

Knights of Columbus



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



Dues for Fraternal Year 2017 are now payable

January 2017 Newsletter

MEETINGS:

1st Thru 3rd Degree

2nd Wednesday (Business) at 7:30 PM, Rosary 7:15 PM

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

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2 Year – Noel Hamilton.....945-8510

3 Year – James (Jim) Lovering.....806-535-6565



Grand Knights Report

Dear Brother Knights and Families



The year 2016 is nearly over and we are six months into our fraternal year. It has been challenging, rewarding and fun working with my Brother Knights. We should all be proud of our council's charitable works and I hope that we can build on our accomplishments in the remaining six months of our fraternal year. Star Council recognition is within sight, we have achieved 57 percent of new membership goal which means we need to invite eight Catholic men to join our order. Star Council is achievable but only, if we continue to invite our friends and parishioners to join our order.

If you have not yet reported your volunteer hours, please do so as soon as possible. This can be done by submitting paper copy or on our Council's web site. Please report all hours for both Council and Parish activities. This is a yearly requirement which I need to submit to Supreme.

I would like to thank everyone that helped make our Council and the Chapter Christmas parties so special and successful. We had a great turnout for both events. As we leave behind a very busy couple of months, we begin to look ahead to Lent Season and one of our biggest fundraising efforts of the year --FISH FRYS, more on this next month.

We have a significant number of First Degree members that need to attend a Major Degree. I need your help in reaching out to these brothers and invite them to attend one of the upcoming Major Degree Exemplifications so they can become Full Knights in our Order.

Our State Deputy's motto is "FREEDOM TO SERVE". Let us all serve by giving a little of our time and talents. Working together we can make a difference within our council and our parish community. May you and your family have a Blessed and Prosperous New Year!

VIVAT JESUS

Hank Alves, Grand Knight

To input general information, 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 January 19, 2017.

Council Email Address: GSKOC6358@sbcglobal.net

Council 6358 website: <http://www.GSKOC6358.org>

Service Awards

The following members are eligible for the years of service award indicated. These awards will be presented at the regular meeting in the month of January. If you cannot be present for that meeting it will be your responsibility to contact the Grand Knight to make alternate arrangements.

Paul Hermosillo	10 Years
Jesse Gonzales	5 Years
George Lachelle	5 Years
Sean Jaeger	5 Years

Deputy Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

I would like to start off by wishing all of you and your families a very Happy New Year and I pray you have good health and prosper throughout! I am very thankful for the support you all have provided me over the last year as new member of the Knights of Columbus!

We had a successful Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest with a total of 26 participants! Brother Ed will publish the winners in Knights Korner for the bulletin. Thank you to all the volunteers that helped judge these great posters!

The free throw challenge is right around the corner!
Time: Saturday January 14th 2017 from 9-11am
- Volunteers please arrive by 8:30am
Place: Schertz Family YMCA



The San Antonio Spurs have graciously donated twelve fan packs for our 1st place finishers! You can find our flyer and more information on our council website. We are still in need of volunteers for our registration table and judges for the contest. If you are interested, please contact me at our January business meeting or send me an email at martin.j.mccloud@gmail.com.

Vivat Jesus,

Martin McCloud,
Deputy Grand Knight / Youth Activities Director

Ladies' Auxiliary

Upcoming Events:

Ladies' will take down the Christmas decorations on Friday, December 30th at 10:00 AM. All help will be appreciated
Ladies' Annual Night – Tues., Jan 3rd Rosary will begin at 6:00 PM sharp for those who wish to attend. Our business meeting will be beginning promptly at 6:30 PM followed by a soup and salad dinner. An email signup and request for a response will be sent out after Christmas. At our January meeting we will discuss our Valentine's dinner on February 7th so please come with your ideas to make it a fun evening for us and our spouses. Please continue to keep Patti Kirstein in your prayers.

Birthday wishes and blessings to our January sisters: Diana Welch (2) Claire Guillemette (8), Addie Rodriguez (8), Joann Lovering (19), Pat Foster (20), Dora Otero (19), and Amanda Braden (25)

Wishing everyone a blessed and healthy New Year!

Pat Mantor, President 945-9276

Brother Knights remember to wear you KC. Shirt and Badge when attending Church and Meetings. The third Sunday of the Month is KC Mass at 8 AM at Good Shepherd Church. The Fourth Sunday of the Month is KC Mass at 9:30 AM at Immaculate Conception Church

Divine Mercy Moment

DIVINE MERCY MOMENT: The Image of the Divine Mercy

From our Lord Jesus' Sacred Heart we see two rays coming towards us. The white (pale red) rays represent the Baptism healing waters and the healing words of Confession we receive. The red rays represent our Lord's blood that provides us with a lifeline and we receive His Sacred Blood in Holy Communion. (Diary 299 & 699)

- ✚ Jesus appeared to St. Faustina and directed her to paint an image of Him. (Diary 47)
- ✚ The dark background is the darkness of sin and our Lord is emerging from His death and resurrection.
- ✚ The wounds on Jesus' hands and feet are from the nails used to sacrifice our Lord on the Cross.
- ✚ Jesus takes a first step towards us. Will we take a step forward to meet Him?
- ✚ Our Lord Jesus is dressed in a white robe as the High Priest.

Lectors Corner

HAPPY NEWYEAR

Wow, it seems like just yesterday we were making our new year's resolution. Well how did you do? Did you lose that weight, pray a little longer, and go to church more than the year before? Regardless of how you did, what matters is that you don't stop trying to be a better person than before. Though it is difficult to change habits or incorporate new ones, there are certain things all Catholics should aspire to each and every day of their lives.

Here are Catholic Online's top five resolutions every Catholic should make every single year:

5. **Educate yourself:** Proverbs 1:5 says, "Let the wise listen and learn yet more, and a person of discernment will acquire the art of guidance." Educating yourself can mean you go back to school, delve deeper in The Holy Scriptures or simply doing a little research online to better understand what is happening around the world and why.

4. **Learn to listen:** James 1:19 helps us understand what listening means. "Remember this, my dear brothers: everyone should be quick to listen but slow to speak and slow to human anger..." A good way to practice listening to God is to sit in a quiet place. Ask God to help you be more open to what He has to say, and ask for the patience to actively listen to those around you.

3. **Be generous:** Think of 1 John 3:17, "If anyone is well-off in worldly possessions and sees his brother in need but closes his heart to him, how can the love of God be remaining in him?" This is *not* limited to money! Remember, when we offer to help people pack for a move, practice for a speech, listen to their worries or feed the hungry, we are being generous *and* mirroring Christ's heart.

2. **Read the Bible:** Hebrews 4:12: "The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts more incisively than any two-edged sword: it can seek out the place where soul is divided from spirit, or joints from marrow; it can pass judgement on secret emotions and thoughts." Understanding the Word of God is an important part of being Catholic.

1. **Be more like Jesus:** John 8:12, where Jesus says, "...I am the light of the world; anyone who follows me will not be walking in the dark, but will have the light of life." Note that the first three things mimic attributes Jesus Christ has. In knowing about things before we speak ill of them, learning to listen, being generous and by reading God's Word, we are not only improving our relationship with God, we are also improving our relationship with others. God Bless.
Catholic Online

Membership Activities

Attention Council Brother Knights

2017 DUES ARE DUE

Your 2017 dues are now due. Please pay your dues as soon as possible. The annual dues are \$30.00 per year. Please attend the next council meeting to pay your dues, pay your dues at the Council Hall or mail them to David Dumas. Checks should be made out to Good Shepherd Council 6358. Dues can also be paid by credit card.

Knights Sunday Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus will have a Sunday Breakfast at Mikulski Hall on January 15, 2017 from 8:30 to 11:30 AM. The meal includes: Biscuits and Gravy, Scrambled Eggs, Pancakes, Sausage or Bacon, Coffee, and Orange Juice. The cost is \$6.00 Adults and \$4.00 for children 12 and under. Children under 5 are free.

KNIGHTS SUNDAY

Knights Sunday Mass is scheduled for Good Shepard Church on January 18, 2017 at 8:00 AM.

Knights Sunday, supported by our Council, is scheduled for Immaculate Conception Church on January 22, 2017 after the 9:45AM Mass. Please support this event to recruit new members.

Knights Choir

The Knights Choir will sing on Sunday January 15, 2017 at Good Shepherd Church at the 8AM Mass. Rehearsal is at 7:15AM. We are looking forward for more Knights to join us. Interested, please contact Larry Gladu, PGK 210-659-3187.

David Wissmann – Membership Director

ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE MEETING at Council Hall on Monday, January 9, 2017 at 7:30PM.
FIRST DEGREE, Council Hall, January 12, 2017 at 7:30PM. Prospects at 7:00PM

Road Cleanup

We will be having our highway cleanup on January 14, 2017. We will have breakfast at 7:30AM and be on the road at 8:00 AM. We need at least 8 – 12 good men to accomplish this community project.

Pro-Life

All Knights and their Families from Good Shepherd and Immaculate Conception Parishes are encouraged to attend the 2017 Pro-Life Rally on Saturday Jan. 28th at the State Capitol in Austin TX. Car-pool from K.C. hall in Schertz. Meet at 10:45 a.m. depart at 11:00 a.m. return approximately 5:00 p.m. Questions? Contact Bro. Charles Mechtel your Pro-Life Chairperson at 612-499-2212. Signs will be provided, however we are asked to bring a banner from your organization or Parish.

Results of KC Sunday Breakfasts:

November 95 Adults, 6 Children; \$597.00 income, \$177.97 expenses, \$419.03 net

December 81 Adults, 2 Children; \$497.00 income, \$178.09 expenses, \$318.91 net

Knights Christmas Party: 71 Adults, 11 Children; \$860.00 income, \$645.45 expenses, \$214.55 net

INDIVIDUAL ACTIVITY WORKSHEET: You now enter your hours on our website.

This information will help us prepare our Fraternal Survey for Supreme Council office. . Please return to the form at our next meeting.

1. Number of visits you made to the sick _____ Bereaved _____

2. Were you a blood donor? _____ Yes _____ No

3. Estimated hours of community service during the month:

Church Activity (service in all Church related activities) _____.

Community Activity (service in all community related activities) _____.

Youth Activity (service in all youth related activities) _____.

Habitat for Humanity (service in all related projects) _____.

Culture of Life Activities (service in all related projects) _____.

Miscellaneous Activity (service in areas not outlined above) _____.

4. Number of Hours of fraternal service (any service to our sick/disabled members and their families. _____

5. Number of hours in attendance or working at our council functions _____.

Please include any hours your Family members might contribute as well. Thank you for all

2017 Texas Rally for Life

Event Date

January 28, 2017

Event Time

12:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Location

The Capitol in Austin

Visit TexasRallyforLife.org for more details.

Schedule

12: 00 pm – Meet at 18th & N. Congress Ave. and Ministry Fair

1:00 pm – Gather at 18th & N. Congress Ave. for the march to the Capitol

1:30 pm – Begin march to the Capitol

2:00 – 3:00 pm – Rally on South Steps of Capitol

About

Join thousands of Texans at the Texas Rally for Life on Saturday, January 28, at the Capitol in Austin. Show the media and our elected officials that Texas is PRO-LIFE! The 2017 Texas Rally for Life will commemorate the 44th anniversary of the tragic *Roe v. Wade* Supreme Court decision in 1973, which made abortion legal throughout all nine months of pregnancy. In the wake of *Roe*, legal abortion in our nation has claimed the lives of more than 58 million unborn children and has hurt countless women and men.

The Rally will feature pro-life speakers and leaders from across the state. For more information visit TexasRallyforLife.org

Your presence will reaffirm recent pro-life gains from the sensational 84th legislative session, including passage of House Bill 2; as well as the passage and upholding of the Sonogram Bill, the strongest in the nation; the defunding of Planned Parenthood by as much as \$30 million per year; the creation of the *Choose Life* license plate to promote infant adoption; protection of parent's rights through reforming the judicial bypass process; guaranteeing a patient's right to food and water at the end of his or her life; and also a law that requires abortion facilities to train workers to identify and assist victims of sex trafficking.

Also, you will help promote other greatly needed pro-life bills in the Texas Legislature, including a bill to eliminate wrongful birth lawsuits in Texas.

Plan to attend. Organize a bus or carpool of people from your church, youth group, or local pro-life organization to come. Individual signs will be provided, but bring a banner from your church, youth group, or pro-life organization. For more information visit TexasRallyforLife.org

January 2017

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Donald Grace on the 1st	Pedro "Pete" Perez, Sr. on the 5th
Christopher Young on the 5th	Michael De Leon on the 11th
Richard DaParma on the 12th	Matthew Rellin on the 13th
Alan Schindler on the 13th	William Todd on the 13th
Rolando Gonzalez on the 14th	Martin Turner on the 16th
John Melvin on the 19th	Patrick Ryan, Sr. on the 19th
Mark Engstrom on the 20th	Raymond Truitt on the 23rd
Charles Mechtel on the 31st	

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Serafin "Marty" and Marguerite Martinez, their 52nd on the 2nd
Victor and Mary Wehman, their 18th on the 2nd
Charles "Tom" and Cathy Wilkes, their 31st on the 9th
Warren and Pat Klebig, their 55th on the 16th
Simon and Isabel Sosa, their 35th on the 16th
Nicolas and Santos Moreno, their 53rd on the 26th
Benito and Clementina Mendoza, their 45th on the 29th

REMEMBRANCE



Ray Stanhope	January 28, 1989
Jerry Bortel	January 13, 2013
Michael J Crynock	January 19, 2015
Carl H Sanders	January 20, 2016



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 New Year's Day	2	3 Women's Auxiliary	4 Columbus Club Board Meeting 7:00 PM	5	6 EPIPHANY Eucharist Benediction Good Shepherd 7 PM WEDO –George Vargas	7
8	9 Officers Meeting 7 PM Admissions Committee 7:30 PM Martin Luther King Jr Holiday	10	11 Regular Business Dinner 6:30 PM Meeting 7 :30PM Rosary 7:15PM Event Team 2 Meeting Meal	12 1st Degree Exemplification 7:30 PM Candidates 7:00 PM	13	14 Highway Clean up Breakfast 7:30 AM Start 8:00 AM WEDO- Mike Niemietz Bar Team #4
15 K of C Mass Good Shepherd – 8AM; Knights Choir- 7:15 AM Breakfast at Mikulski Hall Special Event Team 4	16	17	18 Chapter Meeting	19 Last Day for Newsletter input	20	21 WEDO –Noel Hamilton Bar Team #1
22 K of C Mass Immaculate Conception 9:45 AM	23 4 th Degree Business Meeting 7:30 PM Rosary 7:00 PM	24	25	26	27	28 Pro-Life 2017 Texas Rally for Life Austin, Texas
29	30	31	1 February	2	3	4 WEDO – Jerry Kirstein