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Grand News

My Brother Knights,

It's November, the month of giving thanks and being thankful of what the Lord has given us. We had a very busy October and I want to thank all of my brother Knights who helped with each of the events of the past month. I also want to recognize and congratulate our newest Council member, Richard Sadler, for completing his 2nd and 3rd degrees of Knighthood this past Sunday.

This month our Council will be putting together Thanksgiving food boxes to be donated to Catholic Charities for handing out to needy families so that they can enjoy a proper Thanksgiving dinner. If you would like to donate one or more of these Thanksgiving boxes, you can mail a check of \$25.00 per box to Gordon Carmichael, 3410 Seneca Street or attend the November business meeting and sign up to sponsor a box.



Remember that we are hosting an Admissions degree ceremony beginning at 6:30 pm just prior to our November 6th business meeting and please be prompt to the meeting. If you know of a man that could benefit from Knights membership, please take the initiative and invite him to join.

Highlighting this month will be our annual parish Priest Appreciation Dinner to be held on Sunday, November 18th which is sponsored by our St. Fran-

cis Xavier Knights of Columbus Council. More information on this annual event will be given at our next business meeting. I would encourage as many Council Knights and family members as possible to attend this parish priest recognition dinner to show how much we truly appreciate our priests, Father Joe Miller and Father Bill Walter, for the continuing daily service and work they do on our behalf.

The Coats For Kids program coats have been ordered and should be arriving around November 5th. I will present more information about this new Faith In Action program at the Council's November business meeting next Tuesday, on the evening of our national election day.

For those who have a birthday this month I wish you a very blessed Birthday. Until next month god Bless all of you and have a save month.

Your Grand Knight & District # 2 Deputy

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Robert Pyatt



Richard Sadler



Bill Carr shown selling Tootsie Rolls for those Individuals with Developmental Disabilities at Ray's Green Hills grocery store last month.

Two Members Joins Our Council

During our October 2nd Council business meeting we welcomed two new transfer members into our St Francis Xavier Council. Parishioners Robert Pyatt and Richard Sadler transferred from Council 5067 so that they could be more active in support of their registered parish and the priests. Robert is the Financial Controller for RS Electric and is completing a three year term as a member of the SFX Parish Council having served as the President and is now looking forward to supporting the parish through the works of our parish-based Knights Council. Richard works for AI J Mueller Construction and was actually a charter member of the SFX Council before transferring to Council #5067 while his children attended Le Blond High School. He has been an active leader with the St Francis Xavier Boy Scout Council and now that his children are through school is looking forward to serving with the Knights Council at St Francis. They are both 3rd Degree Knights. Please welcome Rob and Richard and introduce yourself to them the next time you see them around the parish. Welcome aboard Rob and welcome back Richard.

Food For Families

We have donated 180 pounds of items to our House of Bread since July 1, 2018.

The House of Bread is seeing an increase in the number of people being served and need more supplies. Our Council has given very generously in the past. This is one of the easiest programs to participate in. E

Since everyone has to go to the store to buy food, just pick up some extra canned goods on sale. Bring them with you to church and drop them into the House of Bread grocery basket and then send me an email as to how much you donated. We not only help the House of bread but for every 1000 pounds of food we donate the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council will refund us \$100 up to \$500 per year. Our council supplies the House of Bread with Mac & Cheese and Peanut butter. The more we give the more we get back and the more we can help our House of Bread.

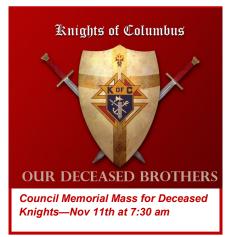
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Knight's October Birthday List

Wish the following Brother Knights a Happy Birthday when you see them this month.

Nov 10th Andrew Liles Nov 10th Gary Woods Nov 16th Lawrence Simon Nov 19th Ted Elo Nov 23rd Jean Paul Mundungu Nov 24th Michael Tabor Nov 28th John Morin Nov 30th Thomas Carr

May they have many, many more!



SFX Priests Appreciation Dinner - Nov 18th



St Francis Xavier Knights of Columbus Council will sponsor the Annual Priest Appreciation Dinner this year on Sunday evening Nov 18th beginning at 5:30

pm. The event menu will include delicious beef brisket smoked by Dan Deatherage and served along with a partially catered meal (mashed potatoes, green beans, Caesar salad, hot rolls) provided by Ray's Green Hills. Knights council members are asked to bring a pie or cake dessert to supplement the meal and help us keep costs down. This procedure should allow Knights and their spouses and families to be mostly free to enjoy the dinner and a social evening without having to

be concerned about the full details of preparing the meal. A social hour will begin at 5:30 pm followed by dinner at 6:00 pm. Selected members of the parish community will give their "Perspectives of our Priests" followed by our special guest speaker, Fr. Michael Volkmer, former Pastor of SFX from 1997-2007. Our evening will conclude with the recognition of our Priests. Reservations are required by Nov 12th. Grand Knight John Catron will be the event Chair and MC for this Council social evening.

Admissions Degree Ceremony - Nov 6th

Our council degree team will conduct an Admissions Degree Ceremony at 6:30 pm prior to the November 6th council business meeting in the Parish Center. Members of our council are reminded to be prompt for this meeting since the degree ceremony will start at 6:30 pm sharp. If you know of any Catholic gentleman that desires to join the Knights of Columbus this would be an excellent opportunity to get him initiated as a member in the 1st Degree. Candidates are asked to be present at 6 pm. We do know of members from other councils who will be participating in this Exemplification so it is an excellent opportunity to show how our council operates and functions. Members of the Degree team will wear dark suits and ties along with their ceremonial sashes. Council members are encouraged to wear their Knights distinctive paraphernalia.



Our Council Admissions Degree Team will conduct a 1st Degree Ceremony at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, Nov 6th



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Don't forget to turn in your personal service hours by the December business meeting either in paper form or on the Council website

St Joseph Knights From All Councils Volunteered to Prepare And Serve The Noon Lunch To 450 Elementary Students at the Diocese Vocations Day Program Oct 29th Held At Le Blond High School (see two pics below)

Program Director's Corner

By Deputy Grand Knight John Bitunjac

As I sit to write this newsletter item I find myself wearing two hats, Director of the Council Youth Activities <u>and</u> Deputy Grand Knight in charge of our Council "Faith in Action" programs.

It pleases me to report that the very first points Council 15126 has earned for Faith in Action has come from the completion of the Knights of Columbus Essay Contest. Eighteen 8th graders, under the guidance of Joanne Bateman, turned in wonderful essays which have been judged and are awaiting the presentations of awards. This will happen in December. We are in the process of holding another successful Knights of Columbus Poster Contest for the 6th through 8th grade. These will be collected before Christmas and will be on display in the school.

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest is scheduled for the 2nd and 3rd Wednesdays in January along with the District 2 contest to be held on the 4th Wednesday in January.

Thanks to the reliable work of Dan Deatherage, the 2018 St Joseph March for Life was a great success and the paper work for that Faith in Action project is being finalized. Just this week Grand Knight John Catron ordered the coats for the Coats for Kids project and they should arrive to the AFL-CIO for dispersing sometime in mid-November.

As we approach Christmas time, I envision several more projects being completed and documenting paper work being sent out. I thank all who have given of their time and talent so these projects could be finalized.

For any Knight Council Director who is in the middle of a Faith In Action project or is looking to get one started, see me at the November 6, 2018 business meeting and I will get you any help or information that you need. Keep up the good work!



A 10-Member Team Of Knights Efficiently Served 450 Student Meals In Two Settings In 45 Minutes

Thanksgiving Food Boxes Project

By Activity Chair Ray Heitman

Member Knights are planning on helping the people here in our Community of St Joseph, MO with 40 Food Boxes donated from Knights of Columbus Council 15126.

All member Knights are asked to sponsor one or more boxes to help those less fortunate in our community. Hams & Turkeys have already been donated and the cost for the additional items in each box is \$25. Member Knights wishing to participate can make out their check to Knights of Columbus Council 15126 and send it to Gordon Carmichael. As member Knights we should be grateful for what we have and be happy to give back and to help others here in our community.

Council members will be meeting to assemble the food boxes for donation on Saturday morning Nov. 17th at 9 am. The boxes will contain either a Ham or Turkey and many other items for a Thanksgiving family meal along with some breakfast and household items.

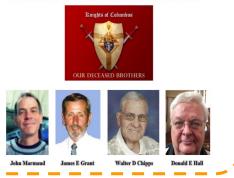
The boxes will then be delivered to The St Joseph office of Catholic Charities for distribution to needy families selected by the staff at Catholic Charities. Last year our Council donated over 1800 pounds of food during the course of this single event.

This Faith in Action and Food For Families project fulfills the basic principle of our Order which is Charity, the greatest of all virtues and the crowning glory of a Christian life as stated in the First Degree ceremony which we all committed to practice when we joined the Knights of Columbus. Please consider supporting this worthy cause.

Council Memorial Mass For Deceased Knights

Our council will conduct the annual Memorial Mass for Deceased Knights on Sunday, Nov 11th in conjunction with the 7:30 am Mass. Four brother Knights from Council 15126 will be remembered at the 7:30 am mass on Sunday, Nov 11th. John F. Marmaud, James E. Grant Jr., Walter D. Chipps and Donald E Hull who were all Knights of Columbus members of Council 15126 and are now deceased will be memorialized at this mass in their honor. An Honor Guard from the St Joseph 4th Degree General Assembly 569 will participate in the service along with family members of those Knights being remembered. All of the Servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Hospitality Ministers for this Mass will be members of our parish Knights Council. Sign up to participate at the next business meeting and join us in remembering these faithful and dedicated individuals.

Saint Francis Xavier Council 15126





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KNIGHTS⁻ November Catendar of Events

Nov 1st—Mariner Luncheon at Noon Council 571 Hall

Nov 6th— Admissions Degree Prior To Council Business Meeting 6:30 pm at Parish Center

Nov 11th—Council Memorial Mass for Deceased Knights at 7:30 am with 4th Degree Honor Guard

Nov 11th—Assembly 569 Veterans Day Memorial Mass at 3:30 pm at MO State Veterans Home in Cameron, MO with 4th Degree Honor Guard

Nov 16th—Council 571 Turkey Shoot at St Joseph Council Hall at 6 pm

Nov 17th—Thanksgiving Food Project Boxes Assembly Session at 9:00 am

Nov 18th—SFX Priests Appreciation Dinner 5:30 pm

Nov 19th—Coats For Kids St Joseph Distribution 9 am at a Location TBA Nov 20th—Council 15126 Officers Meeting D7 pm in Conf Rm of Parish Center

(check the webpage event calendar for more detail)

Mariner Luncheons Open To All St Joseph Knights

St Joseph Council 571 located just across Mitchell Avenue from Missouri Western State University has been hosting the Mariner Luncheons for Knights at noon on the first Thursday of each month for nearly 20 years. This program was initiated by Sir Knight Leo Stock (a 70-year member of the Knights of Columbus) who continues to coordinate these dinner events to this date. The Mariner Luncheons are open to all St Joseph Knights regardless of their Council affiliation and are an excellent way to socialize with brother Knights from the other St Joseph Councils. The cost is only \$5 per meal which usually includes dessert. Soda and beer are also available for a minimal price. There is always a 50:50 raffle available for \$1 per ticket. Typically about 40-50 Knights from the various St



Joseph Councils attend these monthly dinners and they seldom go away hungry. It is a great way to meet our brother Knights from the other Councils and hear what is on the scheduled for their Councils each month. There is no need to call ahead, just show up before noon and enjoy the fellowship and food prepared by a team of cooks from Council 571. There are usually 4-5 members from the St Francis Knights Shown At A Mariner Luncheon Held At Council 571 Hall Located Just Across From The MWSU Campus On Mitchell Avenue

Xavier Council who attend, so you will be sure to know someone there. There are many parishioners of St Francis Xavier parish that you already know that are members of the other Councils. If you have the opportunity you should try it out. This month's luncheon is on Thursday, Nov 1st. Hope you can arrange to attend one of these enjoyable events.