## Knights Newsletter January 24, 2019

## Brother Knights,

Thank you for your submissions for the Annual Survey of Volunteer hours. The information is still being tallied and will be submitted soon to Supreme. Congratulations to our December award winners.

Our Family of the Month for December is the Leo and Donna Tykoski family.

Leo Tykoski is an Usher and has participated in the TMIY and Alpha programs. Donna Tykoski and Kimberly Lynn are in the St. John Neumann Women's organization, have participated in the Alpha program, and are second grade Co-Catechism teachers. Donna is also a Sacristan. Kimberly Lynn is also a Eucharistic Minister. Madison Lynn has participated in Youth Alpha and is now participating in the Baptism preparation for her son. Austin Lynn has participated in Youth Alpha and is currently on the High School Youth Leadership team. Leo Lynn has participated in Youth Alpha. Grant Lynn regularly attends the Middle School Youth group meetings. Brayden is an Altar Server and attends 4th grade Catechism classes. The Tykoski family was picked by Supreme for special recognition as one of 100 families they award monthly, and was one of only 6 families from Michigan to be selected. They will receive a Holy Family gift sent to their home.

The **Knight of the Month** for December is John Guth. Brother John was the Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Chairman. John also just completed the Alpha program. Two of our 3 poster contest winners also won the District competition and have now been entered in the State competition. The families were present at our January membership meeting to receive their awards and \$25 gift cards.

On December 23, several Knights and spouses helped set up the main worship space with the Christmas decorations. We also helped with the cleanup on January 14.

We had over 40 Knights and family members in attendance for our **Corporate Communion**, held on December 30, at the 10:30 Mass. We had a huge turnout for the **Consecration to the Holy Family** held immediately after the Mass. Finally, we had a great turnout for the **Fifth Sunday Rosary** which was said after the Consecration to the Holy Family.

Several of the officers attended the **K of C District Meeting** on January 9 in Livonia. Father Paul gave a presentation on the TMIY program and it was well received by all in attendance.

On January 12 several of us, along with Father Paul, toured the **St. Louis Center in Chelsea.** The St. Louis Center serves individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities in a faith based community. We met with the CEO, Father Enzo Addari. We toured one of the new homes identified as the "Knights of Columbus" house. We presented Father Enzo with a check from our **Tootsie Roll Drive** fundraiser in the amount of \$1,022.77. Attached is a thank you letter from Father Enzo. We are waiting for our confirmation from Kroger for the **March Tootsie Roll Drive**. More details will follow.

On January 13, we held the **SJN K of C Free Throw Contest** chaired by Marshall Grazioli. We had 21 competitors. The winners now go on to the District Championship at St. Thomas a'Becket on February 17.

The Reverse Raffle Committee has been meeting regularly, led by Chairman Dan Bihn, in preparation for the **SJN K of C First Annual Reverse Raffle/St. Patrick's Fundraiser** to be held on Saturday, March 16. Tickets are \$50.00, which includes your raffle ticket, dinner, beer, wine and snacks. Be sure to get your tickets early as we are limiting it to 300 total tickets. Check for further details in the church bulletin and on our website. Sales will start after all Masses the weekend of February 2/3.

I would like to welcome our newest Brother Knight, Timothy Bodnar, who completed his Admission Degree on January 15. Timothy is the grandfather of two of our **Keep Christ in Christmas** poster contest winners. The father of another poster contest winner will be attending the Major Degree on February 17 in Allen Park. Congratulations and welcome.

**TMIY** is starting again on Thursday, February 7. You do not need to have attended the Fall session to attend the Spring session. The men in the Spring Session will receive a Lenten Journey booklet. We had over 90 men signed up for the Fall session with over 60 men in attendance weekly. It's fine if you are unable to make all the sessions. The Fall session focused on theological issues. The Spring session is spiritual and action oriented. Men, who have attended in the past, have indicated they like the Spring session more than the Fall session. Come join us. We will be registering men after all Masses the weekends of January 26/27 and February 2/3. Stop by the table for more information or contact me. There is no cost to attend. The schedule:

6:30 pm Dinner7:00 pm Announcements7:15 pm Presentation7:45 pm Table Discussion8:15 pm Conclusion

## **Upcoming Dates**

January 26/2		TMIY Drive after all Masses
February 1	7:00 pm	First Friday Holy Hour
February 2/3		Hospitality Weekend/TMIY Drive/Reverse Raffle Ticket sales
February 7	6:30 pm	TMIY Starts
February 8	7:00 pm	Set up for Taste Fest
February 9	5:30 pm	International Taste Fest
February 9/10		Reverse Raffle Ticket sales
February 12	7:00 pm	General Membership Meeting
February 17		Major Degree in Allen Park
February 26	7:00 pm	Officer Meeting
March 2/3		Hospitality Weekend
March 3	2:00 pm	Regional Free Throw Championship at SJN

Thank you for all you do. I appreciate all of your support and service to our parish and community. Dan