

KNIGHT LIFE



BAYLOR COUNCIL HOSTS THIRD KNIGHTS MASS

Knights serve as liturgical ministers, honor guard at Sunday mass

*By: Cody Soto
Chancellor & Spiritual Chair*

Baylor Knights of Columbus Council #13577 completed its third-ever Knights mass at St. Peter's Catholic Student Center.

The bi-yearly event involves a majority of the council, taking place at one Sunday mass. This semester,

the Knights served as altar servers, lectors, ushers, Eucharistic ministers and as sacristan during the 9:30 a.m. mass on Nov. 20.

The event also featured a fourth degree honor guard, featuring brand-new fourth degree members Nikhil and Sameer Malhotra. This event is a great way to serve the Church during the holy sacrifice of the mass and showcase our spiritual and service aspects of our council.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR WORTHY GRAND KNIGHT

*By: Samuel Esparza
Worthy Grand Knight*

We've had an excellent semester so far. It was a good learning experience for myself and the officers figuring out the ins and outs of running this council. We've started a budget committee, and expenditures of the council are monitored much more closely. As a result, we were able to budget properly for things such as feeding the homeless through sandwich making.

We've also had our traditional seminarian salsa fundraiser with a new addition of a Knights Red salsa that has proven even more popular than our green. We also finished out the year with a fraternal bonding camping trip and assisted Father Daniel with St. Peter's



clean up. I very much look forward to what next semester has in store for us.

SWAINWICH SHOP: SANDWICHES FOR THE HOMELESS

*By: Stephen Swain
Second Year Trustee & Service Chair*

The Knights of Columbus, inspired by former Grand Knight Derek Christenson, decided to start a weekly sandwich donation to a local homeless shelter. Every Sunday before evening mass, Knights join together to make 40 PB&Js which are then delivered on Monday morning to the Meyer Center, a branch of Mission Waco that helps provide basic necessities for the homeless.

The weekly event started in September and has continued on throughout the semester. Although making PB&Js cost the Knights a little budget and time, the small act of giving someone a bite to eat has a substantial impact.

Not only are the homeless refueled in terms of nutrition but also receive a significant boost in morale necessary to alleviate themselves from poverty. Each week, Knights who deliver the sandwiches are met by smiling faces, and in this sense, the event has been a great success!



SELF-DEFENSE CLASSES INSPIRE SAFETY ON CAMPUS



*By: Stephen Rahimian
First Year Trustee & Social Chair*

This semester, council member Ruru Idahosa and I have been hosting self-defense classes for women at St. Peter's, and we will have one for men before the semester is out. The women's classes are usually well attended and they seem to enjoy it. We teach different self-defense mechanisms and allow the participants to get a hands-on experience.

KNIGHTS TRAVEL TO CONFERENCE IN NEW HAVEN



*By: Cody Soto and Drew Robinson
2016 Knights Conference Attendees*

From Sept. 30 to Oct. 2, we were given the wonderful opportunity to travel to the birthplace of the Knights of Columbus to participate in the 2016 College Councils Conference. We traveled over 1,700 miles to New Haven, Connecticut to learn how to better manage our council to ensure current and future success, network with other college councils from across the country and learn more about the history of our order.

Besides us, there were hundreds of other college-aged Knights and dozens of clergy and religious men from around the country. We got to meet many of our fellow brothers from Texas throughout the weekend.

It was an unforgettable and incredibly informative experience. We learned so much about the history of the Knights of Columbus and came back with many ideas to improve our council.

This conference helps College Knights to efficiently and faithfully carry on the legacy inspired by Fr. Michael J. McGivney. We highly encourage every council to send members to experience this incredible conference. Vivat Jesus!

SALSA SALES & LATIN MASS DINNERS: FUNDRAISING LIKE A CHAMP

*By: Michael Lopez
Treasurer & Fundraising Chair*

This semester our council put on four fundraising events, which consisted of two salsa sales and two Latin Mass dinners. The two salsa sales that took place on Homecoming and Family Weekend raised over \$600, and it benefited our 2016-2017 Seminarian Fund.

This time we not only made our regular green salsa, but we have now expanded into making red salsa, which is extremely popular.

A new venture of ours to raise funds is to make a full meal for our Latin Mass community.

The two dinners brought in over \$1,000. The first one took place October 8th, and the proceeds from that fundraiser went toward Stephen Swain (Service Chair) and his year-long plan to make weekly PB&J sandwiches for the local homeless shelter.

The second dinner fundraiser, which took place on November 12th, benefited the building of a new church in Cameroon. We have exciting and large fundraisers planned for next semester and I hope to keep this great fundraising streak going.



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FALL 2016 IN REVIEW



Knights selfie it up during the Knights brotherhood campout on Friday, Nov. 18 before the K-State football game.



Drew Robinson assists St. Peter's Pro-Life by making a fruit platter during a Fertility Clinic on Wednesday, Oct. 26.



Our newest first degree Knights: Nick Vassilakis, Joshua Baker, Esteban Orozco, Aldrin Federico, Pablo Herrera, Zack Zamora, Jorge Rocha. Not pictured: Ivan Trevino



Knights guarded the Eucharist during Overnight Adoration on Wednesday, Oct. 22.



Knights aren't the only ones making sandwiches for the homeless!