

EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Brothers and Spouses,

Pentecost Sunday is 5 June, the end of the Easter season. This is the day we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit, "giving those who had been given God's grace in redemption by the blood of Christ the power to do battle with the devil and bring the salvation of the human race to its completion on the last day" according to Father Hugh Barbour, O. PRAEM, 5/31/2020.

As the Easter season concludes, we also are nearing the end of our fraternal year. We have elected a new slate of officers to guide the Council in the 2022-2023 fraternal year. (The list of new officers is contained in the newsletter). It is a great group of Brothers that will lead the Council headed by Matt Feltman. He is ready to take the reins, just as I am ready to give them to him.

This has been a busy year and I believe we are just about back to normal. The culmination for this year was the golf tournament held on 9 May for the Daughters of St. Paul. It was a smashing success. Many thanks go out to Bob Fintak and his committee for the great job they did.

During my Army days, I worked for a general officer that stated, "My staff is here to make me look good." I can honestly say that the Officers, Directors, Brothers and Spouses of Council 9475 did the same for me. There is no way that one person can effectively run an organization by themselves. There are so many people that need recognition that went above and beyond what they needed to do; I'll mention a few, though there are many more: Tom Franzone and Fran for all the support they provided as well as publishing this newsletter; Don Campbell, Bill Shoemaker and Jon Tirpak for their countless recommendations and good ideas; Jerry Gimbert and Marion Wright for resurrecting and coordinating the book sale as well as foraging for the Council meeting meals; Jim Welsch and Jeff Pulaski for keeping an eagle eye on the Council's finances; Joe Harkins Sr. for working the monthly meeting place set up; Matt Feltman for stepping up to be the incoming Grand Knight as well as providing wise counsel. Finally, I must thank my wife, Jody, for supporting me during these two years.

In June we have two important dates, Installation for the Council Officers is 9 June 2022, at Grace Hall, Christ Our King beginning 6:00pm. Our next Council meeting is 16 June 2022 at St. Benedict Catholic Church.

Please continue to pray for the end of hostilities in Ukraine and for the countless refugees the war has created.

Vivat Jesus!

Joe Nesbitt

CALENDAR OF EVENTS JUNE 2022

Request for Sign-Up Christ Our King—First Friday Solemn Exposition of the Holy Eucharist takes place Friday June 3 at the conclusion of 7 AM Mass. 24-hour adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in the main church Benediction and Reposition at 7 AM Saturday June 4

Sign up: https://cok.flocknote.com/signup/90015



Brother Knights Our 13th Annual Golf Tournament For The Daughters of St. Paul



Bob Fintak's busy workers putting the golfers gift bags together. Left to right BobThetreault, Jerry Gimbert, Jeff Pulaski, Tom Siwarski, Neil Whitman, Bob Fintak, John Maize and Sue Fintak.



Ready at the mulligan table are Sr. Margaret and Sue Fintak with husband Bob giving last minute instruction. Sr. Julia is standing at the gift bag table ready to hand them out.



At the sign-in table are left Tom Franzone, center Sr. Gioan and Jim Welsch.



Golf Chairman Bob Fintak standing giving golfers instructions before taking off and Greg Raven tentatively listening.



Golfing teams are headed out to their starting tee.



The teams are in and lined up for a great meal. Barbecue chicken, brisket, mac & cheese, collard greens, salad, biscuits, dessert and lots of refreshments.



Above is the team score board and winners #1, #2 & #3.



What a beautiful day for playing golf!



There was great dinning room setting and waiting to hear winners.



First place winners left to right Eric Bennett, Frankie Hamer, Stephen Mahaffey and Cory Greer.



Second place team Jeff Leo only one in picture and his team members that had to leave early Trad Shuler, Pete Oakes and Damien Busillo.



Third place team front left George Beacher, right Ron McNally, top left Al Stiles and Austin Errthum.



Sisters lined up working hard handing out door prizes as they were called out by Chairman Bob Fintak.



A great picture left to right of Sister Margaret, Sister Lupe, Sister Gioan and Sister Julia that worked so hard with the Knights to make the Golf Tournament a great success. What a fun day was had by all even the workers.



Knights of Columbus



A Catholic Fraternal Organization Dedicated to Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

Our Guest Speaker Bill Desciak Charleston Diocese Pre-Cursillo Chairperson



Above Bill Desciak gave us a good talk on Cursillo history to present time.



Above left Grand Knight Joe Nesbitt just presented Bill Desciak with Knights cup thanking him for his talk and time.

Knight of the Month May 2022 Jon Tirpak

Of late, Jon Tirpak has focused on saint inspired business, Stella Maris, and family to make the world better in his own way.

Within his small consulting firm, Sabattis, LLC, named after Saint John the Baptist, are operating divisions inspired by the Saints. For instance, the engineering division is named after Saint Eligius the patron saint of metalworkers since Jon is a metallurgist. His business-to-business sales methodology division is named after Saint Lucy, the patron saint of salesmen. His special projects division is inspired by Saint Joseph which also accounts for his support of the Knights of Columbus and Stella Maris Church.

This past year, Jon has increased his support of his parish by upping his game as Church Director between the parish and the council; serving as an usher and lector; and participating in the Men's Club. Of late his attendance at the Men's Club has been limited as he participates in family activities.

For Nicola Tirpak, Jon and Angie's oldest daughter, remodeling a house and preparing for her November wedding has consumed a lot of time and effort. Helping her is her sister Natasha who works at the University School and provides social media for 2 clients. Their "little" brother Nathan will graduate from The Citadel and be commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army in 2023. Together, Angie and Jon, strive to support their 3 children as they move onward and upward in life.

If we all focused on our families, participated in our parishes, and applied our time and talent, the world will be a better place.

Congratulations Jon!!!



Left to right Grand Knight Joe Nesbitt presented Jon Tirpak Knight of the Month with Knights cup and Family Director Kurt Denner is presenting Jon with Knight of the Month Certificate.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Council 9475 BOOK SALE

SAT. JUNE 11th THROUGH SAT. JUNE 25

LOCATION:

Daughters St. Paul Book Store 243 King Street Downtown Charleston

HOURS:

Saturday through Saturday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm Sunday 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm

PRICE:

Paperback \$1 Hardcover \$2

Proceeds from the sale will help support Daughters St. Paul and Knight's philanthropic projects.

Book donations brought to the site will be gratefully accepted.

For further information, email Jerry Gimbert at jerrygimbert@gmail.com.

Or

Marion Wright at marionw38@gmail.com

Below are a few pictures of hard working Knights and Ladies of the Knights Setting Up the Book Sale Area



In picture at left are left to right Tom Franzone, Marion and Doris Wright and Jerry Gimbert. They put a good days work in unloading boxes of books and putting them in low cut boxes for disply. Not in picture who put a lot of work into unpacking the books are Michael McDermott and Carlos Araiza.

All the boxes of books were delivered to the Book Store area by the truck brigade crew Tom Siwarski, Jerry Gimbert, Marion Wright, Carlos Araiza, Jon Tirpak and Tom Franzone



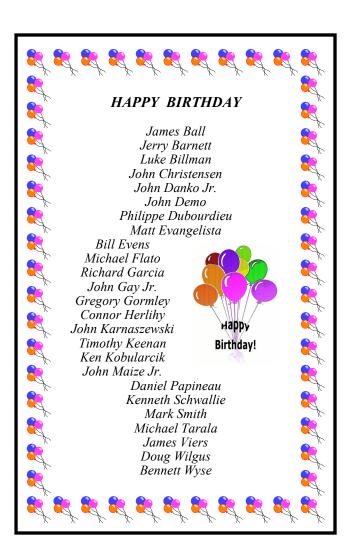
In this picture are left to right Doris and Marion Wright plus Jerry Gimbert working hard to get all the books out of the boxes and into the low cut boxes that are stacked against wall right side of picture. As you can see the stack of boxes on floor middle back of picture is a lot smaller with about 75 to 80% on display on tables ready for sale.



In this picture front and center is Diana Barnett doing the hard job of categorizing the books and getting rid of the non selling books. In the back is Carlos Araiza unpacking books and right is Marion moving boxes of books on dolly.

Not in a picture is Tom and Jane Kenzik who put a morning in sorting books as well.





The Following Brother Knights Were Vote To Be Our Officers 2022—2023

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Our May 19, 2022 Regular Business Meeting

Grand Knight	Matt Feltman	
Deputy Grand Knight	Jerry Gimbert	
Chancellor	Kurt Denner	
Recorder	Michael Fabrizio	
Treasurer_	Jim Welsch	
Advocate	Bob Fintak	
Warden	Jon Tirpak	
Inside Guard	Marion Wright	
Outside Guard	Carlos Araiza	
3 rd Year Trust	Joe Nesbitt	
^{2nd} Year Trustee	Tom Siwarski	
1 st Year	Kevin Cunnane	

CALENDAR OF EVENTS JULY 2022

Nocturnal AdorationJun. 30 to Apr. 01
Stella Maris—8 PM to 8 AM
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 01
COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM
Pro-Life/Rosary 02
COK—7:30 AM
Independence Day 04
Ultrya Meeting 05
Christ Our King Chapel 6:30 PM
Officers Meeting 07
COK—Life Center —6:30 PM
Prayer Visual at Abortion Facility 16
West Ashley Abortion Facility 8:00 AM
(Corner of Hwy 61 & Fuseler Rd.)
1312 Ashley River Rd., Charleston, SC 29407
Regular Business Meeting 21
St. Benedict's Parish Hall
950 Darrell Creek Trial 29466
Rosary: 6:00 PM
Meeting: 6:30 PM
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Grand Knight		Joe Nesbitt	843-297-9873
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Financial Secretary	,	Jeff Pulaski	843-813-1732
Recorder		Michael Fabrizio	843-200-1555
Treasurer		Jim Welsch	843-849-1979
Lecturer		Ron Davis	843-856-4950
Advocate		Bob Fintak	803-917-1530
Warden		Jon Tirpak	843-480-5784
Inside Guard		Kurt Denner	843-323-0981
Outside Guard		Carlos Araiza	480-352-7679
3 Yr. Trustee		Tom Siwarski	610-213-5226
2 Yr. Trustee		Kevin Cunnane	843-216-5354
1 Yr. Trustee		Don Campbell	843-471-1085
Program Director		Tom A. Franzone	843-729-7734
Church Director		Tom A. Franzone -COK	
		Jon Tirpak - SM	843-480-5784
		Robert Geberth - SB	843-654-9549
		Leo Albano - SC of A	843-216-1710
Vocations Chairma	n	Deacon Kevin Campbell	
Community Director		Bill Shoemaker	843-884-1378
Pro/Life Couple		Don Campbell	843-471-1085
Health Services		D. J. Thatcher	843-513-0214
Council Director		Bobby Geberth	845-282-5546
Public Relations		Neil Whitman	843-270-9834
Family Director		Kurt Denner	843-323-0981
Culture of Life Dire	ector	Don Campbell	843-471-1085
Youth Director	cctoi	Mike Flato	843-973-1409
Membership Direct	tor	Joe Harkins	843-881-5768
Admission Chairm		Kevin Cunnane	843-216-5354
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Insurance Agent		Paul Harrington	706-338-7924
Supreme Fraternal	Services	-	203-772-2130
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Meditation for Father's Day

Deacon Kevin Campbell

Gen 14: 18-20; Ps 110: 1-4; 1 Cor 11: 23-26; Lk 9: 11-17

We are fast approaching Father's Day which we will celebrate on June 19^{th.} I thought it would be good to use this mediation as a salute to our fathers. Please first review and reflect on the Readings I have notated above.

First, I want to thank all of our wonderful fathers. Having fathers in our lives, fathers who love, care for, discipline and instruct us, is so important if we want to be the best versions of our selves.

There was a father of five young children, ages 5--12, who came home with a toy. He called the children together and asked which of them should be given the present: "who is the most obedient one here? Who never talks back to Mom and does everything Mom says to do?" After a few seconds of silence, the 5-year-old said, "Daddy, you should have the present". And the other children agreed.

So, to all our fathers, who are obedient to our wives, who never talk back and do everything our wives tell us, this could be a very special Father's Day.



In our First Reading, we find Melchizedek. He is said to be the precursor of Jesus. He was the king of Salem, which many historians believe meant Jerusalem. He was also the high priest who distributed bread and wine, just as Jesus will do. He also gave a blessing. By his blessing, he meant that Abram was made powerful by God the most high. He was a priest, prophet and king just as Jesus will be.

This Reading makes me think of our Fathers on their special day in that they are like the king in our families. God had blessed them in order for them to lead our families. Our Fathers teach us discipline, to be strong, to stretch in order to reach our goals in life, to preserve, never give up, but also to love and to live our lives just as Jesus wants us to.

Our Psalm was most probably written by King David. He humbly looks to someone greater than he. He acknowledges that God will allow him to be victorious in battles. One of the greatest gifts our fathers give us is to be humble. We are not wimps, but when we can treat others with humility, we will receive God's blessings, his grace, in all the things we do in our lives.

In our second reading, Paul hands on to his disciples the most precious gift of our brother, Jesus. On the night he was to die in order for us to be forgiven of our sins. Jesus said these words and performed his unselfish, sacrificial act of love, to be the same sacrifice that takes place at every Mass.

Our Fathers also pass on many important things. First of all, with the assistance of our moms, we have our Faith in God. It is our Faith that God will get us through any situation, if we remain faithful to him. Our Fathers also give us the gifts of being trust worthy, truthful, kind and generous.

After Jesus performed the miracle of feeding the 5,000, the people wanted to make him a king. Jesus declined. He said the people wanted to make him a bread king because he had fed them food. They missed the greater point: with Jesus, we can accomplish many things that we otherwise could not. He gives us peace, joy and happiness and the promise that we will be with him in heaven one day. Our Fathers teach us how to live a life of virtue. We will have struggles but we will deal with them in the manner as Jesus would.

So, on June 18th, we salute our fathers. For those fathers who are no longer with us let's pray that they will be welcomed into God's heavenly kingdom. For our fathers who are still with us, as they give us the gifts that God has given them, let us be open to these gifts so we can pass them on to others in our lives. Let's also celebrate that Jesus loved us enough to sacrifice himself so that we will be in heaven one day. Let's show our sincere appreciation by trying to go to Mass as often as we can to receive him in the holy Eucharist.



Deacon Kevin Campbell