

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Joseph C Carroll Council 5390

April 2021 KNIGHT LIGHT

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REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING: 1ST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, 7:30 PM

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*** COMING EVENTS ***

All council PANCAKE BREAKFASTS and FISH FRIES are canceled until further notice.

- Apr 4 Easter
Apr 6 Business Meeting 7:30 PM – WILL PLAN ON VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING
Apr 15 – 17 PID Tootsie Roll Drive at business locations
Apr 17 – 18 PID Tootsie Roll Drive at St Pius X all Masses
Apr 19 MCC Meeting 7:30 PM – location pending
Apr 20 Staff Meeting 7:00 PM – the KC Hall, masks and social distancing required
Apr 23 Deadline for the May newsletter
Apr 30 to May 2 Iowa K of C State Convention, virtual and on-site Sioux City
May 4 Business Meeting 7:30 PM – WILL PLAN ON VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING
May 9 Mother's Day
May 17 MCC Meeting 7:30 PM – location pending
May 18 Staff Meeting 7:00 PM – location pending
May 21 Deadline for the June newsletter
May 31 Memorial Day
Jun 1 Business Meeting 7:30 PM – WILL PLAN ON VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING
Jun 20 Father's Day
Jun 21 MCC Meeting 7:30 PM – location pending
Jun 22 Staff Meeting 7:00 PM – location pending
Jun 25 Deadline for the July newsletter

April 6th Business Meeting
This will be a Zoom meeting

Deadline for the May issue of the
Knight Light is:
Friday, April 23rd.

Our council is sponsoring
two seminarians.
You can contact them at:

Hayden Merkel
St Pius X Seminary
1235 Mt. Loretta Ave
Dubuque, IA 52003

Peter Binder
St Pius X Seminary
1235 Mt. Loretta Ave
Dubuque, IA 52003

K OF C 5390 GRAND KNIGHT MALICIOUS EMAIL SCAM ALERT

Several Brother Knights have now received scam email requests maliciously using my name to request donations of gift cards – see example below. You will note below that the email address listed with my name as FROM – as is circled below – is NOT my actual email beke@ipmx.com.

- **DO NOT respond or open any attachments or click on any links.**
- **Delete immediately and assign the listed circled email address to your SPAM filter.**



Always keep in mind:

1. **THE GRAND KNIGHT (me in this case) IS NOT AUTHORIZED TO GIVE APPROVAL UNILATERALLY TO DONATION REQUESTS – THAT APPROVAL MUST COME FROM THE DONATION COMMITTEE.**
2. **ONLY THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY (Steve Pasker) AND TREASURER (Bob Schmitt) ARE AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE FUNDS FOR DONATIONS – NO ONE ELSE IN OUR MEMBERSHIP.**
3. **DONATIONS ARE NEVER MADE WITH GIFT CARDS – ONLY DONE VIA CHECKS MADE PAYABLE TO THE ACTUAL ORGANIZATION.**

ZOOM BUSINESS MEETING

We will continue with monthly ZOOM business meetings. An emailing will go out to the membership a couple days prior to the meeting. Anyone interested in participating needs to confirm their attendance by replying to that email. Only those responders will be invited to participate in the ZOOM meeting.

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Greetings brother Knights, hopefully by now most of you have received your Covid-19 vaccinations and with that at some point later this year we can get back to a sense of normalcy. In the mean time we will continue with virtual business meetings for the near future. Praying of the Rosary prior to business meetings will resume this April 6 via ZOOM at 7PM facilitated by Deacon Ken Bauer.

I would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter. The death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus serves as a calling back to our mission of service to the faith community with resumption of active fundraising efforts.

The 2020 PID tootsie roll drive has been rescheduled for April 15 through 18 at most all of our usual locations. We are taking a contact free approach with having Tootsie Rolls and collection buckets on tables which allow volunteers to sit

down behind the tables to cover shifts. Masks are required; gloves and hand sanitizer will be provided. Please volunteer to cover a shift at one of the locations when you receive a call from the site captain. If nobody has contacted you yet please contact Chuck Dayton at 319-361-3823 as we still have openings needing to be filled.

Although the ongoing Hall rental by the Marion Library still remains a blessing in that rental and utility funds are keeping us solvent, we will not have access for resumption of fish fries. However, with St. Pius X repairs reaching completion we are investigating use of the parish center for take-out style breakfasts until such time that all Covid mitigation restrictions are lifted.

Thanks for your patience over the past year. Remember to pray the rosary and keep your faith strong.

*Vivat Jesus
Mike Beke, Grand Knight*

Knight of the Month: Steve Sawyers
Family of the Month: Dan and Mary Goiffon

K-OF-C COUNCIL SHIRTS

If you are interested in a K of C Council shirt, contact Larry Block at (319) 447-9641.

PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES (PID) TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE

The postponed 2020 drive has now been scheduled for April 15, 16, 17, 2021. The 2021 collection is being moved back to late September.

The collections will be set up with Covid-19 mitigation practices in place – masks and social distancing, and tootsie rolls and collection buckets placed on tables instead of being hand carried and handed out.

We are calling on all site captains to respond if you will be able/unable to do your respective sites in April and for any questions you may have. And we are asking all brother Knights to consider volunteering for a shift when called.

Contact Chuck Dayton at 319-361-3823.

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S MESSAGE

St. Joseph set an example for every Catholic man to be a valiant head of his family filled with great trust in God. As Knights of Columbus we are called to follow his example in our families, parishes and communities. As we look to our parishes we can easily find other men and families who will benefit by joining our brotherhood working in unity to glorify God, be leaders of faith and achieve great acts of charity. Membership in the Knights of Columbus changes lives. This gift is meant to be paid forward.

Hats off to Cresco (1571), Perry (1243) and Pella (12334) for holding live in person presentations of the Charity, Unity and Fraternity Exemplification. In addition to bringing in new members, they also advanced several 1st degree members to the Third Degree. Council 5390 in Marion has a degree team that has been practicing their parts for an Exemplification in the near future. I would encourage all councils to get their Degree teams ready to bring in new men.

Gerald Fetzer, District Deputy, District 29

MEMBERSHIP

Even with COVID-19 restrictions, it is still important that we offer the opportunity of membership to all practical Catholic men. Therefore, we ask in this intervening time that you continue to approach worthy prospects and ask them to consider joining the Knights. And on-line membership is free to new members for the 1st year.

We offer online initiation ceremonies and can process their applications online. For more information or to provide the names of prospects, please call me at (319)551-4077 or email me at tleier@msn.com

Terry Leier, Deputy Grand Knight

EQUIPMENT FOR LOAN

We have the following equipment to loan out: wheelchair, portable walker, cane, and crutches. Some of these items may already be loaned out, so contact our Worthy Warden, Howard Schiffer, to check for availability. When you are finished with the item, please have it checked back in at the hall.

K OF C INSURANCE

Dear Brother Knights and Ladies;

Easter greetings to all my members and their families! As a time of preparation, Lent helped us focus on the sacrifice of Good Friday and the hope of the resurrection. I hope this season brings you much joy and happiness!

In addition to outside chores, and spring cleaning, you could put me on the top of that list, since it relates to your family's financial security. I would like to meet with you and review, discuss your needs and wants and desires. Has anything changed? Lets make sure nothing stands in the way you reaching your goals! Mine is an item you can cross off your list! Give me a call!

Happy Easter!

*Dan Conlon FA, 641-330-2060
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FORGIVENESS AND RECONCILIATION

Sinfulness brings to mind two acts: that of Forgiveness and Reconciliation. Acts of sinfulness draw us away from the light of Christ and into darkness. We seek forgiveness, in repentance through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Through repentance, that light which is diminished through one's act of sin, is restored. In receiving absolution God's forgiveness and restorative mercy is bestowed upon us. The brokenness experienced in acts of sinfulness is restored, and one no longer "bound to slave in" our sins.

While Forgiveness and Reconciliation are coupled in acts of sinfulness, there are other aspects which are worth reflecting on more deeply.

When someone commits wrongdoing against us, we may expect an apology from the person, an act of Forgiveness and expression of sorrowfulness. When given, we have an obligation (and perhaps an expectation of the other person?) to accept that apology and forgive the person of the wrong that was committed. On our part, forgiveness is a letting go of the hurt, of the pain that was inflicted.

When we commit a wrong against someone else, we may feel remorse, compelling us to seek the forgiveness of the person we offended. Asking for forgiveness is challenging. Realizing that our lives are not about us - when we put forgiveness of others in relation to God's forgiveness of us - then real forgiveness becomes easier. The act of forgiveness is a humbling experience and in that humbling act we will be exalted. (see LK 18:14)

The act of Reconciliation helps to accept responsibility, leading to accountability, which includes taking ownership of the harm that was caused and understanding how the sinful behavior affected the other person. Reconciliation also brings some relief, and the sense of a spiritual weight being 'lifted'. Coupled with an act of Forgiveness, Reconciliation begins the healing process, to put right the wrongs. It aids in restoring relationships and the restoration of those affected in some sense to an earlier state of life. While this might not be a complete restoration to what was before, it can still help in eliminating the hurtfulness brought about by the sinful act.

Deacon Ken Bauer

DISASTER RELIEF

The Knights of Columbus Supreme web site has a secure link to give monies to help disaster victims via the Catholic Relief Services. More of the money you donate to this fund will go directly towards helping victims with their immediate needs than through other national disaster services. Give if you can; even \$10 from each person adds up to millions of dollars overall.

The Knights of Columbus Supreme secure web site is:

www.kofc.org/en/secure/charities/disaster-relief.html

CATHOLIC EVANGELICAL OUTREACH

**April 23rd at 6:30 pm
Immaculate Conception
LIVE and IN PERSON!**

Estelle Nester: MY SIDE OF THE STORY

Estelle Nester is the wife of former protestant pastor Keith Nester, who converted to Catholicism.

One day, Keith said he was thinking about quitting his job at the church and becoming Catholic. Estelle was shocked and didn't know what to do. She loved her role as "the pastor's wife" and loved all of the churches they had ever been a part of. Would she choose to become Catholic too? What if she didn't believe everything that Catholics believe? How would this affect their marriage? How would the kids react?

Keith and Estelle were married in 1996 and have three adult children. Estelle will share her journey through the highs and the lows, but most importantly will talk about how God has brought her to where she is today!

Please note that this will be LIVE and you can Witness this powerful talk in person at Immaculate Conception