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**Next Business Meeting July 2, 2014**

**VFW Hall**

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## Grand Knight's Report — We Are Called

Since becoming a Knight on 14 November 2007 I have learned much from my Brother Knights. Every Knight I have met has shown me there are various ways to contribute to the success of the order. A little over a year ago I accepted the challenge to serve our Council as Deputy Grand Knight. I can say it has been both a challenge and learning experience. Thank you to everyone who has helped me over the past year.

I have seen that Council 8156 is not limited to just a few of my Brothers to accomplish our mission. Whether it is a monthly BBQ, the Ladies Dinner, the Habitat Build or the Family Picnic Knights of Council 8156 step forward to help. Look around at Mass or Special Liturgies, you find Brother Knights and their Ladies serving as Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Mass Coordinators, Ushers, and the Choirs.

In the coming Fraternal Year our Council will face challenges much different than in the past. The next year will place demands on our time and ideas different from support both our Council and our parish. The Parish has taken on a great challenge in replacing Johnson Hall with a new facility to provide more space for Parish activities. Many Brother Knights stepped up to help canvass the members of the Parish to raise the funds to accomplish this mission.

The first change our Council will face is moving out of our office in Room 213. Not many Brothers will see this change but it affects us all. The second challenge is moving our Monthly Business Meeting to the VFW in Oak Hill. Our Chaplain, Father Ron Feathers, has taken the initiative by getting permission to hold Mass at the VFW before the Business Meeting. Yes, getting to the VFW is the third challenge. But Brother Greg Nelson has posted a map and directions on our website ([www.kofc8156.org](http://www.kofc8156.org)) to help guide to the meeting. Other challenges facing us are the Monthly BBQ, getting to Mass when construction starts, locations for our periodic activities and keeping the Council united around our Parish. Do not forget that it is very important to work together to maintain the unity of the Council during the coming months. Encourage your Brother Knights to attend the Business Meetings! Ask them if they need a ride!

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### Birthdays

- Steven Antosh
- Michael Bienek
- Paul Boyd
- Frederick Bravo
- Joseph Broz
- David Caldwell
- Daniel Castillo
- Ryan Colaco
- Billy Craft
- George Debus
- Ricardo Diaz
- Bradley Eilers
- Louis Gioia
- Jerry Goddard
- Mark Gordon
- Michael Harrison
- Leland Lester
- Edwin Mangalindan
- Albert Martinez
- John Massey
- Jacob Mead
- Lloyd Monroe
- Javier Montoya
- Michael Moreno
- Blake Nogay
- Patrick Palmer
- Henry Perry
- Joe Peter
- H Putney
- Lorimer Sanchez
- Jason Schneider
- Robert Stuijbergen
- Frank Tolic
- Jason Wilde

### Insurance Agent Report - Eddie Mazurek FICF LUTCF

Buying life insurance is easy to put off. Our busy lives and numerous financial demands provide the perfect excuse not to think about life insurance until next week, next month, or even next year. I would like to invite you to visit the Order’s website ([www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)) and click on the “Stages of Life” section. You’ll hear testimonials, likely from someone whose life sounds a lot like yours, talking about how they put their excuses aside and, with the help of their professional Knights of Columbus agent, put a plan in place that will help their families when that help is most needed.

Your Knights of Columbus insurance program is second to none. We recently surpassed \$94 billion of life insurance in force, and last year alone we issued over \$6 billion in needed coverage. These numbers represent a safety net for Catholic families that is unsurpassed, and we’re proud of that! We’re also concerned. Why? Because there are more than 1 million Knights who have no life insurance with us, I suspect they are putting it off until next week, next month or next year. Don’t be one of them.

We all know someone whose health, instantly and seemingly out-of-the-blue, changed. Such changes will dramatically affect the ability to purchase life insurance coverage. Don’t wait until it is too late. Call me today so we can put a plan in place that you ( and your family) can live with.

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Your Council Representatives at the State Convention

## Grand Knight Report — Continued

Be ready to step up and help during this time. We may be asked to do many things to get ready for the construction phase of our new hall. It may be something simple like moving furniture or more complex like removing items from the current Johnson Hall. We may be asked to do many things to maintain the unity of the Parish.

I ask you to prayerfully consider how you can contribute to our Council and our Parish during this challenging time.

Vivat Jesus!

Jim Luhrman

## Diocesan Prayer Vigil — 19 July 2014

This month St Catherine of Siena will host the Diocese of Austin Prayer Vigil on Saturday, 19 July 2014.

This is the same day as the Men's Mass at St Mary Cathedral. If you cannot make it there come to this Pro-Life Event.

Our Chaplain, Father Ron Feather, will be the Celebrant for Mass at 7:00 AM. After Mass we will join together to caravan to the Abortion Facility at 1902 Interstate 35, Northbound Service Road. It is located between Woodward and Oltorf.

Some of those attending Mass will remain at St Catherine of Siena and pray in the Adoration Chapel. Outside the facility we will pray the Rosary for those considering an abortion and the staff of the facility.

After finishing the Rosary we will return to St Catherine's. There will be refreshments, some prepared by Brother Nights, and fellowship in Johnson Hall.

## Knight and Family of the Month for June

### **Knight— Chris Klotz**

The June 2014 Knight of the Month for Council 8156 is Criston (Chris) Klotz.

A member of the Knights of Columbus since July 22, 2009 Chris willingly contributes to his time and labor with Brother Knights.

Chris is an active member of the Parish and Council, helping in many events. He is very active with the Community Ministries Office Pro-Life Committee. Chris also serves the parish as a Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion.

This year he joined the Father's Day Golf Tournament Committee and made a very significant contribution to the success of the 2014 Tournament.

Willing to step up and help, he has demonstrated the Knight's motto, "Service to one, Service to all". Chris is Council 8156's Knight of the Month.

### **Family— Albert & Debbie Pina**

Albert & Debbie Pina are the Family of the Month for June 2014. A Knight since May 2012, both are active in several St. Catherine's ministries.

An active member of the Council, Albert can be seen helping in many events. His major contribution to the Council has been as Chairman of the Father's Day Golf Tournament, a major project of the Council.

Albert serves as an Usher and they are active participants in the Baptismal program.

Albert and Debbie Pina's commitment to St. Catherine of Siena as a Knight Family has gained them recognition as Council 8156's Family of the Month for June.

## Pro-Life — Ed Empero (This article is dedicated to the memory of Ed Kruzcek, a pro-life advocate)

### THE CULTURE OF DEATH !

This phrase was coined by Pope Saint John Paul II.

It is the destruction of the good and beauty of the Human Person !

- (1) Human life from conception to natural death.
- (2) Marriage between one man and one woman.
- (3) We must fight against the evils of contraception, in-vitro fertilization, cloning, stem cell research that destroys human embryos, and child abuse.

In the end, we must fight for the very good of humanity itself !

The culture of death is not just about abortion, but it envelops all the forces of destruction that I have mentioned, which in the long run seek to destroy today's

civilization. These evils will only continue to disrupt and demonize humanity in the years to come. We can see it currently with the destruction of the traditional family, the great strife in relationships, and the annihilation of the glory of the human person.

With 56+ million children dead-I say enough is enough!!

We must stand up and fight for the unborn—for the beauty of the human person. Standing up for life against the evils of abortion is what we are called to do.

IT IS OUR VERY DUTY IN THIS TIME OF HUMAN HISTORY !!!

WE ARE THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS !

OUR CREDO IS TO FIGHT AGAINST EVIL -- DEFENDING THE DOCTRINE OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH !!!!

## DIOCESAN MEN'S MASS JULY 19th

**Not Just St. Catherine's Men to be at 2014 Men's Mass**

**Council 8156 Ladies Auxiliary to provide volunteer support for the reception.**



### 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Diocesan Men's Fellowship Mass With Bishop Joe Vasquez

Men of all ages are invited  
Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup> — 10:00am  
St. Mary's Cathedral  
203 E. 10<sup>th</sup> St.  
Austin, Texas

Bishop Joe Vásquez will celebrate the sixth annual Men's Mass July 19 at 10 a.m. at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin. Men throughout the Austin Diocese are invited to celebrate the Eucharist. This Mass is sponsored by the Central Texas Fellowship of Catholic Men (CTFCM). A reception will follow in the Bishop's Hall.

For more information about CTFCM, visit [www.ctfcatholicmen.org](http://www.ctfcatholicmen.org), or contact Brother Knight Ray Wilson, CTFCM Board Member. [rwilson@cognabooks.com](mailto:rwilson@cognabooks.com)

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Father's Day Weekend Golf Tournament

Plan to attend next year's tournament. Everyone had a great time.

Breakfast & Lunch included. Door Prizes and Silent Auction.

See the Full set of Pictures on our Photo Gallery Page: [www.kofc8156.org/Photo.html](http://www.kofc8156.org/Photo.html)



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Lecturer – Bob Stuijbergen  
Recorder – Adam Alvarez  
Warden – Juan Tavarez  
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Outside Guard – Bill Diaz  
3-Year Trustee – Jerry Guajardo  
2-Year Trustee – Larry Odom  
1-Year Trustee – Armand Gagnon  
Fundraising Directors  
Lloyd Monroe  
Greg Nelson  
Colton Brugger  
Pro-Life Director—Ed Empero

Knights are Catholic men, 18 years of age and older, who are committed to making their community a better place, while supporting their Church. Being a Knight is more than camaraderie; it is being involved with your community; it is supporting your local Catholic Church, while enhancing your own faith; it is about protecting and enhancing your family life. Come see just what we are all about by calling the Grand Knight.

## From the Editor

### Submit articles for the August Newsletter by July 25

<u>Future Cutoffs</u>	<u>For Newsletter Dated</u>
August 22	September 2014
September 19	October 2014
October 24	November 2014
November 21	December 2014

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### Important Dates for July

Wed July 2	6:30 PM – 7:00 PM	Mass – VFW Hall
	7:00 PM – 8:30 PM	Business Meeting VFW Hall
Sat July 5	3:00 PM – 5:00 PM	First Saturday Devotion
Thu Jul 10	4:00 PM – 10:00 PM	RR Express @ Dell Diamond
Wed July 16	7:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Planning Meeting
Fri July 18	12:30 PM -2:00PM	BBQ Prep
Sat July 19	7:00 AM – 11:00 AM 10:00 AM – 11:00 Am 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Diocesan Prayer Vigil Diocesan Men’s Mass Installation of Officers-
Sun July 20	4:00 AM-2:00 PM 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM	BBQ & Sales Member Info Meeting
Sun July 27	1:30 PM - 5:00 PM	Semi-Annual Audit
Wed July 30	5:00 PM – 9:00 PM	St Catherine’s First Degree @ St. Paul’s

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## New Meeting Location Information Starting in July

Because of the pending construction of the new Parish Center, meetings in the Administration Building and Johnson Hall are no longer possible. Council Business Meetings will now be held at “off campus” locations.

Our friends at VFW Post 4443 have made their facilities available for us to use.

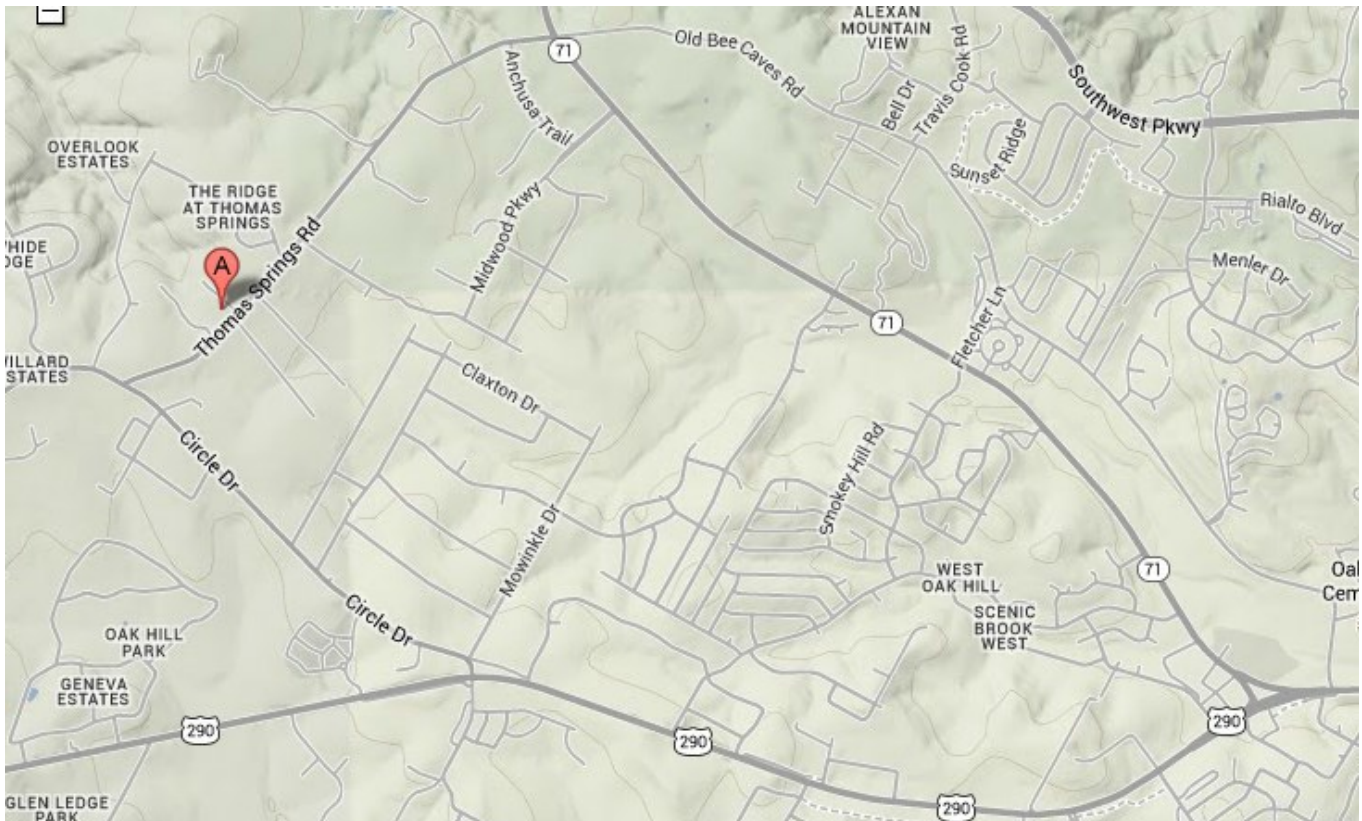
### Oak Hill VFW Post 4443

7614 Thomas Springs Rd.

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Just West of the Y in Oak Hill

See Map Below





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