



# Knights *focus*

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

Dear Brothers

*By Grand Knight Mark Von Plinsky*

Last month was another active month for our council, filled with a lot of events for brothers to get involved. Beginning with our 2nd annual Golf tournament at Southern Oaks, Pancake breakfast, Silver Rose, Corporate Communion, council Family Picnic attended by over 70 brothers and their families and a successful Halloween in the Park (Mansfield Police Festival) where we introduced our new product steak on a stick (great job to all brothers for your efforts). We've also had a very committed group praying at the abortion clinic on Fridays during the 40 Days for Life and thanks for your prayers.

This month continues with our Coats for Kidz collection, Holy Family Christmas card fundraiser, pancake breakfast, BINGO, Turkey Raffle, upcoming first degree at St. Jude and Matlock street cleanup to name a few. Please go to our councils website for specific dates and times and hope to see you there.

Being that 2016 is a Presidential Election year we have the privilege and moral obligation this month to cast our VOTE as a citizen, catholic and knight and I highly encourage everyone to do so. I have thought a great deal about the election and have read many articles printed in our Columbia magazine, North Texas Catholic and on-line. This year is no different from any other election year, there is no perfect candidate. It is our duty to research the different

candidates, learn what our catholic church teaches and then do our best to vote with our conscience. When researching about the candidates it is important that each catholic voter knows the "Five Non-Negotiable Issues" as stated by the church.

These five issues concern actions that are intrinsically evil and must never be promoted by the law. The five are as follows: 1) Abortion, 2) Euthanasia, 3) Embryonic Stem Cell Research, 4) Human Cloning and 5) Homosexual "Marriage".

I will end with a word from Pope Francis that was mentioned in a letter from our Supreme Knight Carl Anderson. Our Pope urges every brother Knight to study, pray and vote their conscience! And when you do, remember also these words of the pope: "Each child that is unborn, but is unjustly condemned to be aborted, bears the face of Jesus Christ."

God Bless Each of You and Your families.

**Vivat Jesus**  
**Mark Von Plinsky**  
**Grand Knight**

November 2016

## Upcoming Events

- November 1 – All Saints' Day
- November 2 – All Souls' Day
- November 4 – 40 Days for life Prayer Vigil
- November 5 – Pro-life Rosary
- November 6 – Pancake Breakfast
- November 8 – Monthly Business Meeting
- November 9 - Council Rosary
- November 11 – Veterans Day
- November 12 – Matlock Street Cleanup
- November 12 – Bingo
- November 20 – Smoked Turkey Raffle
- November 22 – Monthly Planning Meeting
- November 24 – Thanksgiving
- November 26 – KNIGHTS CAN Weekend
- November 27 – 1st Sunday of Advent

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## Coats for KIDS

Coats for Kids program throughout November. Please donate your gently used coats that your kids have outgrown to be distributed to the poor of our community. Just bring the coats to Mass and drop in the boxes by the doors.



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## Matlock Street Cleanup

Come out for a good cause, good time and good company. Meet Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 9:00 AM at Walmart Neighborhood Market parking lot at Matlock and Broad Streets.



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## Bingo!!!

Our Monthly Bingo is on November 12<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

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## Pancake Breakfast

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast in the Parish Center November 6<sup>th</sup> 7A.M. Come out and help with the food prep or clean up.

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### Council Golf Tournament



**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)

11/10 – Council 7736 Mansfield

11/18 – Council 11423 Ft. Worth

11/22 – Council 8157  
Duncanville

Contact Thomas Scott at

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If you have a lead on a new member

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## Monthly Awards

**Knight of the Month: Dan Gietl**

Dan joined our council earlier this year and has been very involved in many different activities. He attends our regular meetings, Saturday morning mens bible study, has helped out on several events and most recently he and his wife, Donna, have been regulars on Friday nights during the 40 Days for Life praying at the abortion clinic. This is most important as we get close to the end of the “Year of Mercy“. Thanks Dan and keep up the good work.

**Family of the Month: Gary & Florence Marcucci**

The Marcucci's are everywhere, from BINGO (both Knights and CWO's), pancake breakfast, active in the Lector ministry, they are tremendous models for all in the parish to emulate. Gary and Florence again this year have supported the 40 Days for Life campaign each Friday night at the abortion clinic in Fort Worth. Thanks, to you both for all you do for St. Jude and the Knights.



**Find out everything going on with Council 7736 at  
[www.kofc7736.org](http://www.kofc7736.org)**

## Council 7736 Upcoming Events

November 1 – All Saints' Day

November 2 – All Souls' Day

November 4 – 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil

November 5 – Rosary at Memorial to The Unborn

November 6 – Pastor Installation

November 6 – Pancake Breakfast

November 8 – Monthly Business Meeting

November 5 – Council Rosary St. Jude Chapel

November 10 – First Degree 7736

November 11 – Veterans Day

November 12 – Matlock Street Cleanup

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