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Chaplain's Message

By Fr. Josef
Vollmer-König

Dear Brother Knights,

The month of October is Respect Life Month. Our Bishop, Kevin J. Farrell, in union with all Catholic Bishops of the USA, reminds us to observe Respect Life Month in a renewed way.

The upcoming elections are an important event in our time. The Bishops remind us, in the document **Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship** that the participation in the political life is a moral obligation. (Available here: <http://bit.ly/FCstatement>)

This year October 2nd is designated Respect Life Sunday and the theme is **"I came so that all might have life and have it to the full."** I am pro life because I am happy to be alive.

There are several events this month to bring the Respect Life campaign to the

public. We are in the middle of the 40 Days for Life -- Knights are most needed to participate during the late night and early morning hours. And the Hike for Life at White Rock Lake is Oct. 15. As Brother Knights we show our support of life by our participation in these events.

October is also dedicated to the "Most Holy Rosary." Meditating on the different Mysteries of the Rosary, we meditate on the birth, life, death and resurrection of Our Lord. As we reflect on the different mysteries we become aware of the love Our Lord has for us. He became one of us to lead us home to the Father. We pray that we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise.

This month, I also invite you to learn about the upcoming implementation of the new Roman Missal that will be used at all Masses beginning on the first Sunday of Advent, November 27.

God's blessings, Father Josef

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	Oct 1-2	Fourth Degree Exemplification
Sat	Oct 1	KC799 Oktoberfest Party
Tue	Oct 4	Monthly General Meeting
		First Degree Ceremony
	Oct 6-9	KC Montserrat Retreat
Thur	Oct 13	First Annual Single Malt Scotch Tasting
Sat	Oct 15	Hike For Life at White Rock Lake
Fri	Oct 28	2nd Annual Children's Halloween Party
Sun	Oct 30	Boys Knight Out (Cowboys-Eagles)

Coming Up

Tue	Nov 1	Monthly General Meeting
	Nov 3-6	St. Pat's Mens ACTS Retreat
Sun	Nov 6	Memorial Mass and Ceremony
Sat	Nov 19	Construction/Repair project (TBD) at Convent

Calendar/Updates on the website: www.kc799.org

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Grand Knight's Letter

By John J. Little

Greetings to my Brother Knights:

Our Worthy Chaplain, Father Josef, has spoken to us on a number of occasions about our responsibility to be leaders in our families, in our parishes, and in our communities. October presents us with some great opportunities to do just that. I want to focus upon two (well, really three) of those opportunities.

The first involves the changes to the Mass that will be introduced on the first Sunday of Advent. Father Josef has agreed to lead a number of sessions through which he will go through those changes and help us become acquainted with them. The first two sessions will be held on **Tuesday, October 11** and **Tuesday,**

October 25, beginning at 7 p.m. The sessions are open to Knights, our families, and our fellow parishioners, and give all of us an opportunity to become familiar with the changes before they are implemented so that we can be properly prepared to participate in the Mass.

The second involves 40 Days for Life, which will be in full swing throughout October. The goal of the 40 Days for Life effort is to pray for 24 hours each day outside the abortion clinic at Greenville and Royal. You can read more about this effort within this newsletter, and at prolifedallas.org/40days. I urge you to volunteer some time to support your parish's contribution to this effort (each of our parishes is likely responsible for a particular day) and also to volunteer to help fill the overnight hours.

The third is the Hike for Life, to be held at White Rock Lake on **Saturday, October 15**. Please consider participating, and having your family participate, in the Hike. I hope you'll consider joining the KC 799 Team at the Hike, which you can do by going to <http://bit.ly/KC799H4L>. I hope to see many of our Brother Knights on October 15.

Blessings to all, John Little, GK

First Annual Single Malt Scotch Tasting

Please join us on Thursday, Oct 13 for a scotch tasting event hosted by Russ Kempton, Master of Scotch. Limited spots will be available. Watch your email and the web site for more details, or contact Pat Vlk (pvlk@glazers.com)

Knight/Family of the Month

Jerry Sanchez

At our Council's September meeting, we honored Brother Jerry Sanchez as our Knight of the Month. Jerry serves on both our Pool Committee and on the Long-Range Planning committee we've formed to help us plan for our future. Jerry also managed to put in time on three different grilling crews over the course of the past summer, and logged 8 or 9 different shifts on the grills. In his "spare" time, Jerry is a Dallas Police Department officer.

Paul and Toni Murr

We also honored Paul and Toni Murr as our Family of the Month. Paul and Toni put their faith into action and exemplify the first principle of our Order - Charity. Over the years, Paul and Toni have repeatedly opened their home to foster children in need. At present, they are caring for four such children. In all, they have opened their home to more than two hundred! Their example is truly inspiring.

This Month

KC799 Oktoberfest 2011

What better way to cool off in October than with a frosty cold Bavarian ale, a plateful of brats and kraut and a group singing, "*Eins, zwei, Drei g'suffa!*"? Join us at our 4th Annual Oktoberfest celebrated in true Munich style - complete with a Bavarian band, horns and food. Lederhosen and Dirndl dress encouraged. Open to all adults (+21). Cost: \$12 (2 Beers + All the German food you can eat).

October 1, 2011 (Saturday) 7-11 p.m. at the KC799 Upstairs hall.

Boys Knight Out

Let's get our Football on! Boys Knight Out kicks off on Sunday night, Oct 30, as the Dallas Cowboys travel to visit the Philadelphia Eagles at 7:20 p.m.. Come to the Kaycee Lounge and enjoy a beverage (or two) and good food. There will be drink specials, a square game and prize giveaway.

First Degree Ceremonial

October 4th (before our regular Council meeting) is the date of our next First Degree Ceremonial. Please encourage your Catholic friends to visit with Pat Vlk at an orientation if interested in joining our Council.

First Degree Team

We are continuing to look for Brother Knights who would like to participate in our First Degree Ceremonial team, and our need has just gotten a little greater (and more urgent). Brother George Mones has long served on our First Degree team, but he recently told us that he'll be retiring and moving to Fayetteville, Arkansas. We are thankful for George's long service on our Degree team, but now we've got to replace him (and still find a few back-ups for the other team members).

If you have any interest, please contact GK John Little or Membership Director Pat Vlk.



40 DAYS FOR LIFE™ DALLAS

Sept 28 – Nov 6. This will be a 24 hour a day, 7 days a week campaign at the Southwestern late-term abortion center at 8616 Greenville Avenue at Royal Lane (NE corner), Dallas. www.40daysforlife.com/dallas/
40 Days for Life-Dallas will be holding outdoor rallies on **Tuesday, Sep 27** and **Saturday, Oct 15** in Harry Moss Park at the southeast corner of Greenville Avenue and Royal Lane.

Date and Times:

- Kick Off Rally is Tuesday Sep 27 from 6pm to 9pm.
- Midway Rally is Sat, Oct 15 (40DFL Youth Day) from 11am to 2pm.

Knights are needed to take on the “Knight” hours of 7PM to midnight, and midnight to 7AM. Available dates include **Oct 4-6, 9, 12, 16-19, 21, 25-26, 31**. If you can help with any of these times, or would like to adopt another time during the campaign, please contact 40days@prolifedallas.org or **972-267-LIFE (5433)** as soon as possible.

Any Knight who completes at least 4 hours of nighttime prayer during the campaign will qualify for recognition in **the Order of the Hours** -- a new program developed by 40 Days for Life-Dallas Event Coordinator Reg Platt to recognize your unwavering commitment to advancing a Culture of Life. Knights who offer up 24 hours of prayer, complete 4 hours of nighttime vigil, or agree to be "on standby" to cover open hours will receive one of three designations to recognize their commitment. For more information about the Order or to volunteer contact Reg Platt at reg@plattstuff.com or 214-392-4098.

Parishes: Check with your parish to see if they have adopted a day and donate at least an hour of your time on your adopted day.

- St Patrick adopted Friday, November 4th. Contact April at aprilfy@yahoo.com to volunteer
- St Pius adopted Thursday, November 3rd. Contact Joyce Casanova at spxrespectlife@gmail.com to volunteer.
- St Thomas Aquinas adopted Sunday, November 6th. Contact Ronda Moreland at ronda@coffeenewsdallas.com to volunteer

Hike for Life at White Rock Lake -- October 15th



Hike for Life is Texas' oldest pro-life event and it was started by Knights in 1973 to raise money for Crisis Pregnancy Centers.

Please sign up and support the 2011 Hike for Life by participating, volunteering, or donating. Please be part of this year's Hike for Life and make a difference in a baby's life.

For more information please visit the website or contact **David Holder** at David@hikeforlifetexas.com or by phone 214-660-1300.

Register today at: www.hikeforlifetexas.com
KC799 Team page: <http://bit.ly/KC799H4L>

Respect for Life Mass and Benediction with the Bishop will be held at St. Patrick's on Oct 15.

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

† Dr. Joseph M. Miranda	Jerry Alfieri John Stuart
† Sam Dagate, Jr.	Beau Hughey
† SK Silas Jones	Fallon Rae Brown
† SK John Kirby	Sallyann Little
† Francisco Lujan	Virgil Zipper
† Laura David	

We received word that Francisco Lujan, father of our Brother Ron Lujan, passed away earlier in the month of September. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

Beau Hughey was just about healthy again, when he had a motorcycle accident. Please pray for his quick recovery.

Laura David, wife of our Brother James E. David, passed away on Friday, August 5 of kidney cancer. Please remember them in your prayers.

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

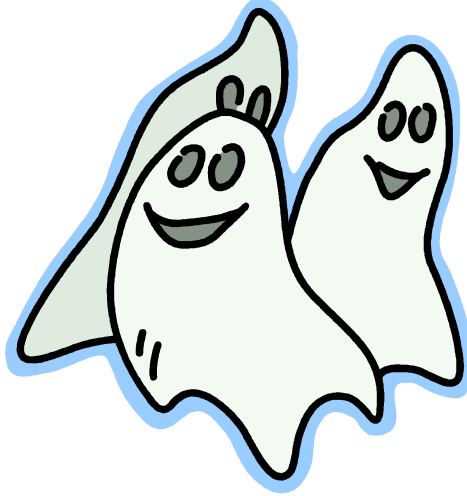
Frank Gray, (214) 328-4935
Or prayers@kc799.org

Here are the dates of upcoming hikes:

- Bastrop (Austin Diocese) -- Has been cancelled due to the fires - please keep these good people in your prayers.
- **Dallas White Rock- Saturday, Oct 15**
- Garland - Saturday, Oct 8
- McKinney - Saturday, Oct 8
- Oak Cliff - Saturday, Oct 8
- Richardson - Saturday, Oct 15
- Rowlett - Saturday, Oct 8

*Kids, you are invited to the 2nd annual
Knights of Columbus*

HALLOWEEN PARTY



on
Friday, October 28th
5:30-8:30 p.m.

**PRIZES PIZZA CRAFTS BOWLING
HAUNTED HOUSE BOBBING FOR APPLES
BALLOONS MUSICAL CHAIRS
COSTUME CONTEST FACE PAINTING
SPOOKY BINGO & MORE**

Questions? Contact Mike & Susan Hill @ 214-500-8129

Brother Knights, grab your wives and your little goblins and join us for the KC 799 Kids Halloween Party on **Friday, October 28**, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at the Great 799.

There will be games, crafts, prizes, music, face painting and a costume contest, etc. in the Upper Hall. You can also travel downstairs and visit our Haunted House for more scariness and fun. Pizza, drinks and other food will be available for the kids' dining pleasure.

There is still a need for volunteers to work upstairs and downstairs. Please call Mike or Susan Hill at 214-500-8129 to sign up and help. We look forward to seeing you on the 28th

Holy Trinity Catholic School -- Fall Fest (October 15)

Food, games, bounce house, haunted house, craft booths, costume contest & more. (3815 Oak Lawn Ave., Dallas, TX 75219) on October 15, 2011 from noon to 6 p.m.

St. Patrick Catholic School -- Harvest Fest (October 15)

Join us for the 2011 St. Patrick Catholic School Harvest Festival on October 15, 2011 from noon until 6 p.m.

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

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

Learn about the upcoming Mass changes

KC799 is hosting a series of informational sessions regarding the upcoming mass changes. Our Worthy Chaplain, Fr. Josef, will be the host and moderator of these events. Sessions are scheduled for October 11 and 25 and November 8 and 22. The sessions will begin at 7 p.m. and last approximately one hour.

These sessions are open to all knights and parishioners from our surrounding parishes. Please bring your family and fellow Catholics to learn more about the Mass changes.

Save the date - Major Degree Scheduled Saturday, December 10

Knights wishing to advance to the 2nd and 3rd degree are invited to Council 799 on Saturday, December 10.

Dallas Council 799 "Swag"

Here is a link to the order form: <http://www.kc799.org/orderform>

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.

Send Your Content

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

October 18

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 (Sep 6):

- GK Little shared a proposal for the distribution of proceeds from the July 4th event. Worthy recipients were discussed and the proposal was approved.
- Committee of 1000, which provides emergency support to Seminarians, was highlighted and Father Josef shared a personal story of the benefits.
- David Holder promoted several Pro-Life events coming up including 40 Days for Life and Hike for Life and encouraged 799 participation.

Council Board Meeting (Sep 20):

- Reviewed list of seriously delinquent Members, Guerra assigned as chair of Retention Committee
- Reviewed Memorial Mass plans (Nov 6) – Reyes is chair of the event.
- Discussed frequency and planning for KC799 Blood drives.
- Agreed to place initial order of KC799 branded clothing.

KayCee Club Board Mtg (Sep 20):

- Approved motion to shift fiscal year to better align to KayCee business cycle.
- Reviewed proposed concepts for KayCee bylaws changes regarding Board positions and elections process. (splitting KayCee and Council board seats)
- Discussed employee retention matter.
- Approved motion to replace building signage with LED lights

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

9/27-10/4	Richard Johnston
10/4-10/11	Vince Hess
10/11-10/18	Sean Hooper
10/18-10-25	Michael Kubelka
10/25-11/1	Charles Hanna

Chalice 2

9/27-10/4	John Guerra
10/4-10/11	David Salazar
10/11-10/18	Rick Estrada
10/18-10-25	Michael Posey
10/25-11/1	Richard Johnston

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

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Membership Information

Orientation Meetings:

There will be an orientation meetings on: **Monday, Oct 3rd**

The meetings 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 Catholics in union with the Holy See.

Membership Contact:

Patrick Vlck, (214) 763-7925
pvlck@glazers.com

**Call our Knights of Columbus Insurance
Field Agent:
Tom Stelmar at (972) 771-5289**



Silent Retreat

Interested in Montserrat retreats?
The next silent retreat (for KC) is Oct 6-9. Please call **Al Barbosa** (972) 243-6339 to discuss this wonderful opportunity. Register at:
montserratretreat.org

Planning Repair Project - Nov 19

Ryan Collier is planning another project for the Convent, currently planned for Nov 19. Please contact Ryan Collier to volunteer: 214-226-4423 ryan.r.collier@gmail.com

KC799 Email/Facebook/Twitter:
<http://www.kc799.org/subscribe>

St. Patrick's Mens ACTS Retreat - Nov 3-5

The next St. Patrick's Mens' ACTS retreat is Nov 3-5. Please contact Bob Feil, or any of the St. Patrick Mens' ACTS retreat team members for more details or to register. Forms are also available during Sunday masses

New Year's Eve Event - Dec 31

KayCee Club, Inc. is putting together plans for the New Year's Eve Party. Tickets are available now, and we are hoping to provide online registration/payment soon.

The PitPops are playing, buffet by Chef Oliver, and party favors! Only \$50 per ticket. Please contact Brad Barlow with any questions about this event. Brad.Barlow@att.net 214-697-4080