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St. Brendan's Council 11208



August 2018

A Message from the Grand Knight...

I am happy to report that Fr. Ed Shikina, our new parochial vicar at St. Brendan, has graciously agreed to be our Council Chaplain! Fr Shikina is actually a 4th degree knight and attended our July meeting after only being at the parish for one week and still in the midst of boxes that needed to be unpacked. We wish Fr. Shikina all the best as he begins his assignment here at St. Brendan. We pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to guide him and increase his love for his vocation and the Church as he begins his priestly ministry.



Gerry Riendeau

We now have all our council chairs in place for our committees as we begin our new fraternal year, and they are as follows:

Buzzy Zorich - Church

Ray Hinkelman - Council

John Ryan - Community

Roger File / Jerry Abraham - Culture of Life

Dave Mazzei - Family

Steve Sinay - Membership

Nathan Poepelman - Youth

Paul Ritzenthaler - Vets Representative

Fred Kerner - Communications

*In addition, Jerry Price has volunteered to help with program direction.

Thank you to all these fellow knights for stepping up to help our council! While they are the chairs for the committees, they are more than willing to have other knights assist them in planning their projects. Please feel free to reach out to them directly, or to myself, if you have an interest in serving on a committee. The planning is underway for our new Faith in Action Supreme program model that I mentioned in my last newsletter, and remember that many hands make light work (thank you to Msgr. Maroon!)

We had to change the date for our general membership meeting later this month. Since the Feast of the Assumption falls on Wednesday, August 15th this year, our membership meeting has been moved to the following Wednesday, August 22nd, at 7:15 p.m. in Wellnitz Hall.

Finally, in speaking about the Feast of the Assumption, it is one of my favorite feasts in our church calendar. As we recall how Mary was assumed both body and soul into Heaven, we also pray that when our own earthly journey is complete, we too may be carried into Heaven by Jesus. This thought from one of my rosary CD's provides great comfort to me and hopefully to you as well as you continue to live your Catholic faith.

COUNCIL 11208

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1 Year Trustee

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Chaplain's Corner

Fr. Ed Shikina

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Dear brother Knights,

Allow me to introduce myself to you. I am Fr. Ed Shikina, the new chaplain of the St. Brendan Knights council. My vocation story was printed in the July 29th weekend parish bulletin, but as for my background with the Knights, I joined the Knights council 11188, Columbus Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, my home parish, in the early 2000s. I was a 3rd degree Knight for most of that time. I admit that I was not a very active member of the Knights and I never held any officer positions. However, the council still supported me through the RSVP program every year in the seminary beginning in 2010. Thus, I know first hand the good work that the Knights do, especially in supporting vocations to the priesthood. While in seminary in Weston, MA, I became a 4th degree Knight. I look forward to serving you as your chaplain. Thank you and may God bless the good work that you do!

A short spiritual reflection:

Sometimes when visiting an elderly person at a nursing home or who is homebound, the person may ask me something like, "Why am I still here? What is my purpose? Why is God keeping me alive?" In the midst of pain, suffering, and loneliness, people can often be saddened by a prolonged life. Rather than fearing death, they only wish that death would come sooner.

I am reminded of the Gospel parable from Matthew 13:31-35 where Jesus says the kingdom of heaven is like the mustard seed that grows to be the largest of bushes, or like the yeast that leavens the entire batch of dough. Even if we do the work of planting a mustard seed in fertile soil and watering it, it is God who makes it grow into a large bush. In other words, the hard work is done by God; it is He who provides the abundance. Similarly, the yeast is a small amount but it has an effect on the entirety of the large batch of dough, making the bread rise to become fluffy and tasty. In God's design, the smallness of the seed and the yeast still yields big results.

When our life seems small and insignificant, remember that God created us in His image and likeness. His greatness is within us, and even in the smallness of our lives, we have a great effect on the rest of the body of Christ. Even if we are frail, confined to a bed, or just living a quiet life, our presence on this earth greatly benefits the rest of our brothers and sisters.

May the Lord bless you all the days of your life!

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

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Respect LIFE

Save the Date

Thursday September 20th is Pregnancy Decision Health Center annual fundraising banquet. The banquet is to be held at Villa Milano near Worthington at 6:30 P.M. Dinner is complimentary with a good will offering at the end of the evening. As in years past St. Brendan's Knights of Columbus and St. Brendan Parish will be sponsors and table hosts for the event. Quite often St. Brendan attendees will volunteer as ushers and at the registration tables.

The keynote speaker for this banquet is George Dennehy. George was rescued from his death date by adoption. His amazing talent on the guitar is only matched by his inspirational story. Because George was born without arms, he sings and plays music from his heart using his feet. George tours internationally sharing his music and using the stage to speak out about the value of every life. Registration will be on line. During registration indicate you would like to be seated at the St. Brendan table.

Questions? Roger File rfile@columbus.rr.com

<http://www.supportpdhc.org/upcoming-events/celebratelife/>



This month, due to the historic moment in U.S. Supreme Court history, the Knights of Columbus is urging everyone to join the USCCB in praying a nine-week Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life.

The novena begins on Aug. 3, 2018, and concludes Sept. 28.

Through our united prayers and sacrifice, we pray that God will guide our nation in becoming one in which every human being is protected in law and welcomed in life.

We are scheduled to serve Tuesday, August 21, 2018.

The South Side Roots Café is an outreach of the Mid-Ohio Food Bank. It serves from 150 to 300 meals weekly to the residents in the area from 5:30 – 7:00 PM every Tuesday. It is located at 280 Reeb Avenue, which is South of Greenlawn Avenue, at Reeb Avenue and 9th Street.

The volunteers should arrive between 4:45 to 5:00 PM and will be done before 8:00 PM. We need 8 to 10 volunteers, no more, to serve the food that is prepared by their kitchen staff and to clean up. The food is served promptly at 5:30. Nicole, the Director, asked that we be there by 5:00 if possible. Parking is available at this center or on the street in the area.

Please sign up before Sunday, August 19th by email to Chris Warren cwarren1@sbcglobal.net, if interested in serving at the South Side Roots Café on Tuesday August 21. Indicate on your response if you are interested in carpooling from St. Brendan's Parking Lot at 4:15 PM.

Chris Warren

614-530-8624 (cell)





1st Degree Report

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Our next 1st Degree will be on Thursday, October 11, 2018, 6:30 PM Candidate Call, 7:00 PM Degree. Please remember, It's never too early to ask a friend, "Are you a Knight?" A personal invitation is the best form of recruitment. If you have any questions please contact Bob Eggerichs via email: reggeric@columbus.rr.com or phone 614-771-9624.

4th Degree Report

Our next Assembly 2727 meeting will be Wednesday, August 1, 2018 at Our Lady of Victory church, 1559 Roxbury Rd, Columbus, OH 43212. We will meet in lower level below the main church as usual. We will start with the Rosary at 6:30 PM, share a meal at 7:00 PM and start the business meeting at 7:30 PM. Hope to see you there.

For all Knights and their families; there will be an Assembly 2727 sponsored PPP (Pulled Pork Picnic) on Thursday, August 16, 2018 starting at 6:30 PM at Prairie Oaks Metro Park pavilion, 3225 NE Plain City-Georgesville Rd, (1/2 mile N of I70). The meat and drinks will be provided. You are asked to bring a side dish to share. For further information please contact Bob Eggerichs via email: reggeric@columbus.rr.com or phone 614-771-9624.



By Jem Sullivan
Catholic News Service

Did you know that the basic order of the Mass, as it is celebrated today, can be traced all the way back to the second century? As early as the year 155, Christians would gather to celebrate the Eucharist. St. Justin Martyr, an early Christian martyr, apologist and Father of the Church, wrote to the pagan emperor Antoninus Pius explaining how Christians celebrated the Eucharist then. After the word of God was proclaimed to the assembly, the faithful were encouraged to imitate and live God's word.

Then, St. Justin Martyr recounts that the presider took bread and wine, offered praise to God the Father in the name of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Finally, the faithful received the "eucharist" bread and wine as spiritual nourishment for the journey of faith.

Food is a basic human need. We need nourishing, fresh food in moderate amounts to be healthy. Too little or too much food makes us unhealthy, weak, even sick. Over recent decades, food itself has become a billion-dollar industry with health food fads that quickly come and go. Yesterday's food craze eventually evolves into today's food trend. Just as our bodies cannot survive without healthy food in moderation, so too our spirits and soul cannot thrive without spiritual food. Our deepest longings for love and peace, written on our hearts by God our creator, are like the pangs of physical hunger for food that nourishes and satisfies. Only God can satisfy the spiritual hunger deep within the recesses of the heart and mind.

All four Gospels recount the miracle of Jesus multiplying a few loaves and pieces of fish to feed the hungry crowds gathered on a mountain. Perhaps it is because this miracle is central to Jesus' earthly mission.

In Jesus, God gave of himself by becoming one of us. This divine gift of self-emptying, symbolized by the multiplication of the loaves and fish, continues in every age of the church in the sacrament of the Eucharist.

In St. John's account of the multiplication of the loaves and fish, Jesus takes the loaves, gives thanks and distributes the blessed bread and fish to the hungry crowd. Jesus' action of taking and blessing bread, giving thanks to God, breaking and giving it to his disciples and followers continues in our own day in the Eucharist.

Our deepest spiritual hunger is satisfied at the table of God's word and the sacrament of his body and blood. Before this divine gift and mystery of faith, we are overwhelmed with "eucharistic amazement," in the phrase of St. John Paul II.

Just as we need food for our bodies, we need spiritual food for the journey of faith. Each of us is called, like the disciples and the crowds who followed Jesus, to the spiritual nourishment of the eucharistic feast when we pray in faith, "speak to me, Lord."



Knights of Columbus
INSURANCE
YOUR SHIELD FOR LIFE

Insurance for Young Knights

Protecting our families from financial ruin is not just a task for the oldest among us. Whether you're 18 or 81, all Knights should be thinking about how they can and should protect the ones they love.

But young Knights are different. Their needs are different. Their priorities are different. Their preferences are different. Their budgets are different.

That's why we've designed our new Young Adult Insurance program for Knights and their spouses ages 18-29.

The new program maximizes flexibility, convenience, and affordability, to enable young brother Knights, and their spouses, to get the coverage they need.

Through the program, members and their spouses can receive an annual renewable term life insurance policy, that will help protect their families and their futures.*

We know, many of you think you're way too young. But you're not. There are several reasons why you need Young Adult Insurance:

1. You've got debt.

Maybe you have student loans. Maybe you're paying off your car. Maybe you have some credit card debt. Not all debts are forgiven when you die. Depending on the type of debt, the state you live in, and whether or not the loan is cosigned, your family could be responsible for that money. And, if you don't have any debt, what about funeral costs and final expenses?

2. You want to protect the ones you love.

You don't want your parents and your family to be saddled with your debt if something happens to you. So why not make sure they won't be? It's easy. It's affordable. It's what Knights do.

3. You're on a budget.

Young Adult Insurance is affordable. How affordable? Very affordable. The amount you pay is based on your age and medical condition, but you could get \$25,000 of coverage, for as little as \$1 a week.

4. Your time is valuable.

Young Adult Insurance is quick and easy. It's an annual, renewable term insurance product, that you reevaluate and renew every year. It's designed with Knights ages 18 through 29 in mind, to maximize affordability and flexibility.

5. You're a Knight.

Our founder, Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney started the Knights to protect Catholic families from financial devastation. Ever since, we've gone on to issue \$93 billion of in force life insurance to members and their families. Knights and their eligible family members throughout the United States and Canada trust us with this important task. It's what Knights do. And, as a Knight, you've got a dedicated agent – a fellow brother knight – to help you. Why not begin that relationship today?

6. You're Catholic.

There's an advantage to buying Catholic. You get the comfort of knowing that your money is going to an organization that performs tremendous amounts of charity, that stands resolutely behind the Church, and that conducts its business in an unapologetically Catholic way, with strict rules on ethics and investments.

7. You won't live forever.

Let's face it, we are all going to die someday. Hopefully not soon, of course! But what if you do? What will happen to those you love? Would you protect them if you could?

So what are you waiting for? Visit kofc.org/youngadultins today, to request a personalized quote and more information. Or, you can contact me get started.

*Eligibility is based on age, medical condition, and other factors. The Young Adult Insurance Program is not yet available in CA. Spouses, while eligible for insurance through the program, are not able to request a quote online. They can apply directly through me.

Please call Mark Mandel at 614-308-2294 or email me at mark.mandel@kofc.org.



To our Brother Knights in August

John Riggs David Alexander Thomas Moran Walter Boyuk

Craig Franz David Mazzei Daniel Pugh Edward Ziringer

Gerard Riendeau Michael Yuzwa William Nelson Bulger

Martin Mitchell Gary Zapf Timothy Ryan Jeffrey Ghilani

Jerry Abraham Brian King Jonathan Bryan James Crowley

Raymond Hinkelman Richard Clark James Schlunt James Grooss

Upcoming Council & Church Events



**St. Brendan's
Men's Club
outing August 14
Contact Dave
Connolly for more
info**



**Membership meeting
August 22 - Wellnitz Hall**

**Planning meeting
August 29 - Carter Center**

