

# Knight Times

## Monthly Newsletter of the Great 799

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### Chaplain's Message

By Fr. Josef Vollmer-König



Dear Brother Knights,

We are in the middle of Lent. During this time we are reminded of our need to continually be reconciled with God. The Church encourages us to follow the invitation of Our Lord. Let us use these few weeks left before Holy Week to strengthen our commitment to follow Christ.

Holy Week leads us from Palm Sunday through the Crucifixion to the joys of Easter. On Palm Sunday, as we enter the Church singing Hosanna to Christ, we commit ourselves to follow Him. Let it not only be for that Sunday, rather for the rest of our lives.

Tuesday of Holy Week our Bishop gathers with the Priests of the Diocese for the Chrism Mass, where the sacred oils will be blessed. These oils are used during the year at the parishes in the celebrations of the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders and Anointing of the Sick. The priests present recommit themselves to their lives as priest in the service of the Church.

The Triduum leads us from Holy Thursday, through Good Friday and Holy Saturday to the celebration of Easter. On Holy Thursday, Jesus gives Himself to us at the Last Supper.

Our participation in the Good Friday celebration helps us realize the love Jesus has for us. I encourage you and your families to take advantage of the rich tradition of our Church and experience the great love Our Lord Jesus has for us.

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### Month at a Glance

#### This Month

**Apr 1 (Tue): Monthly General + KayCee Club Meeting**

Apr 4 (Fri): Fish Fry

Apr 5 (Sat): Bishop's 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Catholic Pro-Life Dinner

Apr 11 (Fri): Fish Fry

Apr 13 (Sun): Children's Easter Party; 3:30-5:30pm

Apr 13 (Sun): *Palm Sunday*

Apr 12 (Sat): FAJR Assembly 100 year anniversary

Apr 15 (Tue): KC799 Board Meeting

Apr 17 (Thur): *Holy Thursday*

Apr 18 (Fri): *Good Friday*, and last Fish Fry

Apr 19 (Sat): KC799 Blood Drive

Apr 20 (Sun): *Easter*; Lent ends

Apr 24 (Thur): [DDC] Dallas Diocesan Chapter meeting

Apr 27 (Sun): Divine Mercy Sunday

Apr 25-26: [SOTX] Special Olympics Spring Games

#### Looking Ahead

May 2-4: TKOFC Annual State Convention

**May 6 (Tue): Monthly General Meeting**

May 9 (Thur): Ascension of Our Lord, Holy Day of Obligation

May 18 (Sun): Major Degree (KC799)

May 20 (Tue): KC799 Board Meeting

May 23-25: [TKOFC] State Softball Tournament (Austin)

May 24 (Sat): KayCee pool opens

May 26 (Mon): Memorial Day

## For These We Pray ...

Please pray for our members and their family members with chronic or serious ailments, as well as the souls of our departed Brothers.

### Prayer List

#### Pope Francis

Most Reverend Charles Grahmann	† Vincent Dang Thien
Rebecca L. Kelly	Joshua Burns
† Mike Ortiz	Joseph Nixon

SK George Montgomery passed away Wednesday, February 12. George served in the US Army during WWII and was a member of the St. Pius X Catholic Church

Brother Knight Harry Field passed away. He graduated from Georgetown University and served 30 years in the USMC. After retirement from the Marine Corps he was employed by several Dallas banks. He was an active member of St. Patrick Catholic Church

If you know of deaths or major illnesses of Knights or their family members, please contact:

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## Chaplain's Message Contd.

In His own words in the Gospel of St. John "There is no greater love to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my Friends."

The Easter Vigil brings to conclusion the Triduum. At this celebration the Easter Candle and the Baptismal Water are blessed. The Catechumens, new adult members, are welcomed in to the Church through the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. The Easter celebration strengthens our Faith. We celebrate RESURRECTION. Death is not the end, life with Christ for all eternity is.

A special celebration for the whole Church is the Sunday after Easter, on the feast of Divine Mercy we celebrate the canonization of Saints Pope John XXIII and Pope John Paul II.

God's blessings,

Father Josef

## Grand Knight's Letter

By Mike Hill



Greetings to my Brother Knights:

I hope this letter finds you and your families well and in the right spiritual place as we enter the home stretch of Lent. Lent is a special time for every Knight because it represents everything we stand for – Sacrifice and Service.

It has been my pleasure to witness these attributes on a large scale during this Fish Fry season. Not in recent years have we seen the level of volunteerism that we have seen in 2014. Plenty of Knights were roaming the hall, lending a hand wherever it's needed, in the name of Charity. And with the record crowds coming to the hall and through our new Drive-Thru service, it has been a banner year for our second largest fundraiser. Thank you Brothers, for your sacrifice and for your service. Three more Fish Fry's to go.

As you prepare for Easter, you can prepare your children for the Easter Bunny's visit by attending the KC 799 Children's Easter Party on April 13. The event lasts from 3:30-5:30 p.m. at the hall and has plenty of activities, not the least of which is a massive Easter egg hunt out by the pool. Come join us.

A couple of other important events to make note of include the Bishop's 20th Annual Catholic Pro Life Dinner on April 5, the Fr. Abram J. Ryan Fourth Degree Assembly's 100th Anniversary Celebration on April 12 and another of Tim King's valued Blood Drives on April 19. Plenty of opportunities to do what Knights do best – Give.

I hope your Easter is blessed and spent with family and friends and that you have time to properly thank the Risen Christ for the ultimate sacrifice he made for us. He is Risen!

Fraternally,

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## KayCee Pool News

Believe it or not summer is fast approaching. The KC pool opens on Saturday May 24. Soon, improvements to the pool area will be underway. We look forward to seeing everyone out on Memorial Day Weekend. The grills will be open all weekend and we will have a DJ on Memorial Day.

We would like to remind all Knights that in order to register for the pool you must have your Council 799 dues paid up through September 30, 2014. If you have not registered as of April 30th you must include a \$40 late fee. If you procrastinate past May 15<sup>th</sup>, an \$80 late fee must be included. All pool registration forms have been mailed. If you have not received one, they are available at the KayCee Club office. Please help us by registering as early as possible.

If you are interested in the swim team or swim lessons for your children, please go to their website at [www.kcsharks.com](http://www.kcsharks.com) for further information and to sign up. All registration and payment is done through that website.

Birthday parties at the pool will not start until after the Memorial Day Weekend. Please do not call to reserve your date and time until after the pool opens. You can make your reservations at the pool gate house.



We are looking forward to another great pool season. Be safe and have fun!

### Rachel's Corner

We celebrate today the fact that Jesus came to liberate us. He came not just to pay the price for our sins but to open the way for us to be delivered from all our brokenness.

- Passion Sunday from The Word Among Us

Let Him give you the freedom you are longing for! He can make you whole again!

Come to a Rachel's Vineyard™ retreat and find the path to true healing and forgiveness.

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### Annual State Convention

The 110<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of The Texas State Council Knights of Columbus is to be held May 2-4, in Dallas, Texas. Lodging will be at the Sheraton Dallas Hotel, located in downtown Dallas at 400 North Olive Street. The hotel's Conference Center located across the street will host all state convention activities.

The golf tournament kicks off the Convention with a 7:30 a.m. shotgun start. Friday afternoon is the annual convention awards ceremony. Saturday's activities begin with 8:00 a.m. Mass and conclude with a 7:00 p.m. banquet. The Memorial Mass and Sunday liturgy is scheduled for 8:00 a.m. in the Lone Star Ballroom. The Sunday Business Session will open at 9:45 a.m.

**2014 Convention Host Committee Website:**

[www.wearecalled2014.com](http://www.wearecalled2014.com)

## KofC Insurance Spotlight

### Ask Eligible Men to Join

Today, I want to address the growth of the Order. Membership growth is the fuel that keeps this great fraternal engine running. All of our charitable works at the council, state, national and international level are thanks to our hard-working members. And more members equals more charity.

We know that the membership blitz is a tried and true way for councils to get more men to join. We see these pushes often in March, in celebration of Founder's Day, and again in October. These drives are successful because brother Knights have increased visibility speaking or presenting during and after Masses and at special events. I want to take a moment and say thank you to Patrick Vlk and crew in regards to the incredible work in this area. We must remember that we have a duty to ask each and every Catholic gentleman to join our ranks for the good of the Church, the community and the Order.

During the rest of the year, we often "forget" to ask men to join and to bring their families into the Knights of Columbus family. You probably know an eligible Catholic man you could ask today. What if the only reason he hasn't joined is because no one has asked him yet?

When telling a prospect about the strengths of the Order, don't forget our greatest fraternal benefit: our insurance program. This is often a "selling point" to a potential member who is on the fence. Many members become Knights simply to be able to buy coverage to protect their family. Soon after, they realize the good our charitable works do for their community, and they are proud to be members.

As your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, I look forward to helping us grow in fraternity in any way that I can.



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### KC799 Blood Drive

On April 19<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 – 3:30 we will have another blood drive in the lower hall.

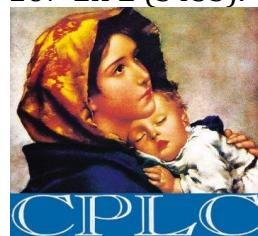
If you missed the opportunity to give the gift of life last time, please consider giving 30 minutes of your day to help those who can benefit from your generosity. Please check your e-mail for early sign up or call Tim King at 214-637-0288 with any questions

### Bishop's Pro Life Dinner

The Bishop's 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Catholic Pro-Life Dinner featuring a musical performance and the pro-life story of award-winning singing sensation Colin Raye on will be on Saturday, April 5 at the Irving Convention Center at Las Colinas. The annual event benefiting the Catholic Pro-Life Committee includes a wine pull and silent auction at 5 p.m., followed by a seated banquet, live auction and program at 6:30 p.m.

This event raises critical funds to save babies, support families, and provide post-abortion healing and education. Reservations are \$100 for an individual seat, \$1,000 for a table of ten, \$50 for student volunteers, and premium tables with private reception tickets are \$5,000 and up. Raffle tickets for a chance to win \$15,000 in MasterCard gift cards are available now for \$20 each, 4 for \$60 and 8 for \$100.

Dinner reservations are requested by March 24, 2014, after which the price increases to \$125. Seating is limited. Reservations may be made at [www.prolifedallas.org/dinner](http://www.prolifedallas.org/dinner) or call 972-267-LIFE (5433).



## KC799 Business Directory

Are you interested having Brother Knights learn about and patronize your business? One way to help each other when you are looking for goods and services is to turn to our new KC799 Business Directory. Type the following link into your browser <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/KJ7KKQ7> to register your business with the directory which will be posted and updated on our website.



## Sign Up for Email Newsletters

On Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, the U.S. Postal Service increased the rate to 49¢ for First Class postage. That means it will cost us more to mail this newsletter to those of you who could be receiving it via email. If you have an email address and receive the newsletter in the mail, please go to [www.KC799.org](http://www.KC799.org) and click on the Subscribe tab and sign up to get your newsletter the electronic way. You'll receive a full-color pdf version for your enjoyment. Thank you!



## Monthly Meeting Highlights

Here are the "Highlights" from the most recent Council General Meeting and Board meetings. Please contact an officer of the Council with questions.

### Council General Meeting (Mar 4):

- 799 purchased two tables at Bishop's Pro Life Dinner
- Fish Frys continue in April, still need volunteers
- Officer Elections in June: see Trustees if interested in running for office
- Casino Bus Trip raised \$1,000

### Council Board Meeting (Mar 18):

- Nun's Dinner was a great success
- Scouts of St. George raised \$1,100 for Wounded Warrior
- KC799 to buy two tables at Bishop's Pro Life Dinner
- July 4<sup>th</sup> fundraiser event discussed

### Kaycee Club Board Meeting (Mar 18):

- Pool dues increase discussed

## Knight & Family of the Month

**Knight of the Month** – The food-serving savant of KC 799, Sergio Zarate, is our Knight of the Month for March. Sergio, as he has done for several years now, took a group of our wives and turned them into first-class servers for the recently-hosted Nun's Appreciation Dinner. Attention to detail, and prompt courteous and professional service were the hallmarks of Sergio's Angels. When he is not helping at 799, you will also see Sergio as a fixture among the Hospitality Ministers (Ushers) at 10 a.m. mass at St. Patrick's. Thanks Sergio!

**Family of the Month** – Jason Gordon and a couple of his chefs from Kozy Kitchen comprise 799's Family of the Month for March. Talk about a meal that will melt in your mouth. What Jason and his "family" of chefs put forth at the Nun's Appreciation Dinner for a menu continues to amaze. The menu is the easy part. The prep leading up to the meal was phenomenal from late evening on Saturday to back at it at the crack of dawn Sunday. Appetizers, main courses, sides and a floor show dessert made for a great afternoon had by all. Thanks to the chefs from Kozy Kitchen who donated their time!

## Boy's Knight Out

Join your fellow Knights and friends for a Boy's Knight Out for the NCAA Finals in the KC Lounge on Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup>.



## Regular Hours

### Lounge Information

Mon-Fri: Open 5pm to close\*

Saturday: 2pm-close\*

Sunday: 2pm-8pm

\* Closing time is between 9pm and midnight. If you're having a good time, we're open.

### KayCee Club Hall Rental

For rental (Members and non-Members), please call 214-348-7940

## Vocation Chalice Program

Please continue to volunteer for our Vocation Chalice program. Chalices are exchanged on Tues. evenings, at the cabinet in the downstairs lounge.

### Chalice 1

3/25-4/4	Peter Chaump
4/4-4/11	Albert Mona
4/11-4/18	Jon Fuhrman
4/18-4/25	Tom Clary
4/25-5/1	Patrick Caton

### Chalice 2

3/25-4/4	Tony Casazza
4/4-4/11	Vin Duncan
4/11-4/18	Ed Carpenter
4/18-4/25	James Perez
4/25-5/1	Richard Johnston

Please call **Richard Johnston** at (469) 951-8859 to sign up for this program.

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## Join the Great 799

### What are the requirements?

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to men 18 years of age or older who are practical Catholics in union with the Holy See.

### How to join?

New applicants are required to attend an orientation meeting to get more information and meet with the Membership Committee. The orientation will discuss the history, activities, and duties of being a Knight. Orientation meetings are held in the downstairs conference room – please see the calendar for orientation meetings.

### Need more information?

Please contact our Membership Chair: Patrick Vlk,  
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