



Grand Knight's Notes

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My Brother Knights,

Have you ever asked yourself why you joined the Knights of Columbus? Was it just to make a statement on your resume, or perhaps to add a tag in your social media profile that you belong to a Catholic organization? Or was it because you truly wanted to make a commitment to supporting the Church and its mission? I sincerely hope your reason was the latter.

St. Gaspar del Bufalo Council is now in its 22nd year of service to the parishes of Most Precious Blood and Queen of Angels. During those past 20 years, our members have devoted countless hours in supporting a variety of programs and projects both within the parishes, as well as in the greater Fort Wayne Catholic community. These programs vary widely in their commitments of time and talent, yet it seems that the burden has consistently fallen on a small percentage of members to 'carry the load' for the entire Council.

We currently have over 100 members listed as active on our roster. Of this number, 10-15 members regularly attend meetings. It would be phenomenal to see this number increase to 25-30 or more at a meeting! I realize that you all may have other commitments, but I urge our members to make an effort to attend at least two (2) meetings during the upcoming year so you understand how your Brother Knights are so intertwined with the other ministries at our parishes.

Beyond just attending a meeting, let me know how YOU want to get involved. Consider your commitment when you originally joined the Knights of Columbus - can you give us and the Church an hour or more of your time each month? It's not really asking a great deal.

There are many ways to assist. A few examples include:

- Helping to work at a parish Sunday Breakfast
- Helping with the Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest
- Helping with the annual Free Throw Championship
- Helping with the Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest

May you and your families have a happy and blessed Christmas and New Year.

