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Knights of Columbus Council #6413 and Assembly #2781 Portland, Texas



May 2023

IN SERVICE TO ONE - IN SERVICE TO ALL

"<u>MEETING REMINDERS</u>"

OFFICER'S COUNCIL #6413 MEETING

Thursday 4th Parish Hall 19:00

MONTHLY COUNCIL #6413 MEETING Thursday 11th Parish Hall

Meal 19:00

Meeting 20:00

Thursday 18th Parish Hall

Meal 19:00 Meeting: 20:00

4TH DEGREE ASSEMBLY #2781 MEETING

KofC members are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings. You'll find out what's going on in our council and assembly and you will be able to take an active part by expressing your views and opinions on the issues.

Deputy Grand Knights Comments



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Brother Knights, Mother's Day (May 14th) is a holiday that has been recognized in the United States for over one hundred years. In the Catholic church we have celebrated mothers for much longer. It is a centuries-old custom to dedicate May to the Blessed Virgin Mary. For those of you who are fortunate to have your mothers, cherish them, hug them, honor them, and show them your love particularly on this special day. For those whose mothers have gone home to the Lord, remember them and keep them in your hearts. We are oping to host our traditional Taco & Pancake Breakfast after the 8:30 Mass.

Robert "Chief" Lopez Saturday May 13th the Knights will be singing in the choir with Ladies Night Out to follow. I encourage all Knights to participate as we sound better with more voices. Also, with May comes the graduation of the senior class and the end of school for the other students. The Knights will be providing a lunch for the Baccalaureates and will be presenting our "Alton C. Jones Scholarship" to the awardee on May 21st. Also on May 29th is the Memorial Day and our Worthy Warden John Panek will be leading the Patriotic Rosary at 3pm.

Your Brother in Christ

Oue Viva

Christo Rey!

One Nation 2023 Under God! Knights of Columbus calender events:

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<u>Birthdays!</u>	1	National Day of PRAYER	3 Manuel Lopez lii-36	4. Officers Meeting 19:00 OLMC Parish Hall	5	Roger Duenes-59 Robert Polasek Sr62
7	8	9	10	Council Meeting Meal 19:00 Meeting 20:00 OLMC Parish Hall Kevin Barker-57 Zachary Bremar-57	Ronald Pawelek-72	KC Choir 19:30 back of church Vigil Mass18:00 Ladies Nite Out Butter Churn 19:15
Blood Drive 8:00AM - 1PM	15	16 Exemplification: 1st Degree OLMC Parish Hall 18:30	17	4th Degree Assembly Meeting Meal 19:00 Meeting 20:00 OLMC Parish Hall Ruben Perez-59	19	Armed Forces Day
21 KofC Scholarship reception for Graduates 12pm	22	23	24	25	26 Robert Rosales-58	27 Richard Gonzales-62
28	Patriotic Resary	30	31		HAPPI IRIHD	

May God grant you success in all your endeavors. May He give you the grace to stand up for what is right and courage to fight for the truth. On your special day, we just want to remind you that we are always and forever praying for you. And in the end, it's not the years in your life that count. It's the life in your years!

May 2nd

National Day of Prayer is an annual event that is celebrated on the first Thursday in the month of May. Originally designated by the U.S. Congress, the purpose of the day is to have American citizens "turn to God in prayer and meditation." The official National Day of Prayer website states that their mission is "to mobilize prayer in America and to encourage personal repentance and righteousness in culture."



Dear Heavenly Father, while we come to You in complete humility, we also come to You with boldness in the authoritative name of Your One and Only Son, Jesus Christ, who is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. In Jesus' name, fill us with Your Holy Spirit and lead us as we pray in Jesus' name for America. Oh God, we are burdened for our nation today. We turn from the sins that we have committed against Your Word and Your Name. We turn away from our contentious words and ways toward one another that has led us to division and polarization. We turn away from our disrespect and our lack of dignity toward each other, and we turn away from our continual devaluation of all human life from the womb until death in this world. We also turn away from and refuse to participate in skepticism, criticism, and cynicism in our nation. We turn away from anything that divides us, and we run toward the gospel of Jesus Christ that is the only thing that has the power to unite us together.

Lord, in this critical hour in our nation, we pray for unity in America. Only You can bring unity, harmony, and oneness in America. As Your word calls us in Ephesians 4:3, "Making every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace," we ask You to empower us to make every effort to live in unity, to call for unity, and to forward unity in America continually.

We pray for the churches in America to unify in Jesus Christ and to pray as one unified spiritual family for America. May Your Church pray for America passionately, perpetually, privately, and publicly. We pray for God's power to unify families, workplaces, communities, and cities in America. By Your Spirit, lead us to forgiveness, reconciliation, healing, and unity.

We pray for all people of all ethnicities and races in America to come together as one, living in peace and unity together. Oh Lord, because You have created each of us in Your image, please give us the courage to stand against all racial and ethnic division, denouncing it as evil and sinful, while simultaneously coming together in unity with all persons, knowing this God's will for us.

We pray in unity for the security of our nation. We ask You to preserve the United States of America from the forces of evil that are threatening our lives and our future. God, please guard all persons in public and private settings from anyone or anything that desires to harm us or take our lives. Our future is in Your hands. We agree clearly, unite visibly, and pray extraordinarily for the next Great Spiritual Awakening in America. Oh Lord, wake up Your Church spiritually and convict Your people to agree clearly, unite visibly, and pray extraordinarily until the next Great Spiritual Awakening occurs in our generation.

Oh God, we stand together upon Your words in Psalm 133:1, "How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in harmony." Through Jesus' name and by the power of God's Holy Spirit, we pray for all Americans to unify and to live together in unity.

In the mighty and majestic name of Jesus Christ, who is the Only Savior and the Only Hope in this world, we pray. Amen.

MAY 2023 CALENDAR EVENTS

MONTHLY MEETING (Thurs. 11th 19:00 meal, 20:00 meeting)

Brother Knights, join the officers and other members for our regular monthly meeting. Your voice is important as we discuss our planned programs and activities. Invite your spouse/family for the pre-meeting meal starting at 19:00 and members meeting will start at 20:00. Invite a Catholic friend who might be interested in joining the Knights.

ELECTIONS OF 2023-2024 OFFICERS (Thurs. 11th)

Slates of officers for the new fraternal year 2023-2024 will be presented this month for both our Council 6413 (May 11) and our Assembly 2781 (May 18). Nominations from the floor and elections will be conducted during the June meetings. Come participate in the selection of our leaders. Avail yourself if called upon to take a leadership position. Your voice **DOES** make a difference in the voting!

KOFC CHOIR & LADIES NITE OUT (Sat. 13th)



Please come join us in our choir. Practice in back of church meet at 17:30 and vigil mass at 19:00. Ladies Nite Out will be at the "Butter Churn", 1275 SH-35 N, Aransas Pass, TX 78336, 361-758-2300

ASSEMBLY (4th Degree) INFORMATION (Thurs. 16th)

Monthly meeting at 7:00 p.m. Thursday 16th, preceded by meal at 7:15 p.m. OLMC parish hall. Please joining in welcoming our newest 4th Degree members! Any one interested in becoming an office in the 4th degree. Assembly for the next fraternal year are requested to contact the Faithfull Navigator, Sir Knight John Panek. All request for positions are to be published 30 days prior to elections. Need your input by May 16, 2019

BACCALAUREATE LUNCH FOR OLMC HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES (Sat. 20th)

Council 6413 will again do the traditional cooking of BBQ Chicken and Sausage lunch for graduating seniors of OLMC to be held at 11:30a.m. Volunteer yourself to help cook for the seniors, show-up will be at 7a.m. and if you cannot make it that early, please come help serve or clean-up. Announcement and presentation of the Knights Scholarship award will be on Sunday 20th after 11 a.m. mass. Additionally, there will be a reception for seniors attending the Baccalaureate Mass at 11a.m. The council also provides black and white rosaries for the graduates. *Congratulations 2023 Seniors!*

PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEWEST BROTHER KNIGHTS!



From left to right: Freedy Aleman, Bart Lee, Dustin Winkler, Tim Martinez, Mario Garcia and Roberto Torricio

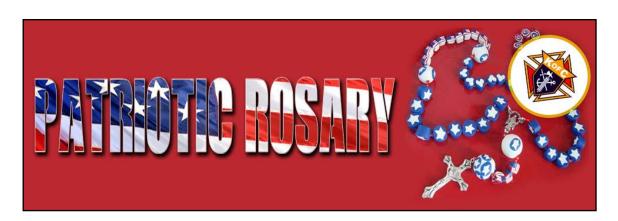
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PATRIOTIC ROSARY (Mon. 29th - MEMORIAL DAY 3 p.m.)



Memorial Day is observed on the last Monday of May. It was formerly known as Decoration Day and commemorates all men and women, who have died in military service for the United States. Many people visit cemeteries and memorials on Memorial Day and it is traditionally seen as the start of the summer season. Council 6413 will be sponsoring a Patriotic Rosary this Memorial Day at 15:00. at OLMC parish. All parishioners are invited to participate in the Day of Remembrance by praying the rosary and singing patriotic songs. Rosary songbook will be provided. Everybody is invited to join us!



FOR THE CONSECRATION OF OUR NATION

The Patriotic Rosary is prayed everywhere from within cloistered convents, to inside the Pentagon; from dangerous military fields around the globe to the quietness of the Bedroom of Apparitions and the Field of Apparitions at Caritas, which is the home of the Patriotic Rosary. The Patriotic Rosary quickly captured the hearts and attention of millions when first heard and prayed. Inspired by Our Lady of Medjugorje, the Patriotic Rosary is a powerful prayer for divine protection and mercy for our Nation and its rebirth.

The history of the writing of the Patriotic Rosary origins back to 1995 at Independence Hall in Philadelphia, where the first promptings of Our Lady was felt and the impulse to form the Patriotic Rosary was given. The Patriotic Rosary, the <u>Prayer to Heal Our Land</u>, and the <u>"Seven Novenas for the Reconciling of Ourselves, our Families and our Nation Back to God,"</u> all for the rebirth of America, have the grounds at Caritas of Birmingham as their home. It is Caritas of Birmingham, whose founder, known as A Friend of Medjugorje, wrote the Patriotic Rosary, and that also operates the Official Medjugorje Site.

It was a surprise in 1988, after many prayers near the Pine Tree for the healing of our Nation that Our Lady began to write a beautiful story, through Her <u>Medjugorje apparitions</u> at Caritas, telling us that a Nation and its healing, represented by the Pine in the Field, would come only through the individual, represented by the family bed. In those first apparitions, Our Lady appeared in the Bedroom over the family bed, then on Thanksgiving Day, November 24, 1988, <u>She appeared near the Pine</u>, then back to the Bedroom for the remaining two months of daily apparitions. This spoke clearly that our Nation would be healed through strong marriages forming strong holy families raising strong individuals which will heal and make a strong nation. Our Nation's future depends on the healing of the family.

MAY 2023

Prayer to Mary Queen of the Knights

Our Lady, Queen of the Knights, bless all the activities of our order. Keep us true to the pledge to extend the kingship of thy Divine Son on earth. Through Thine intercession, win for us the grace ever to exemplify in our public and private lives, the virtues, which should characterize those specially dedicated to the service of the heavenly court. Make us always aware that as your Knights we are constantly observed, our faith judged and our order appreciated. Accept O Mary, this renewed pledge of fealty and devotion of thy servants, the Knights

Patriotic Degree: Sir Knights of the Patriotic Degree, deem it an honor and privilege to carry our TRIAD

EMBLEM, which features The Dove, The Cross, and The Globe. Our Honored Order cherishes as its Patron, Christopher Columbus. The Triad Emblem of the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus features: the Dove, the Cross and the Globe. The Dove, the classic symbol of the Holy Spirit and Peace, is shown hovering over the orb of the earth or Globe. Both are mounted on a variation of the Crusader's cross, that which was found on the tunics and capes of the Crusading Knights who battled to regain the Holy Land. Our Honored Order cherishes as its patron Christopher Columbus. Christopher...Christ Bearer Columbus...Dove of Peace, symbolizing the Paraclete Spiritually, the sacred symbols on the emblem typify the Union of the Three Divine Persons in one Godhead...the most blessed

Trinity. The Globe; God the Father, Creator of the Universe; The Cross; God the Son, Redeemer of Mankind, The Dove; God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of humanity

The colors of the symbols are:

- -Blue Globe with the lands of the Western Hemisphere in White
- -Red Cross with gold borders, and gold knobs at the ends of the Cross
- -White Dove

Red, White, and Blue are the colors of the flag of the country in which our Order originated; and are used to stress the basic principle of the Fourth Degree: **Patriotism**

When a Patriotic Degree Member of Color Corps Member is dressed in his tuxedo, there are 15 miniature jewels he may wear if he validly holds the title of a Past or Former Officer.

Top row: Grand Knight, Chaplain, Deputy Grand Knight, Chancellor, Recorder, Financial Secretary, Treasurer and Lecturer. **Bottom row**: Advocate, Warden, Inside Guard, Outside Guard, Past State Deputy and Trustee.



KEEP IN PRAYER

Rowland & Mary Hewitt Santo Lopez Jr. (RIP) Don Breammer (RIP) Guadalupe DeLeon Anna Marie Walker Cruz Flores (RIP) John Boatman Greg Young Jeff Bryant

PRAYER FOR THE SICK:

Dear Jesus, Devine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to You in this time of illness. O dearest Comforter of the Troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with Your entle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We ask that You restore Your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge Your holy will and know that whatsoever You do, You do for the love of us.

Amen.

RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE



April Knight of the Month David Havelka



April Knight Family of the Month Kyle & Jennifer Nohavitz

In recognition of oustanding excellence, superior performance, accomplishment and dedication in recognition of the distinguished honor of the Knights of Columbus core values of:

CHARITY - UNITY - FRATERNITY - PATRIOTISM



HELP THE PREGNANCY CENTER COVER THIS LITTLE GUYS BOTTOM!



The Pregnancy Center provides over

22,000 Diapers EACH MONTH!!

Your church or business can collect diapers for the Pregnancy Center during our

Annual Diaper Drive that runs from Mother's Day – Father's Day

OR

You can hold a Diaper Drive whenever you want! For more info email: rita.lawson@ccpregnacy.org











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March 28, 2023

Knights of Columbus Mr. Alfredo Ruiz 201 Driftwood Portland, TX 78347

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for your recent donation of diapers to the Pregnancy Center. If you saw some of our recent Facebook posts you could not help but notice that our shelves were bare! There is a reason for that. Last year, the Pregnancy Center provided over 251,000 diapers to individuals participating in our Health Initiative Parenting Program (HIPP)!

Yes, providing this many diapers left our stock depleted, but I am so thankful that parents in the program got more than just a bag of diapers. Parents earn diapers by particiapting in parenting classes. Today more than ever before, we need to come alongside new and young parents equipping them to be the best they can be.

Parents can also earn vouchers by attending Bible study offered though our parenting program. What a privilege to share spiritual truths and point our clients to their Heavenly Father.

Thank you again, for this much needed and very timely donation of 1,216 diapers. We are so grateful for all our friends who care about the mommas, daddies, and babies we see at the Pregnancy Center!

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In Christ,

Jana Pinson

Executive Director

PS...

Each year from Mother's Day – Father's Day area churches and businesses participate in a diaper drive benefiting the Pregnancy Center. If you would like more information on getting your church or business involved, contact Rita at 417-439-1392.

COUNCIL/CONTACT INFORMATION

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Regular Officer Meetings:

1st Thursday of the month at 19:00 OLMC Parish Hall.

Regular Business Meetings:

2nd Thursday of the month at 20:00 OLMC Parish Hall.

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2022-2023 COUNCIL OFFICERS

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RESOURCEFUL LINKS RELATED TO THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Corpus Christi "Area Chapter" Knights of Columbus: www.corpuschristikofc.com

Corpus Christi Area Chapter Knights of Columbus "Flicker": www.flickr.com/photos/ccdiochapter.org

Knights of Columbus Texas Sate Council: www.tkofc.org

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish: www.olmcportland.com

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Flicker: http://www.flickr.com/photos/olmcportlandtx/

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Facebook: Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, Portland, TX

KNIGHT LINE SUBMISSION:

We want to hear from you! Please submit your input to the Knight Line Newsletter. Please send to kofc@olmcportland.com no later than the 20th of the month. Requirements for submitting pictures:

- -All pictures "MUST" be at least 1MB or larger in file size.
- -Pictures must be be related to Knights of Columbus event(s).
- -A caption of the picture being submitted must be included.
- -Only exception to cell phone pictures is, if your cell phone takes pictures in HD of 1MB or larger.



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