# **KNIGHTLY NEWS**



#### Columbian Council #2191

Feb 2020



Dear Brothers -

Did you make a New Year's Resolution, and if so have you been able to keep your Resolution. We all have Dreams and Wishes; we all want to be Healthier & Wiser and see our families grow in Love and



Charity. The New Year just started so there's still time to get back on track or start your resolution. Now that we are about to start our Lenten season the church is offering all types of opportunities to waken us spiritually.

One of the programs our churches are offering us is a program called Exodus 90. Commit to praying one hour each day, break it up into three twenty minute sessions and lead your family in prayer for one of those periods. At Holy Cross there is a study program available to learn more about St. Joseph. I will join with my wife.

The Knights of Columbus is a family organization with a wonderful bond between its members. Also we have the opportunity to bring our families to Church on Sundays where we can share our faith and be healthier in our hearts and minds.

Let's start the year fresh with a clean slate. Look back upon last year and see what you missed and think about where you are going. Lent is just starting and we have the opportunity to reignite our spiritual lives.

I am truly enjoying the fellowship and bond that has been created with the Knights of Columbus and with my TMIY group that meets Saturday morning. Every week creates a new question that opens the soul and allows you to share with your friends the challenges we all face in life. This can be your resolution to come out and enjoy a light breakfast with friends as we hear stories that affect each and every one of us.

God Bless, Kevin Callahan



## Fr Rico's Mass at Holy Cross, GK

We were able to have a Honor Guard for our Chaplain Father Rico Paril's last mass at Holy Cross. I want to thank everyone that participated both in Honor Guard and for those that attended wearing their Knights of Columbus shirts. We had a fantastic turnout, possibly the largest display of Sir Knights in the new uniform for the entire Diocese. It was a proud day for our Council. Nearby is a photo from the event.

Joining the Honor Guard is the main reason for being a member of the 4th degree. It shows respect to our priests during the masses, as well as respect to the family's of our fallen brothers at their wake.

I also want to personally thank Commander Bill Dugan and

Troy Gower for coming out to help us get organized and trained for the mass so that we were all able to put our best foot forward and represent the council in a dignified manner. If you would like to join the 4th degree, let me know since there is an opportunity on **February 22nd** in Lisle, IL.. Kevin Callahan 630-235-6456

# New Council Chaplin, Fr. Mio

Fr. Mio of Holy Cross is our new Chaplin. Please welcome him to the Council and thank him for his willingness to be part of the Knights. We look forward to his presence and guidance.

# Reverse Raffle, Friday, Feb 21

This is a Social Gathering party for adults. You could win \$5,000 and many other cash prices!

Raffle Tickets are \$125 each and include food & drinks at the Raffle Drawing which will be held February 21. We will not have our Car Raffle this spring, so please consider joining us for this fun event.

Limited tickets will be sold at \$125 each and include the opportunity to win \$5,000 plus several other cash prizes. See added Raffle details on the next page. This is a social event that will include Food & Drinks, plus you can setup your own card game for Texas Hold'em, Poker, Rummy, or another game.

The Event Date is the last Friday before Lent – February 21st at Riverview Banquet (KC Hall on Rt. 25). If you need a Ticket or two call Kevin, 630-235-6456. — More on Pg 2.





## Upcoming Events Basketball Free Throw Contest, Feb 22 at Holy Cross

This event is open to Boys and Girls from our Council. It will be hosted in the Holy Cross Gym on Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> There will be Certificates of Achievement as well as Medals for the top contestants. If you can help... please contact Chris Howland, Cph4Business@Comcast.net

# Lenten Fish Frys



## Friday Fish Fry at KC hall

Dates are Feb 28, March 6, 13, 20, & 27, April 3. Serving from 5:00pm to 8:00pm.

Menu - Fried Cod, Baked Cod, Fried Cat Fish, Breaded Shrimp, Rigatoni Alla Vodka, Vegetables, French Fries, Hush Puppies, Salad, Dessert, plus soda or coffee. All you can eat. Cash bar.. Adults \$15.00 (12 yrs +); Children (ages 5 - 12yrs), \$7.00; Kids 4 yrs & under free

## Friday Fish Fry at St Peter

Feb. 28th, March 13th, 20th, 27th & April 3rd, After 5:30pm Stations of the Cross (6:00pm) until 8:00pm Price - \$10.00 adults (12 yrs +), \$5.00 children 50(ages 5 - 11yrs), 4 yrs & under free. Cash Bar - beer, wine & soda pop

Menu- Fried Cod, Baked Cod, Fried Cat Fish, Breaded Shrimp, Rigatoni Alla Vodka, Green Beans, Cole slaw, French Fries, Hush Puppies, Dessert.

## Special Needs Mass, Mar 15, 4pm at Holy Cross

Another new program, a mass designed and centered around those with Special Needs. Every year we raise funds for Intellectual Disabilities through our Tootsie Roll Drive. Let's go a step further and invite them to join us for mass on Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> 4:00pm at Holy Cross.

It can be hard for those members of society who are disabled or have other special needs to attend mass due to physical or social barriers. Let's openly invite them and reach out to friends and family with special needs so they feel welcome and a part of our church.

Do you know someone that would benefit from this experience? Do they have a special talent that they would like to openly share such as singing or being an usher for the mass? We will follow the mass with a light dinner in Donovan Hall. Send me a note if you can help or know of someone who would like more information. Kevin Callahan.

# Easter Egg hunt and bunny visit April 4

## at Holy Cross

On Saturday April 4 we will have the annual egg hunt and visit by the Easter Bunny. This year the event is planned to take place at Holy Cross. John Emerson



#### <u>Reverse Raffle Fundraiser</u> Columbian Club Hall...1117 N. Washington Ave. (RT.25) Batavia 6:30pm – Cocktails, Raffle Start at 7pm – 9pm Friday, February 21, 2020



Reverse Raffle tickets are available for purchase @ \$125. Ticket includes: Reverse Raffle Entry Ticket, Appetizers/ Dinner and two drinks (Beer or Wine). Raffle only Tickets are available at a cost of \$100 each.

\$5,000 Grand Prize from the sale of the Reverse Raffle tickets will be awarded with remaining proceeds from Reverse Raffle funding KOC 2191 Charities. (*Grand Prize is* based on a minimum of 100 tickets sold or Grand Prize will be prorated based on total tickets sold) Maximum Tickets sold = 150.

Guest tickets are available at a nominal cost of \$25 per person. (Advanced registration is preferred) Guest only tickets will be available at door.

#### **Raffle Details:**

Numbered balls are pulled one at a time. When a number is called, it is considered "out".

Numbers are eliminated one by one as the Raffle progresses. Players with the final 10 numbers are called to the front of the room. Each remaining player will have the option to split the Grand prize equally or continue in the Raffle. To split Grand prize all remaining players must be in agreement. If all do not agree, Raffle continues until there is agreement among remaining players to split the Grand prize or until there is one Winner.

If Raffle ticket holder is not present his vote will go with the majority of eligible players still active in the game. Must be 18 years old or older to play.

#### A few other things to note:

1. The very First Raffle number pulled receives \$100 and the number is returned to the drum.

2. Every 10th number pulled has the option to:

- a) Return the number to the Raffle pool and continue
- b) Receive \$100 and retire his number
- c) Auction the number to another player

3. Numbers can be sold to another player at any point in the game. Cost negotiations are solely between the seller and player.

## Breakfast with Santa – Pat Kelly, PGK – Chairman

Breakfast with Santa took place December 21 in McGloughlin Hall at St. Peter Church due to a conflict with the KC club. The event set a new attendance record with 65 children and 70 adult guests, an increase of 35%.

There were 11 eight grade Confirmation candidates plus over a dozen knights and spouses helping the guests and providing a wonderful breakfast. Each child received a gift bag that included crafts, sweet treats, and the book "Humphrey's First Christmas" (compliments of brother Tony Bliss).

Activities included coloring, cookie decorating, Christmas card creation, a group sing-a-long, and a visit from Santa Claus. Brother Patrick Kelly distributed the Christmas cards to residents at Arden Court following their Communion service the next day.





















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#### Past events Adopt a Family – John Emerson

The year the program raised \$7,100 from donations within our Council. Thanks to each brother Knight that helped with this worthy cause.

## Super Bowl Party at the Club

Everyone had a terrific time at the Super Bowl party at the Club on Feb 2. This is an annual event and gives those attending a chance to mingle in a real fun atmosphere. There were Games, Give Aways, Split the Pot and other fun activities.

## Pancake Breakfast at Holy Cross

The Pancake Breakfast at Holy Cross was on Sunday, January 26th after all the masses. Everyone pitched in to make it a success. Thanks to all who helped out.

**Greenery Sale - Bob Herrera** Once again the Council sold trees and decorative greenery for the Christmas season. The ordered items were delivered the day after Thanksgiving from the storage barn at St Peter. Both Knights and their families participated. Thanks to all involved. Photos are nearby.















# 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Corner

The 4<sup>th</sup> degree is slowly rebuilding, but we are lacking the experience of our leaders and senior members. We are beginning the Confirmation Season and will soon be overwhelmed by requests.

We also may be unable to provide Honor Guards for all our Churches for Holy Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. This is where we traditionally serve as Honor Guards from 6pm till Midnight. This year we are going to have to choose which churches will have an Honor Guard and which will not.

If you're still sitting on the sideline and quit the team, I strongly urge you to reconsider. Our old Regalia is gone and not coming back. Christ did not walk away from you, he feels your pain and he deserves to have his Honor Guard back on Holy Thursday.

There's still time to get back in the game – call me – I will help you, Kevin Callahan

## Mentoring Program - Kevin Kennedy

We have turned the corner on almost one year of the Mentoring Program being in place. To date, we have over 10 new Brother Knights who have completed their first year and have become active members of our council.

Some of our new Brother Knights have not only completed their 3<sup>rd</sup> degree, but have also moved to the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree and are now Sir Knights. I want to thank our Mentors and our New Brother Knights for taking an active role and congratulate them on their success.

I would also encourage our current Brother Knights that if you know of someone who would like to have a mentor or if you would like to be a mentor, please feel free to contact me. I can be reached either by email (k21954@msn.co) or by phone (630-842-0786).

# Degree change for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup>

The 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> degree ceremonies will be rolled into one ceremony in the near future. There will be no oath of secrecy plus the candidates' wife and family will be encouraged to be present. The ceremony will take place at the parish church.



Thanks to Bill Wilger for contributing to and editing this Newsletter.



## **Insurance Agent - Matt Kling**

Congratulation to Brother Matthew Kling "Insurance Agent of the Year" Matt was rated #1 Insurance agent for the State of Illinois and in the Top 2% World Wide! This is truly an honor and we are very proud of him.



If you haven't talked to Matt Lately, drop him a note and let him share how the Knights of Columbus Insurance program can help you with Life, Wellness, Disability, and Long-term care concerns..

#### Insurance Field Agent | Knights of Columbus

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#### Riverview Banquets www.riverviewbanquets.com

The Club (KC Hall) is available for receptions and other events. Ask for Harmony or Tony. 630-761-1590. The outside wedding area has had many positive comments. There is no other location in the area that has a setting as nice as this.



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# MEETINGS: Tuesday, Mar 3 / Apr 7, 2020 - 7:00 PM

Your Brother Knights are available to give you a ride to and from the monthly meeting. If you need transportation call: Troy Gower 630- 232-9250, Neal Walgenbach 630-879-5911

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