

St. Gregory the Great Knights of Columbus



Newsletter

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A Message from your Grand Knight:



Current Officers:

Deputy Grand Knight: Bryan Pekarek
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Announcements:

Charlie Schwindamann was last month's cash drawing winner for \$35. Charlie was not present so next month the drawing will be for \$40.

Building Association will plan to have their yearly meeting at the May monthly meeting.

Dear Brother Knights,

Communication Throughout the Month – I've had some good response from many related to the GroupMe app I mentioned in last month's newsletter. I'm optimistic this can serve as a good avenue for our Knights group to communicate. As we all know, communication is key to many things we do and this is why I believe getting our organization on this group texting app is important. Therefore, I would like to take the opportunity with this month's newsletter to add a few more instructions or informational (housekeeping) pieces.

- We had a group within this app set up in the past. If you were in the group before and you still are but haven't used the app in quite some time, be sure to run an "update".
- My plan will be to still text (or call) a VERY small group of individuals who do not have the capability of using a smartphone. This list will be less than 15 persons so that I can keep the group confined.
- Please text or call me (785-562-6913) if you have any questions or are having problems getting set up.

Moving Retaining Wall Blocks – A huge thank you to Jarrod Smith with JD Construction and Jeff Keating with a few of his Landoll employees for helping pick up the retaining wall blocks and move them to storage. Joe Peschel and Lyle Stohs did a great job making sure the coffee was hot and the donuts were fresh!

Have a great upcoming month. God Bless!
Rob Peschel, Grand Knight

Reminders:

April 4: K of C Monthly Meeting

April 6: First Saturday Mass (coffee and donuts served after)

May 2: K of C Monthly Meeting

May 2: K of C Building Association Meeting (following council meeting)

Happy Easter!

Have a blessed Easter and rest of the Holy Week! I encourage us all to participate in the Paschal Triduum (Holy Thursday-Easter Sunday) as much as possible, and turn our hearts to Christ in preparation for the Easter celebration.

Help with the retaining wall bricks - Thank you!



Thank you all who helped move the retaining wall bricks! It is very much appreciated.

Knight of the Month

Paul Broxterman

Knight of the Year

David Kongs

Family of the Month

Kelly and Sue Fitzgerald

Family of the Year

Paul and Diane Broxterman

Get to know the Saints

Saint Catherine of Siena was born during the outbreak of The Black Death in Siena, Italy in 1347. From a young age, Catherine had a devotion to her family and explained that she regarded her father as a representation of Jesus, her mother as Our Lady, and her brothers as the apostles which helped her serve them with humility. She joined the Third Order of St. Dominic which allowed her to associate with a religious society while living at home. As she grew older, Saint Catherine had visions, in which she was told to reenter public life to help the sick and poor, and she began visiting hospitals and places she could serve lepers and plague victims.

St. Catherine of Siena

Saint Catherine became known to Pope Gregory XI by virtue of the astonishing number of letters she sent to papal legates, princes, and powerful men and women all over Italy, seeking to address failing morality and improve relationships between contentious city-states. The pope himself sent her to various cities as his envoy and she fought hard for the pope's call to crusade and reform throughout the Church. She was instrumental in restoring the Papacy to Rome after the Great Schism. She is one of only four female Doctors of the Church, and her feast day is **April 29**.

“There is nothing we can desire or want that we do not find in God.”

-St. Catherine of Siena