



The Knight Light -Knights of Columbus

Official Newsletter of Father
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Regular Meetings ~ 3rd Tuesday of each Month @ 7:30 pm
Officers Meeting ~ 1st Tuesday of each Month

Grand Knight's Message:

Brothers,

I hope this note finds you all well! We have had an exciting past few weeks! If you were like I was, you sat and watched hours of the Pope's visit. From the moment he landed in the United States until he departed.....he never slowed down. He held mass for the thousands, and he visited the poor. His time spent with President Obama and the U.S. Congress was inspirational to say the least. It was certainly easy for me to be proud as a Catholic, I saw pride from those of many faiths!

I guess each of us can take and keep our own unique lesson from his words while he was here. For me it will be this...I will try to be more companionate to those who are strangers to me, more giving to those less fortunate than me, more respectful to those I disagree with, more protective of those more vulnerable, more forgiving of those who have offended me, and more patient with those who don't share my priorities!

Who knows, maybe they will do the same for me.....

By time of publication, we will have had The 2015 KC #8960 Golf Tournament. I trust everyone will have had a wonderful time and shot perfect golf! I disqualified the team of "Liar", "Cheater", "Hacker" and "Mulligan" and their sub "small bucket" from playing so I'm sure the scores will all be accurate reflections of performance.

Friday October 30th is The Ralph Aulds Sr. Reverse Draw. I'm not going to lie to you. This night holds a very special place in my heart! It's one of the biggest fundraisers we host of the year, not to mention one the greatest parties of the year! Just \$125 for 2 steak dinners, open bar, music, (some good and some bad dancing), a chance to win a 10K prize, and a heck of a lot of fun. If you haven't purchased a ticket yet **CALL Dick Schock TODAY, NOT TOMORROW, TODAY!** Only 400 tickets are sold.

If you have already purchased a ticket, have you sold one to a friend that you want to impress? **CALL TODAY.** God Bless you and your families,

Remember we are Knights of Columbus, go out and make a positive difference!

Ralnh Aulds Jr.

Deadline for articles is **8pm on first Tuesday at the Officers Meetings.**
Articles may be emailed to kofc8960@gmail.com

From the Desk of our Chaplain Father Jim:

My brother Knights, I hope you all are enjoying this great almost fall weather that we have been having. I myself have just finished watching the Astros win their Sunday game.....let us see how far they can go..... Go Astros!!!!

A heads up about our meeting on the 20th of this month! Our generous council of brothers has seen fit to donate a much needed larger ciborium to be used at our Masses at Saint Helen. We needed a ciborium that could hold 1000 hosts and we had one commissioned and made and it is beautiful! Renè and I plan on bringing it to the meeting so the council can see this beautiful addition to our sacred vessels and we also are going to bless and consecrate this new ciborium at the meeting. We are so grateful to have a council so generous as to donate this Sacred Vessel. It will be used at Saint Helen for many years to come, holding the precious body of Christ in the Tabernacle.

In addition, one of our brother Knights, Charles Boutte has hand made for us a crucifix that we will be using on the main altar in the church for the celebration of all our masses. We are going to be bringing this cross to the meeting to bless and consecrate it also. This cross will be used at all of our liturgies for years to come thanks to the generous spirit of the Knights.

I cannot tell you how proud I am that our Council has donated two such important and visible items to be used in our Sunday worship. What a testament to such a great group of dedicated and holy men. I continue to feel it to be an honor and privilege to serve as chaplain to such a great group of men. May God bless you all and please pray for me.

Father Jim

Insurance Update from our Agent Brian Hyek

"Why Your Insurance at Work May Be Insufficient"

Wall Street Journal (02/03/15) Piper, Mike

A mistake many people make with corporate benefits is to assume that the disability and life insurance coverage that they get automatically through their work is sufficient. In most cases, at least one of the two types of insurance should be supplemented. Anybody who is financially dependent upon their job for income has a need for disability insurance. And the total amount of coverage necessary is not particularly difficult to calculate: You need enough coverage to be able to continue to pay your bills if you become disabled. According to a 2010 survey from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the average amount of employer-provided life insurance in the private sector is just 1.3-times the employee's annual compensation. If your family depends on you for income, such amounts of life insurance will only be able to provide for your family for a brief period of time. The amount of life insurance that you need depends on several factors. For example, if you're in your late 50s, your children are financially independent adults, and you have almost accumulated enough money to be able to retire, a modest amount of life insurance should be sufficient to provide for your spouse. In contrast, if you're 28 years old with a mortgage, little savings, and two young children, you're going to need quite a bit more coverage.

<http://blogs.wsj.com/experts/2015/02/03/why-your-insurance-at-work-may-be-insufficient/>

PILGRIMAGE OF MERCY:

From September to November of this year the major relics of St. Maria Goretti will make a pilgrimage to the United States. Named the "Pilgrimage of Mercy," it is the first time that her body travels to the USA.

While St. Maria is universally known as the Patroness of Purity, her greatest virtue was her unyielding forgiveness of her attacker even in the midst of horrendous physical suffering, a forgiveness that would completely convert him and set him on a path to personal holiness. In March 2015, His Holiness, Pope Francis, announced an Extraordinary Holy Year of Mercy beginning December 8, 2015. This visit of the major relics of St. Maria Goretti is an effort on the part of the Holy See and Treasures of the Church to prepare and catechize the United States for this great celebration in the life of the Church. The schedule for the pilgrimage brings St. Maria to the Houston area in early November. To learn more about St. Maria Goretti and the Pilgrimage of Mercy please visit <http://mariagoretti.com/>.

- **Wednesday, November 4: St. Theresa Church**
705 St Theresa Boulevard, Sugar Land, Texas 77498 (281) 494-1156
Public veneration of St. Maria begins: 9:00 am, Solemn Mass celebrated in St. Maria's honor: 7:00 pm,
Public veneration ends: 11:45 pm
- **Thursday November 5: Catholic Charismatic Center**
1949 Cullen Boulevard, Houston, Texas 77023 (713) 236-9977
Solemn Mass celebrated in St. Maria's honor: 12 noon (celebrated in Spanish), Public veneration of St. Maria begins:
following the 12 noon Mass, Solemn Mass celebrated in St. Maria's honor: 7:30 pm,
Public veneration ends: 3:00 am (on Friday November 6)
- **Friday November 6: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church**
6646 Addicks Satsuma Road, Houston, Texas 77084 (281) 467-7878
Public veneration of St. Maria begins: 10:00 am, Solemn Mass celebrated in St. Maria's honor: 7:00 pm,
Public veneration ends: 7:00 am (on Saturday November 7)

Father Carlos Martins is the priest in charge of the tour and he wants a 4th Degree Honor Guard with no less than eight (8) Sir Knights throughout each of the public venerations on the schedule and not just in the Houston area but at every church visited throughout the whole tour. I liken the 8 Sir Knights for the Honor Guard to the "40" used so often in the Bible. A symbolic number, 8 men from the Swiss Guard at the Vatican may be able to handle it but 8 SKs in Houston gets us through the 1st hour. So 8 per hour might be closer to what we really need.

He also wants a pair of Sir Knights (in Regalia) to serve in the line of Pilgrims coming to view the relics. Each person venerating the relics has only 15 seconds and things like taking pictures in the line are not permitted. He feels that the presence of Sir Knights in regalia will give even greater dignity and add to the solemnity of the event. He also believes that a Sir Knight in regalia providing kind, but firm direction will allow the line to flow more smoothly. He also wants a second pair of Sir Knights (in Regalia) to serve in the lines exiting the viewed relics. That pair would be handing out copies of a picture of St. Maria. The picture will have been physically touched to the relics making the pictures 3rd degree relics unto themselves and each visitor is to take one. There will be a count of the pictures at the beginning and end of each public veneration session and that is how the number of visitors is to be tracked.

Fr. Martins also suggests that other members of the Knights of Columbus be present throughout each venue of the tour to serve at every opportunity as hosts for visiting Pilgrims. He suggests that this effort be of secondary concern compared to 4th Degree Honor Guard responsibilities and that many of the churches/venues for the tour will have identified their own members to serve in this capacity.

I would suggest that there should also be an Honor Guard/Turnout for each of the tours' Solemn Masses as well as other opportunities when the relics arrive and depart from each location. I have asked James DeGhelder, the GH Chapter Web Master to create an interactive sign-up list for each of the 3 venues. My hope is for everyone that can, to please sign up to take an hour or two and serve as a member of the Honor Guard during the public veneration times. To also be a part of any other Honor Guard activities that may occur. The link to the sign-up sheets will be forwarded when it is available. I hope that we have a sufficient number of Sir Knights present throughout the Public Veneration times so that no man will stand longer than 15 minutes without having at least a 30 minute break before being re-posted if it is necessary for re-posting to occur. I hope that I have conveyed at least in part the significant level of involvement that the request brings to us. The schedule is exhausting and for the Knights of Columbus to be able to comply with the request it will take an incredible effort.

Michael Gallagher, Master, First District of Texas

Squire's Corner

School and CCE and sports are in full swing everywhere and all our Squires are wrapped up in this and much more. We are all special by being squires and growing like the Youth Christ. We hope to see all of you at the next meeting Wednesday October 21th. There are several big activities being planned so we hope to see you at the next meeting. All of the Squires in the Circle have now been assigned to a Committee, check with the Chief Squire to be sure of what committee you are on if you need help. Let's all work on getting new members to be invested during our November Meeting.

Al Stryk, Chief Counselor

News from Our Communication's Director

As I am sure most of you know from the last meeting, we officially have a new website address at kofc8960.com This new address will make it easier for all of our brother knights to see the events of our counsel and participate in them. The links on the buttons in every email the counsel sends are still available if you choose to use them and the old website address is still active if you prefer to use that.

If you have any questions about the website, our newsletter, or any emails sent from the council please feel free to email me at kofc8960@gmail.com with your questions.

We believe the email addresses are up to date now, however, if you know someone who is still not getting the emails please send me their name and email address to kofc8960@gmail.com so I can correct it.

The most important aspect of the website besides the calendar of events are our photo albums. The more pictures we get of the events of our counsel, the more we can show how active in the community we are. So if you attend any counsel related event, please snap a few pictures and email them to me so I can put them up on the website.

Thank you,
Dustin Meyer

CSC News

The board of directors of the CSC has voted to adopt term limits into the bylaws to bring our structure into alignment with the Home Association and to enact the original intent of the terms for CSC directors. At the October CSC meeting, we will break from the regular order to conduct a short meeting of the CSC shareholders for the purpose of voting on the bylaw amendment. A 2/3 approval of the members in attendance is required to approve the amendment. The language of the amendment is as follows:

"3.04A The tenure of office for each of the elected members of the board shall be three years. A director shall be limited to two consecutive terms. A one year break shall be required before standing for election again."

Ed Klein

Oct 30: Ralph Aulds Sr Reverse Draw

The Ralph Aulds Sr Reverse Draw Tickets are going fast! If you wish to attend and don't have your tickets yet Contact Dick Schock or Dustin Meyer ASAP! Just \$125 for 2 steak dinners, open bar, music, (some good and some bad dancing), a chance to win a 10K prize, and a heck of a lot of fun. If you haven't purchased a ticket yet **CALL Dick Schock TODAY, NOT TOMORROW, TODAY!** Only 400 tickets are sold.

Sept 23rd thru Nov 1st: 40 Days for Life

The Houston 40 Days for Life is in full swing. Come help save a life by standing in witness to the dignity and incredible worth of every single individual born and unborn. Join the Houston Coalition for Life Monday thru Friday from 6:30 AM to 6:30 PM or Saturday from 6:30AM to 3PM on the sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood (4600 Gulf Freeway). In light of all the recent atrocities that have come out about Planned Parenthood, it is a perfect time to pray for the unborn and women who have to make these difficult decisions. Hopefully through this event we can help to save many unborn lives.

Oct 17th and 18th: Knight Membership Drive

We will be hosting a membership drive after all masses on October 17 and 18 in St Helen's Church. If you are interested in helping out with this event please contact Deputy GK Charles Boutte as soon as possible to find out what assistance is still needed.

Oct 17th : Prayer group

This Saturday October 17, 2015 will be our next missal reading study and prayer meeting. We will meet Saturday morning from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. in the back meeting building. Please join us for coffee, donuts and good Christian fellowship as we seek the Lord together as brother Knights.

If you have any question, please contact Michael Rodriguez at 713-885-1274

October 17th: White Mass for Health Care Professionals

San Jose Clinic and the Catholic Healthcare Professionals of Houston will host the annual White Mass for healthcare professionals on Saturday, Oct. 17 at 5:00 p.m. at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in downtown Houston. Archbishop Emeritus Joseph A. Fiorenza will be the celebrant. The purpose of the White Mass is to honor St. Luke as the patron of physicians, and honor the healthcare professions as a whole.

Oct 22th: Calling all Cooks

Saturday October 22, 2015 The Knights of Columbus will be cooking Hamburgers and hot dogs t St. Helens for the communion retreat. Cookers please be available at St Helens at 9:30 A.M. We will be serving lunch to the children and parents at approximately 11:30 A.M. If you wish to participate please let Jim "Cowboy" Quintanilla know @281-901-9470.

Oct 22th: New Member Orientation

Brothers, there will be a New Member Orientation on Thursday, October 22nd from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. New Brothers as well as long time Brothers are encouraged to attend. Contact Deputy GK Charles Boutte' at 281-253-8972 or charles@onehundredcrosses.com for more info. This event will occur in the small hall.

Oct 24th: 4th Degree Exemplification

There will be a 4th Degree Exemplification at St Michael the Archangel Parish in Lake Jackson (100 Oak Drive, South – Corner of Oak St and Hwy 332). Registration is from 8:30 – 11:15 am and candidates are expected to assemble in the Church at noon. There will be a 3 pm procession of Honor Guard and New SK's into the church at 3:30 pm followed by a social from 5 to 6 pm for \$10 per person. If you are interested in this event contact Kenneth Oradiegwu to sign up.

Oct 25th: Annual Fire Fighters Mass

The St. Florian Society of Houston are hosting the annual Firefighters Mass honoring and blessing firefighters. The Mass will take place on Sunday, Oct. 25 at 11:00 a.m. at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in downtown Houston. Father Lawrence W. Jozwiak will be the celebrant. In addition, during the Mass, a special tribute is given to firefighters who have passed away during the previous year. The Mass is open to active and retired firefighters, their families, and the general public.

Oct 25th: KofC Open House

Brothers we will be having an Open House Sunday, October 25th from 2:00pm to 4:00pm with an Indoctrination to follow. If you know of potential candidates, encourage them and their families to attend. Refreshments will be provided. For more info contact Luis Leal, Membership Director atleal23@yahoo.com or Deputy GK Charles Boutte, at charles@onehundredcrosses.com. This event will occur in the small Hall.

Nov 1st thru Nov 7th: National Vocations Week

The National Vocations week is from Nov 1st thru Nov 7th. Please pray for the men and women in our diocese who are contemplating a religious life.

Nov 8th: Veterans Day Remembrance

The Knights of Columbus will be honored to have a day of remembrance at Trinity Oaks Retirement Home on Sunday November the 8th at 10:30 A.M.. Trinity Oaks is located @ 3033 Pearland Parkway. If you wish to participate in the activity please be there at 10:00 A.M. So that we may coordinate.

Vocation Events for Young Men

There are 2 major vocation events being held in our Diocese at St Mary's Seminary on Memorial Drive in the upcoming 30 days. The first is for High School Boys (ages 14-18) which will be held on Oct 30th from 6 to 8 pm. The second is for young men ages 18 – 35 which will be held on November 12th from 6:30 to 8:30. Both of these events are informational for any young man interested in becoming a priest, deacon, or serving in a religious order. If you know of someone who may feel God's calling, have them contact St Mary's Seminary for more information on these events.

Nov 21st: Major Degree

There will be a Major Degree being held at St Ignatius Loyola Catholic Church Council #10861 in Spring on November 21st. If you plan to make your 2nd or 3rd Degree, contact the membership director to get you signed up for the event. Registration begins at 8:45 for 1st Degree candidates. Coffee and doughnuts will be served in the Christus Center. 2nd and 3rd Degree exemplification will begin at 10am. Lunch will be served (\$7.00 for non-candidates) following the conclusion of the 3rd Degree exemplification. Make sure to wear clothing appropriate for a regular Sunday Mass. If you wish to attend, confirm with our membership director no later than November 19th.

25th and 50th Wedding Anniversaries

Are you and your spouse celebrating either your 25th (married in 1990) or 50th (married in 1965) wedding anniversaries this year? His Eminence Daniel Cardinal DiNardo will be celebrating these silver and gold occasions with a special celebration mass in November and December of this year. The 25th silver anniversary mass will be celebrated on November 29th and the 50th gold anniversary mass will be celebrated on December 20th. Both masses will be held at 3 pm at the co-cathedral in downtown Houston. You must register for these events by going to www.familylifeministryhouston.org/wedding-anniversary-jubilee.html

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Brothers if you have children in either Life Teen (Sunday evenings) or Edge(Wednesday evenings), please consider donating an hour and a half of your time to assist with directing traffic & security for the youth of our parish. All that is needed is your presence & a flashlight. For more info contact Deputy GK Charles Boutte' at [281-253-8972](tel:281-253-8972) or charles@onehundredcrosses.com.

Past Events

Sept 12th: Keep Pearland Beautiful Highway Cleanup

Our recent keep Pearland Beautiful Event was highly successful. Thanks to all our brother Knights and their families who attended: Steven Polk, Suzanne Polk, James Polk, Pearson Polk, Ned Talbot, Al Stryk, George Torralba, Paul Webb, Cowboy, Don Lindsey, and Aubrey Semien. Thank you all for your tremendous help with this project.



Oct 9: 2015 Annual Golf Tournament

The KofC 8960 Charity Golf Tournament was held October 9th at Clear Creek Golf Club and was a great success. Congratulations to the team of Mike Norton, Mark Boenisch, Rich Lesak, and Mark Foegelle who took first place honors. Thanks to all who participated, volunteered and sponsored the event; especially National Terrazzo Tile and Marble, Aulds & Garner Tele-Com, and Monarch Printing.



Oct 11: VA Visitation

Thank you to all the brother Knights that came to our most recent VA Visitation. There were 18 brother Knights and their families that showed up to support our heroes!

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28 40 Days for Life	29 40 Days for Life	30 40 Days for Life	1 4th Degree Meeting 40 Days for Life	2 40 Days for Life	3 Pro-Life Rosary Squire's Investiture - Christ the Redeemer Squire Membership Drive
4 Squire Membership Drive	5 40 Days for Life	6 40 Days for Life Officers Meeting	7 40 Days for Life	8 40 Days for Life	9 2015 Charity Golf Tournament 40 Days for Life	10 40 Days for Life
11	12 40 Days for Life	13 40 Days for Life Galveston/Houston Chapter Meeting	14 40 Days for Life	15 40 Days for Life	16 40 Days for Life	17 Knight Membership Drive Missal Reading and Prayer 40 Days for Life White Mass for Health Care Professionals
18 Knight Membership Drive VA Visitation	19 40 Days for Life 1st Degree Event [Host: 12320]	20 40 Days for Life General Council Meeting	21 40 Days for Life	22 40 Days for Life	23 40 Days for Life	24 40 Days for Life 4th Degree Exemplification
25 Annual Fire Fighters Mass Open House	26 40 Days for Life	27 40 Days for Life	28 40 Days for Life	29 40 Days for Life	30 40 Days for Life Vocations for High School Boys Ralph Aulds Sr Reverse Draw	31 40 Days for Life

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1 National Vocations Awareness Week 40 Days for Life	2 National Vocations Awareness Week 40 Days for Life	3 National Vocations Awareness Week Officers Meeting	4 National Vocations Awareness Week	5 4th Degree Meeting National Vocations Awareness Week	6 National Vocations Awareness Week	7 Pro-Life Rosary National Vocations Awareness Week
8	9	10 Galveston/Houston Chapter Meeting	11 6878 1st Degree [Host: 6878]	12 Vocations for Men 18-35	13	14
15	16	17 General Council Meeting	18	19	20	21 Major Degree Missal Reading and Prayer
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 25th Anniversary Wedding Jubilee Mass	30	1 Officers Meeting	2	3 4th Degree Meeting 4th Degree Meeting	4	5 Pro-Life Rosary

