



Today's Knights

"Lady of Victory, Pray for Us."

Serving Star of the Sea, St. Joseph's Parish, Holy Cross, The Shrine of St. Joseph, St. Vincent de Paul.

Newsletter of The Knights of Columbus ~ Council 971 **June 2022**

Member Meetings are normally held the second Wednesday and Dinner Socials the fourth Wednesday at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall

June

- 1..... Officer Meeting 7PM
- 2..... AFC Dinner at Star of the Sea.
- 8..... Member Meeting, 7:30PM at Star of the Sea Hall.
- 11 Jesus Mary Joseph Home build/repair day, 9AM
- 18..... JMJ Build.
- 23..... Fundraising Planning Meeting, 6:30PM, Woodstocks Pizza SC.
- 26..... Rosary/Reflection, 7PM (tentative).

July

- 4..... Independence Day
- 6..... Officer Meeting 7PM
- 13..... Member Meeting, 7:30PM at Star of the Sea Hall.



Grand Knight's Message

My Brother Knights and Families,
 Greetings as we end another difficult Columbian year. We all now carry a heavy burden with the incomprehensible mass shootings in Buffalo and Uvalde, as well as the continuing devastation in eastern Europe. Let us each do what we can, with both action and prayer, to encourage common sense laws and the teaching of tolerance in our communities and around the world.

We are transitioning to new leadership in the council as my tenure as Grand Knight comes to an end. It has been an honor to serve you in this role, and though it has been unconventional due to the social restrictions we have faced, we have learned as a Council (with help from our State Council and Supreme) how to adapt and make progress in our service and fraternal missions. While fundraising



remains difficult, we have used web tools to conduct our business meetings, participate in novenas and conduct prayer, rosary and reflection services.

We have gathered outdoors with masks and sanitizer to build homes and clear yards, paint and build walkways and fences. We have challenged students to draft essays and create posters for Keep Christ in Christmas, cooked meals for parish fundraisers and the homeless, and we adopted a family for Christmas. We have supported our parishes with ushering, taking temperatures and maintaining social distancing. Perhaps most striking,

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Chaplain's Message

We've been so busy at the Newman Center the past couple of weeks that I didn't get a chance to write a message last month. At the end of May, our council replaced the front fence of the Newman house. The Newman Center is grateful for your dedication and help with many ministries in the Church. We reflect of these accomplishments in light of the Resurrection of Christ because it's about new life, new creation, and renewal of our faith. We know that sins will destroy God's beautiful creation, but God's grace is here to help us rebuild what was lost.
 Fr. Dat Nguyen, Chaplain



Monthly Social No Social

Be safe. Be healthy.

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we have added 5 new members to our roster this Columbian year and are on track to satisfy requirements for the Star Council for the 2nd year in a row. Thank you for all your help and support and congratulations on this (expected) achievement!

As always, I encourage you all to stay informed of opportunities to help by attending the business meetings or reaching out to any of the Council officers. Remember that the Knights are the "strong right arm" of the Church and through our good works, we can set a visible example for others. Let us continue to strive for that in the years ahead.

Fraternally,
Tim Proulx
Grand Knight

Insurance

If you are looking to protect your family should the Lord call you home unexpectedly, please give our new KofC agent, Steve Hudec, a call for a free review of your existing plans or to discuss new plans. Steve can also talk to you about long term care and annuities. Mobile: 559-313-5610. Email: steve.hudec@kofc.org.



Please help us keep current with your address and telephone number. This information is vital to allow your council provide you important service that is consistent with K of C.

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Membership

Greetings Brothers and Families,

Happy Father's Day to the dad's in our council, and those in our families! June is the "home stretch" month—we



look back on the accomplishments of the Columbian Year, take stock of what went well, where we could do better, and (hopefully) look back with a sense of pride and look forward with a sense of enthusiasm for continuing the faith journey we're all part of!

We can look at the growth of our council with that sense of pride mentioned as we have welcomed five new Knights into our council—most recently Dave Butler, Matthew Lawrence and Morgan Wang. Congratulations my brothers for heeding the call to join the largest faith-based fraternal organization in the world! The invitation extended to you now needs to be extended to other good faith-filled men in our parish communities...the journey never ends...keep evangelizing and being the shining example of Faith in Action Brothers!

Jeff Knapp (FS, PGK)
Membership Chairman

GIVE BLOOD!

Mention you are a Knight!

A Red Cross Blood Drive is being held in our area on a regular basis. Visit redcrossblood.org and type in your ZIP Code to find one nearby or call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE for more information. Please consider giving blood. It really does save lives—maybe your own!

Veterans Support



A PILGRIMAGE OF HEALING

More than 175 active-duty personnel and veterans from the United States military participated in the annual *Warriors to Lourdes* pilgrimage from May 10-16 in Lourdes, France. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA, the pilgrimage offered military personnel the opportunity to visit the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, attend daily Mass, and engage in prayer and fellowship. *(Photo by Tamino Petelinšek/KofC)*

Ukraine Effort

Knights of Columbus all over the world stand in solidarity, ready to support the 1,889 Knights and their families, the Church, and all in need in Ukraine.

As of June 5, our members and friends have donated \$17,209,598. As the situation in Ukraine continues to change, the need to support refugees continues to grow. The Knights of Columbus is working with our councils in Poland as well as the Latin and Greek Catholic Churches in Ukraine to provide temporary shelter, food, medical supplies, clothing, and communications.

100% of donations go directly to support humanitarian aid in Ukraine. If you need to reach the Office of Charitable Giving regarding this fund or making a donation, you can do so Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00am to 4:30pm Eastern at 1-800-694-5713 or info@kofccharities.org.

Or donate online: <https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/donate/ukraine.html>

If you wish to make a payment by check, please make your check out to "Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc." and write "Ukraine Solidarity Fund" in the memo line. Then, please mail your check to: Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc., P.O. Box 1966, New Haven, CT, 06510-1966.

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Election

A very important duty that we all have to participate in the process of electing our next slate of officers for 2022-23.

A member may nominate any member, or himself, who is in good standing to an elected office of the council.

Nominating Committee is:

Rudy A Quijance, Chairman

Jason Nielsen

Ken Lazier, Jr

Frank Benko

Jeff Knapp

Illness & Prayers

Let us continue with our prayers for our sick list of brother knights and families and their caregivers.

Doug Gallagher, Ken Lazier Sr., Francisco Garza, Teresa Quijance-Thompson.

Your call or e-mail to the Bulletin Editor (Andrew) if you know of any changes to the above list will be appreciated.



The 4th Degree Color Corps leads out the ordination procession at Holy Cross on May 21, 2022.



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Birthdays

Joseph Castro—1st

Sean Conley—12th

Tim Proulx—13th

Jason Nielsen—17th

Rev. David Musso—20th

Rev. Robert Sullivan—21st

Ralph Bogner—23rd

Rudy Quijance—23rd

Happy Birthday!



Council 971 assisted with ushering at the ordination of deacons held at Holy Cross Church on Saturday, May 21. Left to right: Rudy Quijance PGK (and wife Virginia), Bishop Danny Garcia, Fr. Martin Cain, Doug Gallagher PGK, and Jason Nielsen PGK.