

Council Notes

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It you haven't gotten your tickets to the Knights Breakfast on April 14th, contact Bill Delaney (352. 561

-6130) for a reservation. Join your fellow Knights to celebrate Mass at 10:00 AM and then go to the Social Hall for a hearty breakfast and fellowship.

Deputy is asking us to attend a Fraternal Benefits event and to hold a membership drive. At the last meeting, he said that an on-line benefits event is scheduled for April 2nd. He suggested that we can have a watch party with several interested people attending in one place and having a social gathering around the on-line presentation. To register for this online presentation, go to

https://459.knightspot.com/2024/03/09/ fraternal-benefit-presentation-virtualretirement-planning/and follow the registration link. This special live webinar, "Retirement Savings and Distribution Planning," features nationally recognized speaker, television personality and best-selling author, Ed Slott.

Apparently, Knights membership in Florida is trending down. For every Knight that either comes as a new member or as a transfer from out of state, more current members are leaving for one reason or another. Our quota as one of the requirements of star council is to recruit eleven new members. Transfers don't count unless they have been inactive for seven years or more. While we have accepted several transfers, we have recruited only one new member. St Mark's parish is growing so the potential for new members is real. Let's plan a membership drive in April.

Every First Friday, Eucharistic Adoration follows the 8:00 AM Mass and continues until the start of Mass on Saturday morning. There is a

sign-up book that is either in the narthex of the main Church or the Chapel. I am aware of only three Knights and their wives who participate in Adoration. As Catholic men and examples for the community, there should be more Knights who are present for one hour in front of the Eucharist. Please consider spending an hour in adoration.

The Solemnity of St Joseph is celebrated on March 19th . "Joseph is the one whom God As the fraternal year winds down, our District chose to be the "overseer of the Lord's birth", the one who has the responsibility to look after the Son of God's "ordained" entry into the world, in accordance with divine dispositions and human laws". (Pope St John Paul II, Custodian of the Redeemer).

> Also, the Order of Knights of Columbus was legally incorporated by Connecticut in March of 1882. For this double celebration, I encourage all Knights to attend the

daily Mass on March 19th

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Message From Dea. Kevin Mukri

Two Great Commandments Our Lord summarizes the teaching of

the entire Old Covenant in two commandments

The first: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and all your strength."

The second: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." The first and greatest commandment is the Shema, Hebrew for "heart," taken from the Book of Deuteronomy chapter 6.

The Israelites considered the command-

ment to love God with all your heart to be a summary or creed of their faith in the one God of the universe. The second commandment to love your neighbor is taken from the book of Leviticus chapter 19. Together, these two commandments, to love God and one's neighbor, underlined all 613 precepts of the Mosaic Law and especially, the Ten Commandments.

At first glance, combining the Ten Commandments into two makes it easier to understand our responsibilities to Almighty God. But it also makes it more demanding.

Christ did not say just love God.

God demands all our heart, all our souls, all our mind, all our strength.

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Pray for the souls in Purgatory who need our help to reach perfection, also please remember all of those in ized and in need of our prayers. Espe-

cially; Gino & Joan Aultta, Jean Brett, Roger & Jerry Cry, Bill Delaney, Ted Deshaw, Roger & Nancy Ellison, Kathleen Feenaghty, Tony Frank, Vern Garske, Jean Geair, Kathleen Gross, Jean Hanneke, Chris Joss, Betty Kloske, Tom & Rob-

erta Lane, John Lathrop, Patrick McCarty, Paul Murphy, Sean O'Connell, Jim Rose, Rich & Lynn Rosica, Tom Rueck, Chet & Harriett Sedke, our Council Family who are ill, hospital- Bruce & Judy Schladen, John Sloman, Bob & Pat Smelas, Bud & Sophie Stegmeyer, Tom & Jolene Sutherland, Fred & Mary Ann Targos, Lourdes Thomas, George & Pam White, Louis & Mary-Ann Wilkinson, George & Patricia Wood, and all those needing prayers for what ever reason, not published in this newsletter.

Message from **CCC Cliff Miller A-3296**

Brothers, we have three requests for our presence as Honor Guard. They are:

Wednesday, March 20

Funeral Mass for BK Lester Phillips, Council 14222, at St Theresa Catholic Church 11528 US 301, Belleview 34420. Mass is at 10 AM but

CCC Larry Fusco has requested that the CC arrive at 9 AM to work out the logistics. Friday, April 5

Funeral Mass for BK Delmar Charles Gulden, Council 13300, at 11 AM at St Vincent de Paul Catholic Church. CC will meet in the conference room off the Narthex at 10:30 AM.

Monday, April 8

Memorial Mass for the deceased members of Council 13300 at St Vincent de Paul Catholic Church at 4 PM. CC will assemble at 3:30 PM in the conference room off the narthex. **BROTHERS PLEASE NOTE**

Last year, there was a very sparse turnout to this event. Five members of the CC attended. There were more widows than knights present.

This year, let's show the families of our fallen brothers that we remember and miss them. Color Corps Uniform for these events: Fourth Degree Dress Uniform with sword, scabbard, and service baldric.

Vivat Jesus.

Cliff Miller CCC A3296



Pictured above are KC members of the recent diaper drive. From top left we have LeRoy Henneke, Charlie Neumann, Bob Thomas, SK Paul Martin, Tom Felten, SK Sean O'Connell, PGK. Lower left SK Chet Sedke, FDD, PGK, PFN, and SK Bill Delaney, PGK, PFN. Not pictured however also received certificate of appreciation for the diaper drive are Rita O'Connell, Luann Agnello, Joe Agnello, Charles Backer, SK Mike Colvin, SK Ted Deshaw, SK Carl Dubois, Maria Felten, Tom Felten, Kulesza Voytek, Jim McCallum, Jack McGlone, SK Jim Miller, Rachel Miller, Joe Gross.

Name	Birthday
Renato Quiterio	4/2/51
Mike Lanosz	4/4/51
Phil Babel	4/5/40
Paul Trunk	4/6/39
Charlie Klein	4/7/51
Paul Romano	4/12/56

Name	Birthday
Frank Nuite	4/13/40
Mike Tweedy	4/14/48
Karl Krichbaum	4/15/52
Dave Creamer	4/18/60
Dea Charlie Cimmino	4/22/47
Ted Deshaw	4/24/66

Name	Birthday
John Geair	4/24/35
Ken Kelly	4/25/48
J. Roger Ellison	4/26/37
Peter Hanley	4/28/32
Mike Lucas	4/30/47
John Sobczyk	4/30/53

3/16&17/24 ~ Lenten food drive, after all masses.

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3/31/2024 ~ Easter Sunday.

4/8/2024 ~ Officers meeting, conference room 2pm.

4/14/2024 ~Corp. Communion at 10am mass followed by breakfast in church hall. Must have tickets in advance, cost \$10 each. Tickets sold on 4/8/24 & 4/17/24 at council meetings.

4/17/2024 ~ 3rd degree business meeting, social hall.

5/1/2024 ~ Officers meeting, conference room 2pm.

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Message From Dea. Kevin Mukri

There can be no room for the world, the flesh, and the devil, only God.

And this is a real challenge. Not only does the devil tempt us to commit sin, but we all suffer the effects of original sin, or concupiscence. which:

Darkens the intellect Weakens the Will And inclines us to evil.

This commandment is tough. But with God's grace and our firm commitment, all can fulfill this demanding commandment.

The second commandment to love our neighbor flows from the first as we see each person with equal dignity as a child of God.

Our neighbors are certainly individuals that are suffering economic difficulties.

St. Mark parish is very generous with necessary resources that assist many in our local community with assistance that have made real and positive impact on the lives of many.

Yet loving our neighbor is not just helping those in economic hardship.

I worked in Washington DC for many years and met some of the most powerful the wealthiest individuals.

These people have everything, yet they are the poorest of the poor as they have no relationship with Almighty God.

Even locally, we meet people who have everything the world can offer, yet want nothing to do with Our Lord.

These unfortunate people are our neighbors who we are commanded to love. If we want what is best for them, which is eternal life in heaven, we must not be afraid to share our faith with them.

This requires the virtue of fortitude which is the willingness to suffer in the face of evil for a good.

Approaching people with hardened hearts is not easy. We may not be successful, but we must try out of love.

Let us ask Almighty God to strengthen us so we can practice the virtue of fortitude to really love our neighbors and bring them to Christ, salvation, and eternal life.

Council 14222 is so very thank full for Deacon Kevin Mukri's ability and desire for stepping up to write this insert in such a short notice.

Thank You, Deacon Kevin.

May God Bless you.