

July 2015

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



The 2015 Knights of Columbus Council 3335 presented its annual awards on June 7 after Mass to recognize a few deserving people among the knights and the parish family. Bruce Davison, the incoming Grand Knight presented the following awards to those pictured above. In the front row from left to right are Garett Frazee and Gabriel Frazee, winners of the Christmas Poster Contest; Aubree Stapleton, the recipient of the Substance Abuse Awareness Program Certificate; and Janelle McClelland, \$500 Scholarship Award. In the second row are Pam Withrow-Dovyak, Lady of the Year; Bruce Davison; John Payne, Knight of the Year; Jeremy O'Dell, Blue Coat of the Year; Bruce Moreaux, \$500 Scholarship recipient; and Matthew Moreaux, representing the Confirmation class. A parish breakfast was held in their honor immediately afterward.

Always faithful to Church teachings, the Knights of Columbus issued a statement on the recent Supreme Court Decision on Gay Marriage. On its website (kofc.org), it reiterated support of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, affirming that marriage can only be between one man and one woman.

As the head of the family (and the K of C is all about family), it is the responsibility of every father (especially a knight) to assure that his wife and kids attend Mass every Sunday (or Saturday Evening), a grave obligation as stipulated in the Catechism of the Catholic Church. It is more difficult when on vacation, but that's no excuse. The website, masstimes.org provides the schedule of Masses for every Catholic church within 30 miles of your location anywhere in the United States. The motel clerk would be happy to guide you to the nearest Catholic church and help find the phone number. Of course, there's the yellow pages of the phone book. My family has traveled coast to coast and down to Florida with little or no problem, even for daily Mass. It's simply a matter of will.

July Activities and Announcements

- 1. <u>Eucharistic Adoration</u> *Sunday July 5 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 on the left for as long as you desire, be it only 15 minutes or more. 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>Monthly Business Dinner Meeting</u> *Monday July 27 at 6:30 pm*. This meeting will include the installation of the new officers. 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.
- 3. 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 July it is Saturday the 4th and Sunday the 5th. The next one will be the week-end of August 1-2.
- **4.** There will be a Mass in Spanish officiated by fellow knight, Fr. Tim Davison on Monday evening July 6 at 7 pm. We as a parish family are proud to have a son who grew up in our parish and became a priest. May God call more young people from our church to the priesthood and religious life. It is a great experience to assist at Mass in another language and realize the universality of the Church. There will also be beautiful songs in Spanish.
- **5.** First Degree Initiation of New Knights will be held in the near future. All faithful practicing Catholic men (18 and over) are invited to join. Prospective members are invited to contact Bruce Davison, the grand knight at 256-1427. We ask all knights to recruit new members, telling them about the many benefits of the Knights of Columbus for great fellowship, opportunities to serve the parish and the community, and the best Life Insurance that money can buy.
- **6.** The Knights of Columbus Life Insurance, top rated for financial security among all insurance companies, is your best buy to protect your family and save for the future. Any surplus goes not to stockholders, but to K of C charities and rebates to its policy holders. Periodically examine your policies as your family grows since your needs will change over time. Call Nathan Frazee your local field agent at 740-853-3784 or 740-256-1689. He would be happy to assist you.

7. Looking into August.

Tuesday August 30 from 6pm to 8 pm – A Boat Ride on the Ohio River for 4th and 3rd Degree knights and their wives. Each participant is asked to bring a covered dish.

Tuesday & Wednesday August 4-5 – You can attend the Knights of Columbus 133rd Supreme Convention in your living room by watching EWTN Television on cable, satellite, or via the internet at ewtn.com.

Sunday August 30 – Knights of Columbus 5th Sunday Mass at 10 am.

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.*****