



# Knights' News

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## GRAND KNIGHT'S CORNER

We started off in June with high hopes that we could reach **Starr Council**, and we did it thanks to all of you supporting efforts. We continued with reciting the **Pro-Life Rosary** Life on the third Sunday. On June 25<sup>th</sup>, we pitched in to help with **STM 's Party in the Park**.

Please remember 1-2-3-3. **On July 6<sup>th</sup>, (first Sunday)** the Knights **will be doing a Pancake Breakfast** after both Masses. **The second Wednesday** of the month, **July 9<sup>th</sup>** we will have an **officers meeting** at 9:30 am. On the **third Sunday** of the month, **July 20<sup>th</sup>**, the Knights will lead the **Pro-Life Rosary** before mass at 10:00. On the **third Wednesday, July 16<sup>th</sup>**, we will have our **Knight's Business Meeting** beginning at 6:30 pm with the **Rosary**. Please remember to put these dates on your calendar so you won't miss a meeting.

Please remember to fill out your monthly activity form. Forms are in the vestibule of the church. **At our June Business Meeting, we had Election of officers.** The following Brother Knights were elected: **Grand Knight**, Greg DeCristofaro; **Dep. Grand Knight**, Michael Krzanich; **Chancellor**, Greg DeCristofaro; **Recorder**, Matthew Poje; **Warden**, Kevin Kriebel; **Treasurer**, Mark Fallon; **Year Trustee**, Richard Shaver; **2<sup>nd</sup> Year Trustee**, Jerry Foster; **3<sup>rd</sup> Year Trustee**, Ron Martin; **Inside Guard**, John Thomas; **Outside Guard**, Frank Nunez.

At each Business Meeting each member donates \$1.00 towards the **50/50 Drawing**. At our May business meeting, the winning number was # **34, Matt Sampson** who was absent. We will continue in our **50/50 drawing** each month. The 50/50 drawing pot is up to \$47.00.

I will continue to contact T.W. Starkweather, ST elect, in an effort to have the Knights statewide help contribute to the Garden of Innocence to offset the cost of cremation for abandoned babies.

If you are considering joining the 4<sup>th</sup> degree and the Honor Guard, please see me. All 3<sup>rd</sup> degree Knights are welcomed to join.

Our Friday morning **Men's Prayer Group** is going strong. Deacon Tom, Deacon Ray and Deacon Mike are leading our men's group in the small hall at 7:00 am. There is room for more to join us.

**In His Service, Greg DeCristofaro, Grand Knight, Council #7773**

## DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT

Welcome to the new Columbian Year! And congratulations on your accomplishments this past Columbian Year! Congratulations also to the new members and newly elected officers of all the councils in District 2. My thanks to the officers who are continuing and those who are retiring that have contributed greatly to the many good works of the Order.

As we plan for the new Columbian Year, it is Important we have a plan – a *“Faith in Action”* plan. Information on many engaging council programs and activities can be found on the Supreme website by clicking [here](#), including free and low cost guides and publications that can be used to inform members and parishioners of their faith and Catholicity. It is important we have programs and activities to engage our members. Reach out to those you haven't seen in awhile and invite them out to coffee, or to a council meeting. Plan a potluck or social event and let them know you care. Above all, **be visible in your parish**. Participate as ushers, lectors, greeters, sacristans, and extraordinary ministers.

“Cor” meetings and faith formation for the men of your parish continue to be a high priority. Cor (Latin for heart) is intended to *“form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through, prayer, formation, and fraternity.”* If you have not done so already, I urge you to register for information on “Cor” and view a short video by clicking [here](#). Study materials and curricula built on the theme “Cor Ecclesiae” are available from the Supreme Council designed for use in Catholic men's ministry, particularly in a group study. Information on a study guide based on St. Joseph and Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter which includes excerpts from *Patris Corde*, is available by clicking [here](#). Information on yet another curricula entitled “Men of the Word” is available by clicking [here](#).

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**Calendar of Events****July / August**

July	3	St. Thomas the Apostle
July	4	Independence Day, Flags on Skyway (Placement 7:00am, Removal 4:00pm)
July	6	K of C Hospitality—Pancake Breakfast after both Masses
July	8	Fr. Kelly's 26 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration in the Hall after Mass
July	9	Officers Meeting, 9:30 am
July	16	Business Meeting, Rosary 6:30pm, dinner 7:00pm, Business 7:30pm
July	20	Rosary before Mass at 10:00 am
Aug	13:	Officers Meeting 9:30am (CANCELLED)
Aug	17:	Rosary before Mass
Aug	20:	6:30pm: Rosary, meal, Business meeting (CANCELLED)

**JULY BIRTHDAYS:**

Nicholas Murray—2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lawrence G Locke—8 <sup>th</sup>	Thomas W Schaub—8 <sup>th</sup>
Jerome Foster—11 <sup>th</sup>	Ronald E Martin—12 <sup>th</sup>	Greg DeCristofaro—14 <sup>th</sup>
Edward W. Boyd—17 <sup>th</sup>	Michael Krzanich—18 <sup>th</sup>	John M Thomas--20 <sup>th</sup>

**CHANCELLOR'S REPORT**

Please continue to pray for those on our prayer list: Greg Wright, Leo Benedetti, Leo Bourgeios, Ron Martin, John Thomas, Jim and Lani McManus, Richard Reniero, Duncan Barnard, Israel Garcia, Barbara Brown, Jerry Foster, Jim Daley, Deacon Ray and Donna Helgeson and their daughter Kimberly and son Kenjon, Dave Porter, Dave Lemire, Carol Daffner, Liz Fierro , Gerald and Joy Regalia, Kendell Rensink, Tyler, Michael Crowder, Lou Gervais, Abel Holguin, Carolyn Boyd, Chris Rehmann, Frank Ricci, Ron Keys Deacon Gary, Marissa Li ,Marissa Kelly's father, Greg and Kathy DeCristofaro, Debie Gomez, Barbara Jo Navaro, Elizabeth Baker, Frank Nunes and Pope Leo XIV.

Please remember those who are serving our country in the armed forces and those who fell victim to the natural disasters. Pray for all the health professionals, all our police and law enforcement officers, fire fighters, EMT's and all who are trying to keep us safe. Pray for Israel and Ukraine and all the innocent victims of war. Pray for America which stands for One Nation under God, with Liberty and Justice for ALL.

For additions, deletions, corrections, please call your Chancellor, Greg DeCristofaro at 873-4132..

**KNIGHT HUMOR—RANDOM THOUGHTS**

- "Your call is very important to us. Please enjoy this 40-minute flute solo".
- Does anyone else have a plastic bag full of plastic bags, or is it just me?
- I hate it when I can't figure out how to operate the iPad and my tech support guy is asleep. He's 5 and it's past his bedtime.
- Today's 3-year-olds can switch on laptops and open their favorite apps. When I was 3, I ate mud.
- Tip for a successful marriage: Don't ask your wife when dinner will be ready while she's mowing the lawn.

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## **DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT (CON'T)**

A couple of housekeeping matters for this month: be sure to report your council officers elected for the new year to Chapter, State and Supreme as soon as possible. It is also important to plan an upcoming Installation of Council Officers, either in conjunction with a council meeting or as a separate council event (I am open to both).

As we plan for the new year, I challenge each council in District 2 to do their very best in helping their Pastors, parishes and church ministries. We exist to serve the church. While the Knights of Columbus is known for charitable service and fraternity, Father McGivney's intention in founding the Order was to fortify men first as disciples of Jesus. We are Catholic men and proud of it!

Thank you for your charity and service!

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## **GRAND KNIGHT'S CORNER (CON'T)**

In His Service, Greg DeCristofaro, Grand Knight, Council #7773

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