



# The Knight Newsletter

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**MEETING NOTICE**

**K of C Council # 10209 Meets**

**Where: St. Paul Church- room 5**

**When: Monday, July 3, 2017**

**Time: 7:00 pm**

Join the KofC10209 Google Group and get email notices of upcoming events! To sign up simply visit:

<https://groups.google.com/forum/?fromgroups#forum/kofc10209>

**Grand Knight's Report**

Brother Knights,

I want to begin by thanking our past Grand Knight, Chris Jistel, and the officers that served this past fraternal year under Chris' leadership. Our council is on track for Star council.

I also want to Thank you all for electing myself and putting your faith in me as your Grand Knight. Our council is blessed to have a number of previous Grand Knights and officers that offer their suggestions to grow our council. I'm looking forward to our next fraternal year and working with our new slate of officers. I congratulate our new officers and I am thankful for the men that volunteered for a officer position.

As we begin this fraternal year, I would like for us to continue building the Domestic Church. Chris started adding family projects to our newsletter. We will continue to support The Family Fully Alive mission.

I would like for us to continue asking Catholic men to consider joining the Knights of Columbus. This past year we added 7 new members and we have a number of other men considering joining our council. I want us to achieve Star council and continue assisting Father Gerold with his vision for St. Paul's parish.

One of my first responsibilities is to appoint service program directors. If you have led a service program and

would like to continue to serve in that position, please let me know. We will have a membership director, church director, community director, council director, Culture of Life director, family director and youth director.

We will start out July with a fundraiser on July 8th and 9th. Please volunteer to help with the cooking and selling after the masses.

Calling all baseball fans, we are looking for people to attend our Astros bus trip on August 6<sup>th</sup>. We will need to pay for the tickets and bus at the beginning of July.

Fortnight for Freedom ends on July 4th, please consider praying the Rosary in front of the Our Lady of Guadalupe shrine at 6:30 on Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> and attending mass on July 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am.

Let us keep the Natoli family in your prayers. Bob Natoli passed away last week. The arrangements for the funeral will be sent out. Bob was a active member of our council, he will be missed.

I would like thank Teri Gonzalez (President) and for all of the support the Ladies Auxiliary provides our council each year.

Fraternally,  
Albert Villegas, GK

### Prayer Requests

Prayers requested for the following individuals: Michael Snowden, Fr. Hector, Bob Fonseca, Gene Borel, Bob Natoli, Ishmael and Terri Gonzalez, Amador Rodriguez, Fr. Gerold, Kay Hoagland, Bonnie Law, Jeff and Betty Payne, Patricia Wills, Jack Wills, Jon Kennedy, Norma Nunez, Maya Mancuso, Emma Krenek, Reuben Gonzalez, Deacon Jesse Esquivel.

### Family Fully Alive - July

#### Witnessing to the Faith - Family Project

Invite a family member, friend or acquaintance to Mass, adoration or a faith-forming event with you. Also, write down ideas for small sacrifices and offerings on individual pieces of paper. Place these in a small bowl. Every day, have each member of the family randomly select one piece of paper to offer the sacrifice listed for the intentions of a

relative or friend. At the end of the month, each family member might send a note to the person for whom they made the offering, telling him or her about their prayers and sacrifices.

### For the Good of the Order...

The 4th of July is just a few days away. As I reflect on the birthday of our nation and the freedoms we enjoy as a free nation, many thoughts run through my mind. I think of those who gave their lives so that we could be free. Some perhaps reluctantly because they were drafted into service and some freely, eagerly volunteering to serve our country to keep it free. Regardless, all those who served ultimately offered their life for others – Jesus said there is no greater love than to lay down your life for your friends. We thank God that he loves us so much that he sent his only begotten Son so that we might not perish, but might have eternal life. And we thank Jesus that his love for us was so great that he did lay down his life for our salvation.

The 4th of July finds us well into summer vacation time. Spring is over and summer is upon us. Some of the crops in the field and garden are already harvested and some still maturing to harvest later in the summer and even into the fall. Jesus likened his followers -- and we are among his followers -- as sheep without a shepherd. He said the harvest is abundant but the laborers are few, so ask the master to send out laborers for his harvest. Then he gave the twelve authority over unclean spirits, instructing them to gather the lost sheep. These twelve and their successors are the laborers sent out to work the fields gathering the Master's harvest. Let us thank God that he sent Fathers Gerold, Johnson, Hector and Christian into our field.

When I came home today, I was reminded of my boyhood days and began to reflect on vacation and harvest. What made me think of a time more than a half century ago when I came home? Vicki had just canned some pickles, and we are about a week from going on our vacation. That made me think about the few times we went on vacation as a family when I was growing up. We would be excited, couldn't hardly wait to go and what typically happened? Daddy would come home with a sack of black eye peas or a bushel or two of cucumbers or squash that we would first have to shell (the peas) or wash (the cucumbers and squash) so that mom could put them up before we left. Oh the whining and complaining – but dutifully we completed the chore and then were on our way. That was much like laying down our lives for our family – maybe not being killed, but the delay of the start of the vacation was killing us kids –but mom and dad did have a lot of mouths to feed – I have 6 siblings and grandma lived with us too.

I hope you all enjoy this 4th of July and have some of your own thoughts and memories to reflect on. We will have a Mass at 10:00 AM on the 4th to close the Fortnight of Freedom which we have been keeping watch through prayer since June 21. Even if you were not able to participate in the prayers during the fortnight, please plan to attend Mass on Tuesday to thank God for the freedoms we are blessed with. Be safe, especially with the fireworks. You don't want to have a tragedy like the one Father James reported after Wednesday noon Mass while our priests were on retreat. Father James said a little girl swallowed a firecracker and her hair grew out in bangs.

Vivat Jesus

Deacon Lee

### Council Calendar Review

Monday, July 3, 2017 - Council 10209 General Meeting  
7:00pm – St. Paul Parish – Room 5

Saturday/Sunday, July 8 and 9, 2017 - Fundraiser

Monday, July 17, 2017 - Council 10209 Officer Meeting  
7:00pm – St. Paul Parish – kitchen

Saturday, July 29, 2017 -Men's Club Workday – 8am

### Happy Birthday!

July Birthdays

Brant Davis - 7/6  
Johnny Rodriguez - 7/7  
My Van-Dinh - 7/14  
Gene Borel - 7/17  
Devyn Wills - 7/17  
Gene Leger - 7/31

### Calendar review

July 22, 2017 - Ninth annual Men's Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Daniel Garcia at 10 a.m. at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin.

August 5, 2017 - Catholic Night at the Round Rock Express

August 6, 2017 - Join Council 10209 for a bus trip to see the Astros play the Toronto Blue Jays at Minute Maid Park in Houston on Sunday, August 6th at 1:10pm. The bus will leave St. Paul Catholic Church at 9am sharp and will return to St. Paul after the game. Transportation, snacks, and game ticket is included in the \$60 price. Payment must be received by June 30th to guarantee your spot. There are a max of 50 seats available on this trip.

### Statue for the Unborn

The last two weekends, Ralph Alaniz, Pete Cantu, My Van-Dinh and myself worked on beautifying the Statue for the Unborn. I want to thank these Knights for helping me sand down and paint the fence, plant lantana flowers, and put red mulch around the area to match the other flower beds.

Fraternally, Chris Jistel

### Newsletter Articles

The next newsletter articles are due by Friday, June 30, 2017. Submit your articles to Albert Villegas at [villegas3732@yahoo.com](mailto:villegas3732@yahoo.com) or by calling 512-799-7422.

