



KNIGHTLY NEWS

Knights of Columbus Council 7909, Olathe, KS

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COUNCIL OPERATIONS

Well, it is the last meeting of this fraternal year. Come to the meeting to see what we have coming up.

Wednesday, June 19th.

**The meeting starts at 7:00 PM.
(Rosary at 6:30 PM in the Cry room).**



Dear Brother Knights,

June is my last newsletter as Grand Knight. It has been an exciting and many great things have been accomplished by the Knights. It was an honor being Grand Knight this past year. Many of you know I will be departing this area in June and return to my hometown of Jefferson City, MO to be closer to my parents who are both in their nineties. I wish everyone the best and I will always cherish the time I spent as a Knight at Council 7909.

Vivat Jesus

Tom Westerman

Tom Westerman Grand Knight

MEMBERSHIP

TOTAL: 337 ACTIVE MEMBERS

Recognition

May

Knight of The Month
Tom Westerman

Family of The Month
Tom Westerman Family

Key Dates

June

6/2 – Corpus Christi Meal
6/4 – Officer Planning Meeting
6/8 – Street Cleanup
6/14 – Mission-For-Good Golf
Tournament
6/19 – Membership Meeting
6/22 – Exemplification
6/25 - Shalom House Dinner

July

7/2 – Officer Planning Meeting
7/13 – Homeless Uplift,
Christmas In July
7/15 – Membership Meeting
7/20 - Installation of Officers

August

8/6 – Officer Planning Meeting
8/19 – Membership Meeting

**Grand Knight Tom Westerman recognizes
our brother Knight.**



Tom Farmer
February Knight of The Month

Activity Updates

Shalom House Dinner

On May 14th, the council served another delicious dinner to the inhabitants of Sholm House.



**THE COOKS WERE: JON
THIELEN, MARK BRINKMAN
AND TOM FARMER.**

Exemplification

**May 18th saw the council hold
another 1st-3rd Exemplification.
We had 3 new members join.**

Our new member are:

**Chris Duffy
Kieran Duffy
Gabriel Edwards**



The degree team was as follows.

- Mark Brinksman – Opening, Closing Prayers
- Henry Marsh – Presenter - Lesson on Charity
- Robert Eisele – Presenter - Lesson on Unity
- Brian Timberlake– Presenter - Lesson on Fraternity
- Brian Borland – Warden
- Rob Ragusin – Investing Officer
- Alfredo A. Diaz – Presiding Officer (MC)

Catholic Facts

Brothers

A religious brother is a member of a religious institute or religious order who commits himself to following Christ in consecrated life of the Church, usually by the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. He is usually a layman and usually lives in a religious community and works in a ministry appropriate to his capabilities. A brother might practice any secular occupation. The term "brother" is used as he is expected to be as a brother to others. Brothers are members of a variety of religious communities, which may be contemplative, monastic, or apostolic in character. Some religious institutes are composed only of brothers; others are so-called "mixed" communities that are made up of brothers and clerics (priests or ministers, and seminarians). *

Spiritual Quotes

Pray as though
everything
depended on
God. Work as
though everything
depended on you.

— St. Augustine

*Wikipedia

Activity Updates

Mother's Day Flowers

On May 12th, the council gave out flowers to our parish mothers after each Mass. Almost 500 flowers were given out.



Scholarship Contest



The scholar winners for 2024 are:
Clara Straub, Eve Loehrer, Abigale Wurtenberger and Vanessa Kaumau. Each will receive \$1,000.00.

In addition there were two other applicants (Grant Lockwood and Karson Goone). The council decided to also award them \$500.00 each.



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Upcoming Activities & Events

June 2nd we will be providing some good food for the parish Corpus Christi Celebration.



June 8th is our next Street Cleanup. Come and give us a hand.



June 14th is the 7909 Charities Golf Tournament. Come out for a day of fun.



Don't forget to return your Baby Bottle donation by June 16th.



June 25th, the council will once again serve dinner to the residents of Shalom House. Helping hands are always welcome.

St. Philippine Duchesne Assembly 2260

The Next business meeting will be at St. John Paul II. Monday June 10th, at 7:05 PM.



Supreme & State Tidbits

Knights of Columbus supports restoration of baldacchino in St. Peter's Basilica

The Knights of Columbus will fund a yearlong restoration of Gian Lorenzo Bernini's iconic baldacchino above the high altar of St. Peter's Basilica, Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly announced at a Vatican press conference with Cardinal Mauro Gambetti, president of the Fabbrica di San Pietro.



The Order has a long history of supporting the work of the pope and the Vatican, beginning with Pope Benedict XV's request that the Knights open sports fields to serve the poor youth of Rome following World War I. Since 1980, the Knights has sponsored 17 Vatican restoration projects, including the cleaning of the façade of St. Peter's Basilica in anticipation of the Jubilee Year 2000, work in the Vatican Grottoes, and the restoration of a 7-foot-tall 14th-century wooden crucifix that was present in the original St. Peter's Basilica.

Kansas Knights

Did you know.....

The annual Tootsie Roll Program raised over \$364,000 last year to help people with intellectual disabilities. Since its beginning in Kansas, this program has distributed \$10.5 million to centers across the state, and is the prime sponsor of the Special Olympics Basketball Tournament.

June Birthdays

Name	Day
Bill Schoep	3
Patrick Atkins	4
Michael Hawley	5
Joshua Cameron	6
Todd Einck	10
John Diesel	11
Robert Eisele	11
Terence Milford	11
Brian Miller	13
Austin Walker	14
William Donegan	15
Paul Ling	15
Leon Bailey	16
Mark Brewer	16
Stan Lopeman	17
Ryan Best	19
Tom Farmer	19
Jonathan Burnos	20
Andrew Gaffney	21
Stephan Ginie	21
John Browne	22
Jon Meyers	22
Robert Hughes	23
John Meyers	23
Peter Rost	24
Paul Zagorski	24
John Dunn	25
Dennis Malley	25
Skip Soukup	26
Dean Kehoe	28

2024-2025 Officer Slate

Grand Knight: Alex Montgomery-Soares

Deputy Grand Knight: Alfredo Diaz

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Recorder: Roberto Gutierrez

Chancellor: Tim Walker

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Warden: TBD

Inside Guard: John Kimmi

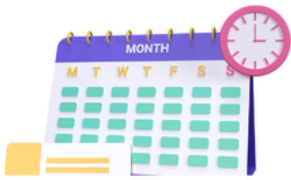
Outside Guard: Chad Bowles

Lector: TBD

Third Year Trustee: Bob Davis

Second Year Trustee: John Williams

First Year Trustee: Jon Thielen



UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Corpus Christi Celebration 	3	4  Officers Meeting	5	6	7	8  Street Cleanup
9	10	11	12	13	14  7909 Charities Golf Tournament	15
16	17 Meeting moved 	18	19  Membership Meeting	20	21	22  1st-3rd Exemplification
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