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### **MEETING NOTICE**

**K of C Council # 10209 Meets**

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

**When: Monday, September 18, 2017**

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**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,

We have all seen and heard of the destruction from hurricane Harvey. Many families will need help for many months ahead. It was amazing to see many people from all over the United States coming to help the victims of Harvey. Please pray for the families affected by the hurricane and pray for the many volunteers who will give their time, talent and treasures. My daughter and her family were evacuated from Spring, TX. She was very fortunate. Her home was not affected by the hurricane

There are many charities that are asking for help:

Knights of Columbus

<http://kofc.org/un/en/charities/articles/disaster-relief.html>

Catholic Charities is also asking for donations.

We have had a busy month. I want to thank everyone that made all of our events successful. This past month, we attended a Astros baseball game, we had a Altar server appreciation at EVO, we had a successful rack of ribs fundraiser and finished the month with bowling at Westgate Lanes. This month we must prepare for the Fall festival. It takes many volunteers to make our festival a success. We will be setting up a link to sign-up to cook and operate our hamburger and turkey leg booth. Each

year our booth has been at the top with the money raised for our church.

I have two positions to fill. I am looking for someone to fill the role as Recorder. SK Thomas Addison has decided to step down, I want to thank Thomas for all he has done in this position. This position is important for our council. This person keeps a record of all of our meetings. I am also looking for someone to fill the position as Community Committee Chair. After many years, SK Rene Gaytan has decided to step down. I want to thank Rene for his service to our community. If any member is interested in a position, please let me know.

For the month of September, Knight of the Month is Joseph Esquivel. Joseph is one of our newest members. Thank you Joseph for all that you do for our council and the church. Joseph has stayed busy at our fundraisers.

Family of the Month goes to Kiet and Kim Tran. Kiet is very active as an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, a Lector and a Adult Altar server. Kim is also very active as a greeter/usher and a member of the new parishioner welcoming committee. She is also a member of our Ladies Auxiliary.

Before you know it, Christmas will be here. Our council Christmas party will be December 9<sup>th</sup> at Grace hall. We will start planning soon.

If you did not make it to our last meeting, our Deacon Lee informed us that he will be leaving and moving closer to his family. Deacon Lee has been an asset to our council and our church. We will miss Deacon Lee and Vicki. We wish them well on their move.

Fraternally,  
Albert Villegas, GK

### Prayer Requests

Prayers requested for the following individuals: Michael Snowden, Fr. Hector, Manual Navarro, Ishmael and Terri Gonzalez, John Kennedy, Deacon Davy Pearson, Pat Johnson, Yolanda Holt, Junior Golona (off of life support) Mora and Robert Guerra, Amador Rodriguez, Fr. Gerold, Bonnie Law, Jeff and Betty Payne, Patricia Wills, Jack Wills, Augie Arredondo

### Family Fully Alive - July

Family Fully Alive - September - Charity - Family Project

Volunteer as a family with your parish, local Knights of Columbus council or other local Catholic ministry. If there are no nearby Catholic charities, then consider volunteering at a nearby soup kitchen or similar local charity.

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

Brothers,

Yesterday evening I heard that people were lining up at gas stations to buy gas and this morning I read an email from a neighbor asking if anyone could sell her some gas. She had run out of gas on her way home last night, fortunately only a block from her home so she was able to get home, but now desperately was trying to get some gas. And this is the beginning of Labor Day weekend, a popular travel weekend for many.

That made me think about how we grow dependent on certain things - not much more than a hundred years ago, gas for cars wasn't a concern, however a drought might have caused hay and feed for the mules and horses to be in short supply. When we sense a shortage of what we deem to be important, we tend to scramble to be sure we get our fair share, or maybe a little more just to be safe. That certainly seemed to be the case yesterday evening and this morning. I haven't seen cars lined up to get gas like I saw today since the mid 1970's when there was a gasoline shortage.

How quickly we try to satisfy our perceived need of something in short supply and rush out to get our share before it runs out. So many take for granted what is really needed and what we truly depend on: the Grace of God; maybe because we know it is not in short supply and will not run out, or maybe because we think we don't need it. The latter is the gravest mistake we can make; yet, I am afraid that many do make that mistake, having the opinion that

“I can take care of what I need.” At least it seems that way, especially when looking at how even our small church can’t fill up for Sunday Masses.

Last Sunday, as we were experiencing some, but not the worst, effects of the catastrophic Hurricane Harvey, more of our chairs were empty than on most Sundays. A time when all of us should have been on our knees asking God to protect us from the devastation such a storm could bring, we had a church so empty you could almost hear an echo. I wonder what those who did not go to Mass were doing. Perhaps watching the god TV and giving the attention and praise due God to the meteorologists and weather reporters. I wonder if those same people would have stayed home and not gone to a football game in similar weather.

Let’s not forget what we are most dependent on and then let us always rush to get our fair share before it is too late – not that the grace will run short, but that we did not go to get it because we have more important things to do.

God Bless you all and Vivat Jesus

Deacon Lee

### Council Calendar Review

Monday, September 18, 2017 - Council 10209 General Meeting 7:00pm – St. Paul Parish – Room 5

Friday/Saturday, September 22,23, 2017 - Fall Festival

Saturday, September 30, 2017 -Men’s Club Workday – 8am

### Happy Birthday!

#### September Birthdays

- Ariel Sobrevega - 9/1
- Ken Ensell - 9/4
- Ernesto Gonzalez Sr. - 9/5
- Sal Valdez - 9/8
- Robert Sepulveda - 9/18
- Matt Cullen - 9/25
- Mike Guzik - 9/25
- Pete Cantu - 9/26

### Newsletter Articles

The next newsletter articles are due by Friday, September 29, 2017. Submit your articles to Albert Villegas at [villegas3732@yahoo.com](mailto:villegas3732@yahoo.com) or by calling 512-799-7422.



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