



Knights *focus*

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

Something for the Heart

By Grand Knight Speedy Gonzales

October 2015

A frail old man went to live with his son, daughter-in-law and four year old grandson. The old man's hands trembled, his eyesight was blurred, and his step faltered.

The family ate together at the table, but the elderly grandfather's shaky hands and failing sight made eating difficult. Peas rolled off his spoon onto the floor. When he grasped the glass, milk spilled on the tablecloth. The son and daughter-in-law became irritated with the mess. "We must do something about grandfather," said the son. "I've had enough of his spilled milk, noisy eating, and food on the floor."

So the husband and wife set a small table in the corner. Their Grandfather ate alone while the rest of the family enjoyed dinner. Since grandfather had broken a dish or two, his food was served in a wooden bowl. When the family glanced in grandfather's direction, he sometimes had a tear in his eye as he sat alone. Still, the only words the couple had for him were sharp admonitions when he dropped a fork or spilled food. The four year old watched it all in silence.

One evening before supper, the father noticed his son playing with wood scraps on the floor. He asked the child sweetly, "What are you making?" Just as sweetly the boy responded, "Oh, I am making a little bowl for you and Momma to eat your food from when I grow up." The four year old smiled and went back to work.

The words so struck the parents that they were speechless. Then tears started to stream down their cheeks. Though no words were spoken, both knew what must be done. That evening the husband took grandfather's hand and gently led him back to the family table. For the remainder of his days, he ate every meal with the family. And for some reason, neither husband nor wife seemed to care any longer when a fork was dropped, milk spilled, or the tablecloth soiled.

Children are remarkably perceptive. Their eyes ever observe, their ears ever listen, and their minds ever process the message they absorb. If they see us patiently provide a happy home atmosphere for family members, they will imitate that attitude for the rest of their lives. The wise parent realizes that every day the building blocks are being laid for the child's future.

**Viva Cristo Rey
Speedy Gonzales
Grand Knight**

Upcoming Events

- October 2 – 40 Days For Life Prayer Vigil
- October 4 – Pancake Breakfast
- October 9 – 40 Days For Life Prayer Vigil
- October 12 – On The Border Give Back Night
- October 13 – Monthly Business Meeting
- October 14 – Prolife Rosary
- October 16 – 40 Days For Life Prayer Vigil
- October 18 – Family Picnic
- October 23 – 40 Days For Life Prayer Vigil
- October 24 – Silver Rose at St. Jude
- October 27 – Monthly Planning Meeting
- October 30 – 40 Days For Life Prayer Vigil
- October 31 – Halloween in the Park

On the Border Give Back Night

On The Border Give Back Night Monday October 12th . Eat lunch or dinner and 15% of your bill goes to Council 7736 charities! Must be at On the Border in Mansfield.

MUST TAKE FLYER AND PRESENT IT TO YOUR SERVER.



Knights Family Picnic

Join us for the first annual Knights of Columbus family picnic 10-18 3PM – 7PM!

The council will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, and drinks. Members should sign up to bring a side dish, appetizer, or dessert . Members bring BYOB and folding chairs and if possible canopies for extra shade.



Knights Can Weekend

Our next KNIGHTS CAN Weekend is October 24th. On this weekend, the Knights all make an effort to remember to bring in canned goods for the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Silver Rose at St. Jude

Silver Rose at St. Jude for October 24 5:30 PM Mass. Honor Guard will stand.

The Silver Rose symbolizes the Knights' commitment to restoring respect for the sanctity of human life from conception until natural death. The silver rose icons honor Our Lady of Guadalupe, who made known her will through Juan Diego who in 1531 persuaded a Mexican bishop to build a chapel to honor the Virgin Mary in Mexico by presenting roses given to him during an apparition of Mary.



**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)

10/12 – Council 13363 Arlington

10/22 – Council 15882 Ft. Worth

10/27– Council 8157 Duncanville

10/30 – Council 11423 Ft. Worth

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If you have a lead on a new member

Monthly Awards

Knight of the Month: Joe Shannon

Brother Shannon has been very active in Knights activities. Just last 3 events- Wurstfest, Parish Festival and Golf tournament-he put in many many hours at these events. So Joe, we thank you for your dedication and willingness to help.

Family of the Month: Larry and Nancy Evans

Larry and Nancy Evans the dynamic duo-Numerous ministries like pro-life, Bingo, Eucharistic Ministers, CWO events, Golf tournament, Festival etc.. Thank you both so much for what you do for the Parish



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