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**Next Business Meeting**  
**February 3, 2021**  
**Virtual Meeting 7:00pm**  
**Via the Internet**

**Grand Knight's Report — Bill Roberts**

You know that Christmas is over when you see the Knights of Columbus crew taking down the light tree on the west side of the church along with the shepherds minding their flock. Thanks to the crew who did the work.

Remember that you can donate food items to the Abiding Love Food Pantry on a regular basis. If you aren't sure of the times that you can drop it off just call ahead of time – 512.922.4883.

January Events

BBQ

Jim Gamblin chaired the January BBQ – the charity was Habitat for Humanity. Thanks to all of the volunteers who assisted with loading the racks and removing the meat and wrapping the pork. Orders were down from December making the task much easier this time around. That may be the last time we take the smoker to Shady Hollow for the BBQ. We have permission to use our own church parking lot for the Superbowl Briskets.

The Texas Rally for Life

The Rally for Life was much different this year. The Rosary and Mass for Life was much the same but the march was changed to an auto convoy and live streamed remarks by some impressive speakers. I hope that you were able to participate in one or the other. If you are concerned about saving the lives of babies in the womb, now is the time to get very actively involved. Some protections have already been removed in the past week. Keep praying.

Upcoming Events

Superbowl Briskets

The Superbowl is on Sunday, February 7. You should have seen email in your inbox with ordering instructions and a link to the order form on the Knights of Columbus Council 8156 website. If you haven't already ordered your brisket, stop reading this now and place your order. You must place your order by Monday, February 1, 5:00 PM. Here's the link:

<https://kofc8156.org/bbq>

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## Birthdays

Adam	Alvarez
Robert	Burns
Lenn	Catley
Jerome	Conway
Christopher	Currier
David	Esquivel
Zane	Esquivel
David	Faria
Allen	Fulkerson
Charles	Gray
Jason	Gray
David	Lara
John	Malone
Anthony	Manti
Brian	Melcher
Rodney	Nagel
John	O'Daniel
Alex	Odom
Spencer	Patterson
Michael	Samford
Joseph	Wasiak
Hubert	Wilburn

## Insurance Agent Report - Eddie Mazurek FICF LUTCF

### VIRUS FATIGUE

By the time you read this you and I have probably been working from home, sheltering in place or on lockdown for 11 months! Who would have thought it? I hope you and your family are safe and healthy.

Being at home so much over the past 11 months has been different...mostly in a good way, although I think most of us have "corona virus fatigue." We'll keep socially distant and do our part by wearing a mask, but we're tired of all the restrictions. On the home front we've had our minor squabbles, but being at home has helped me have more dialogue with my family and has taught me how precious time together is. It's taught me to slow down, consider the important people in my life and resolve to keep this attitude when the restrictions are lifted.

This is the month of Valentine's Day and being home makes me appreciate my wife even more. Whether or not you have children at home, our spouses don't get nearly enough credit for all they do. What would we do without them? In *Fiddler on the Roof*, Mama and Golde sing, "Who must know the way to make a proper home...Who must raise a family and run the home?" Of course that song about "Tradition" is the old fashioned way of looking at "the mama." That's one theme of the play; the changing roles in the family and in society. Many of our spouses have the role of breadwinner, professional, provider, business owner, etc....and manage to also make a proper home, raise the family and run the household. They are remarkable!

So don't forget that dozen roses, the heart-shaped box of chocolates, the card or the gift as a token of your love and letting her know how much she means to you. And if you want to really let her know how much you love her, take a few minutes with me and take stock of where you are with your life insurance and disability insurance coverage. With so many spouses in the workplace, it would be neglectful to not make sure they are properly protected. Many households rely on two incomes to pay the bills and the loss of either one, to an untimely death or an illness or accident that means one is unable to work, can be devastating.

**I've met with many of you over the past months and I can continue to meet virtually over the computer...everyone stays safe, or if you prefer, in person. The Order has equipped me to make sure I can properly meet and service all my assigned brother knights and their families.**

Let's spend a few minutes together and make sure everything is in place for the ones you love.

Please schedule an appointment with me today.

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## Grand Knight's Report — Continued from Page 1

40 Days for Life

The schedule is now open to sign up for a time to pray at the 40 Days for Life Spring Session, 2/17/2021 – 3/28/2021. Here's the link:

<https://www.centraltexascoalition.com/signup/>

I went to the abortion clinic on Thursday to pray after seeing the news the day before. In addition to some serenity and personal satisfaction, I was treated to the scene of APD officers and investigators stretching yellow crime tape around the bank-next-door's ATM machine. It had been rather brutally robbed some time earlier – parts were all around.

God bless you for all of the good things you do.

Remember:

Call Paul Root at 512.963.9431 or email [root\\_paul@att.net](mailto:root_paul@att.net) if someone who experiencing a serious health problem to set up a call or visit schedule. -

Also, contact our Worthy Chancellor, Paul Root, if you or your loved ones are in need of our supporting prayers.

Stay in touch with your Brothers, your families and your neighbors.

Above all else, please keep yourself and your loved ones safe and pray for the victims of the pandemic.

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## Knight & Family of the Month

<p><b>Knight:</b></p>	<p><b>Family: Eddie and Mary Mazureks</b></p> <p>Going into ten months of pandemic-induced lockdowns, it's often hard to concentrate on things that we can do rather than longing for the things that we can't do. The Mazureks, Eddie and Mary, get past the daily reminders of gloom and find ways to brighten the lives on others. So, during a time that we couldn't have Christmas celebrations with Council families, shop for gifts for needy families, deliver the gifts and food to the families, Eddie and Mary thought of sharing our talents to prepare and deliver a meal to an appreciative National Guard unit. The gesture allowed us to show our appreciation for the sacrifices soldiers and their families make to serve our nation and keep us safe. Eddie smoked briskets, Mary prepared the rest. With some help from a few Knights, the meat was sliced and the food packaged then delivered by Eddie and Mary. This is only one example of their dedication to making the Parish, the Knights of Columbus and the community a better place for us all. Eddie is a long-serving Treasurer for the council and is involved in most of the Council activities. In non-pandemic times, these two dedicated Catholics support Parish in various activities such as Usher, Mass Coordinator, Eucharistic Minister; Mary is also a choir member. At a time when our faith is under attack and even our church seems timid in response, Eddie speaks up against pressures, social ills, that degrade our belief in the sanctity of life. Eddie and Mary are valuable assets to the Council, Parish and our Catholic faith.</p>
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Prayer List for January 2021

Jim Ankenbauer

Evelyn Granillo – Cousin of Bill Diaz

Pat Brown

Bill DeCabooter

Isabel Cano – Wife of Juan Cano

Ronnie Vinklarek, brother of Darrel Vinklarek

Family and extended family of Cruz and Claudia Muniz

Billye Archer's family members: Bettye – Billye's twin sister and Gilbert, Billye's nephew

Carole Monroe, wife of Lloyd Monroe

Mick Wempe and family of Rick and Jacob Wempe

Gladys Besetzny, sister-in-law of Jeanette Terrell

A prayer request from Bishop Joe Vasquez for the legal protection of Unborn Children.

Please continue to pray for members, relatives, and friends of our Council who have requested prayers in the last few months.

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## Culture of Life —

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## Knights of Columbus 8156

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Knights are Catholic men, 18 years of age and older, who are committed to making their community a better place, while supporting their Church. Being a Knight is more than camaraderie; it is being involved with your community; it is supporting your local Catholic Church, while enhancing your own faith; it is about protecting and enhancing your family life. Come see just what we are all about by calling the Grand Knight.

## Charity, Unity & Fraternity

### Bill Diaz

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## Important Dates

### Upcoming Events

#### FEBRUARY

3rd—monthly council meeting

7th—Super Bowl brisket sales

13th—work on outside stations of the cross on church grounds

17th—Ash Wednesday

17th—maybe planning meeting

20th—alternate day to work on outside stations.

**Check the Calendar Link Below as schedules are subject to  
frequent change at this time**

**Visit Our Online Calendar for the Latest Updates**

**<http://kofc8156.org/Calendar.html>**

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