



# Knights *focus*

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

Dear Brothers

*By Grand Knight Mark Von Plinsky*

October 2017

Nice job in September my brothers, there is much to celebrate. We completed the painting of Kay's house in Burleson, it took several weeks and the weather did not always cooperate, but I wanted to thank all of you, who came out to help. Our councils Energizer Bunny ( Jim Connor) was there everyday and he just kept going and going and going. Bingo, Pancake breakfast and Theater Arlington's "Bus Stop" parish attendance was not what we would have liked, but thanks to those who helped with those events and let's work to improve parish attendance for future events. An important event, 40 Days for Life kicked off on Wednesday, 9/27 and our first Friday, 9/29 was pretty well attended with seven persons praying, there is plenty of room for more, for the remaining Friday's from 8-10pm. See website and future emails for address, approximately 30 minutes from St. Jude. Our 3rd annual charity Golf tournament went very well, it was a beautiful day, and everyone was having fun and my hats off to the Golf Committee, for their tireless efforts, in making it a huge success and to the volunteers who worked so hard to make it a special day for everyone.

The highlights for October, council business meeting on Tuesday the 10th, Coats 4 Kids – collections begin the second weekend in October (look for the BIG collection box in the narthex), we have a 1st Degree scheduled for Thursday the 19th (reach out a hand and invite someone to join our GREAT council and Order), Holy Family Christmas cards go on sale this month as well (10 cards for \$10) and 40 Days for Life continue each Friday. To end the month, we have Halloween in the Park

on Saturday the 28th, followed by our St. Jude Festival on Sunday the 29th, the Feast Day of St. Jude. MANY, MANY volunteer ops for ALL Brothers. We need mass captains for Knights CAN collections and Coats 4 Kids pickup, please let me know if you can help. For these and other items of interest visit our website [www.kofc7736.org](http://www.kofc7736.org) or look for event emails. Get involved, get to know your fellow Brothers and have some Knights fun.

Each month you all impress me more and more and we have much to be proud of, some of you would like to do more, but with family commitments, children's schedules, work it's not always possible. I look around the church each week and see how active you all are as: Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Lectors, Teachers, RCIA instructors, Food Pantry Volunteers, Festival volunteers, money counters, in addition to all of our Knights events, very impressive. The second reading this past Sunday really hit home with me, as I'm sure it did for many of you, it was from: Philippians Chapter 2 where St. Paul said: Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others. Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus. I see many of you living that way for your family, church and your GOD. Keep it up !!!!!  
**God Bless America and the Knights of Columbus !!**

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

## Upcoming Events

- October 6 – 40 Days for Life
- October 7 – Rosary at Memorial To The Unborn
- October 9 – Columbus Day
- October 10 – Monthly Business Meeting
- October 11 – Council Rosary - St. Jude Chapel
- October 13 – 40 Days for Life
- October 14 – Coats for Kids Collection
- October 15– Coats for Kids Collection
- October 19 – Admission Degree in Mansfield
- October 20 – 40 Days for Life
- October 21 – Coats for Kids Collection
- October 22 – Coats for Kids Collection
- October 27 – 40 Days For Life
- October 28 – Holy Family Christmas Card Sales
- October 28 – Halloween in the Park
- October 29 – St. Jude Festival

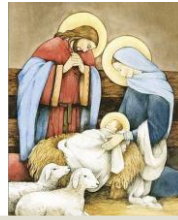
## Coats for Kids

Coats for Kids program throughout October and 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.



## Holy Family Christmas Cards

After all masses starting October 28 help sell Holy Family Christmas Cards.



## Admission Degree Mansfield

Our council will be having a Admission Degree on Thursday October 19<sup>th</sup> from 7PM to 9PM, as Brother, please make every effort to attend and support the candidates who will join our brotherhood at this time.

**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 8512  
N. Richland Hills

10/19 – Council 7736  
Mansfield

10/27 – Council 11423  
Ft. Worth

Contact Roger Cosby at  
210-834-0662  
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If you have a lead on a new member

## October 29 – St. Jude Festival



## Monthly Awards

**Knight of the Month – Jim Connor**

They say Good things come in small packages, and Jim fits that to a T. From his volunteer hours throughout the Mansfield community, to his countless hours of dedication to the Knights. You can always count on Jim, rolling up his sleeves and getting involved. "Jim we appreciate everything you do". Semper Fidelis

**Family of the Month - Mark and JoAnn Von Plinsky**

This month's family has a list of accomplishments longer than the State of Georgia. We are very lucky and very appreciative of all the ongoing work, and sacrifices, our Grand Knight Mark and Lead Lady Knight JoAnn have contributed. As a council and parish we are continuing to grow closer to God, and to each other. Mark and JoAnn have been instrumental in this process. Von Plinsky's, we know you weren't born in Texas, but you came as quick as you can. Thank You for everything you do!

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October 24 - Monthly Planning Meeting

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