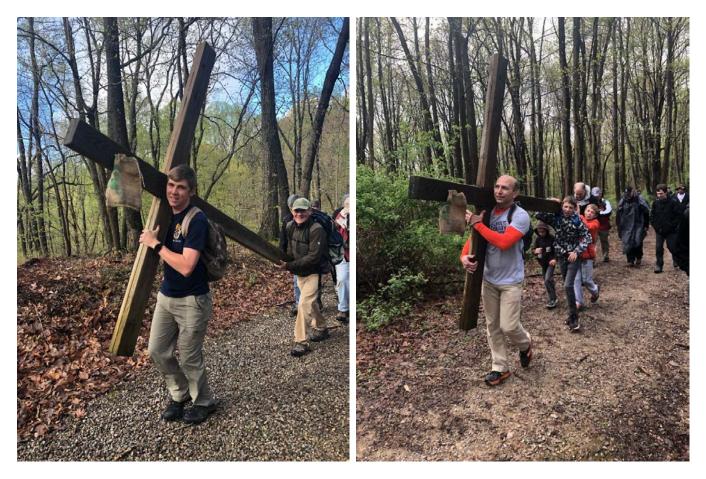


NEWS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. LOUIS COUNCIL 3335



In the left photo Tyler Reynolds, our Grand Knight, takes his turn in carrying the cross. In the right photo Scott Lewis and three of his boys (Elijah, Noah, and Toby) do their share in the Carry the Cross Holy Saturday Event, sponsored by the Diocese of Columbus and Wilderness Outreach (go to wildernessoutreach.net). The theme was Masculinity and Faith. A total of 65 men carried the 100+ pound wood cross over on the Way of the Cross, covering 12 miles in six hours at Hocking Hills Park near Old Man's Cave. They paused to pray and reflect at each of the 14 stations and many shared their personal testimonies on fathering and manhood. In between stations the men said two rosaries, shared spontaneous prayers, and sang. Both Tyler and Scott are converts to the faith. It was a great spiritual workout as well as a physical workout. Hopefully next year more of our men and their young sons will walk for great bonding between them. Contact Tyler for information and registration. Our council 3335 will sponsor this outing for our men and their sons.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR YOUR MARRIAGE TODAY? Look in the mirror first before pointing a finger at her. Your wife may be a nag, bossy, controlling, strong willed, stubborn, wants her way, irritable, moody, is a drama queen, wants her way, often late, high maintenance. Live with it, man and pray. Be sure to look at her good points and virtues. That's why you married her, man. Guess what? YOU yourself have many faults to work on! You may also be strong willed and stubborn plus have a temper, are low on self-discipline, inconsiderate (not thinking.....brain dead), insensitive, making her wait for you, not spending enough time with her (dates) and/or the kids, absent minded, forgetful, messy, disorganized, procrastinator, pack rat, less spiritual than her, drink or smoke too much, etc. All of these things are irritants and sore points in any marriage.

It's dues paying time. Keep your membership current. Don't get dropped from the rolls. National is stricter now. See Keith Elliott, our Financial Secretary, and obtain your membership card. Continue to be a proud member.

<u>Second Bonanza Raffle Turn-in</u> – as soon as possible, but no later than May 5. Proceeds support Knights of Columbus charities all over the world. After the first turn-in, this one is also very important because it gives our Council a rebate that we use to finance the scholarships we give to high schools seniors of our parish. Please be aggressive in selling the tickets and generous in buying as many tickets as you can to win \$50,000......25 cash prizes worth \$108,000.

<u>Adoration and Holy Mass Now a Standard Part of Our Council Meetings</u>. Since the spiritual formation of its members is an important part of the mission of the Knights of Columbus, every council meeting will be preceded by *Adoration at 4:30 pm and Mass at 5:30 pm*. Furthermore, our Council very much needs God's guidance and help to be fruitful in serving our families, our parish family, the Church, and the surrounding community. Members are urged to attend both the Mass and the meeting that follows with supper, great fellowship, decision making, planning, and coordination. *Our next 4th Monday of the month dinner meeting with Mass and Adoration will be on Monday May 20.*

The scholarships that we award to our high school students are now named the *Msgr. William R. Myers Memorial Scholarship*. High school seniors, don't forget to apply.

<u>Please pray for</u> Jim Ryan, Red Babbit, Everett King, Bob Freyberg, Robert King, and Bruce Davison.

Activities and Announcements for the Month of April

- 1. <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 4th and Sunday the 5th. The next rosary will be on the week end of June 1-2. After the Mass, the Rosary is the most perfect prayer which Mary herself gave us. Our Lady urges us to pray the rosary for peace daily; the need is urgent. Live the Fatima message! Continue to offer your aches and pains, problems and frustrations, disappointments and failures to Jesus through Mary for the conversion of sinners, for the renewal of our Church, the poor souls in Purgatory, and personal intentions. First thing out of bed.....offer up your day. Pray the rosary at home; the family that prays together, stays together.
- 2. Eucharistic Adoration May 5 after the 10 am Mass. The Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will conclude with Vespers and Benediction at 4 pm. 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 as part of an Honor Guard. 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. You will find peace. The recommended community prayer intention for May is for our graduates from high school and college that they may always be faithful to God and His Church (semper fidelis).
- 3. <u>K of C Mothers' Day Breakfast to honor the mothers of our children</u> *Sunday May 12 after the* 8 am and 10 am Masses. There is no charge, but donations are accepted to cover the costs and support the Right to Life Movement since Mothers nurture unborn life within themselves under their hearts until birth. 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. Everyone in the parish is invited to make this day special for the mothers in our parish. Don't fight the long lines in crowded restaurants.
- 4. <u>Recruit new members</u> for our council. We need new blood, real men we can count on to actively participate, to come to meetings, to take leadership roles, and to pull their weight. Talk up the knights. Tell the guys about the great fellowship, opportunities to serve the parish and community, and the great life insurance program that we have. Then we'll be ready to send a delegation to the next official induction of new knights and the Ohio State Convention of the Knights of Columbus.