



The St. Jude Journal

Knights of Columbus Council 5801
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February 2009

"So that in all things God may be glorified."—Rule of St. Benedict

Dates to Remember:

- February 8, 2009
Pancake Breakfast
7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- February 11, 2009
Business Meeting
8 p.m., K of C Room
- February 20, 2009
Reverse Raffle
- February 25, 2009
Social Meeting
8 p.m., K of C Room
- February 27, 2009
First 2009 Fish Fry

Letter From Our Grand Knight:

How about this weather.....

But seriously...

January marked the anniversary of a very controversial decision in *Roe v. Wade*. There is no mistaking the position that the Church and the Knights of Columbus take on this issue. We are pro-life. Period. One piece of legislation that will go before Congress is the Freedom of Choice Act (FOCA). FOCA aims to take away a lot of the restrictions and allow greater access to abortions. I am working on a presentation or a presenter to inform us more about this issue.

There is a lot of information out there and I invite you to look further into it and educate yourself on something that might try to slide under the radar with the current economic situation. Please look into this issue and see what you can do to support life.

One website that has been forwarded to me from the state level is www.fightfoca.com.

Fraternally,
Brian Novotny

Reverse Raffle **ᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱ ᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱ**

Our Reverse Raffle will be Friday, Feb. 20, 2009 at Jefferson Country Club. To reserve your space or for more information, call Tom Eckl (471-7102), Bill Holehouse (939-9591) or Dave Macynski (855-0176).

Lenten Dinners 2009

This Lenten season will see the Knights sponsor a record 5 Lenten Dinners; four fish fry's and one Cheese Lasagna dinner. All dinners are to be held in the St. Matthew Hutta Gym starting at 5:15 and ending at 7:30 on Friday February 27, March 6, March 13 (Lasagna Night), March 27 and April 3.

Other changes this year include the substitution of cheese pizza for fish, the option of baked fish and the option of purchasing canned pop at an additional cost. For those interested in food content and ingredients, these will be displayed at the table where you pay for your dinner.

This is NOT an all you can eat event, however the same high quality Cod Fish that has become the trademark of our Council will still be featured. The price of the dinner AGAIN HAS NOT CHANGED; \$8.50 for adults, \$7.25 for seniors, \$5.00 for students with ID, \$4.50 for children in the 8th grade and younger, and special pricing for families. For example, Mom and Dad with 2 of their children, \$24.00, Mom and Dad with 3 of their children, \$27.00, Mom and Dad with 4 of their children, \$29.50!!

100% of proceeds go to Knights of Columbus Charities primarily Catholic High School Scholarships for 8th graders at St. Matthew Parish. Last year, we raised over \$1,826 in proceeds. Volunteers are needed especially during the earlier hours. Call or email Andy Rose at 614.554.4222 or arose@wowway.com.

The Knights are also planning on getting help from the youth at St Francis DeSales, Bishop Hartley, St Charles, St Matthew as well as the Knights Spouses!

The Knights will again continue to be socially conscious on two fronts. First, all leftover food will again be donated to the Men's Shelter on Long Street. Second, all used frying oil will be recycled into diesel fuel and most of the cardboard and aluminum will also find its way to recycling centers!

Take out is available!! Check out the web site <http://www.stjude-kofc.org> for further information!

February Pancake Breakfast

Only two chances left for this year. If you've got some time on Sunday morning, why not give Tom LeFever some help. Set up normally starts at 7 a.m. Cleaned up and home by 12:30. The big rush is after the 10:00 Mass.

The remaining schedule is:

- Feb 8
- Mar 8

From Our Chaplain:

My Dear Brother Knights and Ladies,

I don't know about you, but I am really ready for a few days of sunshine and 75 degrees of warmth. Winter is very scenic to the eye, but at least for me, is very difficult to embrace as my favorite time of year. As I have grown older, (not necessarily any wiser), the cold air, frigid temperatures, and snow and sleet and ice have become much harder for me to negotiate, especially by foot. I never expected to see the time when I feared falling on the ice and snow. The years have certainly taken their toll, and constantly remind me that I am no longer 18, even though I don't really feel like 66 either. SIGH!!!!

Fortunately, the season born in the far north has much more to offer than cold. The silence of softly falling snow and the crispness of a frigid cloudless night, provide a perfect setting for God to speak to us. We have become far too busy with the everyday activities which crowd our lives; so busy, in fact, that we seem unable to sit in the silence long enough to hear his voice. And yet, it is in the whisper of silence that He comes to us. "BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD!"

Our world is broken in so many ways, and we look for someone, ... anyone, ... to fix it. But in our hearts, we know there is only one who can. God is the healer of minds and hearts, bodies and spirits. And, He will come to you and to me in the silence and quiet of our hearts, if we only allow it. If just for a few moments a day, each of us need to be still long enough to hear Him speak. It is only through our loving God that we will find the wisdom and courage to love and forgive as God loves and forgives: unconditionally. It is only within the embrace of love and forgiveness that our world will be healed. It is only within the embrace of love and forgiveness that peace can become a reality.

Each of us is only one voice. The world is so big! What can we possibly do that can make a difference? WE CAN LOVE, AND WE CAN FORGIVE!

Yours in the peace of Christ,

Deacon Harry L. Turner

February: St. Jude Council Activities

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8 Pancake Breakfast	9	10	11 Business Meeting	12	13	14
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For the Good of the Order:

Please pray for:

- John Hage
- Tom Eckl
- Michelle Cronin
- Nick Takach
- Earl Velda- Bill Mokris' father in law
- Theresa Ryan
- Debbie Gerardi
- Phyllis Black
- Betty, Wife of Frank Everson
- Cannon family

Knight of the Month

The Knight of the month goes to Erin Delffs for all of his work keeping our checkbook in order and on budget. On top of his official role, He is also one of our top recruiters.

Thanks Erin for all you do and keep the new recruits coming our way.

Where's Your Directory Form?

Help us build a council directory. The information form is the last page of this newsletter. Please print it, fill it out and bring it to a meeting.

Columbus Men's Conference

The Central Ohio Catholic Men's Conference is scheduled for March 7, 2009 at St. Joan of Arc in Powell, Ohio. The conference is from 8am- 2pm and includes personal testimonies and penance and Mass with the Bishop.

In years past, our Council has seen from 8-15 men attend. We are hopeful we can get 15 men this year. Also, we will provide a carpool, meeting at St. Matthews at 7:15. Tom Mignery will register all Kof C men in our Council ahead of time and you can contact him by email at tmignery@burnip.com or by phone at 614-855-0784.

If you cannot make it for the whole day that is okay. But if you have a few hours for personal reflection and/or to interact with your fellow brothers, we welcome you. If you have never attended this conference, give it a try!! If you are a veteran of the conference, you know it can be a positive experience and we would like to see you again!

5K Run

The 5K Run to help our kids get to the National Catholic Youth Conference will be April 18th. You can now sign up online.

We are also looking for sponsors. A \$100 sponsorship will get their logo on the website and printed on the back of the t-shirts. Contact Rich Schlagheck for more information.

<http://premieraces.com/2009Races/KnightsofColumbus.html>

Help Us Create A Council Directory

Please tell us about yourself, and bring this Info Sheet with you to meeting or email the information to our Grand Knight so we can compile a directory and make sure our records are up to date.

Name _____ Spouse _____
Address _____ Anniversary Date ____
City _____ Zip _____ Birthday _____

Children Names and Age's _____

Phone Number _____
E-mail Address _____

Degree _____ Year Joined K of C _____

Event Chair _____

Previous Roles _____

Why did I join the Knights of Columbus?

Why should others join the Knights of Columbus?

