

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

#### **Dear Brothers**

#### By Grand Knight Mark Von Plinsky

The month of September was another busy month for our council and many brothers both new and experienced helped out. It began with our praying to end abortion at our memorial to the unborn with Fr. Thu coming to join his new brother knights. Having Wurstfest and Bingo on the same day was challenging, but we made it happen and both were quite successful. The Blue Mass was very impressive with 14 brothers in full regalia and four brothers in their service uniforms. The other main event was the annual St. Jude Parish Festival, it was very hot, but ended well with some very good sales once the sun went down and the band started playing. Thanks to all brother who helped with the knights booth and with the setup and takedown of the entire parish festival. Without the support of our council it would be most difficult to even have a festival. October is beginning with a bang as we host our 2nd annual Golf Tournament, thanks to Lee and his committee for another successful event. We will be receiving the Silver Rose at the 7:30am mass on Sunday October 23rd along with our Corporate Communion, hope to see many of you there. 40 days for Life continues every Friday in October from 8pm – 10pm at Planned Parenthood, please pick a Friday to come and support this worthy event.

You all know how I have been a big supporter of praying to end abortion. My wife, JoAnn, and I have been married for 33 years and we were not blessed with children and I think and pray about it many, many times and ask our Lord why. Children are truly a special gift from God and for babies to be aborted before they have a chance to experience life is tragic. Mother Teresa now St. Teresa of Calcutta as of September 4th the day of her canonization was a very simple, caring and loving person who saw abortion as the

greatest poverty and as the cause of other social problems, including violence. In 1979, upon receiving the Nobel Peace Prize, Mother Teresa said, "To me, the nations who have legalized abortion, they are the poorest nations. They are afraid of the little one, they are afraid of the unborn child, and the child must die because they don't want to feed one more child, to educate one more child." She was relentless in her caring for children and the unborn. Fifteen years later, in 1994, at the National Prayer Breakfast in the US, attended by congressional leaders of both parties and by President and Mrs. Clinton, she made a direct plea to the American people. "I feel that the greatest destroyer of peace today is abortion, because it is a war against a child, a direct killing of the innocent child, murder by the mother herself. And if we accept that a mother can kill even her own child, how can we tell other people not to kill one another?" Now some twenty-two years later we are still killing innocent children, as Knights of Columbus, let's show in numbers that our council believes it is wrong and through our prayers, we believe and know that one day abortion will be no more. So even if you are unable to come out on Friday nights during the 40 Days for Life, please pray the rosary together at home with your family, in support of this very worthy event.

God Bless Each of You and Your families,

#### Vivat Jesus! Mark Von Plinsky Grand Knight

#### October 2016

# **Upcoming Events**

- October 1 7736 Golf Tournament
- October 7 40 Days For Life Prayer Vigil
- October 8 Rosary at Memorial To The Unborn
- October 10 Columbus Day
- October 10– On the Border Give Back Night
- October 11 Monthly Business Meeting
- October 12 Council Rosary St.
  Jude Chapel
- October 14 40 Days For Life
- October 15– Brick Sales
- October 16– Brick Sales
- October 21 40 Days For Life
- October 22– Brick Sales
- October 23 40 Days For Life
- October 23 Silver Rose at St. Jude
- October 23– Brick Sales
- October 23– Family Picnic
- October 25– Monthly Planning Meeting
- October 28 40 Days For Life
- October 29 Halloween in the Park

## On the Border Give Back Night

On The Border Give Back Night Monday October 10th . 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 October 23rd 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.

## **Brick Sales**

We are again selling bricks for the Memorial To The Unborn. We have about 100 slots left to fill. We will be selling them after Mass on October 7th, 8th, 15th, 16th, 22nd and 23rd. Profits from the sale of Pavers will once again go towards a Prolife Charity of the Diocese of Fort Worth

### Silver Rose at St. Jude

Silver Rose at St. Jude for October 23 7:30 AM 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)

10/25 – Council 13470 Arlington

10/25– Council 8157 Duncanville

10/28 – Council 11423 Ft. Worth

**Contact Thomas Scott at** 469-834-5252 TJSCOTT8816@YAHOO.COM If you have a lead on a new member

# Monthly Awards

From being the Master of Ceremonies at the Religious Appreciation Dinner, coordinator of the Honor Guards for Corporate Communions, Blue Mass, Chalice Fund Presentations, Funerals and other activities, Pat is always doing something. He is a regular at the Parish Festival cleanup on Sundays and is the Lecturer for our council. He currently holds a position at the Diocesan level in Texas and just enjoys being a Knight and a valued member in our council.

Family of the Month: The Pressley Family John has been extremely busy over the last several months for our council, he is Grand Knight and Leader of our Councils 1st Degree team, a regular member of Hono Guards standing at St. Jude special masses, auctioneer at the recent Religious Appreciation dinner, organized the pits at the Wurstfest, Fr. George's retirement party and our most Eucharistic ministers. Cindy is an active member of the Lady Knights and recently helped with the building of the beautiful baskets for the Religious Appreciation Dinner that helped raise almost \$5,000. Thanks, to you both for everything you do for St. Jude nd the Knights



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- October 23 Fort Worth 4th Degree Exemplification
- October 23 Silver Rose
- October 23 Brick Sales
- October 23 Family Picnic
- October 25 Monthly Planning Meeting
- October 28 40 Days For Life Prayer Vigil
- October 29 Halloween in the Park?
- October 29 KNIGHTS CAN Weekend
- October 29 Dallas 4th Degree Exemplification
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