



# Knights of Columbus

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*December 2019*

Thank you to:

- all who attended any or all sessions of Kapaun's Men Stewardship series.
- Tom Schmeidler for providing food and Bruce Luehring for helping set up the Parish Men's bonfire and to all who attended this event.
- Kevin Barker, Betty and Bill Weilert, Anita and Bruce Luehring for working at the Fall Festival.
- Dean Pater for organizing and all the volunteers who participated at the Parish Workday.
- Tony Hug and his Admission Degree team for another successful first degree.
- Bob Stuhlsatz for coordinating the Operation Holiday Food Drive and to Bruce Luehring, John Washburn and Kevin Barker for helping Bob distribute the baskets.

### **Faith in Action**

The fourth category in Faith in Action Program is Life. As Knights of Columbus, we defend the dignity of each human person at every stage of life, building a culture of life and love. We stand ready to assist those in need, including the elderly, women in crisis pregnancies, and those with special needs. Our council made a sizeable donation to the state Ultra-Sound Initiative and to several agencies that support persons with disabilities. Your efforts with hosting the state bowling tournament last spring and the tootsie roll campaign this fall provided the funds that allowed our council to be generous contributors to these programs. This coming year we hope to set up a network of volunteers to assist the elderly, especially widows of our deceased brother Knights.

### **Plan to Attend**

At the December 9 business meeting, the council will host the annual pot-luck dinner. Meat and drinks will be provided and everyone is asked to bring side dish. We have invited representatives from Derby Free Spirits and Ministry for Person with Disabilities to accept checks make possible by the Tootsie Roll Campaign. In addition, we will recognize our honorary members and Knight and Family of the Month. Come and find out how long Brother Cal Wilbert has been a Knight!

### **Upcoming Events (Volunteer and Stewardship Opportunities)**

Casino season is in full swing with 4 in December. Larger casinos are scheduled for Friday, Dec. 6 for Central Consolidated at the Hereford House and Friday, Dec. 13 for Starkey at 3130 W. Central. Many dealers are needed as these events attract 150-200 guests. Smaller casinos are on Saturday, Dec. 7 for the El Dorado VFW and Saturday, Dec. 14 for GSI. Please be generous with your time and volunteer when captains Joe Betzen and Bob Stuhlsatz call.

The annual free-throw contest is scheduled for Wednesday, January 15 at 4:15 pm in the St. Mary School gym. The event is open to all boys and girls ages 9-14 in our local community. The event will last just one hour and anyone wanting to help can contact John Washburn at 250-1884.

Parking attendants are needed at the 4pm Christmas Eve Mass on Tuesday, December 24. This Mass usually has a very large crowd. It takes about an hour from 3:15 to 4:15 to assist our parishioners and guests in finding a parking space. Contact John Kennedy at 788-5829 to volunteer.

On Sunday, December 22, Katie McHenry needs volunteers to help decorate the worship space for Christmas. Watch the bulletin for details.

### Save the Date

Our council will participate in the Consecration to the Holy Family program this month on the weekend of December 28 and 29. The program's purpose is to invite families to consecrate themselves to the ideal model of the family love set by Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori has composed a prayer to help families live out the joy of the Holy Family. In this prayer we ask for the aid of the Perfect Son, Jesus, and the intercession of the perfect mother, Mary, and Joseph, the model for every father, to protect our families. This prayer has been printed on a holy card that will be passed out to all Mass attendees that weekend and the congregation will be led in this prayer prior to dismissal. Please come early to the Mass you attend and help the ushers pass out the holy cards before Mass.

119<sup>th</sup> Kansas State Convention will be held at the Hyatt Hotel in Wichita, May 1 through May 3, 2020. The State Council is hosting the event and is accepting advertisements for the State Program Book for each delegate and guest. The deadline for ads is March 1, 2020. 40% of the purchase price of ads sold or purchased by members of our council is returned to our council and thus can be a significant fund raiser for us. For any questions, please contact Bruce Luehring at 316-788-4663.

### Calendar

- December 6, 7, 13,14:** Casinos at various locations. See above for details.
- December 9 (Mon):** Council Pot-Luck Dinner with business meeting. Starts at 6:30 pm.
- No Officer's Meeting Monday, December 23.**
- December 28-29 (Sat. and Sunday):** Consecration to the Holy Family Weekend
- January 12 (Sun):** Monthly breakfast. Chuck's team.
- January 13 (Mon):** Monthly business meeting at 7:30 pm. Admission degree at 6:30.
- January 18 (Sat):** Mulvane Christmas dinner. Details are not finalized at this point.
- January 27 (Mon):** Officer's meeting at 7 pm. All members are welcome to attend.

#### **For the Good of the Order - Please remember the following in your prayers:**

Fr. Wayne Schmid, Harry Murphy, Richard Jones, Andy Wojcik, Tony Wojcik, Past Supreme Knight Virgil Dechant and his wife Anne, Kyle Straub, Ray Kennedy, Paul Kennedy, Charles Kennedy, son of Ray and brother of John and Paul, Ron Mahoney, Harold Lux, Tony & Sylvia Duran, Dick Hopper, Davi Stuhlsatz, wife of Bob, Charlie Smith, Gene Kleman, Robert Riedmiller, Cal Wilbert, Ken Bruggeman, and our military Brother Knights.

#### **Knight of the Month**

Dan Dinkel

#### **Family of the Month**

Dave and Toni Martin



#### **From the Insurance Department**

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