



November 2018

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



In the photo on the left the new officers are in the process of being installed by the new district deputy, Tom Dyer. Heading the group is our new Grand Knight, Tyler Reynolds. From left to right in the first row are: Jim Ryan, Warden; Paul Sebastian, Lector & Public Relations; Keith Elliott, filling the key position of Financial Secretary, and Mike Dressel, Advocate. In the background is Fr. Thomas Hamm, our Chaplain. Other officers installed include Larry Angel, Deputy Grand Knight; Josh Davison, Treasurer; and Robert King, Recorder. The trustees are former grand knights Mike Haas, Bruce Davison, and David Stapleton. May they faithfully fulfill their important responsibilities and with your help make us a Star Council again.

Former Grand Knight Bob Murphy is pictured with his wife Mary in the photo on the right. At the age of 90 Bob went to the Lord on September 26, following his daughter Bridgit into eternity. Since Mary brought him into the faith over 60 years ago, Bob has been a faithful Catholic and even said the rosary every day. We brought Communion to him every Sunday and he was very grateful for every visit. Bob was a staunch conservative and a fierce pro-life warrior. Towards the end of World War II he lied about his age and entered the Navy to serve our Country. As a sales executive for B.F. Goodrich, he wined and dined his customers. This led to his becoming an alcoholic. Through amazing grace, the gentle help and patience of Mary, and Alcoholics Anonymous Bob conquered himself and recovered his sobriety. He was then able to help many others to conquer their drinking addictions. Also helpful was their participation in the Catholic Charismatic Renewal. He would bring his grandchildren to CCD every Wednesday and patiently wait for them in his truck. Bob rewarded the kids by taking them out for ice cream on the way home. They did not expect a fairy tale marriage of living happily ever after. When the going got tough, as in every marriage at times, they tapped the graces of matrimony and mobilized their faith in God through their 64 years of marriage until death did they part. We all miss that Irishman. A Dios y con Dios, to God and with God until we are together again in Heaven. Make sure that you get there, brother knight.

**Ailing** are brother knights Everett King and Keith Davison. Please keep them in your prayers.

**The Knights of Columbus policy for honoring deceased knights was reviewed.** The knights usually lead the rosary during the wake, but need the approval of the deceased knight's family. To assure the presence of a minimum number of knights, we formed a Grieving Committee consisting of Mike Merry, Oscar Bastiani, and Tyler Reynolds with Paul Sebastian as chair. The Grieving Committee could use more volunteers. If the deceased is a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knight, an honor guard of four knights in regalia will be provided if the family does not object. If the deceased is a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Knight, an honor guard will be provided upon request by the family. Crucial is to inform Fr. Thomas Hamm at 740-446-0669 as soon as possible after death and Paul Sebastian at 740-245-9404 or Grand Knight Tyler Reynolds at 740-853-2511 as soon as a wake location and time is determined. A good lead time helps us to mobilize the men and organize the rosary and honor guard.

**WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR YOUR MARRIAGE TODAY?** *Pray for your wife today and together every day.* Attend Mass and devotions together. Make family prayer a family tradition. Establish a Catholic culture in the home that binds all members to each other. Love her as Christ loved the Church. Let Christ be the center of your marriage and family with the Holy Family your model.

### **November Activities and Announcements**

1. **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 November it's *Saturday the 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday the 4<sup>th</sup>*. The next rosary will be on the week end of December 1-2. After the Mass, the Rosary is the most perfect prayer. Mary gave it to us.
2. **Novena of Reparation for Clerical Abuse** sponsored by the Knights of Columbus *every Tuesday at 5:30 pm that started on October 16*. Make the sacrifice! It will take a lot of prayer to renew and purify the Church.
3. **K of C Benefit Breakfast** - *Sunday November 11 after the 8 am and 10 am Masses* (2nd Sunday of each month). 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. ***The breakfast will honor veterans.*** There is no charge, but donations will be accepted for the benefit of the March For Life by those who will represent our parish. ***We need your help*** to setup and prepare the food at 7 am, washing dishes, and cleaning up after each of the two breakfasts. Build parish community with your presence.
4. **Clean-up of the Gutters and Church Grounds** *Saturday November 17 @ 10 am*. Volunteers are needed.
5. **Monthly Business Dinner Meeting** - *Monday November 19 at 6:30 pm with Rosary at 6 pm in the church*. 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. Come earlier for the Rosary. We cannot be an effective Council without the Lord's help and guidance. ***The next 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month Dinner Meeting will be on Monday December 17 at 6:30 pm with Rosary at 6 pm.***
6. **Knights of Columbus Mass in Homage to Christ the King by His faithful knights** – *Sunday November 25 (next is December 30) at 10 am*. The 4<sup>th</sup> 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***. The Mass intention will be for ***all deceased knights*** of our Council 3335. ***Each one will be publicly remembered & honored by name.***
7. **Eucharistic Adoration** *on Sunday November 25 for the Feast of Christ the King after the 10 am Mass until 4 pm*. Please kneel/sit in the front row left as part of a Knights of Columbus Honor Guard even if it's for only 15 minutes. You can do spiritual reading; converse with the Lord; listen to Him; and share your innermost thoughts and concerns with Him to obtain healing and strength to keep going. ***The recommended community prayer intention for November*** is for the poor souls in purgatory, for veterans still hurting, and that the world may recognize Christ as their true sovereign king of the universe.