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MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OF YOU. MAY YOU ENJOY THE SEASON WITH FAMILY. GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR ALL OF YOUR BLESSINGS. CELEBRATE HIS COMING.

COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 10, '15

The next meeting of the Council will take place in the Watson Room located in the lower church hall. The meeting will begin at 7:00pm.

FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT:

There is not a Grand Knight's article included in this month's newsletter.

LADIES AUXILIARY **MEMBERS:**

Greetings Ladies,

MERRY CHRISTMAS

At our November 12th meeting we had a nice selection of appetizers as well as desserts. Most of us ate our way around the table. As did the Knights, after their meeting. Thanks Ladies for all of your work on making this an annual

It's going to be a wonderful Christmas for a lot of people. Thanks to all of the Ladies hard work. Wellston Center was given a very generous check. Marian Knauf delivered it to the good Sisters. And today, I received a thank you note from Sister Mary Beckman 11-20-2015. We also purchased 5 pack 'n' plays for the "Sweet Babies". The Society of St. Vincent DePaul has found 3 families for us to help out this Christmas season. Thanks for everyone's help

on this special endeavor. We work well as a team.

A reminder about the January 14, 2016 meeting, we will be having a baby shower for Pro-life this vear. Items on their want list are:

Donate new or gently used baby clothes (size 0-3 to 12 months) Clothing includes Onesies, Sleepers, Outfits, Dresses, Pants, Sweaters, Jackets, Hats, Socks, Bibs, etc., Size 1 diapers, baby wipes, baby blankets, children's books, or you can donate a gift card or monetary gift.

Advent by Candlelight is on Friday evening December 4, 2015 at 7pm.

Felice Cuores Dance 7pm Saturday December 12, 2015.

Vocation Rosary Sunday, December 20, 2015 after the 8:45 Mass.

Remember to keep track of all your Service Hours.

REMINDER: NO **DECEMBER MEETING**

Wishing everyone a Very Merry Christmas. Enjoy this most wonderful time of the year.

Sincerely,

Joan Mengwasser Ladies Auxiliary President

Stay safe, see everyone in 2016.

LADIES AUXILIARY BIRTHDAYS:

December

Marian Knauf Jo DiCampo



Happy Birthday to You!

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Ladies Auxiliary Members:

Kay Villagran Jo DiCampo Doris Beuttenmuller Bonnie Grove Shirley Bruns

Please keep them in your prayers.

BENEDICTION:

Join your fellow Knights for Benediction at 8:45p.m. preceded by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Sacred Heart Litany at 8:30p.m.

every Wednesday at Incarnate Word Church.

ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS:

DECEMBER 20, '15

We will pray our rosary for Vocations on Sunday, December 20th, after the 8:45a.m. Mass. All members are welcomed to spend an extra 15 minutes after Mass to recite the rosary, so please plan to join us.

KNIGHTS BIRTHDAYS:

<u>December</u>

Louis Clark
David Boland
Robert Kozlowski
Donald Counts
Douglas Distelrath
David Goetz



Michael Link Richard Thomas Anthony Caruso Dan Prosser Shawn Harrison Kyle Mc Collom Frank Nesbitt, Jr.

Happy Birthday to you all and may you have many more to come.

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Father Timothy Vowels
Lou Juranas
Richard Rahubka
Donald Mohrmann
Harry Dunn
Charlie Stanley
Larry Hoepfner
Ignatius Schumacher
Barry Sullivan
Arsenio Receniello
Buzz Peek
Al Villagran
Que Purnell

Please pray for your brother Knights and may their illnesses and pains subside and may they get on the road to a speedy recovery very soon. May God be with you and guide you to a full recovery.

COUNCIL MEMBERS UPDATE:

Al Villagran – Underwent heart surgery. He is recovering fine, will start rehab in the future.

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DD (TOOTSIE ROLL) DRIVE:

"Helping People with Developmental Disabilities"

The annual KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS "TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE" to help people with Developmental Disabilities was held on the weekend of October 9th, 10th & 11th.

The money raised this year was \$19,395.00 which is a new record amount and will again go to the Developmental Center at Cardinal Glennon Hospital, the Children's Home Society of Missouri, United Services for Handicapped Children and the St. Louis Academy. Thanks to all that volunteered their time and talents to make this happen.

A big thanks go out to Jim, Andy & Don for their talents and determination to organize another successful DD Drive.

FELICE CUORES:

NEXT DANCE Saturday, December 12, 2015

SANTA CLAUS AND MRS. CLAUS WILL BE THERE!

Our November dance had 187 guests with 43 volunteers.

As always dances are held at St. Clare of Assisi School, 15642 Clayton Rd. in Ellisville. The dances begin at **7:00 pm** and end at **10:00 pm**.

Be sure to **sign in** for Council 9981 and **sign up** for a job. If you can only work a few hours come for set up (at 6:30pm) or clean up (at 9:45pm).

Questions? Contact: Bill or Jan Lukas 636.537.9801, Gerry Villaire 636.391.1620, or Ron Weiss 314.537.6352

Roses for Life:

We will be offering miniature red roses that can be signed by all in the Church vestibule after Masses on January 16th and 17th, 2016.

We will also be accepting donations for the Archdiocesan Lifeline Coalition that supports local crisis pregnancy agencies, like Birthright and Our Lady's Inn.

Each volunteer should go back to the Church vestibule after Holy Communion. One Knight should stand by the long table to tell people where to put their signed rose and where to put their donation. All others should stand at the Church exits with roses, pens, and clipboards in hand as people are leaving Mass.

Please volunteer for this activity after the Mass that you will attend during the weekend of January 16th

& 17th. A few minutes of your time after Mass can help those that need these crisis-pregnancy agencies.

Jim Melka, Pro-Life Chairperson

BLOOD DRIVE:

The next blood drive will be held on Saturday, January 9th from 7:30am to 1:00pm in the lower church hall.

There is a need of volunteers to help sign up donors after all the Masses on the weekend of January 3rd and 4th.

Please come by and help save a life. The life that you save might be yours!

If you can volunteer some time to help sign up donors and either setup or cleanup the day of the Blood Drive, call either Jeff Grotegeers at 636-394-9485 or Don Mueller at 314-439-9755.

FOURTH DEGREE:

Every 3rd Degree Knight in good standing, who has been a Knight for six months, is eligible for the Patriotic Fourth Degree Exemplification on Saturday, March 5, 2016 at the Airport Hilton Inn. The Fourth Degree is the highest and most prestigious degree within the Knights of Columbus. These outstanding Knights are dedicated to the service of their Church, their Country and our Order.

If you are ready to advance to the Fourth Degree, call Stan Mengwasser at 314-469-1713 or Jeff Grotegeers @ 636-394-9485 for advice and suggestions.

IW KNIGHTS FACEBOOK:

If you have anything you want posted on three IW Knights Facebook page, please place at the top of the email "PLEASE POST ON IW KNIGHTS FACEBOOK" so I will know to post it on our Facebook and not have to guess as to whether the email I get is to be posted on Facebook or not. Thanks for your cooperation and understanding.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Mr. Bryan V. Hewing New Media Coordinator, & Webmaster, Incarnate Word Knights of Columbus Council #9981 (Chesterfield, MO)

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To those that are Retired:

Knights, are you Retired?

Then let's do Lunch

Several retirees in Council 9981 have suggested gathering for lunch on a

monthly basis. This is a chance to get out of the house for a couple of hours with other retired Knights for a bit of food in a local pub accompanied by conversation, laughs and fellowship.

We would loosely structure these lunches similar to ROMEO (Retired Old Men Eating Out) groups around the country. That means you come to lunch when you are available, there are no dues and the conversations are open to any subject you want to discuss including politics and religion.

We will meet for lunch at 1:00 pm to avoid the crowds and noise, and to be able to place two or three tables together to accommodate us. The group will select a specific week day in a specific week of the month for the lunches. We will choose a convenient pub such as Houlihan's, Satchmo's, The Sports Page, Miller's Crossing, Harpo's Bar & Grill, Massa's or other suggestions.

If interested, contact Buz Peek at email:

PEEKSTL@GMAIL.COM or tel: 314-576-4033. Let him know any days of the month that you cannot meet and which pubs you prefer.

ADORATION CHAPEL:

The Adoration Team needs you! Please prayerfully consider joining us to

ensure that Jesus is never alone in the chapel.

We have lost several adorers recently and continue to need help with several hours that do not have anyone assigned to them along with other hours where Adorers are looking for prayer partners.

Spending time with Jesus is a great way to enrich your spiritual and personal life. You will leave the chapel feeling renewed and healed. **W**e are desperately in need of ADORERS see the parish

of ADORERS see the parish bulletin for a list of SOS time slots that need to be filled.

The Church and the world have a great need of Eucharistic Adoration.
Jesus waits for us in this Sacrament of Love." ~ Pope John Paul II wrote, "You can make a difference for yourself and the world!!!"
When you can't make it to your hour, please contact your partner if you have one, or call a sub to ensure someone will be there. Sub lists are on the back wall of the Chapel.

Please contact Julia Lewis @ 314-974-4548 or by email at julielewis@sbcglobal.net for questions or to sign up.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:

Please remember the following prayer whenever possible for the benefit of Church Vocations.

Heavenly Father, bless your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters.

Give those you have called to the married state and those you have chosen to live as a single person in the world, the special graces that their lives require.

Form us all in the likeness of your Son so that in Him, with Him and through Him, we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully, always and everywhere.

With Mary, we ask this through Christ our Lord.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

If any Knight knows of a Brother Knight who is sick or if there was a death of a member, or in a member's immediate family, please contact Rob Schultz at 314-205-8135 to organize support.

The Knights are committed to assist any widow of a deceased Knight. If you know a widow of a Brother Knight or a member in need, please contact our Grand Knight, William Davis at 314-469-8962.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR:

You know а Catholic gentleman who would be a fine addition to our Council!!! Have you invited him to join? If not, please extend the invitation ---- if you have asked ----please again invite him to join. You are providing an opportunity for entry into the finest Catholic Fraternity in the world. If you wish assistance, contact Rob Schultz, Membership Director, 314-205-8135.

EDITOR IN CHIEF:

Please help in assisting me in the publishing of this newsletter by providing me feedback on the newsletter and by submitting your monthly column as early as possible.

Any member of the Council can submit articles for the monthly newsletter. If you have an article to submit, please forward it to me by the deadline for newsletter articles.

Jeff Grotegeers 1255 Richland Meadows Dr. Ballwin, Mo. 63021 or e-mail to: gcgrote@gmail.com

DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES:

For the January 2016 newsletter, the deadline will be December 23, 2015.

BITS & PIECES:

A RETIREE'S LAST TRIP TO WAL-MART.

Yesterday I was at my local Wal-Mart buying a large bag of Purina dog chow for my loyal pet, Jake, the Wonder Dog and was in the check-out line when a woman behind me asked if I had a dog.

What did she think, I had an elephant?

So because I'm retired and have little to do, on impulse I told her that no, I didn't have a dog, I was starting the Purina Diet again. I added that I probably shouldn't, because I ended up in the hospital last time, but that I'd lost 50 pounds before I awakened in an intensive care ward with tubes coming out of most of my orifices and IVs in both arms.

I told her that it was essentially a Perfect Diet and that the way that it works is, to load your pants pockets with Purina Nuggets and simply eat one or two every time you feel hungry. The food is nutritionally complete so it works well and I was going to try it again. (I have to mention here that practically everyone in line was now enthralled with my story.)

Horrified, she asked if I ended up in intensive care, because the dog food poisoned me. I told her no, I stopped to pee on a Fire Hydrant and a car hit me. I thought the guy behind her was going to have a heart attack he was

laughing so hard.

Wal-Mart won't let me shop there anymore. Better watch what you ask retired people.

Grandma Still Drives;

Grandma is eighty-eight years old and still drives her own car. She writes:

Dear Grand-daughter,

The other day I went up to our local Christian book store and saw a 'Honk if you love Jesus' bumper sticker...

I was feeling particularly sassy that day because I had just come from a thrilling choir performance, followed by a thunderous prayer meeting.

So, I bought the sticker and put it on my bumper.

Boy, am I glad I did; what an uplifting experience that followed.

I was stopped at a red light at a busy intersection, just lost in thought about the Lord and how good He is, and I didn't notice that the light had changed.

It is a good thing someone else loves Jesus because if he hadn't honked, I'd never have noticed.

I found that lots of people love Jesus!

While I was sitting there, the guy behind started honking like crazy, and then he leaned out of his window and screamed, 'For the love of God!'

'Go! Go! Go! Jesus Christ, GO!'

What an exuberant

cheerleader he was for Jesus!

Everyone started honking! **I** just leaned out my window and started waving and smiling at all those loving people.

I even honked my horn a few times to share in the love!

There must have been a man from Florida back there because I heard him yelling something about a sunny beach.

I saw another guy waving in a funny way with only his middle finger stuck up in the air.

I asked my young teenage grandson in the back seat what that meant.

He said it was probably a Hawaiian good luck sign or something.

Well, I have never met anyone from Hawaii , so I leaned out the window and gave him the good luck sign right back.

My grandson burst out laughing.

Why even he was enjoying this religious experience!!

A couple of the people were so caught up in the joy of the moment that they got out of their cars and started walking towards me.

I bet they wanted to pray or ask what church I attended, but this is when I noticed the light had changed.

So, grinning, I waved at all my brothers and sisters, and drove on through the intersection.

I noticed that I was the only car that got through the intersection before the light changed again and felt kind of sad that I had to leave them after all the love we had shared.

So I slowed the car down, leaned out the window and gave them all the Hawaiian good luck sign one last time as I drove away. Praise the Lord for such wonderful folks!!

Will write again soon,

Love Grandma

Twelve Days of Fast Food

On the first day of Christmas, My drive

through gave to me: A Big Bacon Classic with cheese.

On the second day of Christmas, My drive through gave to me: Two Happy Meals, and a Big Bacon Classic with cheese.

On the third day of Christmas, My drive through gave to me: Three Biggie Fries, Two Happy Meals, And a Big Bacon Classic with cheese.

On the fourth day of Christmas, My drive through gave to me: Four Egg McMuffins, Three Biggie Fries, Two Happy Meals, And a Big Bacon Classic with cheese. On the fifth day of Christmas, My drive through gave to me: Five onion rings, Four Egg McMuffins, Three Biggie Fries, Two Happy Meals, And a Big Bacon Classic with cheese.

On the sixth day of Christmas,
My drive through gave to me:
Six chocolate milkshakes,
Five onion rings,
Four Egg McMuffins,
Three Biggie Fries,
Two Happy Meals,
And a Big Bacon Classic with cheese.

On the seventh day of Christmas,
My drive through gave to me:
Seven pints of cole slaw,
Six chocolate milkshakes,
Five onion rings,
Four Egg McMuffins,
Three Biggie Fries,
Two Happy Meals,
And a Big Bacon Classic with cheese.

On the eighth day of Christmas, My drive through gave to me: Eight bowls of chili, Seven pints of cole slaw, Six chocolate milkshakes, Five onion rings, Four Egg McMuffins, Three Biggie Fries, Two Happy Meals, And a Big Bacon Classic with cheese.

On the ninth day of

Christmas,
My drive through gave to
me:
Nine polish hot dogs,
Eight bowls of chili,
Seven pints of cole slaw,
Six chocolate milkshakes,
Five onion rings,
Four Egg McMuffins,
Three Biggie Fries,
Two Happy Meals,
And a Big Bacon Classic
with cheese.

On the tenth day of Christmas,
My drive through gave to me:
Ten baked potatoes,
Nine polish hot dogs,
Eight bowls of chili,
Seven pints of cole slaw,
Six chocolate milkshakes,
Five onion rings,
Four Egg McMuffins,
Three Biggie Fries,
Two Happy Meals,
And a Big Bacon Classic with cheese.

On the eleventh day of Christmas,
My drive through gave to me:
Eleven pounds of blubber,
Ten baked potatoes,
Nine polish hot dogs,
Eight bowls of chili,
Seven pints of cole slaw,
Six chocolate milkshakes,
Five onion rings,
Four Egg McMuffins,
Three Biggie Fries,
Two Happy Meals,
And a Big Bacon Classic with cheese.

On the twelfth day of Christmas, My drive through gave to me: Twelve bags of Pepto, Eleven pounds of blubber, Ten baked potatoes, Nine polish hot dogs, Eight bowls of chili, Seven pints of cole slaw, Six chocolate milkshakes, Five onion rings, Four Egg McMuffins, Three Biggie Fries, Two Happy Meals, And a Big Bacon Classic with Cheese



Recording Secretary Meeting Notes Of Thursday, November 12, 2015 Council #9981 Meeting

Grand Knight Bill Davis called meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Chaplain	Fr. James Sullivan	Excused
Grand Knight	Bill Davis	Excused
Deputy Grand Knight	Chris Williams	Present
Chancellor	Jim Ressler	Present
Recorder	Kevin Stanley	Present
Treasurer	Jeff West	Excused
Advocate	Barry Sullivan	Present
Warden	Denis Demeter	Absent
Inside Guard	Ronald Weiss	Present
Outside Guard	Ed Ferder	Present
Trustee 1yr	Scott Arbaugh	Present
Trustee 2yr	Dave Goetz	Excused
Trustee 3yr	Don Mueller	Present
Financial Secretary	Gene Fallert	Present
Lecturer	Nick Zak	Present
District Deputy	Bill Meirink	Absent

The minutes from the October meeting were accepted and approved by the Council.

Grand Knight Report

- Bill Davis had a meeting to attend in conflict and Chris Williams presented the Grand Knight's report in his absence.
- Coalition for life is looking for support for Monday and Wednesday to have people to be at Planned Parenthood from 5pm to 8pm since they are staying open later and it is getting dark early to ensure safety for the young ladies who are praying there. Plan is to do this throughout the winter. Rob Schulz is coordinating the effort.
- A vote for the fish fry related assets that have been requested. It has been published and read previously. Steve Dickhut read the proposal for the Council. Motion was put up to a vote and passed.

Membership: Rob Schulz

• Rob was unable to attend the meeting. Stan Mengwasser introduced Stephen McCane as a new member of the Council.

Treasurer: Jeff West

• No report

Finance Secretary: Gene Fallert

• As of end of October 2015

Income: \$21,007.00
 Disbursements: \$15,727.00
 Savings: \$26,083.00

Gene is in the process of getting the billing for Council dues completed by the end of the year, but having difficulty with Supreme's website.

4th Degree Report:

- New assembly is up and running. Fifty-one of the members are Honor Guard. Andy Dyszlewski is the new Honor Guard Commander.
- New website is http://kofcassembly3588.org. The site lists the Councils and names of all of the members.
- On Wednesday, November 25th, there will be a Mass at IW at 7:00pm with the installation of new officers with Bishop Hermann as the celebrant.
- A 4th Degree Christmas Dinner will be held at December 4th at St Clare.

Trustees Report:

• No report

Deputy Grand Knight – Chris Williams

• Kevin O'Sullivan was given an Honorary Membership card.

Pro life: Jim Melka

- No report.
- In January, there will be a Roses for Life collection after all Masses.

Third Sunday: Larry Hoepfner

• Rosary is at the 8:45 Mass. For those who cannot make it, please say a rosary for vocations.

Evangelization: Ted Juen

- February 6th is the CMFC Conference.
- Ted asked for volunteers to sign up to call and invite people to the conference.
- Tickets are available for \$40 through November.
- February 15th First Monday after Ash Wednesday. Ted is organizing for presentation to IW for a number of Relics of the cross of crucifixion and other items.

Chancellor: Jim Ressler

- Tootsie Roll Drive had 67 Knights participate and made it very successful.
- Total collected so far \$19,760.00 which is a Council record.
- Thanks to all who participated.
- Olive Street cleanup is Saturday, November 21st at 9am.

Community Director: John Owens

• No report.

Felice Coeur: Ron Weiss

- Last dance had the lowest number of volunteers.
- This Saturday, November 14th, is the next dance. It starts at 7pm and goes until 10pm.

Family Director: Eric Bergmann

- No report.
- Fifth Sunday will be November 29th.
- On January 16th, there will be Parish Council Social.
- Gene will use the order form to make the order.

Youth Director: Director Needed

Council Director: Andy Dyszlewski

• Blood Drive will be January 9th.

Condolence Director: Rob Shultz

- Al Villagran is recovering in rehab.
- Charlie Shikany received a shot in the back that is helping with pain.

Church Director: Steve Dickhut

- Fish fry will begin on Friday, February 5th.
- Planning meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 17th. Steve is looking for someone to head up management of the outside operations.

District Deputy: Bill Meirink

Not present.

Chaplain's Remarks: Father Sullivan

• Not present.

Unfinished Business:

• Sts Peter and Paul dinner for the homeless will be sponsored by IW next Friday, November 20th.

New Business:

• None

Field Agent Report:

• No report.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:08pm. Next meeting will be December 10, 2015 at 7:00pm.

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Calendar of Events

Council Meeting Thursday, December 10th at 7:00PM

Prayer for Vocations Sunday, December 20th after 8:45AM Mass

Deadline for the January '16 Newsletter December 23rd, 2015

Benediction 8:45PM Every Wednesday

Blood Drive Saturday, January 9th from 7:30AM to 1:30PM

Roses for Life Collection After all Masses on Jan. 16th & 17th

Fourth Degree Exemplification Saturday, March 5th @ Airport Hilton