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Grand Knight's Message Paul Greninger, Grand Knight



Brother Knights and families,
I hope all of you had a Happy Thanksgiving! Now with Christmas soon approaching, I would like to invite all Knights and family members to our Dec. 11th Fellowship Breakfast after the 9:00 a.m. mass. Please come to 9:00 a.m. mass to sit and pray together and then we can gather in Regan hall and have a great breakfast.

Council is in need of a person to take over for Dick Bowman. He has been handling sending out email notices to area churches, newspapers and bulletins for our events. Please contact me for more information or if you wish to do this position.

As Knights bring prayers to your family, bring it to your children and grand-

children. Teach them to pray, for a child that prays is a happy child. A family that prays is a united family. Remember Christmas is a time of Joy, Hope, Love, and yes gifts. Maybe the best gift you can give is Prayer!

Merry Christmas to all and God Bless!

Membership dinner

Council 9139 is having a membership dinner at 5:30 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 8, 2016, in the east meeting room. This is a good time for prospective members to learn how the Knights of Columbus started and about all of our charity work.

We will be serving a Pulled Pork Dinner.

If you know of a friend, relative or neighbor that would be interested in joining the Knights of Columbus contact, Robert Moreland, 557-0874, Bob Clark, 424-5509 or Tom Heltemes, 425-2314. Kevin Ahlers, Tom Heltemes

Coats for Kids program

I would like to thank all who contributed to this program: St Vincent's CCW, Osseo and Maple Grove Lions, Osseo and Maple Grove Fire Dept. Relief Association, Osseo Legion, Target Corporation, Premier Banks, Transport Graphics of Rogers, Dick's Bar and other business owners in the area.

This was our second year of doing this and we were able to increase the number of coats to kids in need in the Osseo/Maple Grove area. Last year we gave away 357 coats, but heard there was a need also for snow pants. So this year we were able to buy 200 pairs of snow pants and purchased 432 coats to give away to those kids in need. So as Grand Knight of this fine council, I'm very proud of what we have accomplished in 2 years. Providing warmth to 989 young souls. God will bless all of you who helped out in the accomplishment!
Paul Greninger

Communion Breakfast



Brother Knights! Please plan on attending the Osseo/Maple Grove Knights of Columbus Communion Breakfast at St. Vincent de Paul's Regan Hall on Sun., Dec. 11 starting with the 9 a.m. Mass. A great menu of sausage, eggs, hashbrowns, stuffed French toast, fruit, coffee & juice or milk will be served.

You and your family are welcome. A free will offering will be accepted to defray the cost of the delicious food.

Please plan to attend the Mass and join us for breakfast. A section in the church will be reserved for members and their families, check with the ushers when you arrive at church.

Kevin Ahlers, Lee Bilbro chairmen

2017 dues billing

The 2017 dues billing will be in the mail in early December. For most members, the bills will total \$35.00. Council dues of \$25.00 (a \$1 increase to cover increased State Dues) plus requested donations of \$2.00 each for Pennies for Seminarians, the Jim Campbell Fund, Culture of Life and the Minnesota Student Loan Fund. Please pay your dues promptly. If you are not able to donate to these charities, please pay the \$25.00 to maintain your membership.

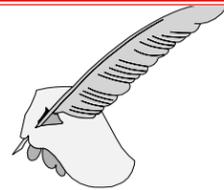
Honorary members (25 years of continuous service and age 65+) will be billed \$20.50. \$12.50 dues plus the \$8.00 for requested donations.

Honorary Life members (25 years of continuous service and age 70+) will not receive a billing. We always welcome donations from Honorary and Honorary Life members for the worthy causes mentioned above. Your membership card will be included in the mailing with the Minnesota Knights raffle tickets, if you wish to purchase them.

If you are experiencing a financial hardship, please contact the Grand Knight to discuss deferring your dues for one year. Our council does have a financial hardship policy, but the member must make that request of the Grand Knight, Paul Greninger 425-7316 or email prg1958@yahoo.com.net.

If you have any questions, please contact your Financial Secretary, Sean Olmstead: email kc.finsec9139@gmail.com. call 763-712-5457.

From the Chaplain



Fr. Michael Barsness, Chaplain



Brother Knights and families,
The advent season is always hard to get into, I remember starting out loving the O' Come O' come Emanuel song in seminary but then half way through dreading the song. It might have been the fact that we sang it often even to twice a day . . . You start out just desiring Christ to come and through the great song and then you start to dread the season. Life can be that way as we become attached to the need for the new and different. The season is the same as it always is just as our Mass is the same as it always is. It is always about Jesus, and we celebrate the death of Jesus in the midst of the Celebration of his birth. The Mass is the Mass, the representation of Calvary, made present to us at every Mass. The cuteness of the baby Jesus is and can be there but it can wear off. I think my question or my dubium is this: how do we keep it all fresh?

Prayer, taking time to prayerfully consider the season. Prayer is the only thing that keeps things fresh, because while the prayers and seasons are the same they have more to offer us. We change and God speaks with the same words differently to each of us at different times in our life. What might seem old hat is new in prayer. It comes from that relationship, that we must develop. Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever but the deeper our prayer and communion with him it ends up changing us. Merry Christmas!

In Christ, Fr. Michael

Thank You

To all who helped with the Sharing and Caring Hands Breakfast that took place on Sept 18th. With your help we were able to raise \$1886.00 minus expenses of \$633.16 left \$1252.84. That will be given to Sharing and Caring Hands.

Thanks to all who took part.

Marty Carman, chairman

Memorial Mass

The mass was very well attended, I don't think there was an open chair in the chapel. Thanks to all who helped, especially those that brought food for the after mass reception, Doris Johnson, Julie Wilhelm, Kathy Hadzima and Paul Greninger. We had a nice turnout of the deceased Knight's surviving family members. Special recognition of those Knights was given by Paul Greninger. Thanks also to all of the Knights and their families that attended the Mass.

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WomenSource Breakfast

Thanks to all who worked the breakfast as well as all of the Knights and their families that attended the breakfast. A special thanks to Chef John Williams and Kevin Ahlers for doing all of the food preparation. There were rave reviews on the breakfast. Our efforts resulted in raising \$1,400 for WomenSource. When I delivered the check, Joanne Anders thanked me for all of the support that our Council gives to them.

Tom Clifford, chairman

Jack Kirscher,
Dan Costello,
Lee & Vicki Bilbro,
Tom Heltemes &
Paul and Kim
Greninger served
breakfast at
Sharing & Caring
Hands on Oct.
30th. GK Paul
Greninger presented the check
from our September breakfast to
Sharing & Caring
Hands.



Calendar of Events

Every Sat. at 10 a.m. the rosary is prayed at the Robbinsdale Abortion Center, 3819 West Broadway, Robbinsdale.

- Oct.-Dec., Christmas card sales
- Nov.-Dec., Keep Christ in Christmas Poster contest
- Dec. 6, Membership meet., 7 p.m.
- Dec. 11, Communion Breakfast
- Dec. 25, MERRY CHRISTMAS
- Dec. 28, Planning meet., 7 p.m.
- Jan. 1, Happy New Year
- Jan. 8, Membership dinner

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Seminarian update

So, this summer I was assigned to Saint Joe's in West Saint Paul. Father Michael Creagan is the pastor and Father Peter Hughes is the associate. I loved my time there! I deaconed all the masses, I had the opportunity to preach three daily homilies a week, and I preached every other Sunday. I also did 5 baptisms too. It was great to be at the parish, day in and day out. I really got to know the daily mass crowd, they really got to know me, and I felt really connected to the parish. It was great! I also loved going over to parishioners' houses for dinner. It was great to meet their families, chit chat with them, and spend time with them. I loved my time at Saint Joe's!

My plans for this academic school year are to help out at my teaching parish, Our Lady of Guadalupe. I have been there the past three years, but I will serve in the function of deacon this year. I will be preaching in English and Spanish, helping with baptisms, weddings, funerals, and quinceaneras. This year classes are more practical too. We have another preaching class, a psychology class, and a class on how/what to say when hearing confessions. It'll be a good year! God bless,

Deacon Brandon Theisen
The Saint Paul Seminary



"Keep Christ in Christmas" poster & coloring contest

We are in the midst of the "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster/coloring contest. Religious education and St. Vincent's school students grades K-6 are eligible.

Posters will be judged on Dec. 15th. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners will receive awards. The winning posters/colored pictures will be displayed in the church gathering area.

Villa at Osseo

Our council will be sponsoring a bingo for the residents at the Villa at Osseo (formerly Berkshire) on Saturday, December 17th at 2:30 pm. If any Brother Knight would like to help please call Forrest at 424-4612.



SOCCKER CHALLENGE: Bottom row: Daniela Kaufman, Gavin Phenow, Erika Welsh, Jake Sawicky. Middle Row: Grace Reiland, Mariah Olson, Autumn Hoffmann, Justin Kuharski: Top Row: Cole Botzet, Lauren Miller, Jake Welsh, Matt Modeen.



WOMEN SOURCE BREAKFAST: Above, families enjoying their dinner. Below middle pic: Marjorie Ohnstand, Rolland Ohnstand, Joyce Kuzma and Jennifer Kuzma. Bottom pic: Joanne Anders and Tom Heltemes at the Free Will table.

Insurance agent report

Long-Term Care Plans Offer Peace of Mind

Long-Term Care (LTC) insurance provides Knights of Columbus members with an excellent opportunity to protect their assets and legacies well into retirement. And, for our long-term care policy holders in the United States, there's an added bonus.

It's called "Provider Pathway," a program offering access to a network of long-term care providers at discounted rates. The network includes discounts on products, such as hearing aids, diabetic supplies, personal emergency response systems, and durable medical equipment, as well as skilled nursing facilities, assisted living, and adult day care.

Eligibility for participation in this program is open to Knights of Columbus long-term care insurance policyholders, their spouses, dependent children, parents and parents-in-law. All providers are fully credentialed and meet state licensing requirements.

If you haven't yet spoken with me about long-term care insurance, you owe it to yourself to do so. There are a few decisions to make in choosing a "plan" — a comprehensive plan that covers care whether you're at home or in a facility, or one that covers facility only; daily benefit amounts and benefit durations (how much and how long it will last); and the



length of the elimination period (waiting period) before benefits kick-in.

Having a professionally trained agent --and a brother Knight you can trust -- to help guide you through the process is yet another valuable benefit that comes with your membership. Take advantage of it; contact me today or play phone tag for the rest of the year. Dan Falstad