



Holy Spirit Council

Charity, Unity, Fraternity

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A Word from our Grand Knight

Dear Brother Knights,

Thank you for the confidence you've shown in electing me to serve as your Grand Knight. I'm committed to serve in the strong tradition that has preceded me.

There are many benefits to being a Knight of Columbus. Our conscience tells us to avoid a "what's in it for me" attitude, but our human condition often compels us to answer that question first when making important decisions, especially those affecting our precious time, talent and treasure.

The Knights of Columbus insurance program is one of the most tangible and arguably most valuable benefit accorded to a Knight. The financial wellbeing of our families in the event of our death was a cause for the founding of our order by the Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney in 1882. The majority of us will address this need through some type of insurance, and when we do, we typically seek qualities such as stability, trust and value when selecting the company and individual we do business with. As an insurance member of our Order, I've found K of C Insurance to meet every one of these criteria, and I strongly encourage each of you to explore this fraternal benefit for yourself and your family.

Our own Brother Ed Brucker is our K of C Insurance Field Agent. Please consider offering Ed the opportunity to describe this fraternal benefit and see if you don't agree with my experience.

Vivat Jesus,

Tim McNeive
Grand Knight

Our New Chaplain, Brother Father John Hourican

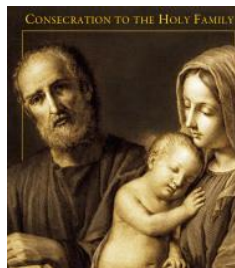


The Holy Spirit Knights are honored that Father John Hourican has accepted the invitation to assume the role as our Chaplain. Father Hourican is a Fourth Degree Knight of the Order and has past experience as a Council Chaplain.

We welcomed Father at our July Business Meeting. His initial message to those present, and indeed to us all, is to practice our faith to the fullest according to the requirement for membership as a Knight, that we are all "practical Catholics". Our Council's leadership has vowed our support to Father Hourican.

We look forward to the spiritual leadership of our new Chaplain.

Building the Domestic Church



All Councils of the Knights of Columbus have been directed to rally behind our priests to answer the call of Pope Francis in strengthening Catholic families, the "Domestic Church".

The Holy Spirit Knights took the first step when we hosted the introduction of the "Family Fully Alive" program and encouraged all families to consecrate themselves to the Holy Family at all masses the weekend of May 28.

Through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Joseph, and the grace of the Holy Spirit, let's all dedicate ourselves to strengthen our families, in our faith and our service to others.



Holy Spirit Knights Called to Serve, Answer the Call

A young teenager faces surgery that will confine him to a wheelchair for the foreseeable future. A single mother with limited means prays "What am I going to do?" Their rented home had no safe access for a wheelchair. Somehow, her prayers were answered. A Holy Spirit parishioner who was made aware of this need, contacted the Holy Spirit Knights.

Brothers Bill Byers and Stan Schulz helped the Council's officers address the identified obstacles and channeled their inner-carpenter. Driven by mercy, and through dogged determination, they designed and constructed a ramp to the home. The property owner signed off on the project and mother and son are elated. Well done Brother Knights!

Looking Back - Accomplishments

New Members and Advancements:

- New Council members 1st Degree: Paul Smothers, Greg Buechele
- Transfer In: Larry Casinghino
- 2nd Degree: Jim Provensal, Greg Carrico
- 3rd Degree: Jim Provensal

Programs and Events:

- Council welcomed Father John Hourican as our new Chaplain.
- Honored Fathers Mike and Mathew for their service to our parish and the Knights.
- Celebrated the Ordination of Brother Father Carlos Donato da Silva.
- Shared family fellowship at our June Member Social.
- Led parish "Building the Domestic Church - Family Fully Alive" and consecration to the Holy Family.
- Installed new slate of Council Officers.
- Raised funds through concession service at Memphis Air Show.
- Hosted Memphis area celebration of the birthday of Knights founder, the Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney.

Donations:

- \$800.00 to benefit West TN Seminarians Fund. Knights and families also attended Seminarian's benefit dinner (Approx. \$1200.00 donation).
- \$300.00 for car license and title fee for needy parishioner.
- \$1000.00 in support of expenses for Youth Group Trip to Catholic Work Camp in St. Louis.

Service:

- Provided a meal for 40 served at CBU Catholic Student Association Meeting.
- Collected goods for Birthright at July 29-30 5th Sunday event.
- Completed design and installation of a home wheelchair ramp.

Looking Forward – Plan and Volunteer

Programs and Events:

9/23 Knights Fall Dinner Social
10/6 DeNeuille Charity Golf Tournament
10/21 Fourth Degree Exemplification
11/12-12/10 Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest

Volunteers Needed –

9/10 YPA Kickoff
9/10 10/8, 11/12, 12/10 Pancake Breakfast
9/27 40 Days For Life Campaign begins
10/1 Life Chain
10/6-7 Tour d'espirit Parking Security
10/17 Christmas Fruit Sales Begin
10/28-29 5th Sunday Birthright Collection
11/4 Fruit Sales at Holly Craft Fair
12/2 Breakfast with St. Nicholas
12/24-25 Christmas Book Distribution

Meetings:

Officers and Directors: 9/5, 10/3, 11/7, 12/5
Council: 9/19, 10/17, 11/21, 12/19

Welcome Your New Council Officers:

Tim McNeive – Grand Knight

Mike Heitzman – Deputy Grand Knight

Father John Hourican – Chaplain

Steve Russell - Chancellor

Mike Pietrangelo – Treasure

Richard Dodd – Financial Secretary

Alex Covarrubias – Recorder

Ken Daevel – Warden

Gary Shellenberger – Inside Guard

Joseph Franceschetti – Outside Guard

Danny Crone – Lecturer

David Guntert, Mike Esposito, Joshua Boss - Trustees

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Remembering our Departed Brothers- May they rest in the peace of Christ: Victor DeBacco (2013), Frank Sampietro (2015), Richard Jensen (2015), Eddie Lindsey (2015), Percy Karnes (2015), Joseph Anderson (2015), Mark Willhite (2016), Danny Styers (2017).