (1st Year-Trustee), Michael

Henriquez (Insurance Agent), Phil Sevilla, Joe Irwin, and Chris Wendtland who spearheaded this whole project and team. However, the Knights weren't the only ones to answer the call, as Phil Sevilla's son "John", Michael Henriquez's daughter "Mary" and our favorite Seminarian, Armando

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A Moving Experience for Council 16730

Pictured above are Brothers from Council 16730 who helped St. Vincent De Paul by moving a parish family into their new house. Also helping was Jeremy Fuentes, a parishioner from Prince of Peace Catholic Church. The truck and trailer were furnished by Brother Henry Wright.



Welcome new 3rd Degrees!

On October 28, nine 1st Degree members received their Major Degrees at Council #4183, Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church, New Braunfels, Texas. Pictured above, with Membership Chairman Carl Conti and GK Jim Parrott, are 3rd Degree Knights Patrice Alves, Kevin Austin, David Cantu, John Duda, Ryan Healy, Thomas Marks, Charles Rodriguez, Miguel Roque and Gregory Weidig

Clergy Appreciation Spaghetti Dinner

November 4th 2017, Fr. Paul of Graymoor council hosted its first Religious and Clergy Appreciation Dinner at Our Lady of The Atonement Catholic Church in the St. Anthony Hall. This was the first annual event to say thank you to the priests and religious who do so much caring, planning and praying for the needs of our parish and school. Our Pastor Fr. Mark Lewis was in attendance along with Pastor Emeritus Fr. Christopher Phillips, Fr. Jeff Moore, Deacon Michael D' Agostino, the Texas Nuns (Poor Clare Nuns from EWTN), and Sister Mary Margaret along with our seminarian SK Armando Alejandro. Worthy Grand Knight James Parrott was our master of ceremonies while Ed Monroe and Mike Henriquez co-chaired the event. The event was very well attended by parishioners and supported by our brother Knights. The proceeds for the event will help fund our High School Scholarship program and Knights of Columbus programs in the parish. A sincere thank you to all of our brother knights and their ladies who gave so much of their time, talent, and treasure to make this event so successful.



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH
August Tom Stallard
September Chris Wendtland
October Carl Conti
November Mike Henriquez

