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HELLO BROTHER KNIGHTS:

AS WE APPROACH LENT, LET US FOCUS ON OUR LORDS SACRIFICE FOR OUR SINS SO THAT WE MAY ONE DAY BE BY HIS SIDE. JOIN ME IN PRAYING FOR THOSE THAT ONLY GET ASHES ON ASH WEDNESDAY AND FORGET TO RETURN TO CHURCH UNTIL EASTER. MAY THEY ALLOW THEMSELVES TO BE TOUCHED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT AND DISCOVER HOW MUCH WE NEED OUR LORD, NOT JUST IN FESTIVE DAYS OR BECAUSE OF TRADITION, BUT EVERY SINGLE DAY.

WELL BROTHERS AND FAMILY;

AS WE KNOW AND I BELIEVE EVERYONE IS TALKING ABOUT. FISH FRY IS COMING UP AND THIS YEAR WE HAVE 4 FRIDAYS TO PREPARE, COOK, SERVE AND CLEAN UP. THE COMMUNITY IS ALREADY ASKING AND WE ARE ANTICIPATING 600+ MEALS TO SERVE. BUT LIKE WE HAVE MENTIONED BEFORE, WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU! WE ARE NOT EXAGGERATING, WITHOUT YOUR HELP WE

WOULD HAVE NO FISH FRY AND MANY WOULD BE DISAPPOINTED, INCLUDING MYSELF. THE WORD IS OUT AND WE ARE THE BEST IN FRYING FISH AROUND OUR AREA. THANK TO OUR COOKS AND OUR AWESOME COUNCIL. SO THIS YEAR ONCE AGAIN, WE NEED ALL HANDS ON DECK! GOD WILLING WE WILL SEE YOU THEIR.

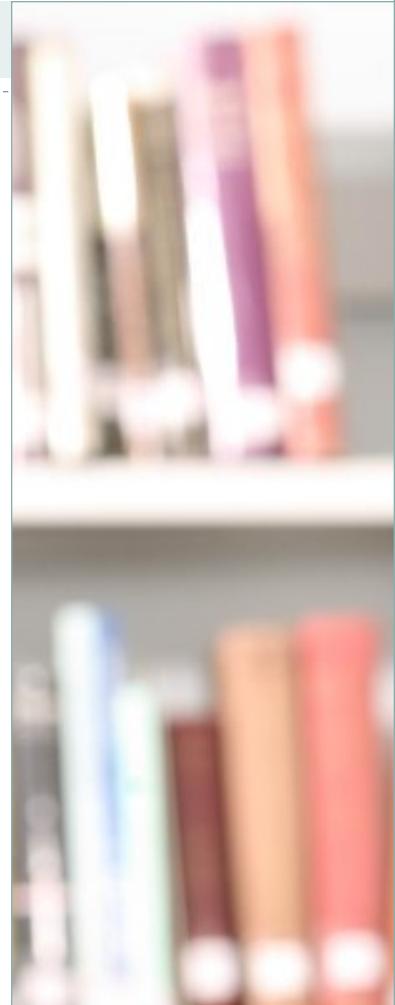
ON ANOTHER NOTE, I WANT TO THANK EACH ONE OF YOU FOR ANOTHER GREAT CRAB FEED. THANK YOU FOR THE TIME YOU TOO FROM YOUR BUSY SCHEDULE AND SUPPORTED THIS EVENT. IT WAS A LOT OF HARD WORK FROM ALL OF YOU INCLUDING THE COMMITTEE THAT BEGAN MONTHS AGO TO PREPARE EVERYTHING. THANKS BE TO GOD, EVEN THOUGH THE PRICES WERE HIGH THIS YEAR, WE WERE ABLE TO STAY A FLOAT AND ENJOY OURSELVES AT THE SAME TIME. WE WILL HAVE THE NUMBERS FOR YOU SOON.

DON'T FORGET BROTHERS, OUR MONTHLY MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MARCH

8,2022 @7PM. I HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US AND WE CAN THANK YOU PERSONALLY FOR YOUR SACRIFICE IN HELPING OUT.

MAY YOU AND YOUR FAMILY HAVE A BLESSED MARCH AND A GREAT ST. PATRICK'S DAY. PLEASE BE SAFE AND CAREFUL WITH PEOPLE THAT LOVE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THAT DAY TO DRINK AND AGAINST THEIR BETTER JUDGEMENT DECIDE TO DRIVE DRUNK. GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Yours in Christ:
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- Special Interest: Fish Fry

March 2022						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Feast of The Holy Face of Jesus	2 Ash Wednesday	3	4 Fish Fry 5pm	5
6 1st Sunday of Lent Daylight Savings Ti	7 Officers Meeting	8 Council Meeting 7pm	9	10	11 Fish Fry 5pm	12
13 2nd Sunday	14	15	16	17 St. Patrick	18 Fish Fry 5pm	19
20 3rd Sunday of Lent Spring	21	22	23	24	25 Fish Fry 5pm Annunciation of The Lord	26
27 4th Sunday of Lent	28	29	30	31	1	2

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

<u>Members' Birthdays</u>	3/16 Benito	<u>Wives' Birthdays</u>	(Sherry) Svendsen	<u>Anniversaries</u>
Benjamin Laura 3/2	Ramirez 3/21	Camille Lorns 3/4	3/13 Susie	Patrick & Linda Laubacher 3/6
Alonso Castillo 3/4	Larry Kjellberg 3/24 Chris Powers 3/25	Annette Dedini 3/6	Dickert 3/18 Mona	Rick & Grace Guajardo 3/7
Michael Callahan 3/7	Roger Farias 3/28	Maria Dequeiroz 3/8	Wildt 3/18	Daniel & Suny Di Rienzo 3/10
Bryan Healey 3/9 William Willette 3/10 Ron Martorana 3/12	John Mullins 3/28 Everett Hough 3/30	Mara Mullins 3/10		Jose & Sara Barradas 3/26
Leonardo Del Carmen 3/16 Kent Harker	Richard Ward 3/31	Edith Awuah 3/13		William & Michelle Frey 3/11
		Yesenia		

JOHN'S JOKES



1) Standing in the garage with my four year old grandson looking out the open door while its raining.

Him: Why is it raining Grandpa?

Me: Well, that's God crying.

Him: Why is God crying, Grandpa?

Me: Its probably something you did.

2) To honor a librarian that dies, do you ask for a moment of noise?

3) You can't plant flowers if you haven't botany.

4) I met my wife at a singles bar. Funny thing was I thought she was at home watching the kids.

5) I can tell when people are lying just by looking at them. I can also tell when they're standing.

6) I don't know people get eaten by sharks. I mean, how do you not hear the music? (Dun dun dun da)

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT'S MARCH MESSAGE

As we know Fish Fry is coming up and God willing we will have 4 Fish Fry's this year beginning on March 4, 2022 at 5pm. So far all looks good for Dine in and Take Out.

We do however need your help before and after for each of those Fridays of Lent . We anticipate serving up to or more than 600 dinners weekly beginning at 5pm but we ask that you can show up at 4:30pm if possible. We have plenty of work for everyone. If you arrive later that afternoon, I am sure there is a position for you to fill.

Our community is already asking if we will have Fish Fry this year and with your help it will not be a disappointment on having to wait in line for ever. And only with your help, everyone can get served quickly and enjoy the great meal prepared by our KofC Council Cooks.

We also need help in setting up the Father O'Hare Hall such as cleaning up, preparing the fish, attending bar, and ticket sales at our Church Plaza after each mass etc... Please let me know where you can help if not just show up.

On another note, thank you for your help with our Crab Feed, we can't do it without that you do so, we can continue to support our Parish and Community. We will have on our next Council Meeting on Tuesday March 8, 2022 @7pm.

God bless Brothers and Family, we hope to see you soon.

Thank You for your service!

you and many are thankful for all the numbers for you soon, hopefully



MARCH'S PRAYER MESSAGE

Pope Francis Prayer Request for March 2022:

A Christian Response to Bioethical Challenges:



We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

Happy St. Patrick's Day 2022!

Happy Spring 3/20/2022!

God Bless you Brothers and Family;

God willing you are staying safe and healthy during the "Pandemic". I am sorry if you have loved ones that left this world. But for the most part we are all doing our best and surviving this Pandemic. I feel sad for people that do not believe in God and are keeping themselves in lockdown while the rest of us continue to live our lives.

God does not want us to live in fear, he wants us to take advantage of His beautiful World that he has created. Sure we have a lot of violence, a lot of worrying. Not to mention the bad deal the Officers are receiving because of those bad apples. But God still asks of us to trust in Him and I personally like many of you, trust In God. I try to take advantage daily and look for the good and beautiful things leaving the rest alone and away from me. To many things to worry about and I don't have the time. God tells us to Trust in Him, so why wouldn't we? All that I can do is the best I can and leave everything else to God. And like our Virgen de Guadalupe tells us to do. "Pray, Pray and Pray". Their is a saying in Spanish that says "La Familia que reza unida se mantiene unida" and I am sure you heard it in English also. "The family that prays together, stays together".

Hopefully you are praying with your Holy Family, especially during these times that the Devil is at full force attacking the marriages and families. Marriages that have lasted for 40+ years are getting divorced. That is unbelievable and it's all because they are not putting God in first place and we cannot defeat the Devil by ourselves.

Let us ask our Lord for His protection and the Intercession of Our Mother Mary and St. Joseph.

And

Don't forget our Memorial Mass.

Thanks to our Treasurer Cliff Judd, Father Sam and Tammy. Brother Cliff was able to schedule us a Memorial Mass beginning on Thursday July 15, 2021. This Memorial Mass will be to pray especially for our Brothers Knights past and present. It will consist of praying the Rosary every third Thursday of each month before the 5:45 Mass at 5:15pm. We are looking for volunteers to pray a decade of the Rosary. If you feel the call to pray a Rosary please let or Brother Cliff know either via phone @ (209) 613-7017 or at 5pm before the Rosary that Thursday. God willing we will see you there supporting our Knights of Columbus with your Knight Gear and Badges. Hope to see you there!

Don't forget Brothers if you or a family member have fallen ill

in the hospital, a care home, or your own home, we encourage you to contact our Knights Prayer Group and we will gladly visit you to bring comfort, support and prayer. Or if you just need a prayer, or an email "blast". Please, do not hesitate to contact us at prayers@kofc10644.com with your name, phone number and your prayer request. Or you may call Brother Everardo @ (209)303-3380.

If you need any assistance or know of an elderly person needing assistance don't hesitate to let your Officers know by replying to this email or at prayers@kofc10644.com

We are here for you!

God willing, you will not need our services soon, but when the time does come, do not hesitate to contact your Knights Prayer Group. If you hear God's calling and would like to join our prayer group, you are welcomed and encouraged to do so. We are open to all our Brother Knights from Council #10644. Please spread the word to our fellow Brothers and family members. Don't forget to pick up a business card with our information to keep in your wallet. The cards are located in the cash box with Brother Cliff or Brother Everardo has them on hand.

Prayer Requests:

Peace in Ukraine, Our Economy, Separated Families, Brother Alfonso Chavez, Our Grand Knight and Officers, all our older brothers and family, living and deceased. end to abortion, world peace. Treasurer Cliff Judd. Souls of Our Fallen Heroes. End to the Pandemic.

Thank you for your prayers Brothers. May you and your family continue to stay safe and healthy.

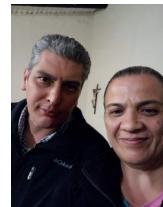
Have a Blessed Month of March 2022!

**God bless YOU always.
Vivat Jesus!**

Praying for You

Everardo Ramirez

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CHAPLAIN'S MARCH MESSAGE

A few months ago, I posed some questions about the mass. The answers should have been easy, since we supposedly go to mass at least on every Sunday. You can find the questions at this link. By clicking, another tab will open to make it easier for you to come back to read the rest of this article.



This month, I answer questions 14 and 15. First, #14: Why do we bless ourselves from the Holy Water fonts on our way into and sometimes out of the church?

The Holy Water fonts come in many different shapes and sizes and can be found at the entrance of Catholic Churches everywhere or, at times, inside the homes of Catholics. (Do you have one?) Some parishes have large baptismal fonts instead of the smaller stoups that we have a St. Joseph's. Stoup is another word for the same thing, which is something that I actually learned from a video game, of all places. The baptismal fonts is really the key of why they are placed by the entrances. Most people will say, "They are there so that we can bless ourselves." Yes, but they are there for more than that, as we don't need the Holy Water to bless ourselves. We bless ourselves each time that we make the sign of the Cross. The Holy Water gives it an extra added significance.

Where is the other time that you have seen Holy Water being used and the words, "in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of

the Holy Spirit,"? At baptisms, right? And that is really why the baptismal fonts are there. They are to remind us of the grace that we received at our baptism. We became children of God, members of Christ's Body, and members of his mystical body the Church through our baptism. Those stoups are there to remind us of that. Most of us cannot remember the day that we were baptized, but we should celebrate it. It really was a more important day than when we were born. We were creatures, created by God and procreated by our parents, on the day of our birth. We are children of God on the day of our baptism. If we celebrate our birth, why not our rebirth? I celebrate every year with cake. I actually did so for many years before I realized it, as my first son was born on the anniversary of my baptism. I invite you to find out the day of your baptism, so that you can begin to celebrate it. I found mine on my marriage certificate, but they can be found on other sacramental certificates or by requesting a copy from the parish where you were born, confirmed, or got married, as they are needed before those sacraments can take place.



Question 15 is a little different: Why do the clergy and altar servers wear those "funny" clothes during the mass? I will try and not turn this into a class about the liturgical colors, but as you can see in this photo, deacons and priests wear green, rose, red, and violet at different times during the year. The male altar servers are also vested with either red or black cassocks with a surplice on top (the white part), while the females and those learning how to altar serve wear

an alb (a white garment that goes from the shoulders to the ankles, and no, it is not a dress). You cannot see it in this photo and many times not during mass, but the priests and deacon also wear an alb. Actually, I guess you can see the sleeves of my alb in that photo. All of us also have a cincture (a rope belt) that we tie around our waist. Some priest and deacons also add an amice, which covers the neck and serves the same purpose as the albs.

So, why do we wear all that? Are we just trying to show off? Actually, we are doing just the opposite of showing off. We are trying to hide ourselves and be humble servants of God. Since ancient times, religious - Jewish, Catholic, Buddhist, Muslim, etc. - have used an attire that sets them apart from others. That "setting apart" is important, since the term used both by the Jews and the Christians is consecration. To consecrate something means to "set it aside for a higher purpose." That is what priests and deacons have received through our ordination, a consecration, so that we are set aside for the purpose of fulfilling our duties. Now, the altar servers are not consecrated, but because of their role up at the altar, they help fulfill a related purpose. That is why their vestments are different from the rest and still different from a priest and a deacon.

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FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S MARCH MESSAGE

Hello Brother Knights,



Crab Feed was held February 26, 2022 and we had over 200+ guest. Thank you to all who attended and especially our Brothers, Officers, Volunteers and organizers for helping put on the event. We will have the numbers for you soon.

Are you ready for this years 4 Fish Fry's beginning on Friday, March 4, 11, 18 and 25th? We need everyone's help beginning Thursdays to set up and prepare the food. Fridays we need cooks, servers and clean up crew. Please show up by 4:30pm. In addition we need help on Saturday mornings to clean up the tanks etc.

Moving ahead a month on May 7, 2022 we have the "Blessing Breakfast" from 8:00am to 11:00am. We need help in the kitchen to cook pancakes. Can you spare a few hours that morning? If you can help your council, we will have a sign up sheet on our next monthly meeting for April. Or you can send me an email, call or text to sign up.

Still moving ahead, for May and June 2022, we need someone to oversee the Fireworks Booth as a Co-Chair. Sales begin on June 28th thru 4th of July 2022. Can you provide your leadership for this important fundraiser?

We want to hear your ideas, after all we cannot have successful events without your input and help. If you are unable to join our monthly meetings, please reach out to our Grand Knight Ruben Sanchez and share your ideas with him. You can email our Grand Knight at gk@kofc10644.com

And please if you haven't done so yet. PAY YOUR DUES!

You can pay them right away clicking [HERE](#). We have many that are overdue and just because you don't pay does it means it goes away. Our Council has to pay the dues with money that can be used for other things such as helping support our Parish and Community. Eventually if dues are not paid, a committee is formed where Council Members can be removed as a Knight. We do not want that to happen again and we are willing to work with you if you just reach out to me. (It really is that easy). If you are disabled or on low income, dues maybe waived if approved.

Thank you Brothers and Family, I pray you have a Blessed St. Patrick's Day. If you have any questions, need any information or want to help, you may contact me any time via email, text or phone.

Yours in Christ;
Financial Secretary
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CHAPLAIN MESSAGE CONTINUED

So, going back to the vestments, the basic garment used is the alb, the long white garment. It goes on covering all of "street clothes." It does so to be a sign of that setting apart that I talked about before. It should not be us serving at mass, we should be different in our service, so we cover up our clothing. The alb should cover all of our clothing for just that reason. That is why, if you go by the sacristy, you will see me at times covering up the collars of the altar servers. We all should see the white and not the colors of their shirts. We should see their shiny black shoes underneath and not bright color Nikes for the same reason. The male altar servers wear a black or red cassock, which serves the same purpose, covering their street clothes and distinguishing them as servers. The priest that use an amice do so for the same purpose. It covers the entire neck area covering up the clothing that they wear underneath.

All of us wear a cincture around our waist as a symbol of binding ourselves to Christ. Those of us that say the traditional prayer for the cincture, tie that in to the chastity that we are called to. (Chastity and not celibacy, except for the priests.)



The male altar servers, then place the surplice over the heads, the white color symbolizing the purity, just like it does for the albs. Now, the priests and deacons have separate garments that we put on that look very similar. First we put on a stole, symbolizing being yoked to Christ. The deacon's stole is diagonal, while the priests are vertical. Usually, you can't see the stole because of the next garment that we put on. I put on what is called a dalmatic. It has sleeves. A priest, on the other hand, puts on a chasuble, which should be the same color as the dalmatic, but it has no sleeves. The no-sleeves part goes back to the time of Jesus, when the high priest's garments were also sleeveless and without a seam (John 19:23–24). The dalmatic and the chasuble are the outer garments that are more visible. So, the green one in the photo of me above.

To sum up, the priests, deacons, and altar servers all wear special garments as they are set apart for a special service or job during the mass. We don't wear them to show off, rather to hide ourselves. God bless!

Next month, I will finish answering the last of the 16 questions that I posed way back when. Only question 16 and the one I skipped in an earlier article remain, #2 about when mass officially ends. Do you know the answers to those two questions? Send me what you think by clicking on the email address below.

Deacon Richard Braun
and Composer of the Chaplain's Message
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MARCH'S EDITORIAL

God Bless you Brothers and Family.

Thank you to all who helped with the Crab Feed 2022.

From my end, everything was great and we enjoyed ourselves along with those around us.

And like we always say, we cannot do it without you. The youth group was also great in serving and cleaning up. Everyone seemed happy with the food and the service. KofC Cooks, you are awesome! So many compliments on the Crab that we could not get enough of.

I want to specially thank the couple that we sat next to. Donald won one of the cakes that he called a "Smurf" cake because of its color and size. Donald and His wife shared it with those around them including myself. I felt bad not accepting a piece because they were so nice in offering.

This year's prices were a bit high, but at the end it was all worth it. Being with Family, Friends and Brother Knights enjoying a night of great food and company while supporting our fundraiser. It doesn't get any better than that.

As you can see I personally had a wonderful time and from what I could see, everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

We will have the numbers for you in the next Council Meeting on March 8,2022.

And now it is time to get ready for our next big event. Yep! The Fish Fry. We anticipate 600+ and people are already asking about this event. I overheard Brother Angel overseeing the first Fish Fry Friday on March 4,2022 and going to make it a Military theme.

Once again, we need help selling the tickets after each mass and setting up, cleaning, cooking, serving etc.. And that is correct, we cannot do it without you. God willing we will see you at their.



God bless you Brothers and Family and thank you for your support. May you have a Blessed Lent 2022.



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