

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Joseph C Carroll Council 5390

May 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.

- 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 – – KC Hall, masks and social distancing required
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 4, 5, 6 St. Joe's Fun Days
Jun 20 Father's Day
Jun 21 MCC Meeting 7:30 PM – location pending
Jun 22 Staff Meeting 7:00 PM – – KC Hall, masks and social distancing required
Jun 25 Deadline for the July newsletter
- Jul 4 Independence Day
Jul TBD Installation of Officers - No business meeting
Jul 19 MCC Meeting 7:30PM – location pending
Jul 20 Staff Meeting 7:00 PM – location pending
Jul 23 Deadline for the 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
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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 everyone is staying healthy and all of you have now received or are scheduling your Covid-19 vaccinations.

The rescheduled CPID tootsie roll drive April 15-18 was a great success: once again we surpassed \$19,000 in donations. I would like to thank everyone who volunteered in this effort with special appreciation to Chuck Dayton and each of our site captains.

In response to the many questions about if/when in-person business meeting resumptions that I have received during the past month I sent out a survey to the membership to get everyone's opinion. 39 of you have responded with results as follows: 21 in favor of resuming in-person meetings starting June 2021; 12 wanting to wait until September 2021; 3 okay with either date; 3 not wanting to meet on-site at the Hall due

to concern over creating a problem for the Library. Additional comments included offering a choice of virtual ZOOM or on-site participation and holding the meetings outside in the parking lot.

With that being said, no decision for on-site meetings will be made without first receiving approval from the Library and a procedure for disinfecting the Hall after the meetings. And, masks and social distancing practices will still be required. Until then Virtual ZOOM meetings will continue in the interim.

Finally as we approach June it is time once again to put together the slate of Council officers for the July 2021 – June 2022 year. We are always looking for individuals willing to step up and help out at the committee level with both the Council and the MCC Club. Please contact Terry Leier or myself if you can help. Remember, we would not be able to function as a Council without active participation.

Remember to pray the rosary and keep your faith strong.

*Vivat Jesus
Mike Beke, Grand Knight*

Knight of the Month: Wayne Van Gorp
Family of the Month: Ken and Paula Ladage

C.P.I.D. TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE 2020

Our council had a very good year with the C.P.I.D. Drive. We raised over \$19,000.00 this year. This is a great amount considering we had to delay the collection to last week because of covid! Thanks to all the site captains and everyone who helped out and made it a success.

Great job everyone!

Chuck Dayton

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S MESSAGE

Brothers, Sioux City is hosting our 2021 State Convention on April 30th, May 1st and May 2nd. Safe travels to all the delegates that are attending the Convention from our area. To those delegates that are not attending, make sure you log in at 10:00 am Saturday Morning for your virtual business meeting. I am looking forward to seeing all the State Officers and meeting all the delegates that are attending.

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.

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

K-OF-C COUNCIL SHIRTS

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

THE PEACE OF CHRIST

During the post Resurrection period, the Scriptures describe several appearances of Jesus to his disciples. In many of these appearances, Jesus brings a message of *peace*. A few examples in the month of April are:

- John (20:19-31), Luke (24:35-48) - Jesus says to the disciples: "peace be with you"
- John (6:16-21) - recounts the disciples in a boat on a windy and stormy Sea of Tiberius. As Jesus walks on the sea towards them he calms the sea bringing peace.
- John (20:19:23) - The disciples are in a locked room, fearful, after having abandoned Jesus on the cross and betrayed him. Peter had denied him three times. Yet Jesus came. He did not come to point out their failings; he did not come in retribution. He spoke but a simple word: Shalom, "Peace"; a word of mercy...a message of forgiveness.

The merciful love of God is what lies behind the mystery of the death, burial and resurrection of Christ. Saint PJP II wrote of the richness, wisdom and comfort of God's mercy. Through the mercy of God, *we find peace and happiness*. "As a gift to humanity, which sometimes seems bewildered and overwhelmed by the power of evil, selfishness and fear, the Risen Lord offers his love that pardons, reconciles and reopens hearts to love, a love that converts hearts and gives peace." Through the love of Christ, and his faithfulness we are comforted that God remains close to us and that nothing will separate us from His love, peace and mercy.

The tendency of sin can introduce some turmoil into our lives, disturbing this peace. When we turn to the Sacrament of Reconciliation, our sins are forgiven; peace is restored. God does not abandon us in our sinfulness, His mercy is endless, no sin is so great that God does not forgive us.

The Easter season is a time to reflect on how God brings peace into our lives, especially during the trials which inevitably come. This excerpt from a teaching of St. Francis de Sales offers assurance of the comfort of God's grace and mercy. Especially in the season of Easter, we share in the joy of the Risen Christ, the light that shines through all darkness and during the storms in life.

***Do not look forward in fear to the changes in life;
look to them with the full hope that as they arise,
God, will lead you safely through all things;
and when you cannot stand it, He will carry you in His arms.
Be at peace; put aside all anxious thoughts.***¹

Deacon Ken Bauer



¹ From "How to Face the Storms in Life"; by St. Francis de Sales