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<p align="center">MEETING NOTICE K of C Council # 10209 Meets</p> <p><u>Where:</u> St. Paul Church-room 5</p> <p><u>When:</u> Monday, July 18, 2016</p> <p><u>Time:</u> 7:00 pm</p>

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Grand Knight's Report

Brother Knights,

I want to begin by thanking and congratulating our past Grand Knight, Bill Hoagland, and the officers that served this past fraternal year under Bill's leadership and for all they accomplished. Thank you all for electing me and putting your faith in me as your Grand Knight. I have learned so much over the years from each of our past Grand Knights and hopefully I can provide a positive example for our future leaders in our council. I'm looking forward to a great year working with our new slate of officers and our member council. All of the good works we do are based on four main principles of our Order; Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

As we move forward together into this new fraternal year, I would like for us to achieve Star Council, add a few more social events during the year to bring our brothers and families together, assist Father Gerold with his vision for St. Paul's and make a difference in our parish community. Star Council is an achievement set by our Supreme Council which recognizes councils that conduct well-rounded service programs, recruit new Knights, growth in our insurance program, and

reporting our forms to Supreme on time. In the coming months, we can come up with a plan to have a very successful year.

As many of you know, one of our past Grand Knights, Louis Palacios past away a couple of weeks ago. I want to express how much respect I had for him as he exemplified what being a Knight is all about. Over the years he served in many roles including one of the most important on the 1st Degree Team as the Chancellor. The Chancellor part is the longest and most difficult to remember and Louis would get so upset with himself if he missed a single word or two and did not get it perfect. Everyone else was so impressed that he was able to recite 4 or 5 pages without missing any lines. Louis displayed so much passion in playing the part and it was an honor to be on the 1st Degree Team with him. Let's keep the Palacios Family in our prayers.

We have had a busy month of June as we conducted a fundraiser selling fajita tacos, Fall-out for our Brother Knight Louis Palacios funeral, Fall-out for a Retirement Flag Ceremony with Boy Scout Troop 403 and conducted an installation of officer's ceremony. There are so many Knights and family members to thank, including Ralph Alaniz, Tony Garcia and Charles Davila for cooking chicken and beef fajitas, all of the Knights and families who attended Louis' funeral, Kevin Russell for leading the Fall-out for the scouts flag ceremony, and the Ladies Auxiliary along with Ralph Alaniz for preparing a delicious meal we all enjoyed after the officers installation ceremony. Finally, I want to thank and congratulate both Patricia Russell (out-going President) and Teri Gonzalez (incoming President) and for all of the support the Ladies Auxiliary provides our council each year.

Fraternally,

Chris Jistel, GK

Prayer Requests

Please continue to pray for Jeff Payne, Bob Fonseca, Bob Natoli, Louis Palacios, Tom Natoli, Gayle Ferguson, Fr. Hector Vega, Ish Gonzalez, EA Treviño, Ariya Villegas, Mary Moore, Jim Thompkins, Mike Snowden, Jim and Jan Elman, Ralph Alaniz, Roy Ramirez, Gary Mayes, Tony

Garcia, Patricia Wills, Jack Wills, Mark Wills, Christa Wills, Johna Wills, John Kennedy, James Meny, Vince Boyle, and Persecuted Christians worldwide.

Calendar Review

Monday, July 18, 2016 - Council 10209 General Meeting 7:00pm – Room 5

Monday, July 18, 2016 - Council Officers and Chairpersons meeting – 7pm

Saturday, July 30, 2016 -Men's Club Workday – 8am

Quarterly Adopt-A-Street

Brother Knights,

It is time for our Quarterly Adopt-A-Street Litter Pick-Up.

I have scheduled it for:

SATURDAY, July 9, 2016
8:30 - 10:00 am

We will meet at the church parking lot entrance by the big rock/boulder.

I will have the necessary supplies; gloves, grabbers, safety vests, trash bags, water and a small snack.

We will pick up litter along the roadsides along David Moore Rd from Slaughter Lane to Sweetwater St.

We will also include picking up litter around the church grounds (buildings and parking lots).

Please respond to this email or call me at either number below if you wish to volunteer.

Thank you.

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Good of the Order

Brothers,

This month I would like to share with you some reflections of Bishop Thomas J. Tobin, Bishop of

Youngstown. The following is excerpted from “Questions of the Bible” from his book *Without a Doubt, Bringing Faith to Life*. Bishop Tobin writes: Often we look to the Bible for answers – answers to questions of faith, answers to life’s most perplexing dilemmas. And that’s the way it should be. After all, as Saint Paul wrote “All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness” (2 Tim 3:16).

But we should also pay close attention to the questions of the Bible. The Bible has many questions that lead to the revelation of great and lasting truths. Where are you? (Gen 3:9), Where is the Lamb? (Gen 22:7), Who am I? (Ex 3:11), How can this be? (Lk 1:34), And who is my neighbor? (Lk 10:29), and there are more. I will share Bishop Tobin’s reflections on a few of the questions in the Bible.

And who is my neighbor? We are all familiar with the story of the Good Samaritan, indicating that the true neighbor was the stranger, the foreigner. Jesus emphasizes that charity knows no boundaries, that being a good neighbor is not limited to race, religion, or nationality. This lesson is important to remember whenever we hear the slogan “charity begins at home.” In fact, that’s just the opposite of what Jesus taught.

Teacher, what good deed must I do, to have eternal life? (Mt 19:16). Remember the story – the man says he has always kept the commandments, but still he feels empty – he asked Jesus “what do I still lack?” Jesus offers “if you would be perfect, go sell what you possess and give to the poor...and come follow me”. The young man went away sad, for his possessions were many.

One can only speculate about the young man’s life after that. He probably remained virtuous and prosperous, but unfulfilled. He is the archetype of many people in our society who are rich in material possessions, but spiritually impoverished. The following of Jesus always requires an emptying of self, a personal sacrifice. There is no other way!

But who do you say I am? (Mt 16:15). Jesus wants to know what his closest followers believe about him. In response, Peter professes his faith: “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God”. Peter and the other apostles would spend the remainder of their lives answering this question, not only with

convincing words, but with heroic acts.

Now – who do you say Jesus is? And does the answer to that question make any discernible difference in your life? Think about it! As the apostles discovered, believing in Jesus demands much more than a few words.

Do you love me? (Jn 21:16) Recall that after denying Jesus three times a few days earlier, he now affirms his love for Jesus three times. Perhaps it wasn’t so much that Jesus needed to hear of Peter’s love; perhaps it was very important for Peter to speak it.

Even Peter’s colossal failure didn’t cause him to despair. He persevered until he found another opportunity to begin again, to proclaim his love for Jesus. There is an important lesson here. We should never, ever, be discouraged by our human weakness, our failures of faith and love. Every day Jesus asks us, “Do you love me?” and every day we have a new opportunity to say, “Yes, Lord, you know that I love you.”

Vivat Jesus

Happy Birthday!

My Van Dinh – July 14th

Devyn Wills – July 17th

Gene Borel – July 17th

Gene Leger – July 31st

Newsletter Articles

The next newsletter articles are due by Friday, July 29, 2016. Submit your articles to Albert Villegas at villegas3732@yahoo.com or by calling 512-799-7422.

