

Brother Knights,

As the 2017 State fraternal year comes to a close, I want to express my thanks to everyone for all the time, commitment, dedication and sacrifices that you made for the good works of our Council to be made possible. The support you show is greatly appreciated and evident in the works that we perform. Please continue to pray for your Officers, that God will always show us the way, and that He will continue to show us his mercy and love.

Vivat Jesus!

Craig Harrell Editor

Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday's of each month.

The 2nd Wednesday meeting is our regular business meeting and is always held in the Parish Hall. We start with a rosary at 6 pm, a social with the Ladies Auxiliary at 6:30 pm and the meeting begins at 7 pm.

The 4th Wednesday meeting is normally our Officers and Chairman meeting, but all members are invited. At this meeting we discuss upcoming and projected events. This meeting is sometimes held at the Parish center or various locations in the area including member's homes and local restaurants.

If you can, please try attending these meetings and become as active as your time allows. Also, please encourage your wives to join the Ladies Auxiliary if they have not done so already.

Membership as of 1/9/18

99

Associate: 69 members Insurance: 30 members Honorary: 7 Honorary Life: 12

Welcome our newest Council members: Rick Accardo – Feb 24th Jesse Qualls – Feb 24th Noah Graham – Mar 27th



*******January******

Month of the Holy Name of Jesus

January is the month of the Holy Name of Jesus. The feast of the Holy Name originated in the 1500s and was formerly celebrated on the second Sunday of Epiphany. It was removed from the calendar in 1969, "*since the imposition of the name of Jesus is already commemorated in the office of the Octave of Christmas*." (*motu propri: Mysterii Paschalis, 1969*) It was restored in 2002 as an optional memorial on the first free day after January 1st.

The official litany of the Holy Name of Jesus is included in the book <u>A Prayerbook of Favorite</u> <u>Litanies</u>. There are indulgences attached to the devotion to the Holy Name; one hundred days each day if the devotion is made privately, three hundred days each day, if the devotion is made in a public church or chapel.

Because of the feasts in January which pertain to Christ's infancy and childhood, January has also become a month dedicated to the Holy Childhood of Jesus.



- Knight of the Month: Duane Andrews
- Family of the Month: Bob Butkowski Family

SAUSAGE & BISCUIT SUNDAY



Jan 7th - Thanks to Joe Mraz, Steve Miller, Craig Harrell, Tony Bombich, Chris Halliwell, Joe Parsons and Bill O'Connor who helped with the sausage biscuits for our monthly fundraiser, and to the many Knights and their families who support monetarily. This is the Council's largest fundraiser and funds collected go to the education of future priests.



Fraternal Benefits Meeting & Social Held Jan 10th

The council held a Fraternal benefits meeting and social the evening of Wed. Jan 10th in the Parish Hall. An estimated 80 individuals were in attendance. GK Steve Miller, with help from some council members, prepared a meal of spaghetti, salad and dessert with all the fixins that was enjoyed by all in attendance.

Knights of Columbus Field Agent Zach Brown did a fantastic job in his presentation and had folders prepared to pass out afterwards to anyone who wanted one. The response was great!





Rosary for the Unborn



Jan 13th – Monthly prayer service for the Innocent was held at the Jackson Abortion Clinic. Thank you to Mike Booth, Wesley Stevens, Bill and Carolyn O'Connor, Chris Halliwell, Steve Miller, Adam Martino and Craig Harrell for braving the frigid temperatures and participating in this most worthy cause. For those interested in joining us, the service is held on the 2nd Saturday of each month and starts at 9 AM. Chairs are welcomed and always come prepared for inclement weather just in case. Check your email for any updates to change in schedule.



L-R: Mike Booth, Wesley Stevens, Bill O'Connor, Chris Halliwell, Carolyn O'Connor, Steve Miller, Adam Martino and Craig Harrell (front)

Council 7854 Baby Bottle Fundraiser

The weekend of Jan 13-14 saw the KC's begin their annual Baby Bottle Fundraiser project. Baby Bottles were distributed after each weekend mass. Last year, the council raised \$3000 which was evenly distributed to Catholic Charities, Birthright and Center for Pregnancy Choices. This year we have aligned our Baby Bottle Fundraiser with the National Month for Pro-Life.







The Visible Arm of the Knights



Jan 20th

4th Degree Council members participated in the Pro-Life Candlelight Vigil in the rotunda of the State Capitol in Jackson, MS and at a Patriotic Degree in Southaven, MS.

Pro-Life Candlelight Vigil



Worthy Sir Knights Jim Sharp and Allen Scott (on the right)

Patriotic Degree in Southaven, MS



Vice Supreme Master Mike Porter with District Marshal Craig Harrell



Vice Supreme Master Mike Porter with Color Corp Commander Steve Miller



Bill O'Connor (standing far left) CCC Steve Miller (standing in purple regalia) DM Craig Harrell (first Marshal in green regalia standing from the left)

\$4000 THANK YOU

The Baby Bottles were collected the weekend of Jan 27 at all masses and after the money was counted, a total of \$4000 was collected. The parishioners of Holy Savior have donated over \$7000 to this inaugural KC project. The proceeds are evenly distributed to Catholic Charities, Birthright and Center for Pregnancy Choices.



January Birthdays

Duane Andrews (8th), Gary Bokros (7th), Jerry Burford (15th), Kelly Cummins (1st), Stanley Doucet (30th), Manny Fuentes (1st), Bill Hetrick (11th), Paul Logan (25th), Rev. Noel Prendergast (2nd), Allan Rodgers (24th), Wesley Stevens (26th), Stephen Thompson (26th), Mike Weisenberger (17th) Chuck Weiss (18th)

*******February******

Month of the Holy Family

February is the month dedicated to the Holy Family. Though the start of the Lenten season changes within the calendar year, a fair-sized portion of February gives us a space of time between the Christmas celebrations and the increased focus on Jesus's public life and ministry, which occurs in Lent. It is a transition from the feast of Christmas to the fasting of Lent. Therefore, traditionally February has become a time to recall the Holy Family; within the Holy Family is where Jesus spent the time between his birth and embarking on his public journey.



- *Knight of the Month*: Wendell Cox
- Family of the Month: Bill O'Connor Family

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Feb 7th – A rosary was said at 6 PM followed by a dinner social with the Ladies Auxiliary at 6:30 PM. The Council business meeting began at 7 PM. We were honored to have two State officers in attendance as well. State Warden Guy Heying and Sate Secretary Philip Jabour. The council received two awards, the Council of Excellence and the Star Council Award. Guy presented the Council of Excellence Award and Philip presented the Star Council Award. Both were earned last Fraternal year. Grand Knight Steve Miller received the awards on behalf of the council.

Rosary for the Unborn



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Craig Harrell, Bill O'Connor and Steve Miller

Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper



Feb 13th – Our inaugural Fat Tuesday Parish Pancake Supper was held after evening mass and it was a huge success. Thanks to the Knights who participated with preparation, cleanup, or just coming to show support and eat. After GK Steve Miller spoke with Father McGing, it looks like it will be a yearly event from now on. Special thanks to Mike Kirby, Bill O'Connor, Rob Smith, Allen Scott, Joe Mraz, Tony Bombich, Austin Espino, Chuck Weiss, Lloyd Everhardt, Paul Logan, Kelly Santos, Jim Sharp, Stephen Martinolich, and Mike Weisenberger.







Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent. Its official name is "Day of Ashes," so called because of the practice of rubbing ashes on one's forehead in the sign of a cross. Ash Wednesday and Lent are observed by most Catholics and some Protestant denominations.



Admissions Degree Rick Accardo and Jesse Qualls join Knights of Columbus

An Admissions Degree was held on Saturday February 24th at Holy Savior. Rick Accardo and Jesse Qualls were exemplified into the 1st Degree. The team consisted of Bill O'Connor (Grand Knight), Lloyd Everhardt (Chancellor), Craig Harrell (Deputy Grand Knight), Chris Halliwell (Financial Secretary), Agustine Espino (Inside Guard) and Jon Graham (Music). Dignitaries in attendance was our KC Field Agent Zach Brown. Council Grand Knight Steve Miller prepared a lunch consisting of pulled pork, slaw and french fries. Great fellowship was enjoyed by all.



Front L-R: Agustine Espino, Lloyd Everhardt, Rick Accardo, Jesse Qualls, David Collins, Back L-R: Jon Graham, Bill O'Connor, Steve Miller, Craig Harrell, Chris Halliwell, Charles Collins

Welcome Rick and Jesse



February Birthdays

David Canizaro (20th), Wendell Cox (3rd), Scott DeJong (25th), Chris Halliwell (11th), Craig Harrell (4th), Charles LeBlanc (12th), Steve Miller (14th), Jim Safigan (13th), Allen Scott (24th)



From the State Deputy

Greetings to you all. As Lent begins, so does our fish fries. But, it's much more than that. As many of us commit to raising funds for the Bishop Gerow, Bishop Houck, Culture of Life and many other causes, we dedicate this time of year to not only "giving up things" but we also "give back". Lent is a time for reflecting and fasting. It could also be a time to dedicate the season to Evangelization. The best opportunity, as Knights, that we have to evangelize is to introduce more Catholic men to the work of our great order. Lent is the time of year when RCIA candidates are brought into the Parish community. Why stop there? Lent can be a time to welcome new Knights into your Council community. This is one our most visible times of the year. Use your fund raisers as membership drives. Display brochures, use the K of C placemats on your tables and have someone dedicated to greeting potential members. Make sure it's a Brother Knight who can answer questions about the order.

As we move into Lent, we also get even closer to the annual State Convention. This year's convention will be held in Biloxi, April 27-29 at the Golden Nugget hotel. Many Councils have already registered their delegates, reserved hotel rooms and purchased Convention booklet ads. If you haven't, I urge you to do so as soon as possible.



*******March******

Month of Devotion to St. Joseph

March is the month of devotion to St. Joseph whose feast falls on March 19th. The date of the solemnity of St. Joseph dates to the end of the 15th century; within the next few centuries, the entire month as a time for devotion to St. Joseph became part of tradition.

In a society which seems to discourage the importance of marriage and fatherhood, St. Joseph, the spouse of the Virgin and the man given the responsibility of raising Jesus, is an incredible model of an obedient, faithful, Christian father.

There are indulgences attached to devotion to St. Joseph during this month: three hundred days daily for those who privately or publicly perform some pious practice in honor of St. Joseph, during the month, a plenary indulgence on any day of the month under the usual conditions.



- Knight of the Month: Bob (Buck) Butkowski
- Family of the Month: Craig Harrell Family



At the Cross her station keeping, stood the mournful Mother weeping, close to Jesus to the last. Through her heart, His sorrow sharing, all His bitter anguish bearing, now at length the sword has passed. O how sad and sore distressed was that Mother, highly blest, of the sole-begotten One. Christ above in torment hangs, she beneath beholds the pangs of her dying glorious Son. Is there one who would not weep, whelmed in miseries so deep, Christ's dear Mother to behold? Can the human heart refrain from partaking in her pain, in that Mother's pain untold? Bruised, derided, cursed, defiled, she beheld her tender Child All with bloody scourges rent: For the sins of His own nation, saw Him hang in desolation, Till His spirit forth He sent. O thou Mother! Fount of love! Touch my spirit from above, make my heart with thine accord:

Make me feel as thou hast felt; make my soul to glow and melt with the love of Christ my Lord. Holy Mother! Pierce me through, in my heart each wound renew of my Savior crucified: Let me share with thee His pain, who for all my sins was slain, who for me in torments died. Let me mingle tears with thee, mourning Him who mourned for me, all the days that I may live: By the Cross with thee to stay, there with thee to weep and pray, is all I ask of thee to give. Virgin of all virgins blest!, Listen to my fond request: let me share thy grief divine; Let me, to my latest breath, in my body bear the death of that dying Son of thine. Wounded with His every wound, steep my soul till it hath swooned, in His very Blood away; Be to me, O Virgin, nigh, lest in flames I burn and die, in His awful Judgment Day. Christ, when Thou shalt call me hence, by Thy Mother my defense, by Thy Cross my victory; While my body here decays, may my soul Thy goodness praise, safe in paradise with Thee. Amen.

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.

SAUSAGE & BISCUIT SUNDAY MARCH 4th



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Widows Luncheon held March 8th

One of the Council's Family activities is an annual luncheon held for widows of deceased Council Knights. Bill O'Connor, Family program chairman initiated this idea about 4 years ago and looks forward to selecting a venue for the widows to enjoy a nice meal. They enjoy it so much that they recommended that we have it on a monthly basis, all in good jest of course.

Rosary for the Unborn



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L-R: Chris Halliwell, Mike Kirby, Steve Miller, Carolyn O'Connor, Bill O'Connor, Rick Accardo Front: Craig Harrell

Sir Knights of the Patriotic Degree lead the 35th Annual Hal's St. Paddy Day Parade in Jackson, MS on March 17th.



Worthy Sir Knights from Bishop R.O Gerow Assembly 554 from Jackson, Bishop Brunini Assembly 2269 from Madison and Sir Knight Eugene T. Hicks Assembly 2734 from Starkville/Columbus

Noah Graham joins Council 7854 at an Admissions Degree in Vicksburg, MS hosted by Vicksburg Council 898 on March 27th



Noah Graham pictured with his father Jon.



Noah pictured with the Degree Team L-R: Steve Miller, Lloyd Everhardt, Charles Hahn, Noah Graham, Craig Harrell, Jon Graham, Tony Dardeau

Welcome Noah

Holy Savior Council Members of Bishop R.O. Gerow Assembly 554 Provide Honor Guard for Holy Thursday



Steve Miller, Chuck Weiss, Mike Kirby, Lloyd Everhardt, Allen Scott, Mike Harkins, Chris Halliwell, Bill O'Connor, Craig Harrell



On the Friday of the Lord's Passion (Good Friday) the Church commemorates the death of Jesus Christ on the Cross for the sins of all mankind, at the same time the Passover lamb was being killed and prepared for consumption among the Jewish people. On this day the Church does not celebrate Mass. The main altar remains completely bare, and the Tabernacle is empty. It is at the 3 o'clock hour on Good Friday that Jesus expired on the Cross, His Divine Mercy being poured out on the whole world. At this hour the Christian faithful should observe a solemn and prayerful silence in memory of the hour in which our salvation was won at so great a price.



<u>March Birthdays</u> Brian Bowers (18th), Richard Constancio (8th), Lew Gagneaux (5th), John Haselhorst (21st), Neal Lehan (2nd), Robert Tonore (29th), John Toth (3rd)