The Messenger

St. Joseph the Worker Council 13359 Monthly Newsletter

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Grand Knight's Report

Brothers, thank you for all that you on a daily basis. This month is definitely busier than the last few and we need your help for what time you can give. This next weekend is our first Pancake Breakfast of the season back in person at St. Joe's hall on Oct 3rd. Please come around 8 am to help setup tables and work in the kitchen as we serve from 9 to noon. We're also kicking off Coats for Kids donation collection for all of October, so if you can spend 20 mins after a mass to collect donations and answer questions, that would be helpful. Please sign up with this Signup Genius https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F4FAFA92DABFE3-coats. We're also in need of knights distributing Coats on Oct 23rd (same signup genius) and then Knights at all masses on Oct 23rd and 24th to answer questions as this is our first Recruiting weekend with Brother Don Kitterman doing the pulpit announcements. Lastly a special thank you to the handful of Knights who helped at the ballfield grilling each Wednesday night! We made a small profit with some connections with the city and players for hopefully a more fruitful future.

Thanks for all that you do and I pray for all of you each night.

Vivat Jesus!

Andy Fischer, Grand Knight

PASTOR'S CORNER

Rev. Mike Sullivan

Welcome back.

That sound is now in our schools, businesses and work places. Welcome back to some sense of what used to be. But this coming back is like going from your grade school building to your high school building. Lots of familiar faces but lots of new things and stuff to figure out. It is great to see familiar faces at Mass and other events. But it is also necessary to see that there must be some changes. There have been some folks in our parish who have died with COVID and some families who have not been able to go to other funerals because of COVID. Things have changed. What am I going to do to change so that I can offer my family, my church, my circle of friends safety from this killing virus? Every virus is a living thing that wants to live above all else. So it morphs when it passes from one person to another. The only way to get ahead of it is to make sure that when it hits me it cannot change so much that it is now untreatable. Getting vaccinated is not about me it is about my family. Are you thinking of others when you choose to get vaccinated?

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What would you like your Legacy to be?

As we look at our fellow parishioners and councils we can't help but notice we are all aging. And knowing the measure of the men who belong to the Knights, I am positive each of you want to leave the word a better place after you leave this world. This probably includes providing financial support to your parishes or councils after you pass. But many of you are reluctant to commit to this support given the possibility you may need these funds to live on or provide for surviving spouses or children.

Whole life policies from the Knights would allow you to commit a donation to your church or favorite charity by naming them as beneficiaries, while leaving you in complete control of the funds should you need them later in life. If circumstances change and you need funds from your policies, you can cash in the policy or borrow against the cash surrender values and leave the balance to your beneficiaries.

If you are in relatively good health and under age 80 you may be insurable at a significant discount to the face value of the policy you are considering. You have the option of making payments or contributing a onetime lump sum to secure the face value of the policy. As examples, a $20,000 policy for a 70 year old male non-smoker carries a single premium of $12,596 while the same policy on a 75 year old female would run $11,900. Your beneficiary will receive the $20,000 or more death benefit upon your passing without these funds running through your estate.

If you have investable funds and no need for insurance but would like to make the world a better place the Knights are now offering Donor Advised Funds (DAF's). You can make contributions into a DAF and these funds will be invested to grow until you decide later which worthy organizations you would like the proceeds to go to.

If you are interested in exploring the options available for providing for your parish, council, or favorite charity, please give me a call today.

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Upcoming Calendar of Events

October

1,8 Brat and Burger sales at the church fields

2,3 Baby Shower Collection after masses

3 Pancake Breakfast –All Hands on Deck!!!

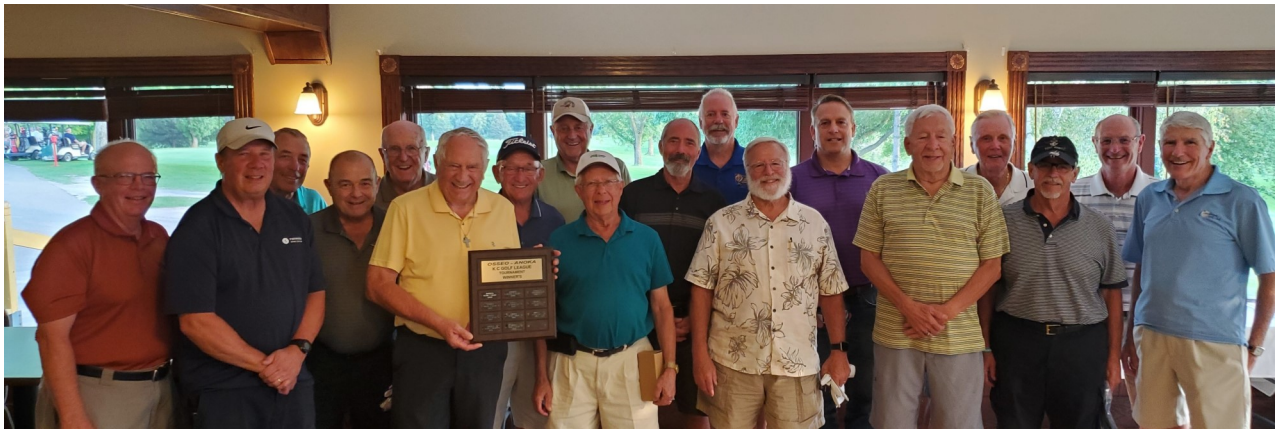
12 KC Council Meeting

16 Set up for Parish Retreat

23 Coats of Kids Distribution

26 Officer's planning meeting

The KC Golf league just wrapped up for the year with a great time had by all. If you are interested in golfing next year as a regular or sub contact Dick Montroy at 612 419-0419 this winter. We golf at Daytona on Wednesday afternoon's and evenings.



Are you or your wife interested in bowling this year? The KC's bowl in a mixed senior league at Sundance Bowl in Maple Grove on Mondays beginning at 1:00pm.

All skill levels welcome, call Tom Heltemes at 952 905-9946 if you are interested. League started Monday, September 13th but we have room for more.

RECRUITING

Have you asked a friend, acquaintance, or total stranger to join the Knights this week? You should, and direct them to **Knights.net** to join us on-line. Free first year dues have been extended through 2021. They can enter their personal information and use the code DFALSTAD to have their first year dues waived. Have them use your member number or 2743823 as a referral number so we know they are interested in our council.

Once they are an on-line member they can attend an in-person or on-line exemplification ceremony to become members of the council of their choice. Please direct them to MNKNIGHTS.ORG to register for a live video version of the exemplification almost every Wednesday evening at 8:00pm.

Report of the Fourth Degree

The Fall Exemplification of the Fourth Degree for the Minnesota District is being held on Saturday, October

30th at the New Ulm Conference Center in New Ulm, hosted by the Bishop Cretin Assembly # 535, and will honor Monsignor Douglas L. Grams, Diocesan Administrator, New Ulm Diocese.

All Catholic men and their families are invited to join the Knights of Columbus through the online **Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity**! Men are invited to join the Order while their families may observe the lessons presented and appreciate who we Knights are and what we do. Check with one of the officers to get the on-demand invite for your friends and neighbors. You can also advance to the third degree by signing up for this exemplification. Go to MNKnights.org/About/Ceremonials to sign up for a live or taped program.

If you are interested in joining with your brother Knights next year on Lake of the Woods we plan to leave on June 12th. Please contact John Jordan at 612 719-3834 for details. Cost is around $600 for a 4 day trip with 2 days of fishing.

In 2019 the council approved funding an endowment for future charitable giving with the goal of being able to provide for the needs of the community even in the event of an inability to raise funds. COVID pretty much exposed the need and rationale for this, even as it kept us from funding the account. The earnings of this account will be dedicated to charitable giving each year, with the principal retained and invested with Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors.

With COVID severely restricting our fundraising we are asking brother Knights if they would consider a donation to get this account funded. We have two brother Knights who will match $100 for the first 10 brothers who make a donation of at least that amount, so we could get this funded rather quickly if you are willing and able to help.

There are also members in the council who have designated this account as a beneficiary of their life or annuity policies so the potential is great for this account to grow significantly and have a meaningful impact in the future if we can get it established.

Please call or email Grand Knight Andy Fischer to make a pledge to this account. We can get the money via check or Venmo. And call your field agent Dan Falstad if you would like to designate this account as the beneficiary of any of your Knights of Columbus financial products.

Your Newsletter

Please forward articles, pictures, and suggestions for changes to the newsletter to Dan. This is your newsletter and you can include whatever you wish.

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A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION IN TIME OF PANDEMIC

The ancient fresco of Madonna del Soccorso (Our Lady of Help) in St. Peter's Basilica was restored with the support of the Knights of Columbus to mark the Year of Faith (2012-2013). Photo courtesy of Fabbrica di San Pietro/M. Falcioni.

O Mary,
you always brighten our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain
while remaining steadfast in faith.
O loving Mother,
you know what we need,
and we are confident you will provide for us
as at Cana in Galilee.
Intercede for us with your Son Jesus,
the Divine Physician,
for those who have fallen ill,
for those who are vulnerable,
and for those who have died.
Intercede also for those charged with
protecting the health and safety of others
and for those who are tending to the sick
and seeking a cure.
Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who took upon himself our
sufferings and carried our sorrows,
so as to lead us, through the Cross,
to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

Under thy protection we seek refuge,
O Holy Mother of God.
In our needs, despise not our petitions,
but deliver us always from all dangers,
O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

Adapted from the prayer of Pope Francis

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The October membership meeting will be streamed on Zoom at 7:00pm on October 12th in addition to the meeting up at St. Joe's.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85855838348?pwd=ZFdLcjNyVGdZTEJPVTIjZ1djZTMrQT09

Meeting ID: 858 5583 8348

The Knights hosted a very successful church picnic accompanying the outdoor mass on September 12. The crowd was heavy for the burger, brat and hot dog picnic with over 500 estimated to have stopped to eat. Thanks to all who helped with setup, cooking, and cleaning up.