



Knights of Columbus

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Brother Knights,

As we continue into this Lent, I pray that each of us and our families grow stronger in our faith and closer to our Lord. I continue to ask the Holy Spirit to guide our Council, our members, and our families, so that we can be our best for our priests, our parishes, and each other.

I was grateful to see many of you at the Rekindle the Fire Men's Conference last month. Hopefully, you were rejuvenated and motivated as much as I was.

Remember that if you're looking for a way to become more involved with our Council and within our parish communities of both St. Vincent and St. Thomas, there are plenty of activities that need your assistance. In addition, I'm sure there are new opportunities that could be available if you would only share your thoughts. We're always looking for fresh ideas and faces to help with activities, events, and programs at both parishes and within the Council.

Come to next month's meeting and bring your ideas, bring a Brother Knight who hasn't been to a meeting in a while, but most importantly, bring yourself. We encourage you to come down and be a part of the organization that you joined. If you don't wish to, or can't make the monthly meetings, every Friday during Lent we can always use assistance at the Fish Fry. Also, remember every 1st Friday of each month is a Rosary at 7 p.m. at St. Vincent (except for April, as this will be at St. Thomas after Stations of the Cross). It would be great to see more Brothers (and their families) in attendance. Remember, this first Friday Rosary as was started by the Knights and has continued for 400+ CONSECUTIVE months—that's over 30 years of getting together to pray the Rosary.

Finally, I am pleased to tell you that our Council was awarded a plaque and recognized by our District Deputy, Brad Soule, for being in the 200% Club; for our generosity to our seminarians in 2016, based on our monthly collections taken up during our meetings.

May God bless each of you, your families, our parishes, and our Council.
GK Andrew Fry

(Spiritual Corner continued) Our first Friday Rosary on April 7 will be at St Thomas after the 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross. Note: this is a new location for April only. This is our 408th consecutive Rosary. How many have you been a part of? See you there.

News Summary by Andrew Fry

- Our Financial Secretary, Rick Frye, is currently going through his audit/review to be reappointed for a 3-year term.
- The 3rd and final dues notices will be going out soon. If you or someone you know, are unable to pay your dues, please contact Rick Frye.
- Congratulations to Trevor Smith and Jeff Robertson, who both received their 3rd Degree recently.
- Redeemer Radio will be hosting their Share-a-Thon on April 24-25 and would like a member of each council to attend for an informal interview session with other area councils. If you are interested in taking part or in donating, contact District Deputy Brad Soule for more information and specific times.
- Remember the weekly Friday Fish Frys during Lent from 5-7 p.m.
- The First Friday Rosary on April 7 will be at St. Thomas after the Stations of the Cross, which starts at 7 p.m. The May Rosary will be back at St. Vincent as usual.

Spiritual Growth Corner by George Kalil

It is hard to believe that it was July of 2011 when I wrote the first of these columns for the newsletter. I was asked to do it, and I said, "Yes," probably before thinking it all the way through.

I sat down to write that first one and got nowhere. What should I write? How long does it need to be? Is anybody going to read it? Who am **I** to be writing a column called "The Spiritual Corner"? I don't even type that well. To put it mildly, I was stuck and a deadline was looming before me. After struggling for a while, and getting nowhere, I decided to ask for help from the Holy Spirit. I asked Him to give me the words to put on paper. He knew what needed to be said and who was going to read what He wrote through me and just what they needed. I don't know for sure, but I have faith that this is actually happening.

In my bull headed way, at times, I try to take this column back from the Holy Spirit, and it usually doesn't go too well. I struggle with **my** idea and then don't like the outcome. I scrap it and ask the Spirit to take over again. He doesn't disappoint. I need to give it to the Holy Spirit first and not waste a lot of time and worry doing **my** thing. That is a life lesson I am still trying to learn.

The only one who sees the big picture and knows exactly the part that we play in it is God. No matter what we are going through, good or bad, thank God for it and ask Him to guide you through it in His wisdom. He won't fail you. We may not understand it, but that isn't our job. Remember that if, like the popular bumper sticker from some time ago says, "God is my co-pilot," then you are in the wrong seat. *(continued in column 2)*

Next meeting April 11 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, Adam Bujalski family, Gene Caravez, Peg Covert, the Michael Dibley family, Sheila Dibley, Tony Dibley, Andy Dillon, Cherie Fish, Jon Fish, the Scott Green family, Tim Johnson, Mitch Nihart, Delenne O'Connor, Kevin O'Connor, Mark O'Connor, Chuck Ornduff, Claudia Ortiz, Bob and Ericka Reese, Mike Russo, Steve Spretnjak, Gene Terabek, Mrs. Tierney, and Vince Traxler.

March Meeting

Members at the meeting on March 14 were as follows: George Kalil, Larry Scalise, Andrew Fry, Lee Evers, Rick Frye, Phil Kile, Trevor Miller, Rob Jackson, Trinidad Rico, Larry Kruse, Jeff Robertson, Steve Gonsoski, and Brad Soule, DD #11.

Calendar of Coming Events

March 24—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m.
March 31—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m.
April 6—4th Degree Meeting—Goshen
April 7—Rosary St. Thomas 7:30 p.m.
April 7—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m.
April 11—K of C Meeting 7 p.m.
April 14—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m.
April 17—Dyngus Day
April 21—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m.

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Birthdays for April

Date	Member	Saint
1	James W. Noffsinger	St. Hugh
6	Joseph Bozzoto	St. Marcellinus
6	Daniel Wozniak	St. William
7	William J. Nye	St John Baptist de la Salle
8	David J. Towner	St. Julia Billiard
13	Steven M Revelli	St Martin
15	Robert A. Petersen	St. Paternus
16	Kenneth Will	St. Bernadette

Date	Member	Saint
17	Rob Hoffer	St. Stephen Harding
18	Zachary Eppers	St. Appolonius
19	James P. Mauck, Jr.	St. Alphege
19	Mariano Tirado	St. Ursmar
24	Antonio Cataldo	St. Benedetto
24	Mitchell Wirt	St. Fidelis
29	Eugene W. Hungate	St. Catherine
30	Charles Girten	St. Pius V, Pope