



The Knightly News



Knights of Columbus Marion Council 9522
Manchester Missouri

January 2016

Grand Knight's Korner

Greeting to all! I want to thank all the Knights for their outstanding volunteer efforts this past month, and we are very thankful that our Roses for Life bus were kept safe in the Pennsylvania blizzard and made it safely back home!

With January behind us now, we enter **February**, the shortest month of the year, but still filled with activity. Please note the change in date for **Felice Coeurs**. This month's dance is on **February 6th** to avoid conflict with Valentines Day and features a Valentines theme. Next up on the calendar is our **Business Meeting** on **February 11th**. The **Soup Kitchen** will happen twice this month, **February 8th & 29th**. **2nd/3rd degree Ceremonies**: February 21, 2016 at 1:30 pm at Incarnate Word. **February 25th** is on the schedule for our **Planning Meeting**.

The parish is still needing help in all areas for the upcoming **Lenten Fish Fries**, especially frying in the garage, and we will need volunteers to man the beer booth. The next **Family Mass** is scheduled for Sunday, March 13 at 9:00 AM. Breakfast to follow at American Legion Hall. March is on the way! The **4th degree** induction ceremony will be March 5, 2016. Members who are to be inducted should have applications submitted prior to the next Council General meeting. Another **recruitment event** is planned for March 2016 during March Madness at TJ Wings on Vance Rd.

Finally, just a reminder, our **Business meetings start promptly at 7:30 PM**. It is my hope that you have a blessed month, and stay active in your council.

Rob Libera, Grand Knight

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"Let us always meet each other with smile, for the smile is the beginning of love."

Mother Teresa



News

Felice Couers Party

Felice Coeurs is February 6th at St. Clare of Assisi, consider joining the party. This month's theme is Valentines Day. There is a lot of joy to be had by helping these developmentally disabled adults interact together.



2nd And 3rd Degree

All 1st degree members are encouraged to become a 2nd and 3rd Degree member. February features a 2nd and 3rd Degree ceremony near us. Join us on February 21, 2016 at 1:30 pm at Incarnate Word.

A 4th Degree Exemplification is scheduled for March 5th.



Business Meeting

Our Business Meeting is on the **February 11th** beginning at **7:30 PM**.

Soup Kitchen

The monthly **Soup Kitchen** is Monday the 8th and a second on the 29th, meet at the American Legion Hall to carpool at 7:30 AM.

Planning meeting

Rounding out January is the Planning meeting on **February 25th** which starts at **7:00 PM**.

Bartenders

There is a need for bartenders at the Parish Fish Fries. Contact Larry Moore for more information.



Fish Fry

Help will be needed throughout the Fish Fry Season. Sign up on line, at the rear of Church or in the Church Office.



Please watch this page for activities we do, that might interest you. Ours is an organization dedicated to the Church and it's people.





In the Spirit

LOVE

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” That's from the Bible, the Gospel of John Chapter 3 verse 16. And Love, actually charity, is another of our pillars. Love begets charity and we Knights constantly work to do charitable things.

Love is also more personal when it comes to our wives. We committed to them our love, and passion. This month is also Valentine's Day, please remember them! It's not about the flowers or the chocolates, although they are great symbols, but is about our gratitude for their constant revival of our soul. Love brings love in our children. I'm not sure of the rest of you, but my revival was when my son was born many years ago. I knew I loved my wife, when I looked at this tiny thing it immediately caused prayer to fill my self. How could God not exist? I understood, at least partially, God's love for us, his children. And just how important the opening Bible quote is.

The next in line is to realize that all people are someone's child. That someone loves them as much as I love my children. We need to love all God's children. As Knights we do this through our works. The soup kitchen, Felice Couers, Tootsie roll sales, Scout donations, time donations to our Parish Community to work Fish Fries, Giving Sunday, or other events are just a few examples of our attempt to love as God does.

Deacon Larry on several occasions has asked us to hold our wives hands in Church, isn't this a great symbol of love? Does it not tell her how important she is to you? And while she loves chocolates and flowers, do you think she loves you more? Are we not one? No longer individuals, we are one. It is that oneness that brought our children, who are neither me or her, but us, even genetic scientists would tell you that! It is that oneness that allows for us to grow and advance. It is that oneness that fulfills our souls. Gives us a reason to live.

Love is God's greatest gift. His love for us flows outward to all people. Our love must sustain him, we love by doing good acts, especially for those with less than us. As Mother Teresa put it so well “Let us always meet each other with smile, for the smile is the beginning of love.”



Birthdays



MICHAEL	PHIPPS		Feb 01
JAMES	ROBINSON		Feb 02
DAVID	COYNE		Feb 04
THOMAS	HELLER		Feb 04
GREGORY	TATE		Feb 08
DOMINICUS	UTAMA		Feb 09
PATRICK	LAWLER		Feb 14
SCOTT	KASTING		Feb 16
JOHN	SCHILLING		Feb 23
GEORGE	CHASE		Feb 24
RONALD	HANTAK		Feb 24
MARTIN	LONGO		Feb 24
STEPHEN	MOSBACHER		Feb 25

Felice Cuores Party Time

A party for adults, age 18 and older, who are physically handicapped or are developmentally disabled.

***St. Clare of Assisi School Cafeteria
15642 Clayton Road
Ellisville, MO 63011***

3 ½ miles West of Hwy 141; ½ mile East of Clarkson

7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

*\$5.00 includes SounSational DJ/snacks/soda/door prizes
(refreshments served from 7:20 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.)*

2015

September 12, October 10, November 14, December 12

September—Welcome Back

October – Halloween Party – wear your costume

November --Thanksgiving

December – Christmas Party with Santa

2016

January 9, February 6, March 12, April 9, May 14

January – Welcome in the New Year

February – Valentine Party

March – Celebrate the Cardinals--wear Cardinal Red

April – Hawaiian Luau

May – Patriotic Celebration — wear your red, white, & blue

*For additional information call
Bill or Jan Lukas (636) 537-9801
Gerry Villaire (636) 391-1620*

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Assisi parish*

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And we have a local agent, Jim O'Connell. Jim would be happy to sit down with you

and look at options, based on your need. You can contact Jim by phone at (314)774-1320 or send him an email at : JAMES.OCONNELL@KOFC.ORG