



May 2017

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



The Knights of Columbus prepared and hosted a brunch in honor of the 2017 First Holy Communion Class. From left to right are Caleb Frazee, Dylan Kline, Lyla Swain, Coye Ours, Ms. Jaga Sebastian their teacher, Fatima Valadez, Cody Stapleton, Madison Lewis, Brady Metzger, and Josiah Stapleton. May they always be faithful to the Church and to the Eucharist every single Sunday throughout their lives. May they always reflect the love of Christ and conserve this beautiful innocence. May we restore the innocence of our first Holy Communion through the sacrament of Reconciliation. In the background is the rectory garden with a statue of St. Francis of Assisi. Thanks to Karrie Davison for the photos.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR YOUR MARRIAGE TODAY?

Love is Kind. Kindness is love in action. Patience is how love reacts in order to minimize a negative circumstance; kindness is how love acts to maximize a positive circumstance. Patience avoids a problem; kindness creates a blessing.....two sides of love. One is preventive; the other is proactive. Love makes you kind and kindness makes you likeable. *Kindness leads to gentleness*.....which is careful in how you treat your spouse. It's tender; it's sensitive; it speaks the truth in love. *Kindness is helpful and thoughtful* without

expecting a reward. Look for what your wife needs and she won't get hung up on her rights. **Kindness inspires a willingness** to listen, to be agreeable, to cooperate, to accommodate, to compromise, and be flexible instead of stubborn. Kindness doesn't complain and make excuses. Kindness thinks ahead and doesn't wait to be asked. **It takes the initiative** to satisfy a need. The kind husband greets first; smiles first; serves first; and forgives first. Look for reasons to praise and bless her. Love does not need feelings because love is a choice. Kindness to each other brought you together way back when; kindness will also keep you together until death do you part. Thanks to Stephen & Alex Kendrick and their biblically based book, "The Love Dare".

Knights will be needed for the annual cleanup of the church grounds Saturday May 20 after Mass at 8.

The Knights of Columbus invites all to visit the redesigned website (www.jp2shrine.org) of the National Shrine of St. Pope John Paul II. Better yet visit in person the Knights of Columbus sponsored shrine in Washington D.C. near the awesome Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Learn and explore the legacy of St. Pope John Paul II on the website and also plan on taking your family to both shrines for a great spiritual and in-depth educational experience this summer.

Two New Councils Chartered in South Korea. Knights of Columbus councils are now active in the USA, Canada, Mexico, Poland, and now South Korea.

Activities and Announcements for Lent and the Month of April

- 1. Eucharistic Adoration - Sunday May 28 after the 10 am Mass to coincide with the Feast of the Ascension.** The Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will conclude with Vespers and Benediction at 4 pm. You will often feel the Lord's presence while experiencing peace, consolation, and warmth. **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 on the left for as long as you desire, be it only 15 minutes or more. You don't have to be in regalia. Former Grand Knight 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 to obtain healing and strength to keep going. **The recommended community prayer intention for May** is for all mothers and that they raise their children to be always faithful to Christ and His Church. The next Eucharistic Adoration is on June 18, the Feast of Corpus Christi.
- 2. The Knights continue to sponsor and lead the rosary 25 to 30 minutes before the Masses of the first Saturday and first Sunday of the month.** For May it's Saturday the 6th and Sunday the 7th. The next rosary will be on the week end of June 3-4. After the Mass, the Rosary is the most perfect prayer which Mary herself gave us.
- 3. K of C Breakfast in Honor of Mothers - Sunday May 14 after the 8 am and 10 am Masses** (generally the 2nd Sunday of each month). This one will honor all mothers. It will be great fellowship and delicious food with a lot of love added to it to strengthen our parish community. Bring your family and friends. There is no charge, but voluntary donations are accepted to benefit the Rewiring Project of our church. **We need your help** to setup and prepare the food at 7 am, wash dishes, and clean up after each of the two breakfasts. Help to build parish community with your presence. Don't fight the crowd and wait at a restaurant; come to our breakfast.
- 4. Monthly Business Dinner Meeting - Monday May 22 at 6:30 pm with Rosary at 5:45 pm.** We have great fellowship at dinner and the input of every knight is most valuable at the meeting as we make decisions regarding future activities. Our Council is as strong as each knight makes it. We cannot be an effective Council without the Lord's help and guidance. **The next 4th Monday of the month Dinner Meeting will be on Monday June 26.**
- 5. Final Turn-in May 6-7: Please buy and sell our Super Cash Bonanza Raffle Tickets.....\$108,000 in prizes.** The proceeds finance two \$500 college scholarships to our high school graduates and charity. Please turn in the sold tickets and receipts to Oscar Bastiani or deposit them in the box in the church vestibule by the week-end of May 6 - 7.