

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2016



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DATE	EVENT	TIME & PLACE
9/1/2016, Thurs	Mass/Presentation/General Meeting	7:00 pm, Christopher Hall
9/3/2016, Sat	Monthly Rosary	4:30 pm - Church
9/4/2016, Sun	Squires Meeting	9:00 am - Christopher Hall
9/5/2016, Mon	Labor Day	
9/7/2016, Wed	CHOC Meeting	7:00 pm, Christopher Hall
9/8/2016, Thurs	Assembly 3018 Meeting	7:00 pm, Christopher Hall
9/11/2016, Sun	Blood Drive	8 am to 2 pm, Christopher Hall
9/14/2016 Wed	Chapter Meeting	7:00 pm, Holy Trinity 20523 Heubner Rd.
9/15/2016, Thurs	Officers Meeting	7:00 pm, Christopher Hall
9/17 & 18/2016, Sat & Sun	Skeet Ticket Sales/KC Deaf Charities Collections	Outside Corner / Every Mass, 2 nd Collection
9/18/2016, Sun	Open House	8:30 to 6:30 , Christopher Hall
9/24/2016, Sat	Forth Degree Exemplification	8:00 am, Holy Trinity – 20523 Huebner Rd, 78258
9/27/2016, Tues	1 st Degree	7:00 pm Christopher Hall
9/30/2016, Fri	Chicken BBQ	12:30 Prep-Kitchen

4th DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

To all Major Degree Knights, here is your opportunity to advance to your 4th Degree. The Holy Trinity (20523 Huebner Rd, 78258) has scheduled the 4th Degree Exemplification for September 24th.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email Joe A. Rodriguez (joerod2929@yahoo.com) or Lawrence Zoller of our Council (lzoller@satx.rr.com). Form 4 needs to be filled out and signed by our Assembly Officers in time for it to be received by the Master of the District no later than September 16. It is suggested that those of you that wish to go for your 4th Degree that you submit a filled out copy of Form 4 for our council's approval by September 7. To receive information regarding the exemplification process and a copy of Form 4, contact Lawrence Zoller.

CHAPTER MEETING AT CHRISTOPHER HALL

The August 17 Chapter meeting at St. Mark's Christopher Hall, covered many interesting topics and was very well attended as pictured below with SK Pedro Webber providing a presentation on the unique advantages of life insurance with the Knights of Columbus.



Our PGK Sam Szalwinski, the **State Wheelchair Chairman**, gave a presentation at the Chapter meeting regarding this year's progress towards obtaining the much needed funds for the wheelchair project. He urged all of the Councils in our archdiocese to increase their efforts for the project.

As PGK Sam Szalwinski presented this year's objective for the **wheelchair project**, GK Javier Martinez of the St. Gerard's K of C Council made a donation of \$800 to the project (see below). This donation increased our Archdiocese total funding for the project to \$2,500. In comparison to the \$8,000 funding thus far obtained by the State K of C, our Archdiocese is so far doing quite well. However, much more effort is required for our Archdiocese to obtain at least \$30,000 needed for a goal of obtaining 200 wheelchairs at \$150 per wheelchair.



**PGK Sam Szalwinski receiving Wheelchair Donation
From GK Javier Martinez of the St. Gerard's K of C Council**

KNIGHTS OF SONG

A most wonderful demonstration of the ability that our Brother Knights have as professional entertainers was provided at our August 4 Council meeting. A recording of this entertainment can be seen from the following web site: <https://youtu.be/jGRt54F6joQ> (to see and hear this you have to highlight it, "right click" on it, and "left click" on **Open Hyperlink**).

SK Lyle Bird encourages all of you who would like to try out your natural talent of singing with the **Knights of Song** to join this great group of fun. The group meets once a month under the direction of the groups singing coach, the talented Wally Mika. Christopher Hall is the usual meeting place. If you have questions regarding the group and/or the time, place and date for the next meeting, call SK Lyle Bird (872-1345).

Brother Knights, you are encouraged to join the **Knights of Song** in their once a month practice. You will find it as a new and exciting experience.

BLOOD DRIVE

Our St Marks Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Blood Drive on Sunday, September 11, in Christopher Hall from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm. This *GIFT OF LIFE* is not only in support of our community, but especially for particular ones of our St Mark's parish. The need for blood is constant and your support is requested for providing this *GIFT OF LIFE* to those of such need.

Family and friends who are in good health are all encouraged to participate in this blood drive. With a parental consent form, anyone 16 years of age that weighs at least 120 pounds are considered as a good candidate. Anyone 17 years of age that weighs at least 110 pounds are also good candidates. There is no upper age limit.

There is no cost to donate blood at the blood drive station and it only takes about one-hour of your time to provide this *GIFT OF LIFE*. In fact, doctors say that it is actually good for your own health to donate blood.

To change your category from a "potential blood donor" to an "approved blood donor", you must present your photo identification, last four digits of your social security number, and your birth date.

While waiting, you and your friends will be provided packaged snacks, fresh fruit and fruit drinks, cookies, donuts, decaffeinated coffee, and water.

St MARK'S HOEDOWN

The St Mark's Hoedown was a huge success. See below a picture of Msgr Cowboy Kevin and the master of ceremony Edward, singing Happy Birthday to Dot Hamlin. Also shown in the singing is Velma Williams and Mrs. Shannon.



ASSEMBLY 3018 FAMILY POT LUCK SOCIAL GATHERING

As indicated in the following photographs, this social gathering on August 11 was full of enjoyment, visitations, and entertainment.



FN Ron Hrcir in his humorous as usual way, is welcoming us all to this gathering



Can you believe this, Zappie (in the white shirt) is actively working and attending after gall bladder removal the day before.



Deacon Steve and Frank Perri selecting the Winner of the 50/50 door prize



Deacon Steve congratulating Mrs. Hrcir as the 50/50 door prize winner



Lyle Bird entertaining us in his most wonderful musical way

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT - FENCE STAINING FOR ST MARK'S

An excellent presentation was made at the August 4 General Meeting of our Council by Jacob Rokey (pictured below). Jacob's presentation provided a detailed plan with cost estimates for performing the necessary work to stain all of St Mark's west campus fencing. Jacob, a Boy Scout in Troup 500, has set up this plan as his Eagle Scout project. The Council donated \$1,500 to St Mark to assist Jacob with his Eagle Project.



"Life Scout" Jacob Rokey presenting his Eagle Scout Fencing Project

AWARDS & ACKNOWLEDGMENTS



Michael Bauer, receiving his New Member Badge



Royce Groff receiving his 2nd & 3rd Degree Certificates



Knight of the Month SK Al Gil



PGK/SK Sam Szalwinsky receiving "Family of the Year Award"



Bill Schlegel receiving "Appreciation Certificate for His Program Mgr Duties"



SK Anthony Langford receiving "Certificate of Appreciation for His Advocate Duties"



SK Pete Blozis receiving "Certificate of Appreciation for His Family Dir Duties"



PGK Brian Nelson receiving "Certificate of Appreciation for Maintaining the KC Website"



Deacon Steve Marques receiving “Certificate Of Appreciation for Leadership of Scholarship Committee”



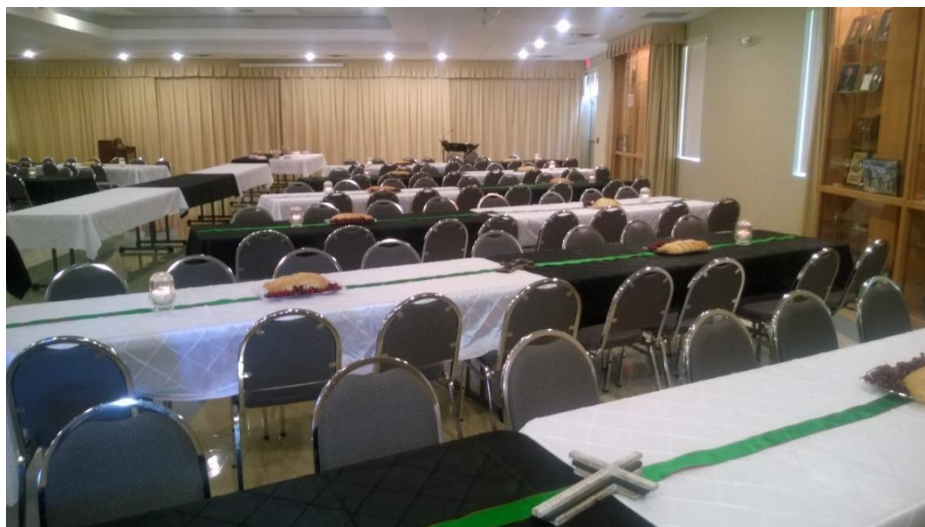
Ken Macinga receiving “Certificate of Appreciation for His Spiritual Dir Duties”

THE NINTH ANNUAL SEMINARIAN DINNER

This was a wonderful Seminarian Dinner sponsored by our Council 7613. Dinner was served for the 21 Seminarists shown below. Many of the Seminarists present are from Central America, India, Mexico, and the USA. This Annual Seminarian dinner was attended by about 130 Knights, Priests, and guests.



As shown below, the decorations were provided by Marian Whitley, Barbara Thabet and Marilyn Hrcir and at no charge, Carmen Molina set up all the tables with her company's table cloths.



Many thanks go to Marian Whitley, Barbara Thabet, Marian Hrcir, and Carmen Molina for setting up the table cloths and decorations

We thank all of you that attended, brought baked/cooked food and stayed to clean up. We especially appreciate PGK/Trustee Edward Garcia for cooking and serving the brisket. As shown below, we all served ourselves to a great selection of food and as shown, enjoyed the social advantage of the meal.



One bit of fun we had as a participating audience is our involvement in a contest between the Knights and Seminararians (hosted by GK Ysau Flores) to see “Who’s Smarter than a Seminarian?”. Shown below is a view of the contestants. The three on the left are the Knights and the three on the right are the Seminararians. Who won – who knows.



We all enjoyed the relaxing toe-tipping music provided by our own Maestro Lyle Bird and SK Josh Frilling – both shown in action below.



Lyle Bird



SK Josh Frilling

NEW KITCHEN EQUIPMENT

Thanks to brother Knight Daniel Alderete for his successful search and acquisition of the new kitchen equipment (shown below). This equipment would normally have cost \$12,500, but through Daniel's diligent search was able to obtain the equipment for \$2,500 from the "Scratch N Dent Superstore". Funding for this purchase was from a \$5,000 KC donation to St Mark's for the purchase.



KNIGHTS FAMILY COMMUNION

Many of our Knights that attended and participated in this most successful and enjoyable family communion at Mass on August 28 are pictured below. As shown in the second photograph, the family communion was well attended in the front pews of the 10 am Mass.



The following photographs show SK Roy Pearson with his wife Sandra and SK Pete Blozis and his wife Sheridan being recognized for their successful marriage for many years. SK Roy and Sandra Pearson celebrated their 50th and SK Pete and Sheridan Blozis celebrated their 54th year of marriage.



SK PETE AND SHERIDAN BROUGHT THE BREAD AND WINE GIFTS



**SK PETE & SHERIDAN BLOZIS AND SK ROY & SANDRA PEARSON
BEING BLESSED ON THEIR WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

LYLE BIRD AND ST MARK'S LION MASCOT AT FAITH FEST

