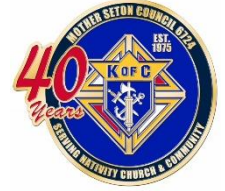




Knight News

Mother Seton Council 6724



November 2015

Nativity Catholic Church

Grand Knight's Message

The human heart is drawn to the divine. Many people have a sincere longing for holiness and that is why they spend time in contemplation.

We are encouraged to cultivate a profound inner life, contact with Jesus Christ that is both personal and constant. The Fathers of the Church have consistently said that without true friendship with Jesus, it is impossible for a Christian, to fulfill the mission of the Lord.

The Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church may help focus our attention on the nature of prayer. Here is a sampling of what you will find:

What is Prayer?

Prayer is the raising of one's mind and heart to God, or the petition of good things from him in accord with his will.

It is always the gift of God who comes to encounter man. Christian prayer is the personal and living relationship of the children of God with their Father who is infinitely good, with his Son Jesus Christ, and with the Holy Spirit who dwells in their hearts.

How Does Jesus Teach Us to Pray?

Jesus teaches us to pray not only with the Our Father but also when he prays. In this way he teaches us, in addition to the content, the dispositions necessary for every true prayer: purity of heart that seeks the Kingdom and forgives one's enemies, bold and filial faith that goes beyond

what we feel and understand, and watchfulness that protects the disciple from temptation.

Why is Our Prayer Efficacious?

Our prayer is efficacious because it is united in faith with the prayer of Jesus. In him Christian prayer becomes a communion of love with the Father. In this way we can present our petitions to God and be heard: "Ask and you will receive that your joy may be full" (Jn 16:24).

Herbert Swoope
Grand Knight

Columbian Award

Those councils deemed outstanding in their implementation of the Service Program in a fraternal year are eligible to receive the Supreme Council's Columbian Award. The award is a tangible testimonial of the efficiency, industry and excellent activity program of the council. Involvement programs sponsored by the council must meet the requirements of six activity areas: Church, Community, Council, Family, Culture of Life and Youth.



We are proud to say that our council, Mother Seton Council 6724, was recognized with this award for outstanding programs for the 2014-2015 fraternal year. WDD Patrick Roach presented the award to WGK Herb Swoope along with a letter from Supreme Knight Carl Anderson. WGK Herb Swoope thanked the membership for all of

their collective efforts that allowed our council to receive this award.

Novemberfest

Novemberfest will take place from Wednesday, November 18 through Sunday, November 22. As in years past, we will once again be manning the Wing Booth. Our wings are very popular among the attendees. This is an excellent opportunity to not



only raise money for a worthy cause but also to spend time with your Brother Knights. If you have not signed up to work the booth, please contact Tom Rusher to do so.

Trunk or Treat

It's that time of year. The annual Trunk or Treat, sponsored by the Women's Guild, will be held on Thursday, October 29 from 6-8pm on the church parking lot. Brother Chris will have a vehicle



decorated for the occasion and will be handing out goodies to the visiting ghosts and goblins. I am sure Brother Chris would appreciate any support you can provide.

Ministry Fair

The Parish Ministry Fair will be held on Sunday, November 1 after all masses. This is an excellent opportunity for us to educate and recruit good, Catholic men for the Knights of Columbus. We will have a display set up for the event but we need you to help in the recruiting. Look for further announcements as the time draws near.

Foundations of Life Gala

The Foundations of Life Gala and Silent Auction will be held on Saturday, November 14 from at the A La Carte Pavilion on Dana Shores Drive in Tampa. This Gala benefits the Foundations of Life Pregnancy Centers in Tampa and St. Petersburg.

Guest Speaker: Lila Rose, investigative journalist, founder and President of Live Action

(liveaction.org), has led undercover investigations exposing corruption and illegal activity at Planned Parenthood and dozens of other independent abortion businesses. Her work documented rampant sexual abuse cover-up, racism, medical misinformation, the willingness to assist sex traffickers, false statements made by Planned Parenthood executives, sex-selective abortion, and infanticide.

Our Council will sponsor a table of ten for the Gala. If you are interested in attending, please contact Howard Baum. Tickets for the Gala are \$65 per person. If you are able to purchase the tickets or contribute towards the tickets, it will help defray the cost to the Council.



Thanksgiving Turkeys

We will again be donating turkeys to our low income veterans. The cost for these turkeys is \$0.99 per pound with an average donation of \$12-15 per family. There are well over 60 families needing assistance. Please be prepared to help out with this effort at our next business meeting on Monday, November 2. Anything you can contribute will be greatly appreciated.

Blood Drive

Our parish will be sponsoring a Blood Drive on Sunday, November 15 from 8:00am to 1:00pm. Look for the familiar bloodmobile in the church parking lot. Please consider donating. You will be someone's hero – in fact, you could help save more than one life with just one donation.



Fourth Degree Exemplification

The exemplification for the Florida District, Fourth Degree will be held Saturday, November 28, 2015 at the Rosen Plaza Hotel, 9700 International Dr.,

Orlando, FL 32819. The room rate is - \$104 plus tax per night. For reservation call (800) 627-8258 (Must mention you are with the Knights of



Columbus to receive this negotiated rate). Cutoff date for room reservations is November 6, 2015.

Candidates' registration begins at 9:00AM with the exemplification beginning at 11:00AM.

All candidates Form 4's and Candidates, Sir Knights, Spouse and Guest order form MUST be submitted to the Master no later than November 13, 2015.

Recruiter's Award

In honor of Pope Francis, the special incentive to all recruiters is being extended. Between July 1, 2015 and December 31, 2015, you will receive 2,000 VIP points for every new or former member recruited in this time period in addition to a medallion. If you recruit 5 new members in this time frame, you get one medallion plus 10,000 VIP points. Every 500 points is worth \$3.00 when purchasing items from the Knights Gear store.

New Officers

Due to some vacancies that were created, new officers were installed to fill the positions. The new officers are: Tony Boes, 3 year Trustee; Dean Jacobson, Treasurer; and Danny Diaz, Chancellor.

Insurance Corner

Why Choose Us?

We are strong: The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal benefit society that is strong, secure and stable. Members can be confident that we'll be here when you need us. We've been successfully protecting families since 1882, and our outlook remains bright.

Don't just take our word for it. There is no more highly rated insurer in North America than the Knights of Columbus. A.M. Best has bestowed on

us their highest rating (A++, Superior) for 39 consecutive years.

Remember, in 2012, the Knights of Columbus gave more than \$155 million to Catholic and other charitable causes. In these uncertain times, find comfort in an organization that leads the way in doing good for others while doing good for our own.

We are secure: Since 1882, we have been committed to protecting the financial futures of our Knights and their families. We do this by paying claims and dividends to our insured members. In 2012, we paid well over \$487 million in death claims and other benefits, and more than \$349 million in dividends to our policyholders. Even more impressive is the fact that in the past decade, the Knights of Columbus paid more than \$3.4 billion in dividends to insured members.

We are stable: Prudent leadership and management has led to the rapid growth of our assets, providing an adequate foundation for our member's protection, and securing our obligations to our insured and their beneficiaries. Also, because we are a fraternal benefit society, we have no stockholders. Our owners are our members and we return our good fortune in the form of dividends to our policyholders.

Prayer for the Sick

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Ben Roberts (Larry's Son-in-Law)
Dorothy Boes-Bohman (Tony's sister) operation
Barbara A. Babiarz
Joe & Tomiko Ryan
Ron Watford
Kathy Olsen
Dick Hardesty
The family of Cindy Winne
Bob Yelton
Marty Condon
Irma Barrett
John Tuzzolino
Jose Diaz

Iris Diaz
Emile Ferrer
Don Cseh
Jay McCabe
Bonnie Cummings
Mary Ann Clark
Ralph Baltrae
Kevin McNamara
Paula Zemke

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviates our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grants us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen.

Officers

Grand Knight: Herb Swoope
Deputy Grand Knight: Chris McManus
Chancellor: Danny Diaz
Treasurer: Dean Jacobson
Financial Secretary: Sam Miller
Recording Secretary: Larry Langowski
Chaplin: Open
Warden: Neil Wade
Inside Guard: George Giragosian
Outside Guard: Richard Silver
Advocate: Howard Baum
1year Trustee: John Houseman
2year Trustee: Michael Goscinski
3year Trustee: Tony Boes
Lecturer: Don Clark

Upcoming Events

October 27 – Officers Meeting 7:00pm
October 29 – Trunk or Treat 6:00-8:00pm
November 1 – Ministry Fair
November 2 – Council Meeting 7:30pm
November 7 – Shoppers Paradise 8:00am-4:00pm
Novemberfest Field
November 14 – Foundations of Life Gala
November 15 – Blood Drive
November 18-22 – Novemberfest
November 24 – Officers Meeting
November 28 – 4th Degree Exemplification