

Knights of Columbus

Good Shepherd Council No. 6358
Mother Teresa Assembly No. 2523
509 Schertz Parkway
Schertz, TX 78154-1927



July 2023

July 4th Parade and Picnic 9:30AM
Schertz Parkway closes at 8:30AM

Meetings:

1st Thru 3rd Degree

2nd Wednesday (Business) at 7:30 PM, Rosary 7:00 PM

4th Degree 3rd Monday at 7:30 PM, Rosary 7:00 PM

Mikulski Hall Phone: (210) 658-5926

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GRAND KNIGHT

Tom Stamp..... 913-620-1412

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OUTSIDE GUARD #2

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NEWSLETTER

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LECTURER

Dan Duet210-241-4252

TRUSTEES:

1 Year – Jeff Heim.....985-956-0205

2 Year – Martin Herrera.....210-330-9141

3 Year – David Dumas.....210-78-9502



Grand Knight's Report

Brother Knights and Families



It is with great excitement and optimism that I write this first message to you, and it is with sincere gratitude for your trust and confidence that I assume the role of Grand Knight. Our STAR Council is a very active one with a strong reputation and an ascending trajectory. Years of excellent leadership and active Council participation have gotten us here. For that I say thank you to every one of you, those who have led and those who have participated in the past. Going forward, I'll do my best not to break anything and to keep the Council on azimuth.

I also appreciate those who have stepped up to lead during this new fraternal year, not just within the Council, but also in the Columbus Club and the ministries of the parish. They are like 3 legs of a stool that keep us balanced. Our support of the parish and our influence in its ministries is second only to the care and welfare of our members and their families. Thank the Lord for our Ladies Auxiliary as well for where would we be without them?!!

Our goal as Knights is to help men, their families, and our parish grow closer to Christ. It is a team sport in which we all win in the end. So, please continue to support the Council's programs with your active participation this new fraternal year so that we may continue to do our best to serve our families, our parish, and our communities. It is each brother's small contribution that collectively makes us so impactful.

Each brother matters! You matter! Your contribution matters!

Please pray for the canonization of Blessed Father Michael McGivney and continue to spread his mission by sharing the Knight's opportunity with every Catholic man you can. It is our moral obligation to invite every Catholic man to join the Knights of Columbus.

Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to care for orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unstained by the world. –James 1:27

What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? --James 2:14

Spiritual Practices and Devotions for July

The month of July is traditionally dedicated to the Most Precious Blood of Jesus. Consider adding the following to your spiritual practices this month:

- Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet
- Make sure that there is a crucifix hanging in your home or even in every room
- Look up and learn about Eucharistic Miracles
- In celebration of Divine Mercy this month, take some time to watch the Knights of Columbus film *The Face of Mercy* (kofc.org/mercy)

St. Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions (July 9): The Martyred Saints of China, or Augustine Zhao Rong and his 119 companions, were canonized in 2000 by St. John Paul II. Take time to pray a decade of the rosary for all Christians persecuted for their faith.

St. Kateri Tekakwitha (July 14): Kateri Tekakwitha was the first Native American saint. Take time today to learn more about Catholicism among Native American and First Nation tribes by going to kofc.org/enduring_faith. Find concrete ways to learn from and advocate for local indigenous communities.

St. James (July 25): One of the 12 apostles, St. James is venerated as the patron saint of pilgrimages because for centuries people have walked on pilgrimages to his tomb in Santiago de Compostela in Spain. Our August movie matinee will feature the film *The Way*, which highlights a touching story of this very pilgrimage. Plan a pilgrimage this month to a local shrine. If possible, make it a walking pilgrimage by walking at least the final mile to whichever shrine you choose. Invite a group of friends and family to walk with you.

Honors for the Month of May

Knight of the Month: Adam Saucedo

Family of the Month: Alexis & Cecilia King

Honors for Fraternal Year 2022-2023

Knight of the Year: John Hoeft

Lady of the Year: Christy Weaver

Family of the Year: Danny and Geri Stift

STAR Council

Vivat Jesus! ++SK Tom Stamp, Grand Knight

Farewell and Thank You

Brothers, it has been a blessing being your Grand Knight for these last two years. I have grown so much spiritually, with the many activities our Council does for our community and seeing the contributions you have all given. I've never been so proud to be part of a great Council and Organization. Even though I am a District Deputy, I will continue to participate in as many different Council activities as you are going to have. Thank you for letting me be your Grand Knight. God Bless you all.

Y.B.I.C.; SK Javier Espinales, PGK

Charity: \$20,301 was disbursed in the month of May primarily to church, youth, and community programs.

Unity:

- 4 July – Independence Day Parade and Celebration; 9 AM
- 5 July – Initiatives Committee Meeting; 6 PM
- 7 July – Fish Fry (Event Team #2); 5-8 PM
- 10 July – Admission Committee Meeting; 5:30 PM
- 10 July – Officer's Meeting; 7 PM
- 12 July – Council Meeting (Event Team #4); 6:30-Dinner, 7-Rosary, 7:30-Meeting
- 16 July – Knight's Choir; 7:15 AM
- 16 July – Knight's Mass at Good Shepherd; 8:30 AM
- 23 July – Knight's Mass at Immaculate Conception; 9:45-Rosary, 10:15 Mass
- 30 July – Blood Drive; 9 AM - 2 PM

Event Team Schedule

- 4 July – Independence Day BBQ – Team 1, Mark Kirstein
- 7 July – Fish Fry – Team 2, team Leader needed
- 12 July – Business Meeting Dinner – Team 4, Rocky Cheadle
- 4 August – Fish Fry – Team 3, Larry Mendoza
- 9 August – Business Meeting Dinner – Team 1, Mark Kirstein
- 13 August – Father McGivney Feast Day Celebration – Ray Davila

• **Knights Sunday**

Please wear your blue Knights of Columbus shirt with name tag, this will promote the Knights.

The third Sunday of the Month is KofC Mass at Good Shepherd Church.

The fourth Sunday of the Month is KofC Mass at Immaculate Conception Church.

Contact: Altar Servers: Danny Stift; (210) 243-9035

Lectors: Rich Nielson: (512) 653-3356

Ushers: Martin Herrera: (210) 330-9141

Eucharistic Minister: Larry Mendoza: (726) 582-7177

Knights Choir: Matthew Martinez (210) 885-9545

ICC: Tom Stamp (913) 620-1412

Fraternity: Field Agent: Roberto Sibug: 210-460-9664, Roberto.sibug@kofc.org

Patriotism: Congratulations to Assembly 2523 new Faithful Navigator SK Javier Espinales.

To submit an article to THE GOOD SHEPHERD COUNCIL NEWSLETTER, write to the Newsletter Editor, williamdaniels@sbcglobal.net or drop it by the office at 509 Schertz Parkway, Schertz, TX. To change your address, you can email us at GSKOC6358@sbcglobal.net. The Newsletter is published monthly. Deadline input to the next issue is Thursday July 21, 2023.

Years of Service

The members listed below have completed the indicated years of service and will be recognized at the July meeting.

Martin Herrera 20 Years

John Sebastyan 15 Years

Howard McNier 10 Years

Membership Director (Tom Stamp):

- Good news: We reached our quota last year and achieved STAR Council! Thank you all for your great support!
- Bad news: We start from scratch and have 15 new members to acquire this year. Please continue to provide candidates for admission.
- Next Admission Committee meeting: 5:30 PM on 10 July at Mikulski Hall. Brothers are welcome to participate.
- "It is our moral obligation to invite every eligible Catholic man to join the Knights of Columbus." - Past Supreme Knight Carl Anderson
- Key to Recruiting Success #7: What to say when the answer is "I don't have time." Be prepared with a simple answer. Tell them the amount of time they put in is completely up to them and remind them of the council's family-oriented activities.

ICC Roundtable Coordinator (Tom Stamp): Knight's Sunday mass at ICC will be at 10:15 AM on 23 July. Rosary at 9:45 AM before mass. All are invited to come celebrate together. Donuts will be served afterward and volunteers to serve in the mass are always welcome.

Shining Armor Award (Tom Stamp): Awarded for active service to the Council and the Order. Previously awarded only to new members within their first 12 months in the Order, **THE SHINING ARMOR AWARD IS NOW AVAILABLE TO ALL MEMBERS** who complete the following requirements in one fraternal year at any time in the life of their active membership.

- Be involved in at least 3 council Faith in Action programs
- Attend at least 3 council meetings
- Attend an Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity
- Meet with the council's insurance representative or attend a fraternal benefits night
- Sponsor at least one man who becomes a member of the Order

This is the perfect time to get after it as we start a new fraternal year. Contact me if you are interested in knowing more about your eligibility.

Initiatives Committee (Tom Stamp):

- **Topics discussed at the 7 June meeting:**
 - 1- Widow's Brunch
 - 2- Meetings (Rosary, Displays)
 - 3- Recognition (Name badges, Honorary tables, Deceased members)
 - 4- Council Shirts
 - 5- National Motto Plaques
- **Next meeting:** 6 PM on 5 July at Mikulski Hall (6 PM on 1st Wednesday of every month)
- **Topics to be discussed:** Socials, Fundraising, Novenas
- Purpose: To consider proposals for new council operations (actions, processes, events, funding, etc.)
- All are welcome to participate

Meals on Wheels (Tom Stamp): Due to the recent expansion by 3 more routes, the Senior Centers need more drivers for the local Meals on Wheels deliveries in our parish boundaries. Deliveries are on weekdays at 10:30 AM leaving from the Cibolo Senior Center and typically take less than an hour. You can choose the day(s) of the week most convenient to you and the frequency you choose to volunteer (daily, once a week, once a month). Please contact me if interested and I'll get you an application or more information.

Chancellor: Will Clouse:

- Thank you for the help in cleaning the walk-in refrigerator.

Programs: The Program Director position is vacant. Contact the Grand Knight if interested in serving in this role.

Community: Jerry Weaver

- Wheelchair Drive – over \$3784 was sent the Wheelchair Mission.
- Thank you for the help in serving the Ladies Auxiliary Dinner.

Faith: Larry Mendoza

- Building the Domestic Church Kiosk: Consider reading one of the booklets from the Building the Domestic Church Kiosk.
- Check out Into the Breach videos at: <http://www.kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html>
- Consider watching KnightCast: <https://knightcast.constantcontactsites.com/>
- Holy Hour Thursday at 7:00pm, Good Shepherd Church

Family: Michael E. Trigueiro.

- Family of the Month: May – Alexis and Cecilia King
- Knight of the Month: May – Adam Saucedo

Movie Matinee- 20 August 2023; 2PM Social, 3PM-movie. Admission and refreshments are all free. Family, friends and public are welcome.

Life: Ralph De La Rosa

1. Our Council remains very generous in supporting **Pro-Life Activities**. We have pre-budgeted \$1000 each to several Pro-Life organizations to continue their efforts in supporting women needing help with pregnancy and other family needs. Previously supported include: **A Woman's Haven** (210-224-2902); **Allied Women's Center** (210-224-7077); **Guadalupe Home for the Unwed** (210-476-0707); **South Texas Pregnancy Care Center** (830-303-2151) and **Seton Home** (210) 533-3504).

Pro-Life fundraising events by these groups are upcoming and announcements will follow. Pro-Life men are needed to attend and support these activities (**count for credit to earn pro-life ACE Wings*). Brother Knights that may be willing to support these organizations should let me know (Ralph De La Rosa, 361-537-5077) and when events are scheduled I may reserve your seats. Usually tables of #10 attendees are reserved with our council's donation but also those attending are requested to donate. Please consider a donation for these worthy causes.

2. **Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose Program is upcoming at our Good Shepherd Catholic Church on Friday August 11, 2023 at 6 PM.** Please plan to attend and participate in this worthy pro-life event.

3. **Special Olympics is an ongoing LIFE Activity by Texas State Knights of Columbus and volunteers are very much needed.** Competitions include track, basketball, softball and swimming. Please register (area #20) to participate online at the Knights of Columbus website.

4. **March for Life activities are upcoming in January** and are held locally in San Antonio Archdiocese but also at the State Capital in Austin. We have been going to Austin but I need your input if you would prefer to participate in San Antonio or both.

5. Other Life events include support of **Christian Refugee Relief** (prayer cards available) and **Memorials to the Unborn**. Our Mission in Marion may be considered as a site for a memorial.

***It takes a real man, a brave Knight, to earn and wear the ACE Wings!**

Criminal Justice Ministry: Jerome Kirstein

The county jail is starting to open for service. If you are interested in serving the population that needs support contact Jerry Kirstein At 830-406-0417

Financial Secretary

Send any contact or anniversary information to John Hoeft.

Fourth Degree report: For those of you who would like to become a 4th Degree Knight, there will be an exemplification Ceremony on August 19th in San Antonio. Contact the Grand Knight for an application. We would like you to join us.

Javier Espinales, PGK, faithful Navigator

SK Dan Dúet, Lecturer “REPENT”

What would it look like if some of the events from the Bible did not occur until our present day?

Imagine, if you will, you and your family are enjoying a summer vacation down at South Padre Island. Nice breeze coming in from the Gulf, temperatures not so bad (all things considered), children/grandchildren splashing about having fun.

You're sitting on your beach towel sipping your favorite libation, and all of a sudden there is a little commotion coming from the water. You look up and there you see an odd-looking man walking slowly up out of the surf, he's been inside the belly of a giant fish for a few days, his entire body is bleached white, he has a small piece of seaweed caught in his teeth, he walks up to you, looks down, and says, "Repent".

I don't know about you, but I think I'd repent.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Church-approved apparitions of Our Lady of Akita, Japan.

The messages emphasized:

- prayer (especially recitation of the Holy Rosary)
- repentance and penance

The apparitions also included cryptic visions prophesying priestly persecution and heresy within the Catholic Church.

Don't we see that in the Church today.

Perhaps we can devote some part of our spiritual time this summer to our own personal spiritual temples - including the Sacrament of Reconciliation if necessary - and prayer for our priests and bishops, beginning with our own Fr. "O" and for Archbishop Gustavo and Auxiliary bishops. They are the ones on the frontline who face persecution

As brothers may we be united with the Venerable Servant of God, Fr. McGivney, in standing strong in the Faith, remain passionate about the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and be willing to defend the Truth with our lives.

And if you find yourself at the beach this summer and an odd-looking fellow comes walking up out of the surf, before he has the chance to tell you to repent, just look him in the eyes and say, "I already have." LOL.

This Month's Challenge

"Come to me all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves." (Gospel for 9 July - Mt 11:28—29)

Rest often seems to be in short supply in our busy modern world, for our culture finds it hard to slow down and be still. We can and should spend time in leisure to refresh our bodies and spirits, but we need to go even deeper and take time to find true rest. Let's always keep in mind St. Augustine's words: "You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you."

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori

This month, I challenge you to turn to our Lord to find rest by spending at least one hour each week in Eucharistic adoration. Second, I challenge you to support the Faith in Action Holy Hour program.

Questions for Reflection

- Do you turn to Christ to find rest amid your labor and burdens?
- Do you observe Sunday as a day of worship and rest?
- Do you regularly spend time in prayer, seeking that interior peace that Christ has promised us?

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for a Eucharistic Life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

Ladies Auxiliary

The KC Ladies Auxiliary mission is to support and assist our Knights in their charitable works. Any Lady who is 18 years or older in our parish may join the KC Ladies Auxiliary. We meet the first Tuesday of the month at Mikulski Hall from September through May. We do not meet during June, July and August.

We strengthen ourselves and the Knights of Columbus through our unity, support; prayer and our faith community.

Please join us for the July 4th for the parade starting at 8:30 and stay for the meal and activities afterward. This is a great opportunity for building community

Carol Schindler; Knights of Columbus 6358

Ladies Auxiliary President; carol.schindler82@gmail.com

July 4th Picnic and Parade

Please plan on attending the Good Shepherd Council 6358 Independence Day Picnic on July 4 for all parish families. Come to Mikulski Hall, 509 Schertz Parkway, and watch the Schertz 4th of July Jubilee parade, eat hot dogs and hamburgers, and play games. Schertz Parkway will close at 8:30 AM and the parade will start at 9:30AM. We will have another large presence in the parade this year with ae KofC 4th Degree Knights float and Knights on Bikes are riding as well. We will eat around 11:00. We are in need of some volunteers to cook and help out. If you are interested contact Mark Kirstein at 830-327-2139

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

Knights of Columbus Good Shepherd Council 6358

At the Mikulski Hall 509 Schertz Parkway, Schertz Texas

\$12.00 For Adult Plate and \$9.00 for Children under 12 and seniors over 65

5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Drive thru Dine In, or Take out

Adult 8 meal ticket card being sold for \$84.00 you can use as many per visit as you want

MENU

Adult Plate
2 pieces of Fish fried or baked
Cole Slaw, Corn
French fries or Baked potato
Iced Tea

Seniors and Child's Plate
1 Piece of Fish fried or baked
Cole Slaw, Corn
French fries or Baked potato
Iced Tea

JULY 2023

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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| Rocky Cheadle on the 1st | Jacob Friesenhahn on the 1st |
| Jesse Gonzales on the 1st | Antonio "Tony" Perez on the 1st |
| Christopher Herrera on the 3rd | Scott Krbec on the 5th |
| Henry "Hank" Alves on the 6th | Jorge Garcia, Jr. on the 6th |
| Randy Ortiz on the 6th | Cody Troncoso on the 7th |
| Dennis Zapanta on the 9th | Armando Perez on the 10th |
| James Snow on the 10th | James Lunan on the 11th |
| James Twenter on the 11th | Patrick Marbach on the 12th |
| Bernard Zenus on the 17th | Arturo Gracia, Sr. on the 18th |
| Henry Torres on the 21st | Jose Salas on the 22nd |
| Aldo Castagnetto on the 23rd | Edward Higgs on the 24th |
| Danny Williams on the 24th | Lawrence Mendoza on the 26th |
| Samuel Truitt on the 27th | Daniel Duet on the 31st |

ANNIVERSARY

John and Carmina Fusco Hoswell, their 18th on the 1st
Luke and Kelli Jimerson, their 6th on the 1st
Lino and Lisa Trevino, Jr., their 28th on the 1st
Gregory and Cecilia Buehrle, their 48th on the 12th
Reynaldo and Ingrid Chavez, their 38th on the 13th
Terrence "Terry" and Teresita Daniels, their 44th on the 14th
Leo and Consuelo Wallis, their 45th on the 15th
Michael and Annette Fritz, their 18th on the 16th
John and Mary Lou Leon, their 53rd on the 16th
Aaron and Jessica Duff, their 13th on the 17th
Jeffrey and Debbie Heim, their 52nd on the 17th
Alan and Carol Schindler, their 47th on the 17th
Thomas and Ruth Wilson, Jr., their 30th on the 22nd
William "Shane" and Kendra Slaughter, their 32nd on the 27th
Phil and Caroline Enano, their 6th on the 31st
Lorenzo and Tonia Salazar, their 24th on the 31st

REMEMBERANCE

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| Alois J Puszcz | July 22, 1979 |
| Donald Brodeur | July 4, 2002 |
| Henry R Hagen | July 12, 2005 |
| Martin "Mike" MikulskiJ | July 1, 2007 |
| Tom Whalen | July 30, 2010 |
| William E Hatfield | July 31, 2016 |
| Guadalupe "Lupe" Del Toro | July 12, 2018 |

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| 2 | 3 | 4 July 4 th Parade and Picnic 9:30 AM | 5 Columbus Club 7 PM Initiatives Committee 6PM | 6 | 7 Eucharist Benediction 7PM Fish Fry Team #2 | 8 EDO- Mike Foxworth No Bar Team |
| 9 | 10 Officers Meeting 7 PM Admissions Meeting 5:30 PM | 11 | 12 Regular Business Rosary 7:00 PM Meeting 7:30 PM Team # 4 | 13 | 14 | 15 EDO –Larry Mendoza Jerry Weaver Bar Team #2 |
| 16 K of C Mass Good Shepherd 8:30AM; Knight's Choir 7:15AM Knights Exemplification 1PM | 17 4 th Degree Rosary 7:00 PM Meeting 7:30 PM | 18 | 19 Chapter Meeting | 20 Last Day for Newsletter Input | 21 | 22 |
| 23 K of C Mass Immaculate Conception Mass 10:15 AM | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 EDO – Fred Swiderski Ed Rotay No Bar Team |
| 30 Blood Drive 9AM- 2PM EDO- Will Clouse Bar Team #3 | | | | | | |