



Holmen Knights of Columbus Newsletter

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Grand Knight's Report

Hey Brother Knights

We have had a very busy last month. Country Boom, Soccer Challenge, and Band of Brothers Night. August brings our biggest fundraiser of the year the Kornfest Fun Run and Kornfest Breakfast. These 2 events are used to provide us the charity monies we provide our parish and community through the year. We need all of your help to man these events. Please make sure you get involved this year. Thanks again for all you do, we wouldn't be able to do what we do without you and your families help!

Please let me know of any potential Brother Knights we need to invite to our First Degree Ceremony by calling me at 608.304.1470 or email me at jnc3daddy@gmail.com.

iViva Cristo Ray! (Long Live Christ the King)
Brian Clements, Grand Knight

District 25 Sportsmen's Knight Out Fundraiser

Big thank you goes out to Joe La Mere and Dan Kusilek for leading the responsibilities from our council point of view. Between Joe and Dan then went to all the monthly meetings which started last October and will complete this September. Also, we had many brother knights and their families help again at the event. Selling 50/50 raffle tickets, bartending, handling the finances, guarding the front door, and doing many other activities. The Sportsmen's Knight Out was another big success. There was a 50/50 raffle, where the winners received 50%. The other 50% was split evenly between District 25 and the Winners Local Food Pantry. This year's winner was Bill Jaekel our District Warden. Next month in September we will find out the final numbers of what was made and the amount shared with each council who participated in this event.



CHARITY

UNITY

FRATERNITY

PATRIOTISM

Calendar Upcoming Events

- August 1st:** Soccer Challenge, Behind Viking Elementary
- August 3rd:** KC Sportmen's Knight Out Fundraiser District 25
- August 6th:** Band of Brothers Night
- August 11th:** General Meeting @ 7 PM @ SEAS Gathering Space
- August 17-18th:** Kornfest Fun Run and Kornfest Breakfast
- August 26th:** Officer's Meeting @ 7 PM @ Pizza Corral
- September 3rd:** Band of Brothers Night
- September 8th:** General Meeting @ 7 PM @ SEAS Gathering Space
- September 30th:** Officer's Meeting @ 7 PM @ Pizza Corral



[Check out our Google Calendar on our website.](#)



Christmas in July

In honor and remembrance of our favorite Secret Santa, George Hammes, past Grand Knight, Brother, and Friend.



June Knight of the Month

Gary Dvorcek



For all the work to keep the Parish Sign project going over the last few years. Even when it looked like it may not happen, you push forward and help make it happened. Also, thank you for helping out with Country Boom.

Band of Brothers Night

We had our first Band of Brothers Night around my fire pit on Tuesday August 6, 2019. Emil Meindl let us in fellowship, the coming Sunday's readings, reflection questions, and prayer. We had a good turn out of 6 men.

Next Band of Brothers Night :

7:30 pm
Tuesday September 3
Emil's Barn (W6880 Casberg
Coulee Rd, Holmen WI).



June Family of the Month



Joe and Mary Kulmaczewski Family

Joe's work with landscaping around the Parish Sign, and the rest of the family for helping a parish member move all of their belongings expectantly last month. This family values are what we all strive to be!

Country Boom 2019

Big thank you goes out to Jerry Rood (a new brother knight) for coordinating this years event. This year we had awesome weather ... aka no rain!!! Unlike last year where we worked one day, we worked 3 days providing assistance in parking, and help people to the front gates. Many brother knights and their families help!



Community Center Donation

Thanks Joe for delivering our \$500 check for the Community Center!



Membership

We are making good progress on receiving monies for Annual Dues. If you have not done so already, please pay your dues!

Get Involved

Please call Brian Clements at 608.304.1470 or jnc3daddy@gmail.com to volunteer for open positions or if you have any questions.

Open Positions

We need some Brother Knights to step up and help with a few positions. Let Brian Clements know if you are interested.

Chancellor

Kornfest Breakfast Coordinator

Kornfest Fun Run Co-Coordinator

Tootsie Roll Co-Coordinator

2020 Officers

Grand Knight - Brian Clements

Chaplain - Father John Parr

Deputy Grand Knight - Emil Meindl

Recorder - Jerry Glentz

Treasurer - Michael Bruha

Lecturer - Fred Lanzel

Advocate - Patrick Barlow

Warden - Matt Englerth

Inside Guard - Greg Corcoran

Outside Guard - John Stubler

1st Trustee - Joe La Mere

2nd Trustee - David Hawes

3rd Trustee - Dan Nelson

Financial Secretary - Tim Eimmermann

General Meeting - Not All Business

**Faith
Education
Experiences
Fun**

Come join our meetings and see it for yourself!

Seminarian Report

Dear Brother Knights:

This summer went by crazy fast. Two months ago, I graduated from the University of Saint Thomas and now I am studying Italian in Verbania, Italy. Ever since May 25th, things have been speeding up. I went home on the 25th of May to be home for my brother Jacob's Graduation ceremony from high school. The day after was his graduation party. The following Monday through Wednesday, I was in Chicago to get my Visa for Italy. That Friday I helped my sister move into her new apartment in Winona. The day after (June 1st), I packed up my car and drove down to Mauston, Wisconsin for my summer assignment where I shadowed Father John Potaczek at Saint Patrick Parish. Following that, I was home for a week getting everything prepped for going to Rome and saying my last goodbyes. On July 23rd, I flew from Saint Paul Minneapolis International Airport to Chicago O'Hare to Rome. I landed on the 24th and my adventure across the sea began. For my first week in Rome, I barely remember what all happened. We visited the Holy Stairs, Saint Peter's Basilica, Saint John Lateran Cathedral, Saint Paul Outside the walls, went to the catacombs (and had Mass there), have begun to get situated at the Pontifical North American College in Rome, then I headed off for Verbania, Italy to study Italian so that I can learn in Italian at the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross (Sancta Croche). It has been a whirlwind for the last two months and I am looking forwards to just slowing down and learning Italian.

My time in Mauston Wisconsin was absolutely incredible. I did all sorts of things while I was there: I went to various committee meetings, brought Holy Communion to the sick and those who could not leave their house, worked with the Cemetery committee in cleaning and mapping one of the cemeteries in Mauston, I visited a handful of parishioners at their homes, participated in their Happy Holy Hour (drinks with the Priest), and I devised a technology plan for Saint Patrick School just to name a few things that I did there. I absolutely loved my time in Mauston. It has reaffirmed the call to the priesthood again and again for me. This pastoral assignment will help me preserve through my Italian and other studies here in Rome.

Being back in Rome has been surreal. It really has not sunk in yet that I am a resident in Rome, Italy. Since the moment I got here, I have been able to hit it off with many of the guys in Rome with me. I know that I will have some great friendships here.

Verbania Italy is one of the most beautiful places I have ever been. It is located on the cost of Lake Maggiore in Northwest Italy near Switzerland. I am here with Isaac Pecha from Bloomer Wisconsin, three guys from Louisiana, one guy from Sydney Australia, one guy from Washington DC, one guy from Duluth, two priests from New York, a priest from Philadelphia, a priest from Cincinnati, and a priest from Louisiana. The food is fantastic and I am beginning to pick up the language.

The only way that all of this is really possible is through a deep relationship with Christ. I have had barely any time to process what has been happening these last few months, but prayer has really helped me stay focused on what is really important. I have found a lot of peace in surrendering my life to our Lord and letting Him guide my every step. Now that I am back in Italy, I will need to rely evermore on Christ, especially when it comes to the Italians. The only thing guaranteed in Italy is that nothing is guaranteed. All control and comfort of the United States is out the window and the only real way to combat that is to live in the moment and to trust that God will come through in everything. It is definitely a challenging prospect to place all trust in God; but if we truly believe that God is good, that He loves us, and that He has everything in His hands, then we must trust that He will make everything work. This is no longer learning the faith, but is putting it into practice; it is living out the gospel message where Jesus tells us that "I am with you always, until the end of the age" (Matt 28:20) and actually trusting that He really is there. While I am in Rome, know that you are all in my prayers.

Vivat Jesu!

Jared Clements – Seminarian for the Diocese of La Crosse



Liturgical Focus This Month

The month of August is dedicated to **The Immaculate Heart of Mary**. The entire month falls within the liturgical season of **Ordinary Time**, which is represented by the liturgical color green. This symbol of hope is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection.

On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII defined the dogma of the Assumption. He solemnly proclaimed that the belief whereby the Blessed Virgin Mary, at the end of her life on earth, was taken up body and soul, into the glory of heaven, definitively forms part of the deposit of faith, received from the apostles.

August is often considered the transitional month in our seasonal calendar. It is the time of the year we begin to wind-down from our summer travels and vacations and prepare for Autumn — back to school, fall festivals, harvest time, etc. The Church in her holy wisdom has provided a cycle of events in its liturgical year which allow the faithful to celebrate the major feasts in the life of Christ and Mary. Most notably, during August, we celebrate the feast of the **Transfiguration** (August 6) and the feast of the **Assumption** (August 15).

The other main feasts of this month are **St. Alphonsus Liguori** (August 1), **St. Eusebius of Vercelli** and **St. Peter Julian Eymard** (August 2), **St. John Mary Vianney** (August 4), **Transfiguration of the Lord** (August 6), **St. Sixtus II and Companions** and **St. Cajetan** (August 7), **St. Dominic** (August 8), **St. Teresa Benedicta** (August 9), **St. Lawrence** (August 10), **St. Clare** (August 11), **St. Maximilian Kolbe** (August 14), **St. Stephen of Hungary** (August 16), **St. John Eudes** (August 19), **St. Bernard** (August 20), **St. Pius X** (August 21), **the Queenship of Mary** (August 22), **St. Rose of Lima** (August 23), **St. Bartholomew** (August 24), **St. Louis of France** (August 25), **St. Monica** (August 27), **St. Augustine** (August 28) and the **Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist** (August 29).

The feasts of **Dedication of St. Mary Major** (August 5) and **St. Jane Frances de Chantal** (August 12) fall on a Sunday so they are superseded by the Sunday Liturgy.

Soccer Challenge A Fun Time!



We had another success Soccer Challenge. Thanks to all the people who made this happen. Once again VYSA (Viking Youth Soccer Association) helped promote the event. We had many knights and their families helping again, along with some youth from our parish. We had 40 kids between the ages of 9-14 years of age participate in the Soccer Challenge. The winners are:



9 yr old
10 yr old
11 yr old
12 yr old
13 yr old
14 yr old

Girls
Courtney Simmons
na
Lydia Sader
Alexis Maier
na
na

Boys
Toby Gerzema
Sammy Adams
Braylan Welch
Gavin Davis
Dallas Riechel
na

Faith/Education

Nancy Nagel will be presenting information on the Hosea Initiative at our August General Meeting in lieu of watching the next video of Fr. Michael Schmitz. Below is the Hosea Initiative vision, mission, and website to provide with more detail.



VISION: An America where every unborn life is welcomed and protected by law

MISSION: Educate, restore and unify America around a culture of life ethic by fulfilling the promise made to Dr. Bernard N. Natha

WEBSITE: <https://www.hosea4you.org/>



starts promptly at

AUGUST 18TH

It's hard to believe that Kornfest is only about 3 months away! Summer is just starting and planning is under way for both of our biggest events of the year-the Kornfest Fun Run and Kornfest Breakfast on August 17th and 18th, respectively.

NOW is the time we need one or more of our members to step up and become a chairman and learn to run the Kornfest Breakfast.

I've been asking for someone to take over for a few years now have been asking for someone to step in and take over chairing this important fundraiser for several years. I know many of us are busy with life, family, work, etc. but what is life without service and charity to others when a few hours help with these events can mean so much to those that it helps- cancer victims, disaster relief, scholarships, community building the list goes on and on.

If you're teetering on the edge of getting more involved or want to get back to being involved again I would be happy to go through what's needed for planning, promoting, and running the Kornfest Breakfast. It's not as hard as you may think it is!

You can contact me at (dlhawes41@yahoo.com or 608-769-2761(Cell).

Thank you for all of your support,

David Hawes
Breakfast Coordinator



We have received commitment of \$5,600 of which we have already collected. This currently includes 17 of Major Sponsors (\$300), and 16 of Minor Sponsors (\$75). Some of these are doing in-kind services to supplement they sponsorship. We truly appreciate everyone's hard work on helping us reach out to their friends, local business, etc in helping us grow our Charity Fund!

If you are interested in running or know of someone who would like to run or walk in our event, please have them sign up online as soon as possible to ensure we have a T-Shirt to hand them on the day of the event.

Again this year pre-registration will be \$17, and \$20 on day of event. If you are interested in running please use this form.

<https://tinyurl.com/2019-KCFunRun>



Happy Birthday!

- 3 Greg Imhoff
- 4 Jerry Kolb
- 5 Dan Ryan
- 6 Ernest Modjeski
- 14 Ed Walker
- 20 John Frei
- 20 James Hodges
- 23 Fred Lanzel
- 25 Ron Bertelsen
- 26 Tim Medinger



KC Mass Intentions for 2019

- July 12 : Knights of Columbus 9385 Charter Anniversary
- August 13: Father Michael J. McGiveny (Father McGiveny's Birthday)
- September 11 : Member of the Knights of Columbus (Patriots' Day)
- October 14 : Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus (Columbus Day)
- November 11 : Knights of Columbus Military Veterans (Veteran's Day)
- December 25: 10:15 mass - Families of the Knights of Columbus

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 Day!

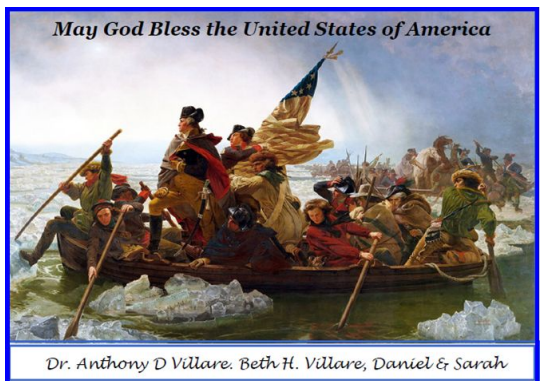
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DELBERT J. MALIN
 "our priest is someone's son.
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 someone's priest."

May the Lord bless our
 fathers, grandfathers, and
 all who have shown us
 fatherly care.
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 without it?

Happy Father's Day!!
Mike Bruha

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 JENNIFER!
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Happy Birthday Brad

Knights of Columbus Mission Statement: To provide a means by which Catholic Men could support the Catholic Church, To provide Financial Protection to Protect their Families and To engage in works of Charity to Benefit the Less Fortunate.