

MAY 2015

NEWS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. LOUIS COUNCIL 3335



For the first time at a Confirmation Mass at St. Louis Church, the Knights of Columbus processed in full regalia. Their presence added something. All knights are encouraged to obtain their 4th degree and regalia to make such events even more special.

Following the Mass, Bishop Jeffrey Monforton dedicated the Stations of the Cross that the Confirmation students built under the supervision of Grand Knight Mike Haas. Pam Dovyak, the teacher of the Confirmation class, came up with the idea, but the students and teacher under the direction of Grand Knight Mike Haas did the actual construction. They are truly beautiful works of art and a marvelous job of woodworking. Generations of Christians of all denominations will be able to visit the stations in the patio to the left of St. Pope John Paul II Parish Center. They will be able to meditate on each station or event of the passion of Christ on the road to Calvary as we accompany Him to His crucifixion.... the perfect sacrifice of Christ, the Son of God to save us from our sins. Each station tells a story and teaches a lesson to us all.

May Activities and Announcements

 <u>May Crowning by the Children of the Parish School of Religion and Eucharistic Adoration</u> -Sunday May 3 after the 10 am Mass. The Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will conclude with Vespers at 4 pm. It would be great to have a Knights of Columbus Honor Guard there. Brother knight, if you come for adoration, please kneel/sit in the front row for as long as you desire, be it only 15 minutes. You don't have to be in regalia. Bruce Davison usually occupies the first row on the right for most of the time, including the all-nighters. You can do spiritual reading; converse with the Lord; and share your innermost thoughts and concerns with Him.

2. <u>K of C Mother's Day Breakfast</u> - *Sunday May 10 after the 8 am and 10 am Masses* (2nd Sunday of each month) for St. Louis K of C Council Charities. It will be free for mothers. Honor not only the mother in your family, but also by your presence pay homage to all the mothers within our parish family. Why take Mom to an expensive restaurant when she will receive a lot of love from the parish family, great fellowship, and delicious food with more love added to it to strengthen our parish community? Bring your family and friends. Every breakfast sponsored by the Knights of Columbus benefits one of its charities.

We need help to setup and prepare the food at 7 am, washing dishes, and cleaning up after. Our response for the last breakfast was better, but we still need all the help we can get.

- 3. <u>St. Louis Church Welcome Brunch for the New Members of the Parish</u>, Especially Converts Received into the Church in 2014 and 2015 *Sunday May 17 after the 10 am Mass*. It will be free; however, donations will be accepted. Take advantage of this opportunity to communicate a little bit of love and befriend the new members of our parish family, lest some drift away. Loving and supporting relationships bind us together, thus renewing and strengthening the parish.
- 4. <u>Monthly Business Dinner Meeting</u> *Monday May 18 at 6:30 pm*, one week earlier because of Memorial Day on the 25th. Nominations for new officers will be the most important part of the agenda. Now is the time for the younger members to step forward. We have great fellowship at dinner and the input of every knight is most valuable at the meeting as we make decisions about future activities. Our Council is as strong as each knight makes it. We will pray the rosary before the meeting inside the church at 5:45 pm. We cannot be an effective Council without the Lord's help and guidance.
- 5. <u>Knights of Columbus Fifth Sunday Mass</u> *Sunday May 31 at 10 am*. The 4th Degree knights will process in full regalia and make the Mass more beautiful and impressive than it already is. The knights will do it all; Fr. Tom is also a knight. We will all *meet in the back of the church at 9:45 am*.
- 6. Super Cash BONANZA Raffle Tickets \$108,000 in Prizes; 1ST Prize \$49,680. \$5.00 per chance may be purchased from any knight. Better than the lottery. *The St. Louis Council has a good chance of receiving up to \$3.80 from each ticket if turned in by <u>May 15</u> and less after that. Please place the tickets and money in the box in the back of the church. The proceeds will be used for scholarships for the students of our parish.*
- 7. <u>The Knights continue to sponsor and lead the rosary</u> 25 to 30 minutes before the Masses of the first Saturday and first Sunday of the month. For May it's Saturday the 2nd and Sunday the 3rd. The next one will be the week-end of June 6-7.
- 8. <u>Volunteers (not necessarily knights) Needed for the Cemetery</u> on *Saturday May 23 at 9 am* to mow, do weed eating, trimming, etc. Each summer month one or two volunteers will be needed. Hopefully each knight will only work once during the summer. Please contact Bruce Davison at 740-256-1427.
- 9. Looking into June. The K of C Award Breakfast will be on *June 7* after the 10 am Mass.

The strength of our Council depends so much on you.....your participation, your volunteering your time and effort to serve God and His people. Thank you for all of your help.

Lord, help the Knights of Columbus be a force for the renewal of the parish and ourselves too.
