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Next Meeting is:

**Monday May 3rd at 7pm
in room 7 at St. Paul
Catholic Church.**

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Grand Knight's Report

Brother Knights,

Big THANK YOU to all that helped at the Priest Recognition event. The turnout was fantastic by all. Fr Barry and Fr James were surprised at number of people that came. St Paul's faith community showed their support of Fr. Barry and Fr. James. It was a very fun filled evening for everyone. I enjoyed seeing everyone. Tom did a great job chairing the

committee for this event. Tom, THANK YOU!

May is around the corner, starting off with a Knight of Columbus Family Picnic on May 2nd, 2 - 5. Location is Dittmar Recreation Center. A fun filled event for all. I hope to see you all there.

Pass along to anyone that is going to Post High school information about the Scholarship

Program.

I want to encourage all that can join in the Blood Drive scheduled for May 23rd. Giving Blood does save lives. Do what you can.

Pope Benedict XVI and all clergy they need our support and prayers.

God Bless us all

David Moore.

Priest Recognition Event Wrapup

The Priest recognition event was held April 6th and was a huge success. Several hundred parishioners came by to show their appreciation to Father Barry and Father James and enjoy some cake, ice cream and refreshments. All were able to watch a running video of appreciation to the Priests that was developed by Kevin. It highlighted all the various organizations in the Parish and was set to the year of the priest sound track in both English and Spanish.

Father Barry and Father James commented that they had a great time were surprised so many people attended.

The Knights had a great showing and presented both priests with certificates of recognition and appreciation.

The Spouses were very active and there was plenty of support at all the stations- the welcome hallway, drinks, cake, ice cream and children's room. The church looked great with beautiful flower arrangements. Kudos to all the Knights that helped set up the event and also cleaned up and set the church up for weekend services. And thanks to the Knights and their families that handed out invitations after all the masses the weekend preceding the event.

We also donated some cake to a funeral service being held the next day and to a homeless shelter.

Thanks to everyone on the committee that planned this event for the past 6 months -Brian and Erin Touhy, David and Mary

Moore, Deacon John and Mary Pickwell, Ken and Maria Moore, Kevin and Patricia Russell, Sean and Cheryl McGee and my wife Kathy. It was a great group where everyone contributed and through prayer, discussion and team work the ideas turned into a great evening for all.



District Deputy Report

Brother Knights,

We are coming to the end of the fraternal year, and it is time to tie up the loose ends. Help your council achieve Star Council by recruiting a Catholic Gentleman into the order or by meeting with your Insurance representative and learning about the great products the Order has for its members.

Important dates in May:

- April 30-May 2nd: State

Convention in Corpus Christi

- Sunday, May 9th: Mother's Day
- Tuesday, May 11th: 1st Degree at St. Ignatius
- Thursday, May 13th: Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord
- Monday, May 24th: Chapter meeting at Santa Barbara

- Wednesday, May 26th: 1st Degree at St. Catherine of Siena
- Monday, May 31st: Memorial Day

John Massey
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Insurance Agent Report

Brother Knights,

As I meet more and more Brother Knights, I am extremely impressed with their commitment and passion as we strive to make our families stronger, promote the right to life, help others and serve God. A Knight's job is never done, but it's beautiful to see what has already been accomplished. Keep up the great work!

Was it just me, or did April fly by? I bet that May will try to zoom past us too.

This month, consider taking a little time to smell the roses of life. Spend a few extra minutes in prayer. Take a family day one Saturday or Sunday and go on a picnic, or something out of the normal weekend routine. Surprise your wife with an unexpected date night. These, among many others, are things that have been on my "I've been meaning to do" list for awhile.

All of the work that we do is important, but the work is just a means to some end—a better life for our families, a stronger

council, a more welcoming parish, a loving marriage, a faithful life in service of God. For me, it can be easy to lose focus on what's important in the midst of deadlines, meetings, fundraisers, service projects with more and more being added to our calendars seemingly each moment.

That's one reason that your fraternal benefits from the Knights are important. Instead of having a worry in the back of your mind about what would happen to your wife and children if something tragic happened or instead of worrying about your family's financial outlook if diagnosed with a life-threatening illness, you can focus on what truly matters—your family and your relationship with God. With a well-designed plan that is reviewed every year or two, you can have that piece of mind. The planning process is a free benefit of the Knights of Columbus and our financial options have the highest ratings, an extremely secure investment backing, the highest moral standards and are very competitively priced.

As a Brother Knight with a growing family, being able to put a few minutes into this now assured me that my wife and little girl would be okay financially without me. I know I can't be replaced, but my paycheck will be.

Give me a call or send me an e-mail today for more information or to answer any questions. I'd like to meet your family, hear about the good work you're doing and see how we can work together to secure your financial future.

Don't forget about Mother's Day on May 9th!

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Financial Secretary's Report

My Brother Knights

As we close this fraternal year at the end of June, we are close to meeting the necessary requirements for Star Council. Two of the requirements include meeting our quota on new members as well as new insurance members. We need two more new members to make a first degree ceremony. To meet our insurance quota, we only need 3 Associate mem-

bers who are thinking about making a beneficial sacrifice for your family's future to become Knights of Columbus insurance member. Brandon Kraft our new KofC insurance agent is ready to meet with you and your family and he can be reached at 476-3761.

Father Barry has transferred into our Council and is an Honorary Life member. Jason Peters also made his First Degree

on March 24, 2010. Let's congratulate and make both of our new members feel welcome into the Council.

Fraternally, Chris Jistel FS



For the Good of the Order...

I was hungry and you gave me food, I was homeless and you gave me shelter, I was naked and you clothed me. What you did or did not do for the least of His brethren, you did or did not do for Him. OK, so who are these least brethren? And am I doing for them or not doing for them? Are they least because they are too lazy to get an education and/or a good job? It is easy for those of us who have, to rationalize and say: "Nobody gave me an education or a job - I earned it and so can they if they want it". But, is that really true? From the social structure we grew up in and are accustomed to it seems that way, but what about the social structure from where these least brethren came? The next time you see someone on a street cor-

ner asking for help, or a homeless person downtown asking for a bus pass or some other assistance, or when the next food drive is held, try to think of these least brethren through a new perspective. Take off your rose colored glasses of abundance and try looking through the glasses of the underprivileged poor.

We all deserve to benefit from our work and perseverance and everyone should have an opportunity to work, but the reality is that not all have had the good fortune of a steady job. But for those of us that do have a steady good job, successful investments, vested in good retirement plan, when do we say, ok, I have enough, now I can give to someone less fortunate than I. Probably none of

us will say this because we lack trust that God will provide in our need, so we think we need to build up a reserve for when things go bad, and they could go bad. So, since we admit that we will not be able to say: "I have enough, give the rest to someone else", then why not give a more substantial portion from your access, or why not trust God just a little and give a bit from your want, to the poor. Perhaps the next food drive or collection for the poor would be a good time to give it a try; remember feed Me, shelter Me, clothe Me.

God Bless You.

-SK Lee Jan

Community Corner

Thanks to the following Knights and family members who helped in this year's Adopt-A-Street City-Wide Clean Sweep on Sat, April 10th:

Ken Moore, Louis Palacios, Johnie Muller, Chris and Thomas Jistel, Larry Larson, David

Moore, Albert Villegas, Tom Natoli, and Jonathan Oliver.

We collected about 22 bags of trash from the roadside and from around the church grounds.

-SK Rene Gaytan

Please Pray for: Austin's homeless, Carlos Mendoza's daughter April and nephew Mathew Soto, Dave Moore's Mother In-Law Dorothy Arnani and wife Mary, Deacon John's wife Marilyn Pickwell, Father Barry, Father James, John A. Lowrey, Henry's wife Amelia Casas, Joe & Josie Reschman, Lee's Mother In-law, Bonnie Law, Lee's Sister In-law, Margie Bartos, Louis Palacios, Our military Clare Stanfield, Pete's Wife Ofelia Cantu, Tony Garcia's Stepson's Adam and Alex Torres and Andrew

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2009 Scholarship Program

Our 2009 Scholarship program is underway with application forms available in the Church magazine rack or by visiting <http://www.kofc10209.org/>.

The scholarships are open to any immediate family member of a parishioner of St. Paul Catholic Church who is pursuing higher education after their high school education is completed.

The council will award at least

2 scholarship awards and quite possibly many more.

If you have a son or daughter attending college be sure to encourage them to fill out an application. Applications are Due on Monday, May 10th and will be judged by a panel of judges.

If you have any unanswered questions please don't hesitate to contact me at seanmcgeek@gmail.com or by

phone at 512-680-0367

-SK Rene Gaytan

May Schedule of Events

Sunday, May 2nd—Family Picnic

Monday, May 3rd — Council Meeting 7pm in Rm.5

Friday, May 7th — Adoration begins after Noon Mass

Saturday, May 8th — Men's Club Workday 8am

Monday, May 10th—Scholarship Applications are Due

Monday, May 17th — Officer's Meeting 7pm in Kitchen

Sunday, May 30th — Corporate Communion at 9am Mass

Monday, May 31th—Newsletter Articles Due

Monday, June 7th — Council Meeting in Room 5