



# ***The Knight Light*** -Knights of Columbus

Official Newsletter of Father  
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*"We are Knights of Columbus, go out and make a positive difference"*

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### **Membership Director**

Richard Johnson

### **Program Director**

### **Insurance**

**Representative:**

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*Regular Meetings ~ 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each Month @ 7:30 pm*  
*Officers Meeting ~ 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each Month*

### **Grand Knight's Message:**

Brother Knights,

One of the requirements to become a knight, is to be a "practical or practicing Catholic". A practical Catholic is one who lives up to the Commandments of God and the Precepts of the Church. Additionally, Knights are strongly encouraged to have a Marian devotion. Saying the Rosary is one way of having a Marian devotion. That's why new Knights are given one. As Knights and Catholic gentlemen, we are "role models", both to our family and to the public.

There is now massive amounts of data that point to a father's role in children remaining in the Church. It has been reported that 70% of young Catholics that go off to college will walk away from the faith. Almost 2/3's of those "claiming" to be Catholic do not believe in the Real Presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. So, what does this have to do with you? If you are striving to live a Sacramental life along with the principles of the Order, nothing. For those who are not, maybe you need to reflect on what it means to be a Knight. What makes the Knights of Columbus different than other fraternal organizations or clubs is our Catholic faith. The Principles of the Order are rooted in Scripture. As to why the nature of this message. I find it curious that given the choice of joining Brother Knights for 1st Saturday Rosary for Life & Mass, more would choose to pick up trash around Pearland. As Knights of Columbus, as practical Catholics, what are our priorities & who will be following our example?

Happy Easter!  
Viva Cristo Rey!  
SK Charles G Boutte'

**Deadline** for articles is **8pm on first Tuesday at the Officers Meetings.**  
Articles may be emailed to [kofc8960@gmail.com](mailto:kofc8960@gmail.com)

**From the Desk of our Chaplain Father Jim:**

Greetings my brother Knights. Once again I send a multitude of thanks to all of my brother Knights who offered prayers and condolences at the death of my mother two weeks ago. Your prayers, your cards, your support and your words offered great comfort. A very special thank you to those brother Knights who made the trip to Port Neches for the funeral of my mother Agnes Courville. You all will never know how much that is appreciated by myself and my entire family. What a brotherhood we have! I thank God for you!

I also thank you for the great turnout that we had for our donut Sundays....it is so fantastic to see so many of our parishioners getting to know our Knights. The Knights also did a FANTASTIC job with all of your work for the Msgr. Leroy Braden Gala. I know it took many hands and many hours to cook and prepare those beautiful plated dinners. The evening was a great success, and it was due in large part to all of your hard work and dedication....Thank You!

Looking forward to our next corporate communion, which is always a great way of us growing together as a body of Christ and being witness to our Parish Family. As your pastor and a fellow Knight it always make me proud to sit at that presider chair and see all those faces of husbands, wives and families, what a living testimony and great evangelization for our Parish.

We will have an upcoming Confirmation of about 130 young people coming up with our Cardinal on July 6th and I look forward to seeing you all then. I sincerely apologize for having missed the last meeting, but it happened that I was rather tied up with the burial of my mother and all that goes with such a life changing event. I ask for your continued prayers and support.

Please rest assured of mine.

With a grateful and humble heart I remain yours in Christ

Father Jim

## **Knights of Columbus Online Recruiting Site for Texas**

The world's largest Catholic family fraternal organization has begun a new initiative to recruit Catholic men to join its ranks using a new online site at <http://www.knights.net> to reach more prospects. Combined with a new social media based outreach, the site focuses on four of the essential concerns of today's Catholic men.

Leading with Faith - highlights the resources available to members to encourage their spiritual development.  
Protecting your Family - offers options for considering long-term financial planning and critical protections for our loved ones.

Serving Others - shows how members today make a real and lasting impact through our charitable service to address many of our communities in need.

Defending your Values – demonstrates the power of our voices united to stand up for faith-based principles that are under challenge in our society and culture.

“This does not replace the personal invitation that members currently use to expand our Order's impact,” says Douglas Oldmixon, State Deputy for the Knights in Texas. “It allows us to reach men we've not yet invited or who are in areas where we don't yet have a strong presence.”

To learn more about the Knights of Columbus, go online to <http://www.knights.net> or [www.tkofc.org](http://www.tkofc.org) to see how we make a difference in our Church and communities today.

## **Harvey Relief**

There are still programs available thru our Chapter for Harvey Relief. If you know of any brother Knight or parishioner of St Helen's that is still in need please have them contact one of our officers for an application.

## **VA Visitation Schedule**

Brother Knights,

Thank you to Charles Delahanty, Al Stryk, Marie Stryk, Ned Talbot, Sandra Talbot, Paul Webb, Jose Segovia, and Don Yeager for attending our April VA Visitation.

Our next VA Visitation will be on Jun 17th.

Please mark your calendar and join us to give thanks to our veterans for their incredible sacrifice. We meet at the Church in front of the John Dolan Maintenance Building (St Vincent De Paul building) at 8 AM and carpool to the VA hospital in the med center. If you want to drive directly there, we usually arrive at the VA on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor at the chapel about 8:45 AM, start visiting the veterans who are there at 9 AM, and then do Mass in the chapel at 10 AM. We are always back in Pearland before noon. Come out and join your fellow brother knights in this very impactful morning with our vets. And bring the whole family!

## Website

Our council website at [kofc8960.com](http://kofc8960.com) is going strong. If you haven't visited it before, please do so to find a wealth of info about our council including every event that is taking place over the next few months on our event calendar or to read any newsletter including the current one in our newsletter section.

There is also a member's only section that you can log into if you are a current member of the council in good standing. Simply use your membership number from your membership card and your birthdate to enter this section. This section has several important areas of interest:

### Updating Information

The member's list gives the roster of all the members of our council. If you ever change your email address or phone number (or know someone who needs their information changed), simply go into this list and find your name to update your information. You can post a picture of yourself also so the council knows what you look like. You can also directly email any other member of the council from this page if you don't currently have their email address.

Of course you can always email me directly at [kofc8960@gmail.com](mailto:kofc8960@gmail.com) when you have changes to your information and I'll make sure they get added.

### Recording Volunteer Hours

Have trouble keeping track of your volunteer hours for the year. The member's only section has a great place for entering those in. It breaks the hours up for you into several categories. Even if you do keep good track of these hours on your own, please enter your hours here as you make them. The website keeps totals for our Grand Knight and Financial Secretary to know where we are, so it will be a huge help for the officers for you to take the time to enter those hours here.

### Officers

If you are a current officer, there are a couple of forms to view the volunteer information of our council including form 1728. The lists give a per-member and council total breakdown of all volunteer hours in a nice easy to use format.

### Easy Mobile Access

Through our partnership with UKnight Interactive, we also have a mobile version of the website. Check it out at [kofcmobile.org](http://kofcmobile.org) This new mobile version makes entering volunteer hours a breeze. You can also see events at our council, neighboring councils, assemblies, and chapters, find major degrees in our area and much more.

### Prayer Requests

Have a request for prayer for you or a loved one? The Prayer Request section of the website lets you submit them for the council to see. Check this section often to find out about the prayer needs of our council and parish.

### News, Pictures, Comments

Please let me know if you have any comments or suggestions about the website or newsletter by emailing me directly at [kofc8960@gmail.com](mailto:kofc8960@gmail.com)

If you have any news or comments to be featured in the newsletter or on the website, send it to me at [kofc8960@gmail.com](mailto:kofc8960@gmail.com) by the first Saturday of the month and I'll make sure it gets in.

Dustin Meyer  
Council 8960 Webmaster

## Hall Cleanup and Work Day

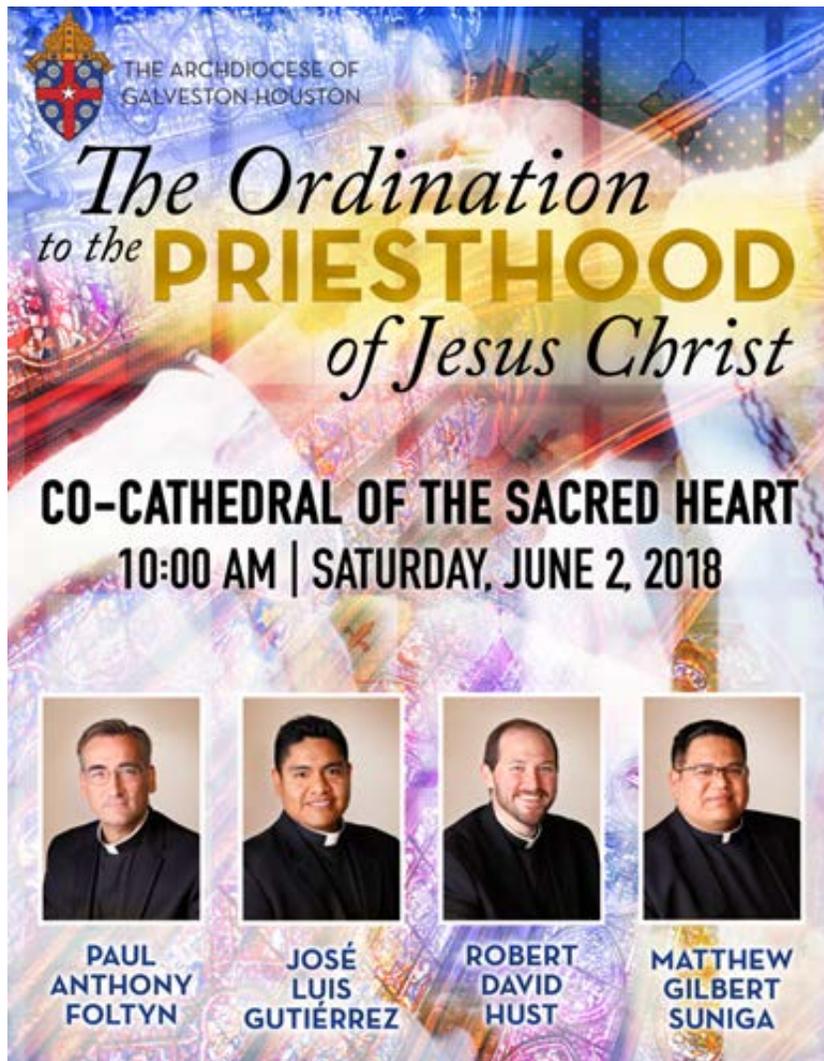
We will be doing minor repairs and maintenance to the KC Hall on May 19 from 8 am to noon. Please make every effort to come out and maintain our Hall. We especially need people with carpentry experience. If you have any questions please contact Dick Schock at 832-640-3425.

## Degree Opportunities

There will be a 2nd/3rd Degree Ceremony on Sunday May 27 in Alvin @9am (probably the last chance until August).

The Next 4th Degree Exemplification will be Oct 12/13 at a church downtown, the mass afterwards will be held in the CO-Cathedral and presided by Cardinal DiNardo. You must be 3rd Degree to advance to 4th Degree.

You must pre-register for these events so if you wish to attend, please contact our membership director Richard Johnson at [rickj53@gmail.com](mailto:rckj53@gmail.com)



THE ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON

*The Ordination*  
to the **PRIESTHOOD**  
*of Jesus Christ*

**CO-CATHEDRAL OF THE SACRED HEART**  
**10:00 AM | SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 2018**

			
<b>PAUL ANTHONY FOLTYN</b>	<b>JOSÉ LUIS GUTIÉRREZ</b>	<b>ROBERT DAVID HUST</b>	<b>MATTHEW GILBERT SUNIGA</b>

## **Council Elections**

We will be electing new officers at the May General Meeting. Please come out and let your voice be heard and find out who will be leading us in the coming fraternal year. There are also positions to the Home Association. If you are interested in placing your name in the hat, please contact Kevin Laitkep at 713-398-8965.

## **Diocesan Radio Programs**

Brothers,

In case you aren't aware, the diocese of Galveston Houston produces several radio programs on our faith and life around the diocese. Here is a list of weekly programming:

INSPIRATIONS (Hosted by Father David J. DuBois)

SUNDAYS: 6:30 a.m. KODA (Sunny 99.1) FM

LIFE TO THE FULL (Hosted by Madeline Johnson)

SUNDAYS: 3:45 p.m. KYOK (1140) AM Conroe 7:15 p.m. KWWJ (1360) AM Baytown

CATHOLIC LIFE IN THE ARCHDIOCESE (Hosted by various archdiocesan personnel)

SUNDAYS: 5:30 a.m. KWWJ (1360) AM Baytown 6:45 a.m. KYOK (1140) AM Conroe

OUR CATHOLIC VOICE (Hosted by Dr. Marcella Colbert, M.D.)

SUNDAYS: 3 p.m. KKHT (100.7) FM

SHOW OF FAITH (Live call-in program hosted by Father Mario Arroyo)

SUNDAYS: 7 to 9 p.m. KNTH (1070) AM

## **Ladies "Knight" at Coushatta**

Ladies, mark your calendars for the annual trip to Coushatta for a day of fun, games and gambling. Council 8960 will be hosting this event on June 23. We will leave the Knight's Hall on Hatfield road at 7 AM and leave Coushatta at 5 PM to return to the Knight's Hall. The day will be filled with entertainment and gambling fun. Reservations are required, so please call Lloyd Stephens at 832-330-3430 or send an e-mail to [lslocksmith@yahoo.com](mailto:lslocksmith@yahoo.com) to get your name on the list.

## **St Helen's Pilgrimage to Ireland**

Parishioners from St Helen's will be departing for a two week pilgrimage to visit several shrines in Ireland with Father Jim in early June, many who are Brother Knights and Catholic Daughters. Please pray for all those who are making this pilgrimage that they may have safe travels and may strengthen their faith through the visitation of these holy places.

## **Increase your weekly devotions with Pope Francis' Wednesday Audiences**

The Vatican YouTube channel will be hosting the Pope's weekly audiences every Wednesday for those who wish to view them. These audiences are the weekly address by the Pope to the world. Each week is dedicated to the Pope's teachings on a specific theological or ecclesiastical topic. Many of these audiences are part of a series. Have you ever heard of the "Theology of the Body?" That incredible theological work from Pope John Paul II was actually a compilation of several Wednesday audiences he did. Each audience will start off in Italian but there will be a translation of the Pope's message after the Italian in several languages including English and Spanish. If you wish to watch these audiences, just search for "The Vatican English" on YouTube or go directly there at this link <https://www.youtube.com/user/vatican/featured> There is a new audience every week as well as important messages from the Vatican if you wish to view them.

## **Pro Life Support**

Brother Knights,

As some of you already know, Council 8960 will be collecting baby items to help support mothers who choose life. We will have a bin available for drop off at each council meeting as well as Wednesday evenings when the halls are shown for rentals. Here is the list of items that was presented by Richard Lang, St Helen's Right 2 Life Coordinator. These will be turned over to the Houston Coalition for Life or the Foundation for Life.

Diaper sizes - newborn to 6 months

Baby toiletries ( baby shampoo, diaper cream, bulb syringe, pacifiers, thermometers)

Onesies, baby towels, wash cloths & wipes.

cribs, car seats & baby clothes.

These items are needed by local Crisis Pregnancy Centers.

The Knights of Columbus are Pro-Life & being Pro-Life is more than praying to end abortion. It also means supporting those that Choose Life.

All supplies can be dropped off at any KC function or Wednesdays from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm

## **Pray As Brothers**

Each month, brother Knights from our council gather on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays to pray together as men of the faith. Please try to make these events.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month is a gathering in the prayer garden to pray a rosary for the lives of the unborn children in our nation. The rosary starts at 7:30 AM in the prayer garden.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month is a gathering at the Knights hall on Hatfield Rd in the small hall to read scripture and pray together. The meeting starts at 7:30 AM.

Come and join your fellow brother Knights at these events.

### **Divine Office Readings**

Deacon Steve will be conducting weekly readings from the Breviary or Divine Office on Monday thru Thursday. Come and join your fellow parishioners in this prayerful dedication to our Lord. It is a great way to strengthen your faith with your community. The Monday and Wednesday prayers will begin at 6:30 PM and the Tuesday and Thursday prayers will begin at 7:30 AM.

### **Youth Ministry Program**

Our Youth Ministry program at St. Helen is in need of volunteers on Wednesday nights from 7:30-8:15 pm to help with parking lot safety and traffic control during dismissal. Our program on Wednesday nights has grown to well over 200 youth in 6th-8th grades, and we need help to get them safely into their parents' vehicles at night. All volunteers must have completed the Virtus Protecting God's Children training course before starting to help. I would appreciate all of your thoughtful consideration in this matter! If you would like to help, please call or email me so that I can know to expect you.

### **May 15th: General Meeting**

Join us for the monthly General Meeting of our council starting at 7:30 pm. Come early at 7 for a meal provided by the council. Come and learn about all the events and activities our council will be holding over the next month.

### **May 19th: Missal Reading and Prayer**

Join us for our next Missal Reading and Prayer Service. We will meet in the morning from 7:30 to 8:30 am in the KofC Hall on Hatfield. Please join us for coffee, donuts and good Christian fellowship as we seek the Lord together as brother Knights. If you have any questions, please contact Michael Rodriguez at 713-885-1274.

### **May 27th: 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Ceromony**

There will be a 2nd/3rd Degree Ceremony on Sunday May 27 in Alvin @9am (probably the last chance until August). Contact our membership director Richard Johnson for more information.

### **June 2nd: Pro Life Rosary**

Come join us for our monthly rosary to pray for an end to abortion. We meet at St Helen's Catholic Church in the prayer garden at 7:30 am. In the event of inclement weather, we will meet in the chapel. If you have any questions, please contact Michael Rodriguez at 713-885-1274.

### **June 23rd: Ladies "Knight" at Coushatta**

Our annual ladies Knight is coming up. Reserve your spot today!

