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St. Joseph the Worker Council 13359

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Grand Knight's Report

Brothers,

Please mark your calendars for our two fish fries on March 10th and March 24th this year. We are serving fish, french fries, coleslaw and all the fixings to raise funds for our charitable giving throughout the year. Please join us for set up, cooking, serving, or clean up for these events.

We need to continue to recruit new members to ensure the future of the Knights and your council going forward. Please ask a Catholic gentleman to join us and become a part of the greatest Catholic fraternal organization in the world.

I would also like to invite you to join us in the 4th degree. Take the next step as a Knight and enter the 4th degree at our exemplification on April 15th.. Details in the newsletter under the 4th Degree heading.

Respectfully,
John Jordan
Grand Knight

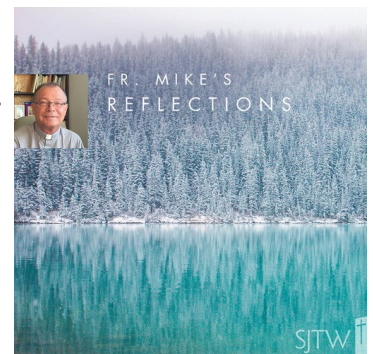


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PASTOR'S CORNER with Father Mike

It continues to amaze me how small things can make big changes. For example, while living in Washington, D.C. on my canon law degree, I lived in the rectory of the parish just blocks from Catholic U. One of my classmates also lived in the house. We would walk back and forth every day. In my typical style, I would smile at people and greet them with words or a nod of my head and a smile. After just a week the other priest told me, "You can't do that." Stunned, I asked why not. He responded with, "In D.C. you only speak to people you know or who are relatives. If you speak to someone, it means you are going to rob them!" I continued to smile and greet folks. By the end of the first semester, the people were smiling and greeting me back. Just acknowledging other people can put a smile on their faces. I believe we can bring Good News wherever we go.



Father Mike

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April 17th (tax day) is right around the corner. If you have gotten the jump on completing your taxes, or are still trying to organize your finances from prior years, give me a call for some professional advice. The Knights have very competitive annuity accounts that can be opened for traditional and Roth IRA contributions and rollovers to ensure you are not over-paying taxes. Our whole-life insurance plans can be customized to your needs to minimize taxes to you now as well as in your estate.

To organize your finances consider consolidating your 401(k) or IRA accounts into an annuity with the Knights. If you have had multiple employers or investment professionals, you may have retirement plans scattered all over. If you would like to eliminate the hassle of eventually contacting and drawing on all of those accounts, consider rolling them into a Knights annuity and have a local source to coordinate your retirement draws when the time arrives. Knights of Columbus annuities have no fees that will detract from your investment returns. We will handle all of the paperwork for you, and tapping your retirement savings will be only a phone call away.

I am happy to meet with you – at your convenience and in your home – to explain in detail the benefits of opening a Knights of Columbus annuity, along with the benefits of our top-rated life insurance, disability income and long-term care insurance plans.

If you don't feel the above 4% returns being paid on our annuities are sufficient growth for your long term needs, contact me for details on our very competitive mutual fund investment opportunities with a Catholic focus.

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Upcoming Calendar of Events

March


- 10 Friday Fish Fry**
- 14 Membership Meeting
- 24 Friday Fish Fry**
- 28 Officer Planning Meeting




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Remember your pledge in your first degree to carry your rosary always and to pray it often. We are going to start publishing a prayer list monthly so please keep the following individuals in your prayers. Some are having health or family issues but some may be just listed randomly for your prayers. E-mail dn.falstad@kofc.org to add anyone to the list.

Jim Roehl	John Ruffing	Saima Prabhu
John Jordan	Jamie Dunn	Don Vandergon
Larry Gervais	Patrick Farrelly	Shanna Dunne

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. They can enter their personal information and use the code **DFALSTAD** in the agent referral box and **BLESSEDMCGIVNEY** 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

Please plan to join us in the Patriotic Wing of the Order by experiencing the spring exemplification on April 14-16, 2023 in Roseville, MN. Our Nicollet Assembly is hosting the exemplification.



All Catholic men and their families are invited to join a council with 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 11th. Please contact John Jordan at 612 719-3834 or Dan Falstad at 612 310-5254 for details. Rainy River Resort where we normally stay was just sold with 3 other resorts on the river so details

may change for this year.

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.



Please keep in mind that your Knights of Columbus offers the Catholic difference for:

Permanent Life Insurance

– Insure Your Life for Life

Retirement Annuities

– Income for the Rest of Your Life

Long-Term Care Insurance

– Protect Your Assets, Prepare for the Future

CHARITABLE FUNDRAISING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Our two Lenten Fish Fries are **March 10th** and **March 24th**, the 3rd and 5th Friday's of Lent. Please mark your calendars to come out and help with these major charity fundraising events that we hold each year. It's a lot of work and a lot of fun at the same time. Please contact John Jordan if you would like to chair this event and make the big decisions, or chair an aspect of the event such as the cooking, set-up, or serving.



Please put Palm Sunday, April 2nd on your calendars to help out with our traditionally biggest pancake breakfast of the year. We need help prepping, cooking, and cleaning up.

Term Life Insurance

– Affordable Protection for Temporary Needs

Disability Income Insurance

– Shield Your Income from Illness and Injury

Financial Planning Advice

– Complementary Professional Advice



The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus officers; President: Nancy Senst;
Vice President: Elynn Welle; Secretary: Sandy Gervais; and Treasurer: Julie Fischer.



Despite the snow - the Ladies had
a great time with their annual

Lady Knights Mardi Gras 2023!



2022-2023 Knight of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary Plan

Reminder meetings are held the second Monday of each month

March 10th Knights Lenten Fish Fry

March 13th Monthly Meeting SJ Social Hall

March 18/19 Lady Knights host social hour after Masses

March 24th Knights Lenten Fish Fry

Annual Book Sale for CROSS

March 22, 23, 24 (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday set up)

March 25-April 2 Book Sale Staffed by Lady Knights on the weekends

April 2 - Annual Lady Knight Easter egg/stuffed animal give away! Book sale wrap up!

Knights Pancake Breakfast

Easter basket donation to CROSS

Easter season Sacraments

Rosaries for 1st communicants

Lanyards for confirmands

April 10 Monthly Meeting Knights Room

April 15/16 Lady Knights host social hour after Masses.

April 22 Annual State Auxiliary Meeting New Prague MN

April 22 Steak Dinner (Committee needed!)

May 8 Final monthly meeting of 2023 SJ Social Hall

May 13/14 Mother's Day Respect Life Flower Sale (prep Friday 5/12)

May 13/14 Lady Knights host social hour after Masses.

Fraternal Benefit Events

Supreme is augmenting the Minnesota Agencies with more Fraternal Benefit Seminars, now called Fraternal Benefit Events or FBEs. These are all professional financial experts that Supreme has hired for these presentations. All members, family members, and members of the Parish are welcome to attend at no cost. Simply click on the Hyperlink below or copy and paste in your browser to register.

The Minnesota Region welcomes *Ed Slott “Retirement Savings and Distribution Planning” on March 7th at 7:00 PM CST*

Link: <https://tinyurl.com/KofCSlottMarch7>

The Minnesota Region welcomes *Jim Effner “Importance of Whole Life as part of Retirement Plan” on April 13th at 7:00 PM CST*

Link: <https://tinyurl.com/KofCEffnerApril13>

The Minnesota Region welcomes *Tom Hegna- “Who Wants to be a Millionaire” on May 23rd at 7:00 PM CST*

Link: <https://tinyurl.com/KofCHegnaMay23>

The Minnesota Region welcomes *Jim Effner “Importance of Whole Life as part of Retirement Plan” on June 27th at 7:00 PM CST*

Link: <https://tinyurl.com/KofCEffnerJune27>

Feel free to contact Dan Falstad at 612 310-5254 with any questions.

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Annual Cash Raffle to benefit Parish Charities

\$50 per ticket with only 250 tickets available

\$4,000 in cash prizes.

Must be 18 to purchase or win

Drawing at Steak Dinner 4/22/2023

Lic. # X35869-22-012

Stub good for meal at Steak Dinner

Prize List:

\$1,000 Cash	6. \$300 Cash
\$ 750 Cash	7. \$250 Cash
\$ 500 Cash	8. \$200 Cash
\$ 400 Cash	9. \$150 Cash
\$ 350 Cash	10. \$100 Cash

Call Larry Gervais at 763 229-1971 for information and tickets.