

SJN Knights February Newsletter

February 20, 2019

Brother Knights,

Membership

I would like to welcome our newest brother Knights. Joe Henn and Len Carravallah, completed their 1st, 2nd and 3rd degrees on Sunday February 17. Brothers Justin Schaefer and Tim Bodnar completed their 2nd and 3rd degrees at the same time. Rob Dempsey and Robert Johnson completed their 1st degree on February 19th. Congratulations to all. That brings our total membership to 131. Please remember to wear your Knight shirts and name badges to all events at SJN, especially Mass. Wearing shirts inside and outside of church will spark conversation from many and then you can use the following link to get more information on the Knights. Ask someone to join today!

We have our own "landing page" for any prospects to the Knights of Columbus. The link is:

<http://bit.ly/council16169>

Please put this link onto your phone and tablet. When you are talking to anyone about the Knights, open up the link and have them fill out the information. This link goes only to our Membership Director Larry Redman at md16169@mikofc.org.

Scott and Angela Kalkoffen and family have been recognized as the **Family of the Month**. Scott and Angela lead the Altar Server ministry at SJN. Scott has completed Alpha, is an usher (when needed), has volunteered at the food pantry and has coordinated service projects and fundraisers at his work, such as VA Hospital visits, Salvation Army Christmas giving trees, and Forgotten Harvest trips. Angela is a former member of the Mission Team at SJN and has participated in Alpha, and has helped with hospitality. She volunteers at All Saints Catholic School, including as Sacristan for school Mass and as a member of the service committee.

Charlie is a sophomore at Father Gabriel Richard HS in Ann Arbor and is a former Altar Server. He has volunteered at Resurrection VBS, the food pantry, the Special Olympics and as a Camp Counselor at a Catholic boys' adventure camp where he was a camper in the past. Georgie is a freshman at Father Gabriel Richard HS, where she is a school Ambassador and is in the Pro-Life Club. She volunteers as an Altar Server, at the food pantry, at Resurrection VBS and she is a member of Beloved, a Catholic young women's group. Lucie is in 6th grade at All Saints Catholic School. She is an Altar Server, a student leader for the Friendship and Fellowship Club and she attends VBS each year. Eddie is in 3rd grade at All Saints Catholic School, where he is active in the Rosary Club. He also attends VBS each summer

As a family, they have volunteered for Forgotten Harvest, Kids Against Hunger and Food Gatherers.

Ed Hurst Jr. was recognized as the **Knight of the Month**. Ed does the media during Mass, TMIY, and during all Knight events.

He is a member of the Core Leadership team for TMIY. He has participated in Alpha. He currently holds the Chancellor Officer position for the SJN Knights and also currently holds the Faithful Scribe Officer position for the K of C Fourth Degree Assembly in Plymouth. Ed assisted his wife, Mary Alice, with running the VBS School this past summer. Ed has attended and supported numerous Knight events throughout the year.

The **SJN Knights of Columbus Reverse Raffle Fundraiser/ St. Patrick's Party** is on March 16. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Dinner at 7:00 pm and the grand prize will be drawn at 10:30 pm. Chairman Dan Bihn and his committee have been working diligently to ensure this is a success for us, but more importantly a success for our charitable causes. I've sent several emails on this so I won't list the information here. Please purchase a ticket, if you haven't yet, or bring a friend. The ticket does not need to be present to win, so you could purchase a ticket even if you can't make it to the party. Contact Dan Bihn at dbihn29@gmail.com with questions.

The **Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity** was completed by 51 Knights. We accounted for \$10,202 in charitable contributions and 12,807 hours of service last year (January 1 through December 31, 2018). Thank you for your submissions and support.

TMIY (That Man is You) started on February 7. We had 78 men enroll and have 55 men attend weekly.

Five of our eight Council winners advanced through the District Free Throw Contest held on February 17. Next up is the **K of C Regional Free Throw Contest** hosted by us on March 3 at 2:00 pm. Please come out to support the athletes and help man the scoring stations. The Council and Regional contests are chaired by Marshall Grazioli and he can be reached at mgraz5@yahoo.com.

Brother Joe Camill organized the **Solanus Casey Center** visit for March 23. The tour and bus are full, but you can still attend on your own. Contact Joe at jcamill@woway.com with questions.

We voted to send myself and Father Mark to the **State Knights of Columbus Convention**. Father Paul as the Archdiocesan Chaplain was already slated to go.

We are confirmed for March 29/30 at Kroger's for the **MI Drive or "Tootsie Roll " Drive**. We will also be selling after all Masses on Palm Sunday. The chairmen once again are Larry Redman and Joe Pryce.

The **"Baby Bottle Boomerang" and "Wee Care Baby Shower"** fundraisers will take place from March 2/3 through March 16/17. Bottles and shopping lists will be handed out the first weekend and then money and items collected the next two weekends.

We have **March Hospitality** on March 2/3.

Our next **Corporate Communion** is March 31, at the 10:30 Mass. This is where Knights and family sit together at Mass and fill all of the ministry positions. The Fifth Sunday Rosary, led by Brother Joe Camill will take place immediately after Mass. Don't forget to wear your Knight shirts and name badges.

Please remember to pray for everyone on our prayer list. Our prayer list can be found on our website at

<http://kofc16169.org/prayer.html>

Once again thank you for your tremendous response to serve our Church and community. As we approach Ash Wednesday and the start of Lent, let us continue to focus on serving the Lord and use this time for penance, reflection and fasting.

God Bless

Dan