

DISCOVERER

Knights of Columbus Council #3412

Praise & Worship

Is it ever hard trying to find good songs to listen to and sing with the Family? Well if it is, look no further! Every month we are going to post a new Christian Friendly song for you to check out and Jam with the Fam! This month we have a beautiful song that relates to our message. It's called, "Captain" by Hillsong United. The link with the video and lyrics is right below. Enjoy!

https://youtu.be/6_oR5Twx-RU

Help!

Brothers, when Fr. McGivney started this organization, his intention was to ensure that the families of the church were taken care of if the male was no longer alive to provide. So today, I'm asking for your help. Just like Fr. McGivney made it his mission to take care of widowed families, we need to make it ours and check on the widows of deceased members from our council. If any of our veteran members can help me put a master list together, please contact me. Let's do our part to make sure they are taken care of.



Grand Knight's Report

Hello Brothers,

As I reflect back to when I first joined the Knights of Columbus, back in December of 2018, I keep asking myself, how did I get here? Did I just happen to be the first one to volunteer for the DGK position or is this the true path that the Lord has set specifically for me?

Well, I can tell you that after years of praying and talking to God, I truly feel like I am exactly where I am supposed to be in life. No matter what I may have or own, it does not matter at all! What I do have is more peace, inner happiness and most importantly, a better relationship with God. We can all achieve these things by doing exactly what we are all called to do. That is to put our total faith in Him.

My brothers, I am truly blessed to be in this position today and I am extremely grateful that you all have elected me to lead OUR



Chicken Fundraiser

On Sunday, August 30th, we will have our next Barbecued chicken fundraiser. We need help for all shifts so please let us know if you can help out. We are only 2 weeks away so the sooner we get shifts filled up, the better.

We will sell chickens at 2 separate locations. The Columbus Club Hall and at Cash America Pawn on Court St. Tickets are \$7 each and we also have pre-sale tickets available. Let us know if you can sell some so we can get the tickets to you asap.

With no events going on, we must try to take advantage of each fundraiser we have. Let's make it our goal to sell every chicken we cook. With enough help and word of mouth, I know we could easily do it.

council for the next year and maybe even 2 years. As I eluded above, I really believe the Lord has put me here for a reason. Just like how he has put you all here, in our council, for a reason. I'm sure when you all decided to join, there was some sort of reason why. Maybe you were looking to do more community activities, Church functions, fundraisers or maybe you were just looking for some good Catholic Brothers. Whatever the reason may have been, just remember to never forget it. God has placed us ALL here for a reason. We each have a purpose for this council. Some will play larger roles while others may have a small one. Whatever it may be, we should pray about it and ask God if this is really something we are called to do. I can guarantee you from experience, that he will always lead you in the right direction. This is not just a call to get everyone to sign up for the chicken fundraiser. It's a call for you to pray about and find the purpose that God has made for you. We must give more diligence in making his salvation sure to our souls.

As I was writing this, I came across one of Paul's exhortations to Timothy that relates to this message. ² Timothy 1:6-14

6 For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. **7** For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline. **8** So do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord or of me, his prisoner. Rather, join with me in suffering for the gospel, by the power of God. **9** He has saved us and called us to a holy life-not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time, **10**

but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior, Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. **11** And of this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher. **12**

That is why I am suffering as I am. Yet this is no cause for shame, because I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him until that day. **13** What you heard from me, keep as the pattern of sound teaching, with faith and love in Christ Jesus. **14** Guard the good deposit that was entrusted to you-guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

Brothers, let us not be ashamed to say yes to whatever he has

called us to do. We all have the Holy Spirit within, to help us and guide us. The Lord brought us all together as a council, a team and a brotherhood. We come from all walks of life because He welcomes everyone who believes in Him. So brothers, I must ask you once again to please put your total faith in Him, and let him lead you in the right direction. Although it may be scary to try different things, he will never let you fail.

Thank you for taking the time to read this. I look forward to reaching new goals and making our council better everyday with each one of you. Hope you all have a great Sunday! God Bless!

-Jericho Lomas, Grand Knight

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BARBECUED WHOLE CHICKEN FUNDRAISER

SUNDAY
AUGUST
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Council #3412

All proceeds will
help fund our
various charity
programs.



If you would like to purchase pre-sale tickets, please
contact Jericho Lomas @ (830) 556-8269

Sunday, August 30th
8am-2pm
@ The Columbus Club Hall
-1015 S. Austin St. &
@ Cash America Pawn
-1111 E. Court St.
\$7 Each
Come out and see why our chicken is
“City Famous!”

Say hello to our new Members and Transfers!

Adam Molina, Transfer from Council 16748

Christian Molina, New Member

Dimas Rodriguez, Transfer from Council 16748

Aaron Ramos, New Member

Fr. Stan Fiuk, Transfer from La Vernia, New Council Chaplain

Joseph Zimmer, New District Deputy

Fall Festival

This year the St. James Fall Festival will be all virtual. The only thing that will be in person is their plate sale. They will have a drive-thru setup at the Columbus Club Hall on September, 20th. It will be a half chicken plate. Just like in past years, we will be in charge of cooking the chickens. This is only 3 weeks after our chicken fundraiser. So let us know soon if you can help out with either one or both.

For more information on the Fall Festival, please visit the Link below.

<http://saintjamescc.org/fall-festival-2020/>





Supreme Chaplain's Challenge

A monthly reflection and practical challenge from Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

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"No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him." Mt 11:27

Have you ever known a man who was just like his father — who not only looked like him, but also acted, spoke and thought like him? Jesus is the very image of his Father and reveals the Father to us. By striving to know God the Son more intimately — through prayer, the mass, the sacraments and Scripture — we also come to know God more intimately. May we better understand the Father's love for us and model our own fatherhood after his.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to commit to at least one hour each week in prayer before Jesus in the tabernacle, spending some of this time meditating on God the Father. Second, I challenge you to work with your brother Knights to implement the Faith in Action Holy Hour Program in order to help others grow closer to Christ.

Knight of the Month

For the month of July, I have elected Walter E. Ritchie as our Knight of the Month. Walter is a great example of what it means to be a Knight. He has helped the Columbus Club cut down on electricity use at the hall and found other ways to lower their expenses. He constantly volunteers to help out any way he can, by cleaning, organizing and even sometimes, fixing problems. As a Knight, Walter stayed true to his character and really stepped up in July. He donated ten fans to Fr. Greg's Fan Drive and he helped a fellow Brother Knight who was in need of assistance. Without hesitation, he quickly answered the call to help someone in need. How often do we do that? Not with each other but out in our daily lives. He most certainly didn't do any of this for recognition. He just simply followed the image of God.

So with that being said, help me in congratulating our Knight of the Month, Walter E. Ritchie!



Monthly Reflection

Brothers, if you have not already done so, I would like to invite you all to take some time and watch the "Into the Breach" video series on the Knights of Columbus Website. Link Is posted below.

<https://www.kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html>

The Knights created a video series to answer the question of what it means to be a man and how to live as a man in today's world. After I watched a few videos, I quickly felt inspired by the Holy Spirit to write my own reflection. Not sure of when I would send it, I left it in my notes. About a week or so after that, I get an email from Liz Sedlacek asking if I had seen the Supreme Chaplain's article in the Columbia magazine.

I had not, so I went to go read it and I immediately recognized the message. It was very similar to the reflection I just wrote. Why am I explaining this? Well, brothers, this is not just a coincidence.

This is the Lord actively working in our lives to show you how important this message is. What it means to be a dad, a father and a leader. Liz felt that this message was important too and she went with her feeling to send it to me. And just for good measure, the Lord put this message again in my life, in a conversation with Deacon Victor. He wanted to make sure I relayed it to everyone.

Here is our Monthly reflection:

Don't be afraid to make yourself more vulnerable to God.

We feel like the phrase "let go and let God" might not really apply to us. We can say it and maybe not live it as much. As men, we really don't like asking for help from anyone. Not even God! We think, "oh I got it," or "I'm not worried about it." But deep down it's probably creating a lot of unwanted, unnecessary anxiety. This is pretty much engrained in our DNA. We are the providers and protectors. It is up to us to be that leader in our family and be great men.

One thing we must understand though, is that WE CAN NOT DO IT ALONE! I'm sorry to say it brothers, but you can't do everything. I'm sure some of your wives would agree with that statement as well. But, this is exactly where being more vulnerable to God comes into play. We all go through trials and tribulations. We have our own set of problems to navigate through in our life as we try to do our best living FOR GOD and being that example.

I must ask you though, what are you doing to be that example, spiritually, for your loved ones? Just to put it in perspective, I can tell you that as I was growing up, I had several beautiful examples of how to live a life full of prayer and faith. Three of them were women and one was a man. Now think, who were those good examples for you in your life? Did you have any? What were some of the things they did that influenced you?

The greatest influence in my life would probably be my dad's mom. My beautiful grandmother, Aurora Lomas. I can honestly say that I have not seen anyone come close to her spirituality level. We may not have had much growing up but it was her that made us feel extremely blessed to have someone so loving in our lives.

Each night I would hear her just pouring out her heart and soul to God. So much that she would be crying her eyes out every single night. She was praying for everyone in our Family and for anyone who needed help. It was so inspiring to see how much Faith she had in God. That not matter what, he was going to answer her prayers. Sometimes I would mute the TV just to hear her. She just had so much love for all of us. That beautiful Grandmother's love.

So brothers think, do you see more men or women in your life influencing your spiritual journey? It is my opinion that if we become more vulnerable showing that trust and faith in God, that we could greatly influence our families, churches, communities and even world. As men, think about how much power that holds? Teaching our little ones how to fully give yourself to god and how to live it daily.

I'm sure at one point most of us have thought, "I want to be just like my dad." As a kid we say it, not knowing what it means to be "just like dad." Now if I heard that from my kid I'd probably be thinking, "Please don't, son. Be better than me!" But again, think about the power of that statement. They are so impressed and influenced by us that they want to be, just like us!

Now we get to the point where we must pray and think about what we are doing to not just say how we should be living, but actually live it out every chance we get. Are we thanking God for another day as we wake up or do we immediately grab our phone? Do we pray as a family before meals? Do we fully live out the statement, "let go and let God?" Little things like this are what we can do to help shape a better family, church and community. Of course this is just the first step. It's takes a lot more work to be an even bigger impact.

If there's anything you take from this, just remember, start praying more, trusting god more and showing your family how to truly live that. Always putting him first in your life. Everything else will fall into place after that. Just as He always intended.

Now Brothers, will you take that first step? Will you be that example in your family, our council or community? Making yourself vulnerable and Listening to where He is calling you. Will you answer that call?

-Jericho Lomas, Grand Knight

August Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Officer's Meeting 7pm	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 Council Meeting 7pm	10	11	12	13	14	15 Council Audit Form Due
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 Season Chickens 11am	29 First shift 10pm-4am
30 Chicken Fundraiser 2nd Shift 4am-10am	31					

Upcoming

September 7th- Officer meeting 7pm

September 14th- Council Meeting 7pm

September 19th-20th- St. James Fall Festival

August Birthdays

Paul J. Bissing 8/1/33

Valentin Luna III 8/2/81

Robert F. Stoeltje 8/4/36

Brian T. Belicek 8/7/80

Walter E. Ritchie 8/7/47

Hipolito Gonzalez 8/8/63

James P. Blair 8/11/65

Edward D. Castillo 8/12/27

Scott A. Winkler 8/13/88

Joel J. Jupe 8/15/59

Danny J. Heard 8/22/65

Darrell J. Neinast 8/23/70

Nicholas H. Janysek 8/26/83

Darwin R. Ahrens 8/27/60

Bucky A. Kalina 8/28/68

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Scott A. Kolbe 8/31/65



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