



# Knights of Columbus

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## News Summary by Joe Tinervia

- Our next blood drive is Thursday, February 9, 2017, from 2-6 p.m. Please go to [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) to schedule a time. Our sponsor code is kofcelk.
- Remember we have a fish fry every 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month. The next one is January 20. We hope to see you there. Remember that we have one every Friday during Lent as well.
- Annual dues statements were sent out. Our Financial Secretary Rick Fry is sending out second notices to those we have not heard from. We certainly would appreciate a quick return of payment. If you are having financial hardship or need assistance, do not hesitate to let Financial Secretary Rick Fry or one of the officers know. You also have the option of paying your dues through our website (Paypal engine) by going to <http://www.koc1043.org/council.html>
- Remember Saturday, January 28 is our Chicken and Mojos sale. Tickets are now on sale at the Columbus Club. We need people to sell tickets, and we need volunteers for that day beginning at 7 a.m. Contact Steve Riikonen by leaving a message for him at the club.
- Also keep in mind that our next 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Breakfast will be held on Sunday, January 29. We need people to spread the word, and we need volunteers beginning at 6 a.m. until about 10:30 a.m. to prepare, cook and serve food. The breakfast is a free-will breakfast with food that is made to order.
- Attendance at our regular meetings has been waning considerably. While this month's meeting was better than last, to put it bluntly, we need YOU to attend. The same group of volunteers need an injection of fresh blood to bring new ideas and energy back into the organization. One of the best and most simple ways to do that is by attending the regular meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. This is your Council. WE NEED YOU!

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## January 2017



### Brother Knights,

I wish to start by thanking you. January's meeting attendance was a great way to start the year. It was nice to see more faces, especially some we haven't seen in a while. I hope that this trend continues.

Remember that the Chicken and Mojos tickets are on sale and available for Saturday, January 28. Also, don't forget about our 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday breakfast the day after on January 29. I hope to see you there at both events!

May God bless our families, our parishes, and our Council in 2017!  
Andrew Fry, GK

### News Summary continued.....

- **HELP STILL NEEDED:** I am looking for someone to take over writing these news summaries of the meetings. The job is simple: attend meetings; take notes; email them to Lee Evers by the Sunday after the meeting so they can be put into the newsletter. Please contact me at: [joe@koc1043.org](mailto:joe@koc1043.org) if you are able to help. I will not be able to continue doing this summary much longer and would prefer to show someone the ropes rather than have someone scrambling to figure out what to do.
- Have you seen the news coverage of the food baskets? Check out our Council's Facebook page or Twitter feed for the link to it.

### SAVE THE DATE!

**"Rekindle the Fire Men's Conference"  
"Takin' It to the Streets"**

**Saturday, February 18, 9-5:30 p.m.  
Century Center Downtown South Bend**

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."  
Joshua 1:9

If you feel overwhelmed by all the negative forces that seem to be working against you today, "get ready - because at the 2017 conference you will experience Christ's love in a way that will help in battling the challenges facing men today. You will not be afraid to take it to the streets, for God is with us wherever we go!"

For more info, go to [www.rekindlethefire.net](http://www.rekindlethefire.net)

**Next meeting  
February 14 at 7 p.m.**

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### In Our Prayers

Brothers, their family members, and others who are in need of our prayers are remembered at the meetings. We would like you to also remember them in your prayers. They include: Pope Francis, Pope Emeritus Benedict, all Bishops, Priests, Deacons, and Religious, all expectant mothers, Vickie Bayer, Gene Caravez, Peg Covert, the Michael Dibley family, Sheila Dibley, Tony Dibley, Andy Dillon, Cherie Fish, Jon Fish, the Scott Green family, Elaine Heeg, Tim Johnson, Mitch Nihart, Delenne O'Connor, Kevin O'Connor, Mark O'Connor, Chuck Ornduff, Claudia Ortiz, Bob and Ericka Reese, Mike Russo, Sue Sailor family, Steve Spretnjak, Gene Terabek, Mrs. Tierney, Vince Traxler, and 2017 March for Life in Washington, D.C.

### January Meeting

Members at the meeting on January 10 were as follows: George Kalil, Larry Scalise, Andrew Fry, Joe Tinervia, Lee Evers, Jim Smith, Phil Kile, Rick Frye, Steven Gonsoski, Jeff Robertson, Dick Scheve, Kevin J. Doroh, Larry Kruse, Jose Luis Rodriguez, Rob Jackson, and Harry Palmer.

### Calendar of Coming Events

January 20—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m.
January 28—Chicken & Mojos 11 a.m.
January 29—5th Sunday Breakfast 7-10:30
February 2—4th Degree Meeting—Bristol
February 3—Rosary St. Vincent's 7 p.m.
February 9—Blood Drive 2-6 p.m.
February 14—K of C Meeting 7 p.m.
February 17—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m.

## Birthdays for February

Date	Member	Saint
3	Jon Fish	St. Daniel
3	Jeffrey Fullhart	St. Genevieve
4	Timothy Johnson	St. Hermer
4	Dan Wierzbicki	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
7	Miguel Mendoza	St. Raymond
7	Michael Reverman	St Anastasius
8	Jesus Zagal	St. Basal
9	Robert Lowman	St. Adrian
11	Robert S. Schmidt	St. Paulinus
12	Joseph A. Bickel	St. Marguerite
12	Daniel Mauck	St. Tatiana
13	James DuBois	St. Elian
16	William A. Dolan	St. Fursey
18	Vincent DelPrete	St. Volusian
18	Brandon Riikonen	St. Ammomius

Date	Member	Saint
19	Rev. Kevin Bauman	St. Henry
19	Joseph O. Eppers	St. Fillian
19	Bernard Hartogh	St. Pontainus
20	Ronald Dove	St. Fabian
21	Anthony J. Iemma	St. Alban Bartholomew
22	Andrew Hicks	St. Vincent
22	Thad Naquin	St. Birthwald
23	John Acosta	St. Ildephonsus
23	Nicholas Campanello	St. Abakah
23	Thomas Durham	St. Bernard
23	Rev. Jason Freiburger	St. Ormond
23	Brent Kulp	St. Eusebius
27	Leonardo Bumbaca	St. Marius
30	Sherman W. Hansen	St. Matthias
30	Harry L. Palmer	St. Aldegundis

### Spiritual Growth Corner by George Kalil

Happy New Year! It is hard to believe that it is 2017. It doesn't seem that long ago that the world was going to come to an end when we entered the new millennium. It didn't, so here we are. I can't tell you the number of times I heard "Boy, am I glad that 2016 is over" or something similar to that. I guess it demonstrates that hope isn't dead. We are all looking for something better, and we look to the new year to provide it.

It leads some of us to make resolutions for the new year: lose weight; work out more; eat healthier. These are all good things, but usually we find ourselves looking in the mirror and deciding that the "extra" 10 pounds really doesn't look that bad on us after all or watching dust settle on the new exercise equipment. Some of us just take it a day at a time and think that it will just be better without our doing anything about it. Good luck with that.

Maybe this year we should try something new, like making a spiritual resolution. Let's do something to make our eternal life better. I have found one for me, and I share it with you so you can make it also if you wish. "Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own eye?" Mathew 7:3. Jesus is talking about judging others, an easy thing to do. As I was thinking about this, I realized that to remove a splinter takes no more than a pair of tweezers but to deal with a beam, you are talking about a saw or chainsaw. Maybe that is why we are so quick to judge others and so slow to look in the mirror and judge ourselves. This resolution may go by the way of all others and be forgotten within a few months, but I hope not. I guess I better go out and oil that chainsaw blade; I am going to need it.

Another New Year's resolution that may help with our eternal health, and definitely is beneficial to the 300 plus people that we pray for each month, would be to start coming to our First Friday Rosary. The next one is at 7:00 PM on February 3 at St. Vincent. See you there.