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Knight Times

Monthly Newsletter of Dallas Council 799



Chaplain's Message

By Fr. Josef
Vollmer-König

Dear Brother Knights,

The Month of May gives us many opportunities to reflect on and grow in our faith. The Church dedicates the month of May to Mary the Mother of our Lord and our Mother. The Gospel of St. John in 19:26-27 tells us of Jesus adopting us as His Sisters and Brothers: When Jesus saw His mother and the disciple there whom He loved, He said to His mother, "Woman, behold your son." Then He said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his home.

By this act Jesus gives us His Mother as our Mother. Almost all Catholic Churches have a May crowning. By this action we honor Mary. It is only fitting to honor our mothers on Mother's Day. We say thank you for our

life and we teach our children to respect and honor their mothers by our example.

May 1st, we celebrate the feast of St. Joseph the worker. From the Gospels we know he was a carpenter, and we can imagine that Jesus as a young man learned from him. St. Joseph is a another good model for us as fathers. May 15 is Good Shepherd Sunday. We are reminded that Christ is our Good Shepherd. As Fathers, we are called to follow His example and be good Shepherds for the family God has entrusted to us. June 2 we celebrate the Ascension of our Lord. He gave His disciples and to us the commandment to proclaim the Good News to the whole world.

The month closes out with the feast of Pentecost, the feast of the Holy Spirit. Our Lord Jesus Christ sends the Holy Spirit, as He promised, to be our guide and bestow on us the gifts we need in this life.

God's blessings, Father Josef

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Fri Apr 29 Charity Golf Tournament
Sat Apr 30 4th Degree Ceremonial in Marshall, TX

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Tue May 3 Monthly General Meeting
Sat May 7 Knights on Bikes - Ride to Hico, TX
Tue May 10 First Degree Ceremonial
Fri May 13- TKOFC State Convention
15
Sun May 22 Major Degree Ceremonial (TBD)
Sun May 22 Alter Server's Picnic
Fri- May 27- Special Olympics State Summer games
Sun 29 (volunteer oppty)
Sat May 28 Ronald McDonald House
Sat May 28 Pool Season opens

Coming Up:

Tue June 7 Monthly General Meeting
Sat June 11 Blood Drive
Sat June 11 Rough Riders Event (register early)

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Grand Knight's Letter

By John J. Little

Greetings to my Brother Knights:

We are entering the home stretch of our fraternal year, which will conclude on June 30, 2011. As we do so, I'd like to focus for a moment upon membership.

We continue to do a fabulous job in recruiting new members. The Great 799 is closing in on an unprecedented "three-peat" in the Order's Century Club. To qualify, a Council must add 100 or more members in a fraternal year. Our Council first did that during 2008-2009, and repeated the feat in 2009-2010. At present, we've added 81 new members this year. We've scheduled a 1st Degree ceremonial for Tuesday, May 10, and will likely host one additional 1st Degree in the latter

half of June. I ask each of my Brother Knights to reach out and invite a Catholic friend, neighbor or co-worker to consider joining our Order.

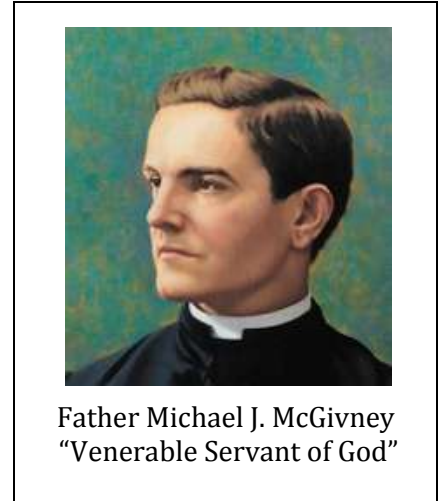
Of course, joining the Order as a 1st Degree Knight is not the end of the story – it's just the beginning. Council 799 will host a Major Degree ceremonial on Sunday, May 22 – details are within this newsletter. If you are a 1st Degree member, I urge you to participate in this ceremonial and to advance to the Third Degree of the Order. If you're already a Third Degree member, I invite you to attend the Degree to support your Brother Knights.

The final piece of the membership puzzle is our Order's insurance program. If you are not an insurance member of the Order, I urge you to give our field agent, Tom Stelmar, 30 minutes of your time so that he can

explain the various benefits that our Order makes available. Tom will work tirelessly for his Brother Knights, but only if we give him the opportunity.

God bless you and your families!

John Little, GK



Father Michael J. McGivney
"Venerable Servant of God"

Knight/Family of the Month

At our April 5 meeting, the Great 799 honored both a Knight of the Month and a Family of the Month.

Bill Lambeth Family

We honored the Bill Lambeth family as our Family of the Month. As many of you know, Bill is the master of the Fish Fry kitchen crew and the keeper of the top secret cole slaw recipe. His wife, Frances (or St. Frances, as some of us call her) is constantly by his side, and his children and extended family are regular attendees at our Fish Fries, caring for Frances so that Bill can tend to the fish frying. The Lambeth family's participation in our Fish Fries is truly a "family affair."

Pete Goudreau

Our Knight of the Month was Pete Goudreau. Pete first joined the Order back in the early 1950s, was inactive for a time, and returned to the fold in 1996. Recently, he's become a volunteer fixture, assisting with the Marty O'Donnell St. Patrick's Day party and each of the Fish Fries.

Knights In Action

Garage Sale – SUCCESS!

The KC 799/CDA #1719 Garage Sale had a great turnout – both customers and volunteers came in support of the charity garage sale.

While we didn't surpass last year's revenue, we still had one of the best years in recent memory. Official numbers will be shared later, but it is estimated that we raised \$5k – split between KC 799 and the Catholic Daughters. A big thank you to Mike and Susan Hill for their tireless effort as coordinators and for all the volunteers that helped over the weekend – we couldn't have successful events like this without the generous support of our Members. Thank you!

Easter Egg Hunt – SUCCESS!

Thanks to the Kelton family and all the volunteer Knights that made the Easter Egg hunt a fun event. Kids enjoyed the crafts, egg hunting, and time spent with their friends and loved ones. Great job!

Need volunteers for another construction project

Ryan Collier is looking for more volunteers to help with an upcoming service project. On Saturday, May 7, starting at 8:30am the Construction/Repair team will do some work on two locations -- both service poor, elderly seniors living in south Dallas.

The work includes fence building and repair, painting, door installation, and site cleanup to help bring the homes up to code and avoid city code compliance fees for the homeowners.

We have been told that materials will be provided, but labor and tools will need to be brought by participants. Also, know that this work is perfect for anyone wanting to get out and help, regardless of skill or experience - it is really a great way to show our **fellowship and charity**. Please watch for more details via email, website and the general meeting, or contact Ryan Collier at ryan.r.collier@gmail.com

**Frisco RoughRiders vs. San Antonio Missions
Saturday, June 11th @ 7:00 p.m. (5:30 p.m. bus departure)
Dr. Pepper Ballpark – Frisco, TX**



Take your spouse out for the night! Invite your friends! Make new friends!

ALL-INCLUSIVE NIGHT AT THE ROUGHRIDERS BALLPARK IN FRISCO

- All you can eat Sonny Bryan’s BBQ
- All you can drink beer, wine, and Dr. Pepper products
- Limited Edition RoughRiders Hat
- Covered seating area
- Locked in at last year’s ticket prices *
\$33.00 for game only tickets or
\$44.00 for a charter bus ride from the KC 799 parking lot at 5:30 p.m.

For more information or to save a spot contact: John or Amy Stuart – 214-341-4980 or tx.stuart@yahoo.com Please make your reservation and send coordinate payment to John or Amy Stuart **by May 11th**.

It is nearly time for our Council to hold elections. Interested candidates must have dues paid and be a 3rd degree Member. Members are encouraged to review the officer roles and discuss with past or current officers. <http://bit.ly/KCroles>

Here is the election process, discussed at the April meeting:

- Members are encouraged (but not required) to submit nominations to the nominating committee (which consists of the current Trustees: John Bane, Patrick Vlk, and Chris Janning)
- At the May meeting, the nominating committee we will announce the nominations
- At the June meeting the Council will accept nominations from the floor and hold elections during the meeting

Wall of Honor

Reserve your brick in the Knights of Columbus Council 799 “Wall of Honor.” Proceeds help support our charity account, and this is a great way to remember a loved one, or honor your family. Submit your completed form and payment soon if you want your brick mounted before the 4th of July Auction. Simply fill out the form below and return, with your check made payable to Knights of Columbus, Council #799.

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State ____ Zip _____
 Phone (____) _____

Mail your completed form to:
 Knights of Columbus #799
 Wall of Honor
 10110 Shoreview
 Dallas, TX 75238

Please reserve ____ brick(s) in the Knights of Columbus Council #799 Wall of Honor on my behalf. I am enclosing \$100 per brick for a total of \$____.

Please engrave my inscription as follows:

(Note: Inscription is limited to 16 characters per line, 2 line maximum. Please use only one individual or family name per brick. No messages please.)

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 Benedict XVI

† Bob Conway	Leo Conway
† Mable Nix	Jerry Alfieri
† Timothy D. McGaughran	Tom Welch

Please keep us informed if you have a continuing illness or change in status that needs to be included in the newsletter.

Timothy D. McGaughran, brother of Mike McGaughran, passed away on March 18th in Richmond Texas, at the age of 61yrs

Mable Nix, Chris Janning's grandmother-in-law, passed away on April 7th.

If you know of deaths or major illnesses of Knights or their family members, please contact:
Frank Gray, (214) 328-4935
or
prayers@kc799.org

Welcome to our new Members

We had nearly 25 new Members join at the First Degree ceremony held at the April meeting. We'll publish a list of new Members in the near future and encourage everyone to welcome our new Brothers whenever you get a chance to meet them.

May 13-15 - State Convention

The Texas Knights of Columbus will hold the 107th Annual State Convention on May 13-15. The convention will be held at the Sheraton Dallas Hotel. We encourage all Members to attend this open event.

DEGREE CEREMONIALS

First Degree on May 10

Please get the word out about our First Degree ceremonial on May 10 at 7:30pm. We need Members to attend in support of the Candidates. This is great timing to observe the First Degree and then attend the Major Degree later in the month.

We are also reminded that we are working on a rare three-peat of our fantastic recruitment record and a challenge from the State Council towards recruitment.

Candidates who are interested in the First Degree must attend an orientation meeting – there will be an orientation meeting on Monday May 9th. John Bane is also available to meet with prospective candidates at other times (John Bane, (214) 707-1121; jdbane@aol.com)

Form 100s are available in the KC office.

Looking for Grill Team volunteers

Want to join a team of men with passion for grilling? Get with John Little (GK@kc799.org) to sign up. We are creating new grill teams and looking for more volunteers.

Catholic Charities Truck

Please contact Brian Bessner (214-454-7557) to volunteer to drive the *World of Gifts* truck to collect goods for Catholic Charities. Our Council needs drivers for Friday evenings and Sunday afternoons to drive the truck.

Join Knights On Bikes

KOB has a vest for raffle at the State Convention. Mike Savage is making the vest. Tickets are \$1 each, 6 for \$5
There will be a ride to Hico, Texas on May 7. All bikers are invited.

For information on joining Knights on Bikes, please contact Michael Savage at (972) 948-9096.
michael.savage@risd.org

Major Degree Scheduled May 22

Knights wishing to advance to the 2nd and 3rd degree are invited to Council 799 on Sunday May 22.

Candidates should be accompanied by members of their home council. The ceremony will begin with early morning mass (at either St. Bernard or St. Patrick – please check our website or email for confirmation of the mass location). After morning mass, we will come back to the Hall for the 2nd and 3rd degree, and lunch.

All candidates and members will be required to present a valid current membership card in order to be admitted to the degree. Please dress appropriately for mass and ceremony.

*Charity, Unity,
Fraternity*

ACTS Men's Retreat - May 12-15

Reminder that the next ACTS Men's Retreat is scheduled for May 12-15. If interested, please get with Bob Feil or Mike Hill to check for availability.

Ronald McDonald House May 28

On May 28, we need 8-12 volunteers to help cook for the families staying at the Ronald McDonald House. To volunteer, contact Scott Callagy (scallagy@yahoo.com).

Special Olympics - May 27-29

Knights and their spouses, children and friends are invited to help with awarding the medals and ribbons to each of the athletes. There will be one award tent on all three days that will require at least 8 volunteers at all times. Please contact Jim Massey, Diocesan Coordinator for Special Olympics, at jfm00523@sbcglobal.net or 972-235-6158 as soon as possible.

Email/Facebook/Twitter:

<http://www.kc799.org/subscribe>

In Service to One, in Service to All

POOL NEWS

The KayCee pool opens on Saturday May 28. Construction on the parking lot and the improvements to the pool area are underway. Weather permitting we hope to be completed by May 21st.

Opening Weekend: 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. While it may be crowded, it is sure to be a fun time for the kids!

Membership Applications: 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, 2011. If you have not registered as of April 30th you must include a \$40 late fee. After May 21st, the late fee increases to \$80. At this point, all pool registration forms have been mailed. ***If you have not received one in the mail, they are available at the office and the lounge.***

Swim Team/Lessons: If you are interested in the swim team or swim lessons for your children, please go to their website at www.kcsharks.com for further information and signing up. All registration and payment is done through that website.

Birthday Parties: Birthday parties at the pool will not start until after 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.

Watch for news/announcements:

We are working on a new website for the pool at kcclub.org
Please also be sure to "like" our Facebook page to get important announcements throughout the summer: <http://on.fb.me/KayceePool>

KayCee Club News

Parking Lot Construction

At the April meeting, the KayCee club approved funding for parking lot repair/construction. The project will occur in phases which began in late April with the back pool lot.



During construction in the front and side of the building, the back lot will be available through the gate on Thurgood Lane. That gate entrance is between the East Lake Veterinary Hospital and the VFW building. Parking is also available across the

street in the shopping center parking lot. Please avoid parking in the Skating Rink or your car will be towed. By our schedule, the parking lot project will be completed before the opening weekend. We are also happy to add a few extra parking spots and some improvements to accessibility and traffic flow.

KayCee Club Hall Rental

As always, we would like to encourage the use of our KayCee club Hall. Please let your employers, friends, and colleagues know that the KayCee Club Hall is available for rental to Members and non-Members. For information, please contact Oliver Rhein (214-348-7940, oliver_kc799@sbcglobal.net)

With our full service bar, restaurant quality kitchen, and ample space, we are one of the best venues in Dallas for almost any occasion.

Regular Hours

Lounge Information

Mon-Fri: Open 5pm to close*

Saturday: 2pm-close*

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

KayCee Club Hall Rental

The KayCee Club Hall is available for rental to Members and non-Members. For info, please call 214-348-7940

KayCee Club, Inc. Tuesday meetings in November, February, May, and August. (Special Mtg in April)

Send Your Content

Please provide suggestions, or content articles for the newsletter to: news@kc799.org. Deadline for May newsletter is:

May 18

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

4/26-5/3	Sergio Zarate
5/3-5/10	Richard Johnston
5/10-5/17	David Broome
5/17-5/24	Rick Estrada
5/24-5/31	Mike McConnell

Chalice 2

4/26-5/3	Bob Feil
5/3-5/10	John Guerra
5/10-5/17	Michael Posey
5/17-5/24	Chris McElhone
5/24-5/31	Michael Kubelka

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

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Membership Information

Orientation Meetings:

There will be an orientation meeting on **Monday, May 9.**

The meeting will be held in the downstairs conference room beginning at 6:30 pm, and will last approx. 40 minutes. The history, activities, and responsibilities of being a Knight will be presented. New applicants as well as those considering transferring to Dallas Council 799 are required to attend an orientation meeting.

What are the requirements?

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

Membership Contact:

John Bane, (214) 707-1121
jdbane@aol.com



Call our Field Agent:
Tom Stelmar
(972) 771-5289

The Knights of Columbus offers a wide range of products suited for the needs of our Members.

Dallas Council 799 "Swag"

If you are interested in KC Dallas Council 799 apparel, please place your "pre-order" soon. The apparel items include the KC799 logo as well as the Knights of Columbus emblem. Caps (blue, red, yellow, and camo), polo shirts (navy blue or red), or a navy blue windbreaker with zip-away sleeves.

Before we place an order for clothing, we need quite a few more Members to commit to purchasing. Please visit the KC799.org website for see more pictures and a link to the order form:

<http://www.kc799.org/orderform>

Dallas Council 799 **Fourth of July!**

Please mark your calendar to attend the annual Fourth of July party – the pool area be open, Bingo, Silent Auction, plenty of food and beverages available at the grill poolside, in the main hall or at the Cantina too.

Here's a link to an online form and other information about donating for the auction:

www.kc799.org/calendar/auction
Jim Hale, jamesahale@gmail.com
214-392-3230