



Knights of Columbus

Holy Spirit Council #8334

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John Brownfield, Grand Knight

Rev. Mr. Don Schmidt, Chaplain

Gary Beier, Deputy Grand Knight

Wayne Lamb, Chancellor

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Tom DeDonder, 1st yr Trustee

Jeff Kaminski, 2nd yr Trustee

Tom Davis, 3rd yr Trustee

Knight Happenings



July 2011

- 4 Independence Day 
- 13 K of C Regular meeting 7:30pm-Rosary at 7pm
- 24 Blood Drive @ Holy Spirit 

August 2011

- 10* **K of C Regular meeting 7:30pm-Rosary at 7pm**
- 1-4 Holy Spirit Parish "Summer Gatherings"
(Knights will cook hot dogs Aug 1, 6-7pm)
- 14 Holy Spirit Golf Tournament
- 21 Holy Spirit Parish Picnic at Church. Knights to cook.
*Date change

September 2011

- 7 K of C Regular meeting 7:30pm-Rosary at 7pm
- 11 Patriot Day (fly your Flag) 
- 23-25 Fishing for Vocations 

Congratulations

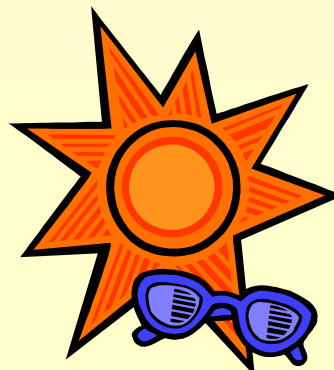
Honorary Lifetime Member

Charlie Coyne



Welcome New Member

Drew Brown



Grand Knight's Corner



- The Rosary is said before each meeting at 7:00 PM.
- The outgoing Grand Knight presented the jewels of office to the incoming 2011-12 officers.
- The Grand Knight has requested that request for donations/contributions be emailed to him prior to the meeting request. This will expedite budget accounting.
- **The August meeting will be the 2nd Wednesday, August 10.**

*Fraternally,
John Brownfield, Grand Knight*

Financial Secretary Report



- Bills: \$583.29 (various expenses) M.Mithelavage, T. Davis \$71.83 (softball), Hy-Vee 448.31, Supreme \$530.95 per capitation charge, MO Council \$678.98, Holy Spirit church \$24.75
- The Financial Secretary presented to Tom Davis, the outgoing Grand Knight, on behalf of the council, a certificate of recognition, a Grand Knight pin, a past Grand Knight plaque and a personalized bat bag.

Please! Don't let your dues fall behind

Contact Mick (Financial Secretary) if you find yourself having trouble paying your dues.

Name tags are \$7, T-shirts are \$5, Polo Shirts are \$20, Hats are \$10.

*Fraternally,
Mick Mithelavage, Financial Secretary*

Treasurer's Report

- Baskets for the evening, Vocations\$31, 50/50 \$42. There was no 50/50 winner this time, hold your tickets.

*Fraternally,
John Mulvihill, Treasurer*

CATCH THE SPIRIT

Service Committee Reports:

Membership Director: Wayne Lamb

7/20/2011 First degree Belton, St. Sabina's Gym Starts 7pm
8/2/2011 First degree O'Hara Council Hall Starts 7pm
9/13/2011 First degree L.S. VFW Hall Starts 7pm
9/21/2011 First degree Belton, St. Sabina's Gym Starts 7pm
10/23/2011 2/3rd degree Harrisonville Starts 1pm
10/30/2011 2/3rd degree Independence – St. Ann's Starts 1pm

There are **157 members** in our council per the latest roster 5/17/2011

Trustee Report:

- Audit must be completed by Aug. 15. To be addressed at officers meeting 7/25.

Program Director: Gary Beier

Fish Fry's:

P.R. Director:

Church Director:

Breakfast Committee: .

Hillcrest Ministries: Tony Molina

- The apartment is currently empty, repairs are believed to be complete. A request to the councils of Presentation and St. Margaret's of Scotland council to contribute to the yearly cost.

Council Director:

- Highway cleanup is suspended until after Highway 150 upgrade is complete.

Family Director: Jeff Kaminski

- Parish picnic on 8/21 after the 10:30 Mass. The council will provide cooking.

Youth Director: Keith Hoffman

Vocations: Tim Fobes

- Fishing for Vocations will be 9/23-25.

Pro-Life: Veryl Klein

Tootsie Roll Director:

GYM: Dave Adams

- The gym will be closed until 7/17 due to painting/remarking of the floor. Parish golf tournament at Shamrock Hills 8/14, \$60 per player.



District Deputy 55 Report

The new Deputy will be Chuck Paquette.

What's Cooking after the next Meeting

Wed Aug 10th

Come on over and find out!!!

COME TO A MEETING

40 Brothers were at the last meeting

Come join us at the next meeting. Not everything that goes on at a meeting is printed here. You are really missing out on the good stuff .

Your newsletter editor
Ray Theiling

4th Degree Info

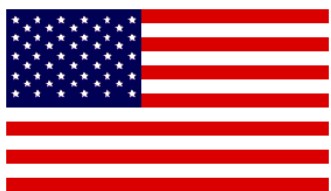


Knights of the Patriotic Degree are dedicated to the personal development and continued honor of brother Knights. We are always there to offer leadership, guidance, and encouragement.

Knights of the Patriotic Degree glorify God by serving our communities and nations as though Christ were the one being served.

Knights of the Patriotic Degree hold unwaveringly to what is right and honorable, working to keep God in the civic arena, serving the life of the Church, and defending laws that recognize the sanctity of life and true religious liberty.

The Color Corps is an elective division of the Patriotic Degree that presents a visible reminder of our service to the community.



Field Agent Report

Council needs more new members to join. Council is last in district.

*Fraternally,
Gary Spitzkeit*



Supreme Court rejects challenge to "under God" in Pledge of Allegiance

Knights of Columbus waged successful defense on East and West Coast cases

June 14, 2011 - Flag Day

(NEW HAVEN, CONN.) - The United States Supreme Court has refused to hear an appeal of a lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of the Pledge of Allegiance, thus ending a seven year battle involving two separate cases, one originating in California and the other in New Hampshire. The Knights of Columbus, represented by the Becket Fund for Religious Liberty, played a key role in defending the Pledge as a "defendant intervener" in both cases.

"The Knights of Columbus is proud to have played a major role in successfully defending the constitutionality of the words 'under God' in the Pledge of Allegiance," Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson said. "We were instrumental in persuading Congress to add those words to the Pledge in 1954, and they express a fundamental belief that we have held as a nation since our founding, that we 'are endowed by our creator with certain unalienable rights.' The notion that this somehow violates the First Amendment has now been soundly rejected by both the First and Ninth Circuit Courts of Appeal, and the Supreme Court has now allowed both decisions to stand. It is a victory for common sense."

The Ninth Circuit upheld the constitutionality of the Pledge in March 2010 and the Supreme Court refused to hear an appeal of the California case in March 2011. The First Circuit upheld the constitutionality of the Pledge in November 2011 and the Supreme Court denied certiorari in that case yesterday, June 13, 2011.

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GOOD OF THE ORDER

Prayers were said for the following

Leslie Burkett	Hector Becerra
Jackie Kitchen	Mark Chilote
Jack Cronhardt	Pat Neaves
Karl Peterson	Leo Flynn
Felipa Martinez	Larry Wurzer
Pete Fobes	Jordan Zenor
Jeff Wharton	Ashley Queen
Jack Huckabay	Tom Brown
Debbie Espy	Bill Rentel
Sherrill Dunn	Brian Webb
Lori Sterling	Tracey England
Debora Latendresse	Jennifer Latendresse
Janet Latendresse	Dennis Dickey
Theresa Mullins	Merlin Cross
The Hutinett family	

Those struggling in difficult financial times and
the Men and Women of the Armed Forces.



How to Pray Better

by Supreme Chaplain Bishop William E. Lori
Edited by Ray Theiling

Catholics who know and love their faith will often say that they have difficulty making time to pray or that they find themselves distracted when they do try to pray. To strengthen our life of prayer, the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church (Part 4) offers practical guidance from the great masters of the spiritual life and from the Lord himself.

(click on the link at bottom of page to get to the Vatican archive Compendium of the Catechism)

Then click on **Part one Profession of Faith**, to get started, you will be at question 1, prayers start at question 560's. Let's begin with where to pray. The celebration of Mass and the sacraments, as well as Eucharistic adoration, should normally take place in a church or chapel that has been properly arranged and suitably adorned.

Private prayer, on the other hand, can take place anywhere. For instance, a person might pray the rosary in a car (not driving) or on a train. However, to foster a habit of daily prayer, it is good to set aside a place at home, which might be as simple as a favorite chair or a small room that affords a bit of privacy. Not to be forgotten, of course, is the importance of visiting churches and shrines in order to visit the Blessed Sacrament (Compendium, 566).

THREE FORMS OF PRAYER

In general, there are three forms of prayer: **vocal prayer, meditation and contemplative prayer**. Each of these requires us to focus on God and his loving kindness, cultivating a heart that is free from distraction (568).

Vocal prayer involves praying with particular words, either mentally or out loud. We use our powers of speech to give voice to prayer, wishing to give thanks and praise to God and to ask for the graces necessary to grow in holiness. The Our Father, which Jesus taught us to pray, is the perfect form of vocal prayer. (569).

Meditation comes from the Latin word *meditatio*, which means "thinking over." A reflective form of prayer, it often begins with reading the Word of God and allowing it to resonate in our mind and heart. Meditation engages our powers of thought and imagination, as well as our emotions and desires.

Lastly, **contemplative prayer** is a prayer beyond words, in which we simply gaze upon the Lord in silence and love. It might be likened to the loving silence of a happily married husband and wife who no longer need a lot of words to convey their oneness of mind and heart. Contemplative prayer is a gift of the Holy Spirit that leads us to trustfully surrender ourselves to the Lord and his will for us. The practice of contemplative prayer, as St. Teresa of Avila teaches us, is an indication of our growing friendship with Christ (571).

PRAYING WITH VIGILANCE

If prayer is beautiful and life-giving, why is it often difficult? Why must we battle with distractions and temptations to cut our prayer short or to not pray at all? Of course, Satan does not want us to pray and would prefer that we focus on ourselves rather than "on the things that are above". Because of our human weakness, we are only too willing to submit to these temptations. Prayer is a grace that engages our willpower, and we have to pray even when we don't feel like doing so (*Compendium*, 572).

Likewise, we sometimes might be tempted to think that God isn't listening or that he is rejecting our pleas. At other times, we find ourselves so distracted that we want to give up praying altogether. But prayer requires vigilance. When we pray almost in spite of ourselves, with humility and trust, we grow in faith and friendship with Christ. We are drawn ever more deeply into his life and love.

Prayer also requires a repentant and trusting heart. We can become lazy about praying or experience difficulty with prayer because we are not willing to repent of our sins (573-4). With the Psalmist we must often say, "a clean heart create in me, O God, renew in me a steadfast spirit". The more steadfastly we pray in faith, hope and love, the more the Holy Spirit transforms our hearts and makes evident the fruits of the Spirit in our lives (*Compendium*, 575).

Jesus prayed throughout his life, but especially at the divinely appointed time of his passion and death. We should pray so as to enter into this prayer of Jesus, which he continually offers for us at the right hand of the Father (577).

http://www.vatican.va/archive/compendium_ccc/documents/archive_2005_compendium-ccc_en.html




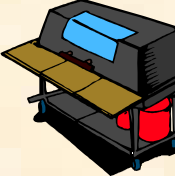
CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

- The August Summer Gathering will address the new Mass changes. The 4th meeting will be a walk thru Mass.

Fraternally,

Rev. Mr. Don Schmidt, Deacon/Chaplain

NEW BUSINESS

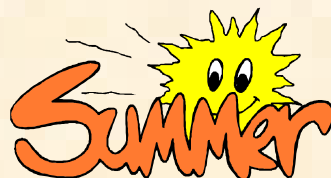
- The parish "Summer Gatherings" will be Aug 1-4. The Council will cook hot dogs from 6-7PM on Aug 1. Chairman needed. 
- Budget revisions were presented by the Financial Secretary. Motion made "Council to accept amended budget as presented". Motion 2nd and to be voted on at the August meeting.
- The Church Picnic and Ministry Fair will be on Sunday 8/21. Council to cook for picnic and have a table at the fair. 
- Fr. Clary has requested the outside of the rectory house be painted. GK will develop.
- Scout Christianson project motion "Council to donate \$250 for the scouts project." Motion 2nd. Discussion as to the amounts to be donated to each project to be no more than \$250. Projects in excess of \$250 the council could donate direct to the excess cost. Motion passed on unanimous voice vote.



- Trap shooting team, S. Carey, request funding of expenses. Motion "Council to donate \$200 to Trap shooting team for expenses". Motion 2nd and passed on unanimous voice vote.



- Dave Adams requesting funding for cooking and meats for the Parish Golf tournament. Motion "Council to donate up to \$350 for food etc., for the golf tournament". Motion 2nd and passed on unanimous voice vote. Budget item –Catering.



Open Meeting

FOCUS

FELLOWSHIP OF CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

- A presentation by Kay Stewart with FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic Students) for her ministry of Catholic woman student athletes at Nebraska for the coming year. She has a budget of \$1000/\$1500 for the year. Kay did not ask the council for a specific amount stating she would be thankful for any support she would receive from us.



- Sean Christianson Eagle Scout Troop #54 made a presentation on his project at the St. James Kitchen parking areas. The total cost of his project was \$400. Sean did not request a specific amount. Request handled under new business.

Old Business

- Jazz in the Park-the council did not participate due to Overland Park kitchen requirement to be restrictive.
- Strotherfest had a gross of \$2700, \$300 from Paradise Park with a net income of \$2600.



- Fireworks tent had sales of \$28,000. The council received the minimum profit, which was very substantial. Don Cooper received a small gift for selling the "Godfather" fireworks.

July 2011

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					1 Fireworks Tent	2 Fireworks Tent
3 Fireworks Tent		5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	 13 Regular Meeting 730pm Rosary 7pm	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Parish Blood Drive 	25	26	27	28	29	30
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August 2011

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	<i>Parish Summer Gatherings</i> <i>Knights cook</i> <i>Hotdogs 6-7pm</i>	<i>Parish Summer Gatherings</i>	<i>Parish Summer Gatherings</i>	<i>Parish Summer Gatherings</i>		
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14 Holy Spirit Golf Tournament 	15	16	17	18	19	20
 21 <i>Parish Picnic</i> <i>Holy Spirit & Ministry Fair</i> <i>Knights Cook</i>	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

September 2011

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4	 <p>5 <i>Labor Day</i></p>	6	 <p>7 Regular Meeting 730pm Rosary 7pm</p>	8	9	10
 <p>11 <i>Patriot Day</i></p>	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	 <p>23 Autumn Begins</p>	 <p>24 Fishing for Vocations</p>
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