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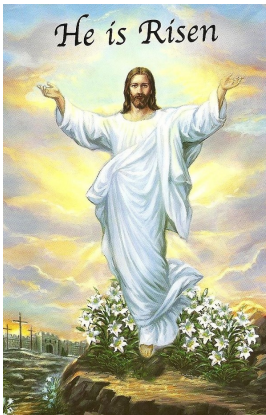
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Easter Sunday
April 16, 2017

**Next Business Meeting April 5, 2017
Our Meetings are Now at St. Catherine's
Mass 6:30pm, Meeting 7:00pm**

Grand Knight's Report

As I write this, I have no kitchen in my house. After years of considering and discussing, we finally decided to remodel our kitchen. We took everything out to remove the flooring, repair, re-texture, and repaint the walls so we can install new cabinets and countertops and redo the lighting in the room. We are about halfway through but it looks like there isn't much done yet. We still have no floor, no cabinets, no appliances. It doesn't look at all like a kitchen.

Perhaps it is fitting that we are also halfway through Lent at the same time. You may have had grand plans about what you would do for Lent in preparation for the Passion of our Lord. "I'll go to Mass more", "I'll give up chocolate", "I'll give up coffee", "I'll give up candy", "I'll do what I can to become a better, Father, Husband, Employee, Manager, Catholic".

Here we are halfway through and it doesn't "look like" what I think it's supposed to be. I'm not yet that better (fill in the blank). Perhaps it's like the kitchen remodel – getting rid of what you don't want so you can put back in what is needed to be what you want. So, don't get discouraged, persevere and keep working to reach the goal you have set. It may not "look like" what you want, but you might be surprised at how things come together at the end. Any brother Knight who e-mails or texts our Grand Knight with the word "perseverance" will receive another ticket for the fifty/fifty drawing at our April meeting.

Vivat Jesu,

Larry Odom

Birthdays

FRANK	AVILLAR
ARTHUR	BACQUE
JEREMY	BARAN
DANIEL	BISONE
THOMAS	BOHUSLAV
FAT JAMES	CHAMBERLAIN
GUY	DESROCHERS
GERALD	GARCIA
GILBERT	JOSEPH
MICHAEL	KRISAN
THOMAS	LICHENSTEIN
GLENN	MAYHUGH
EDWIN	MAZUREK
MICHAEL	MAZUREK
DAVID	MOORE
REYMUNDO	MORENO
JORGE	RIOS
GONZALO	RODRIGUEZ
KELLY	ROWE
ROY	SANDERS
MICHAEL	SMITH
JOSEPH	SPENCER
R	VANDERPLOEG II
DAVID	VERA
DARREL	VINKLAREK
BRAD	VRBA
DONALD	WHITE
RAYMOND	WILSON
FRANCIS	YORKE Jr

Insurance Agent Report - Eddie Mazurek FICF LUTCF

Think You Are Too Old for Coverage? Maybe Not

You are never too young or too old to consider purchasing life insurance. If you have a financial need for coverage, or will in the future, a permanent life insurance policy can be just the thing you need.

When you are young and presumably healthy, coverage will be very inexpensive when compared to purchasing the same policies when you are older.

If you've put off purchasing coverage, or you realize that you may need additional insurance, the Order may still be able to help you, even if other companies cannot. In fact, in 2012, the issue age of our permanent life insurance products was extended to age 80, and in 2014, the issue age of our term insurance was extended to age 70. Naturally, your health, and whether or not you smoke, will be taken into consideration, so underwriting standards for risk and age apply. But, the extensions are a great blessing for me – and it could be for you too. Now I can help members that I couldn't help before. Are you or one of your brother knights one of those members?

Whether you're 18 or 80, the Knights of Columbus has products that will work for you and your family. I look forward to discussing coverage with you.

Contact me today.

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Budget for 2017—2018

It is time to start planning our budget for the next fraternal year. We will begin on Sunday, April 2nd at 7:00 PM at my house, 6108 Abilene Tr. Due to having no room available at church, we will need to change locations for all of the budget meetings. We will also meet on April 9th at 7:00 PM and, if needed, Sunday April 23rd at 7:00 PM. We have survived our first year without bingo, having made many cuts in this year's budget. There is a good possibility we will need to make additional cuts for the upcoming year. If there is a charity that is important to you, it is imperative that you attend these meetings to speak up for your charity. We have some major decisions to make regarding where we spend the small amount of money available.

Hope to see you at the budget meetings.

Eddie Mazurek

Membership Drive

We are still behind on getting new members for this fraternal year. In an effort to help this, we will be changing the way we recruit new members for April. We have been given a room after all the Sunday masses immediately after each mass. We will have a pulpit announcement about joining the Knights of Columbus for each mass. We will then hold an information meeting in room 213 for that mass immediately following mass.

I need some help with this, as I can't be at all the masses. I need two or three volunteers for each mass to host these info meetings. I plan to have a video available to show the new prospects and an outline of items to discuss with prospects. It should be an easy presentation to present and video will answer most questions.

Please email or call me and let me know if you will help and if so, what mass you will be attending. Thank you!

Eddie Mazurek

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Scholarships for 2017

Attending college full time next fall?

Knights of Columbus Council 8156 has scholarships available to members of St. Catherine's and members of our Knights' council. Go to kofc8156.org for an application. Full rules and deadlines are in the application

Knight and Family of the Month

Knight— Bob Stuijbergen

We are pleased to recognize Bob Stuijbergen as our Knight of the Month for March 2017. Bob has served our Council very well in many ways. More than once, Bob has served as Deputy Grand Knight and Program Director. As Lecturer, Bob provides an entertaining segment at our monthly meetings and always gives us something to consider. In early March, Bob volunteered to write submissions for Program awards and Family of the Year award to send to the State Council before the upcoming Convention. Bob published 6 excellent Program Awards, one for each program area, as well as a submission of our Council's previous year's "Family of the Year" for consideration as Texas State Council Family of the Year. These were done under a very tight deadline and Bob got them done well and on time. For all he does to support our Council and Parish, please congratulate Bob Stuijbergen as "Knight of the Month for March 2017."

Family— Greg & Stephanie Nelson

Not every Knights Of Columbus Council has the good fortune of having their District Deputy be a member of their Council. Council 8156 has had this good fortune for several years. Our current District Deputy is also a member of Council 8156 Family of the Month for March 2017. Greg and Stephanie have been active Parishioners for many years. Greg is a past Grand Knight and Stephanie has been active with KOCA. Greg and Stephanie are also active with the Equestrian order of the Knights of the Holy Sepulcher. Greg has also published our Council Newsletter for several years and maintains the websites for our Council, Assembly 1099, and the Austin Chapter of the Knights of Columbus. Greg serves St. Catherine's as an Usher at Mass and Stephanie is an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. When next you see Greg or Stephanie, thank them for their service to the Parish and the Council, and congratulate them as Family of the Month

Culture of Life— Roger Ruether

A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world. Through special initiatives and in daily prayer, may an impassioned plea rise to God... Let us therefore discover anew the humility and the courage to pray and fast so that the power from on high will break down the walls of lies and deceit: the walls which conceal from the sight of so many... the evil of practices and laws which are hostile to life.

—Pope John Paul II, *The Gospel of Life*, no. 100

NEW TO AUSTIN!



TESTING CLINIC

TRUCARE TESTING CLINIC

This gospel centered clinic is located within walking distance of the largest abortion provider in Austin— South Austin Health Center operated by Planned Parenthood!

Volunteers who pray in front of the abortion center and trained sidewalk counselors with them will be able to provide more assistance to those in need through referrals to TruCare.

The clinic offers confidential sexual health services for men and women from licensed medical professionals.

- Low cost STI/STD testing and treatment
- Free pregnancy testing
- Free limited medical ultrasound
- Abortion reversal pill
- Medical referrals

- Counseling Services
 - Options information
 - Community referrals



TruCare is a ministry of the [South Austin Pregnancy Resource Center](#)

Support is needed for the clinic in a variety of areas. Contact me for a brochure with more information.

[Email Roger Ruether](#)

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From the Editor

Submit Articles for the May Newsletter
by April 21, 2017

Important Dates for the Month

Please use the new Group Space Calendar

[Click for the Council Calendar of Events](#)



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