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Message from our Grand Knight

Brothers,

As we come to the end of another fraternal year I would like to look back on the accomplishments we have done especially in keeping the hall running and support. I would like to extend great thanks to all that came out and supported us in our Fish fries, Steak Nights, and work we did at the fall festival. I could not have done this alone and I thank all my Brother Knights for their past support and will rely on you in the next coming Fraternal year.

I would like to thank all the new members who just joined for their interest in the Knights, active members are the ones that make the council. I will be assigning you a mentor to help you with your journey as a Knight. Please feel free to contact me at any time if you have questions.

As we also come to the 4th of July, I would like to thank all the Veterans for their service whether active, inactive or retired. You gave so that we would have the freedoms we have today. "All gave some, some gave all" thank you for my freedom.

I remain in Christ your humble servant,

SK Pascual G. Velazquez
Grand Knight



Message from our Chaplain

My dear brother Knights,

July is the month in which we traditionally venerate the precious Blood of Christ. This is a wonderful time for us to meditate on just how precious Christ's blood really is. Jesus poured out His blood in order to save us from our sins and to share with us the gift of His divine life. The gift of blood is the gift of life. Living in a state of sanctifying grace, the Blood of Christ courses through our veins and our hearts. In our hearts burns the charity of Christ. This is reflected in your daily Christian life: in your vocation as husband and father; in the carpenter shop of your daily toil; in your works of service and charity; in your defense of the unborn, the handicapped, the frail and the elderly, etc.

I invite you to spend this month meditating on the precious blood of Christ. Reflect on how Jesus poured out his blood for you and how you are invited to give your life for others. This is an essential dimension of what is to be a Christian man and a brother Knight of Columbus.

I am,

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Paul Felix
Chaplain



Message from our Deputy Grand Knight / Membership Director

Hello everyone,

The council has been blessed with 7 new members completing their 1st degree ceremony. This is great, let us keep it up. We are all in charge of membership.

Have a great 4th of July and God Bless You,

Mike Moore
Deputy Grand Knight
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Message from our Pro Life Director

Hello everyone,

My wife Barbara goes to Planned Parenthood every Saturday to pray for the babies and their mothers. Recently she stayed in the car and prayed. A couple drove up behind her and parked. I guess they read the bumper sticker and when they tried to persuade them to come into PPH they refused and went instead to the bus on the other side of the street containing the ultrasound machine provided by the Knights of Columbus for a free ultrasound image of their baby. This is proof positive that our efforts are making a difference!

Please pray and offer up your little inconveniences for an end to abortion and an end to the culture of death. There are 4 different activities that you can get involved in.

Praying for moms and babies killed six days a week outside of Planned Parenthood

Planned Parenthood Gulf Coast, Inc. Headquarters
4600 Gulf Freeway
Houston, TX 77023

Project Mercy

Annunciation Catholic Church in downtown Houston
Tuesday, July 19, 2011 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

This is a monthly Project Mercy evening of prayer to make reparation for the sin of abortion beginning at 7:00pm. This is just one way we can increase our prayer lives. Please join us for this amazing evening in beautiful Annunciation Catholic Church.

Included will be:

- *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*
- *Fifteen decades of the Holy Rosary*
- *Confession*
- *Benediction*
- *Holy Mass*

Respect Life Mass

The Shrine of the True Cross Catholic Church in Dickinson
1st Saturday of the month. 10:00am Mass with a Rosary Procession immediately following the Mass.

Helpers of God's Precious Infants

Christ the Good Shepherd Catholic Church
Saturday July 16 Mass & Rosary procession to the Red Oak Women's clinic.

Thanks and God Bless,

David LeCompte
Pro Life Director

In Our Prayers

Emmett Milner
Marvin Griffiths
Mother of Juan Moran
Father of Juan Moran
Jerald Dunn
Fred & Madeline Menotti

All of our Brother Knights

All Fire Fighters, Police Officers, EMS and anyone else working to make our world a safer place

All of the Unborn Babies in the world

Pope Benedict XVI
Pope John Paul the Great
Cardinal Daniel DiNardo
Fr. Michael J. McGivney

All those in the process of discerning religious life and especially Jasper Liggio & Anthony Corona

All Priests and Deacons

All Men & Women serving in the United States Armed Forces



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As many of you know, Jasper Liggio has made a major change in his life this past year and has entered upon the path to Priesthood. This is something that Jasper has dreamed about, and prayed about for years, and we couldn't possibly be any happier for him! Jasper and his family have always been a huge supporter of our Council, Church and Community and we will be forever grateful to him. He is one of our Brother Knights and deserves some extra special prayers during this new journey in life! Please keep him in your prayers!

!!! New Council Website and Domain Name !!!

We have secured a new domain name for the Council's website and email. We will maintain both names for the next year and will transition to the new name throughout this next year. The new name is: <http://www.kc3217.org>

Knights of Columbus of the Galveston/Houston Archdiocese

Please check out the Galveston/Houston Knights of Columbus Chapter website. (<http://www.ghkofc.org>) This is a great website for all Knights across the Archdiocese to stay in touch with what is going on not only in our own council, but also throughout the Archdiocese and the rest of the State of Texas. One nice feature of this website is the ability to have a secure login where we can share information that is not available to the general public, like contact information and personal information. Everyone in the council should have an account on this website. Everyone's username is their Knights of Columbus Membership Number, and your temporary password is our council number. Please take a few minutes to login and check it out. At the very least, please log in and update your contact information. Anyone having problems accessing the website can contact Michael Dunn at mike@the-dunn-family.com or by phone at (281) 900-6452.

50 Years of Marriage

Congratulations to the following families who are celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary this year.



**Richard & Betty Mayfield
Jerald & Sandra Dunn
Jack & Nina Neal**

First Thursday Steak Nights!!

Please come out and support our regular monthly Steak Nights each month on the 1st Thursday of the month from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. The price is \$12.00 per plate for an Adult Steak Dinner, \$6.00 per plate for children 12 years old and under. We are also offering limited Chicken Breasts for both Adults and Children in place of Steak.

Fourth Degree Exemplification and 100th Anniversary



The 1st District of Texas will be holding the 2011 Fall Exemplification of the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus on September 10th in Houston, Texas. This exemplification will be honoring the Archbishop of the Galveston/Houston Archdiocese, His Eminence, Daniel Cardinal DiNardo. The Exemplification Mass will be held at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in downtown Houston with Daniel Cardinal DiNardo being the principle celebrant. This Exemplification will also be in honor of the 100th anniversary of the Fourth Degree in Houston. If you are a 3rd Degree Knight in good standing, have at least 6 months since your 1st Degree and would be interested in joining the 4th Degree, this is your opportunity. If you are interested, please contact any of the 4th Degree Knights in our Council. All of the paperwork must be completed and turned into the 4th Degree Assembly by the middle of August.



Come and Join us on Facebook

The Father Roach Council #3217 has a FACEBOOK account. <http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Knights-of-Columbus-Father-Roach-Council-3217/255186298328>

If you have an article for the Knight Times, please contact Michael W. Dunn at (281) 645-6124 or KnightTimes@kc3217.org.

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Supreme Knight Represents the Order at Ceremony

Acknowledging the desire of Catholics throughout the world to see John Paul II declared a saint, Pope Benedict XVI took another step in that process by beatifying his predecessor in a solemn yet joyful ceremony in St. Peter's Square on Sunday, May 1.

The million or more faithful that gathered outside St. Peter's Basilica, lined the streets of Rome, and responded with exuberant cheers as Benedict officially declared, "From now on Pope John Paul shall be called 'blessed'." He then established the late pontiff's feast day as Oct. 22 — the day of his inauguration to the papacy in 1978.

Attending the beatification ceremony was Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson, representing the 1.8 million Knights of Columbus throughout the world, including those in the pope's homeland of Poland. Supreme Knight Anderson had met with John Paul II on a number of occasions and was appointed by the pope to key Vatican advisory bodies. In media interviews before the beatification, the supreme knight said that the late pope's legacy includes his dedication to a "civilization of love" and peace, and his calls for the laity to build up the Church and transform society in accordance with Gospel values.

The supreme knight also visited the casket of the late pope in St. Peter's Basilica. With the help of the Fabbrica di San Pietro, a bound volume of messages from young Catholics that were received by the Knights of Columbus through the Order's news website, *HeadlineBistro*, were placed directly on the casket. The personal messages were submitted by members of the "John Paul II Generation" who grew up during his long pontificate and owe much of their faith and vision for the Church to the pope who inaugurated World Youth Day and held young people especially in his heart.

In a moving and personal homily that drew from the day's scriptural readings and his long-time collaboration and friendship with John Paul, Pope Benedict recalled the funeral Mass for the late pontiff six years ago and the popular opinion — expressed by the words "Santo Subito" (Sainthood Now) — that his predecessor should be placed immediately on the path to sainthood.

Responding to this sentiment, soon after being elected in 2005, Pope Benedict waived the usual five-year waiting period to begin the canonization process.

"And now the longed-for day has come," Benedict said in his homily. "It came quickly because this is what was pleasing to the Lord: John Paul II is blessed!"

He noted that the beatification was being held on Divine Mercy Sunday, a feast which John Paul II instituted on the Sunday after Easter, reflecting the late pontiff's devotion to Divine Mercy messages popularized by the Polish nun St. Faustina Kowalska, whom he canonized as the first saint of the new millennium in April of 2000.

In deeply personal comments, Benedict recalled his long association with the late pope during his years as head of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. "I was at his side and came to revere him all the more," he said. "My own service was sustained by his spiritual depth and by the richness of his insights. His example of prayer continually impressed and edified me."

Benedict concluded his homily by addressing his predecessor in heaven: "Blessed are you, beloved Pope John Paul II, because you believed! Continue, we implore you, to sustain from heaven the faith of God's people. You often blessed us in this Square from the Apostolic Palace: Bless us, Holy Father! Amen."

Information gathered from the Knights of Columbus website: <http://www.kofc.org>



Upcoming Events

Date	Time	Event	Location
Monday, July 4	All day	Independence Day	
Wednesday, July 6	7:00pm-8:00pm	Officer's Meeting	Dickinson KC Hall
Thursday, July 7	5:30pm-7:30pm	1st Thursday Steak Night	Dickinson KC Hall
Saturday, July 9	6:00pm-12:00am	Hall Rental	Dickinson KC Hall
Thursday, July 14	7:30pm-9:00pm	Council Meeting	Dickinson KC Hall
Thursday, July 21	7:30pm-9:00pm	Columbus Club Meeting	Dickinson KC Hall
Thursday, July 28	7:30pm-9:00pm	Fourth Degree Meeting	La Marque KC Hall
Wednesday, August 3	7:00pm-8:00pm	Officer's Meeting	Dickinson KC Hall
Thursday, August 4	5:30pm-7:30pm	1st Thursday Steak Night	Dickinson KC Hall
Saturday, August 6	10:00am-12:00pm	Respect Life Mass & Rosary Procession	Shrine of the True Cross Church
Saturday, August 6	6:00pm-12:00am	Hall Rental	Dickinson KC Hall
Thursday, August 11	7:30pm-9:00pm	Council Meeting	Dickinson KC Hall
Thursday, August 18	7:30pm-9:00pm	Columbus Club Meeting	Dickinson KC Hall
Thursday, August 25	7:30pm-9:00pm	Fourth Degree Meeting	La Marque KC Hall
Saturday, August 27	All day	Hall Rental	Dickinson KC Hall
Thursday, September 1	5:30pm-7:30pm	1st Thursday Steak Night	Dickinson KC Hall
Saturday, September 3	10:00am-12:00pm	Respect Life Mass & Rosary Procession	Shrine of the True Cross Church
Monday, September 5	All day	Labor Day	
Wednesday, September 7	7:00pm-8:00pm	Officer's Meeting	Dickinson KC Hall
Thursday, September 8	7:30pm-9:00pm	Council Meeting	Dickinson KC Hall
Sunday, September 11	All day	Patriot Day	
Thursday, September 15	7:30pm-9:00pm	Columbus Club Meeting	Dickinson KC Hall
Saturday, September 17	3:00pm-12:00am	Hall Rental	Dickinson KC Hall
Thursday, September 22	7:30pm-9:00pm	Fourth Degree Meeting	La Marque KC Hall