



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



News Letter—*Rerum Novarum (Of New Things)*

Sacred Heart Parish, Emporia, Kansas  
Meetings: Fourth Monday, Knights Hall, Emporia

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## FATHER RAY MAY, CHAPLAIN

A priest with whom I've had the privilege to be assigned used to get excited whenever lent was near. He wasn't excited because it meant Easter or spring was near but because there would be Stations of the Cross and penance. He felt he could give up during lent what he couldn't the rest of the year. Also, the penance of lent made the joy of Easter even greater. We can look at lent as a necessary evil to get to Easter, but it's more. It's an opportunity to struggle a little harder against our sinfulness and grow spiritually. It's an opportunity to fast in the desert with Christ and walk the way of the cross with Him so as to have a foretaste of our own resurrection. Jesus said that if we want to be his disciples, we have to deny ourselves and take up our cross each day and follow Him. May this lent be a great time for all to renew their discipleship and grow closer to Christ.

## GRAND KNIGHT'S NOTES – BILL BROOKS

Thank you to all of the Knights who have made easy work of big projects especially our pancake breakfasts, and every time we Knights are asked to move tables, help with The Rosary, put up Christmas lights and nearly every volunteer effort concerning Sacred Heart Parish. It is an honor to serve as Leo Council Grand Knight, a council that serves The Church and honors the people in the area.

## FAMILY OF THE MONTH



Dave and Kim Trelc for their work with marriage preparation and finance committee



## KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Don Dix for his work with Hospice – Congratulation for being Volunteer of the Year!



## PRAY FOR US

+ Tony Tabares who has passed from our ranks  
+ Nadine Aufleger who has passed

## DEGREE TEAM

Degree team members are needed. If you're interested in furthering council membership, and helping new Knights of Columbus members become inspired, call Marvin Tajchman, 342-9447.

## OLPE – ALEXIS COUNCIL

• Alexis Council's **next meeting**:  
Tuesday, March 11, 7:30 p.m., Knights Hall

## CONGRATULATIONS 2<sup>ND</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> DEGREE

Matt Sheeley, Charles Woodling, Jason Way and then another nine members from Pilsen. A big **THANK YOU** goes to the sponsors.

## DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT (DIST. 24)

Jim Schlehber recommends recruiting a candidate. A relative, or friend will benefit from membership in the Knights of Columbus. Bring someone into

the largest lay organization of Catholics in the world.

## DONATIONS

- 15 Pints of blood to the American Red Cross to save lives. Thank you: Gerald Sleffer, Jim Kessler, Jim Russell, Dennis Newell, Ron Dinkel, Greg Chadwick, Joseph Brooks, Marvin Brown, Bernie Collins, Jim Spence, Tim Sadowski, P. Tuttle, George Wellnitz.
- \$125.00 allotted to Sacred Heart School for the upcoming *Catholic Minute* on Emporia's Radio Stations.
- \$480.00 for our seminarians



## FRATERNAL BENEFITS

Membership is essential to the growth of our order. As our District Deputy Jim Schlehber says – recruit a Knight of Columbus. A relative, friend or neighbor will find an "Experience of a Lifetime" when he joins, and participates in the Knights of Columbus, the largest Catholic lay organization in the world.

## 50/50 WINNERS

Ed McKernan, 1st place winner; John L. Way, 2nd place winner; Alan Mount, 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner.

Thank you to all who participated and helped the council make nearly \$700.00 to benefit our activities with youth, community, family, council and church.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- March 10 officers meeting – everyone is welcome. The **Kansas Golf Tournament** will be discussed – Note: The year's biggest moneymaker
- March 16, BREAKFAST in conjunction with Sacred Heart Altar Society's bake and craft sale – Palm Sunday!
- March 24, First Degree – see District Deputy's report
- April Senior Recognition Breakfast. Our speaker is Mary Helmer, Director Kansas Mainstreet



## THE FOURTH DEGREE

Fourth Degree Exemplification will be held on April 12 in Manhattan, Kansas. Contact Vince Hammerl (342-1208) for information.

**FATHER EMIL KAPUN DAY** in Pilsen will be on Sunday, June 29. Father Kapun's opening for the cause for his sainthood will be announced.

## FREE THROW WINNERS TO STATE

Bethany Bownan and Jordan Guion are district free throw winners. They are going to state competition.

## NEXT MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 24, 7:00 P.M.

