



# The Messenger

St. Joseph the Worker Council 13359

Monthly Newsletter

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## Grand Knight's Report

Brothers,

Thank you for all the assistance with the spaghetti feed to benefit the Holy Family Adoption Agency and our sister parish in Haiti as well as all who participated in the Mobile Pack for Feed My Starving Children. The newsletter is coming out early so you have a reminder to show up at the **5:00pm mass this Saturday the 29th** with council prospects to join the Knights in our rollout of the combined **Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity** immediately afterward.

We are busy again this month and will need all hands on deck for the Fish Fry's on March 13th and 27th, and hope to see you at the membership meeting on March 10th. **Meeting start times have been moved to 7:00pm on the second Tuesday of the month.**

## Lent



The traditional first, second, and third degree ceremonials have been rolled into a combined degree open to your family and friends. Make it a point to attend and witness one of the new ceremonial degrees as soon as you can. It never hurts to have a refresher on the lessons learned when you took your degree, and it will help you explain the process to new recruits.

**Bring 2 Catholic gentlemen with you Saturday, February 29th following the 5pm Mass to participate in this combined degree and complete your recruiting goal for the year!**

## LADIES AUXILIARY STATE CONVENTION

The Ladies Auxiliary is holding their State Convention on April 25th at the Bloomington Knights of Columbus Hall. See the flyer on the last page of the newsletter and call Pat Ruffing at 763 370-5337 if you would like to attend with your spouse (a current or prospective member of the Auxiliary) or if you are willing to help out with donations. They will happily accept donations for their silent auction.

This is your newsletter. If you would like to see anything published please forward to me via email at [dan.falstad@kofc.org](mailto:dan.falstad@kofc.org). Articles of interest to you, pictures from our events, and general questions about the church and parish are all great topics to address in the newsletter.



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OF COLUMBUS**  
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

**Dan Falstad**

**Field Agent**

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I'm going to turn my column over this month to the District 52 deputy. I couldn't have made a better plug for the insurance programs offered by the Knights. He writes:

I am excited about what is happening in our District and State! We have gathered momentum and the Order is gaining visibility and impact in each parish, largely through collaboration with our priests. We are standing on the threshold of a new phase, with a brand new ceremonial to embrace and help the men of our parishes realize their Catholic identities in new ways with us.

Please do everything you can to encourage the men of your Council to meet with field agent Dan Falstad and seriously consider the contribution they can make to the work of the order by becoming insurance members of our Order! Our many amazing charitable works and programs subsidized by Supreme, in which we share as members, are funded by the profits of our insurance program. Not only do we benefit from the protection and financial stability offered by the products, our choice of who we are doing business with has real and lasting impact for the good of the Order and by extension, for the good of the world we are called to serve. I have become more present to this fact recently and I encourage you to consider it yourself, whether you are an insurance member or not. If you are not yet an insurance member, I encourage you to meet with Dan for your own good, for those you love and for the good of the Order. If you are considering the financial legacy you could leave behind through a charitable trust or another such instrument, executing it with the Knights of Columbus will add to the good you are able to do through it, and the Order will benefit, however indirectly.

Vivat Jesus, Patrick District Deputy 52

Call me any time at (612) 310-5254 to set up a no obligation review and to explore the options you have.

Dan



## **2019-2020 Council Officers**

Franklin Vaca	Grand Knight	225 281-7876
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David Miller	Financial Sec.	515 883-0316
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Patrick Farrelly	Trustee 2	763 218-3816
John Ruffing	Trustee 1	763 464-3240

## **Upcoming Calendar of Events**

### **March**

- 10 Membership Meeting 7:00pm
- 13 Fish Fry
- 27 Fish Fry

### **April**

- 18 4th Degree exemplification

### **May**

- 2 Steak fry and raffle dinner

### **June**

- 14 KC Fishing Trip to Lake of the Woods

## Report of the Fourth Degree



The Spring Exemplification into the 4th Degree of your Order will be held in Walker, MN at Chase on the Lake on April 18, 2020. The fourth degree is an excellent opportunity to involve your spouse and attend monthly dinners with her. Contact Patrick Farrelly immediately if you are interested in joining.

## Officer Positions Open

With the end of the fiscal year fast approaching we will be electing new officers for the coming fiscal year. Any third degree Knights can hold an officer position so if you would like to help out and be nominated for an office please let Franklin know. No experience necessary and you will get plenty of support from our brother Knights and former officers.



The Spaghetti dinner to benefit Haiti and the Holy Family Catholic Adoption Agency was well staffed and enjoyed by all. Attendance was light and we will need to reevaluate the efficiency of holding this event in the future.

## St. Joe's KC Lenten Fish Fries March 13th & March 27th



**March 13th & March 27th  
5pm to 7pm**



**Fried or Baked Fish,  
Coleslaw, Potatoes,  
Mac & Cheese,  
Brownie and Beverage**



*Enjoy our delicious Lenten Fish Fry with Fried or Baked Fish.  
Our Fish Fry is a free-will offering benefitting the Knights' charitable works.*

### **Get your 2020 KC Raffle Tickets NOW!**

**\$100 donation includes: raffle ticket with \$4,000 in cash prizes including \$1,000 first prize and a steak dinner for two with all the trimmings, wine, beer and other beverages.  
Take part in the wine raffle, silent auction and photo booth!**

## ANNUAL STEAK FRY AND RAFFLE

Get your tickets from Larry to sell or join us at the Annual Awards Dinner, Raffle and Steak Fry at St. Joe's Hall on May 2, 2020. \$100 raffle ticket gets you a chance at \$4,000 in cash prizes, two dinners with all the fixings, and refreshments and entertainment.



## Third Degree Dues

If you haven't already done so please pay your dues as soon as possible to help us avoid the cost and frustration of tracking you down. Your invoice will show both mandatory assessments (\$30 for regular members) and voluntary assessments which you can pay at your discretion. You can mail your dues to David, drop in the KC folder outside St. Joseph Hall, or hand off to any officer. Please reach out if you have questions. If you can't afford the dues please speak confidentially to Franklin or David and the council will take care of these for you.





All Catholic men and their families are invited to join the Knights of Columbus through our first **Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity!** Men are invited to join the Order while their families, for the first time ever, observe the lessons presented firsthand and appreciate who we Knights are and what we do. This ceremony is open to the public and all are invited to attend! **Our 35 minute ceremonial will be held in the worship space after the 5:00 PM Mass on Saturday, February 29, 2020.**

All first degree Knights are also encouraged to join us to complete their journey to Knighthood in the third degree!!!

Please join us for a celebration of family in our first **family games night** which will follow the exemplification!

If you are interested in fishing Lake of the Woods with your brother Knights please contact John Jordan at 612 719-3834.



We can take 18 fishermen and 3 boats this year and are leaving June 14th. The cost will be whatever the resort charges (\$450 last year) with the \$100 deposit

plus \$70 for captain's tips, service tips, and big and first and biggest fish wagers due up front. Two days of travel and two days of fishing to be back Wednesday afternoon.



Bring the families out after the Combined Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity on February 29th for Family Games Night in St. Joe's Hall. Bring your favorite games to challenge other kid's or come for the refreshments.

### Your Newsletter

Please forward articles, pictures, and suggestions for changes to the newsletter to Dan. This is your newsletter and you can include whatever you wish.



**Please keep in mind that your Knights of Columbus offers the Catholic difference for:**

#### Permanent Life Insurance

– *Insure Your Life for Life*

#### Retirement Annuities

– *Income for the Rest of Your Life*

#### Long-Term Care Insurance

– *Protect Your Assets, Prepare for the Future*

#### Term Life Insurance

– *Affordable Protection for Temporary Needs*

#### Disability Income Insurance

– *Shield Your Income from Illness and Injury*

#### Financial Planning Advice

– *Complementary Professional Advice*





**Minnesota Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary**  
**50th State Convention & Celebration**  
**April 25, 2020**

**Bloomington Event Center**  
**1114 American Blvd W, Bloomington, MN 55420**

Ladies Convention: Sign in 11-11:45 am. With boxed Lunch: small turkey sandwich, chips, pickle and beverage.  
Men's Event: Billiards and card games; Runs concurrent with Auxiliary meeting and includes lunch.  
Celebration: 4:30 pm Mass; 6:00 social hour; 6:30 Banquet: Banquet choices Roast Beef, Walleye or Strawberry Spinach Salad. Silent Auction: Begins after Mass

**The Knights of Columbus are invited to Celebrate our 50 years**

Auxiliary Name and Number \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

Members/Guests  Name of Auxiliary Member/Guest	Please note Member or Guest	Ladies Convention @ \$20.00	Men's Program @ \$20.00	Banquet p/person Beef or Fish @\$27.00 Strawberry Salad @\$17.00			Late Fee \$10.00	Total
				Roast Beef	Walleye	Salad		
Example Text	Member	\$20.00		\$27.00				\$47.00
Husband of Example	Guest		\$20.00			\$17.00		\$37.00

**Summary of Tickets:**      **Checks Payable to: MN K of C Auxiliary**

Ladies Convention \_\_\_\_\_ Men's Program \_\_\_\_\_ Banquet: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount Submitted: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary Special Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Direct Questions to:**

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee

MN K of C Auxiliary

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**Send Completed Registration  
form and Checks to:**

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