

**Grand Knight Quarterly Newsletter     March-April 2015**

Brother Knights:

As I sit down to type this memo, I am reminded that time has passed so rapidly. Advent appeared to be just yesterday, the season to "Keep Christ in Christmas" and then the start of a great and prayerful New Year. Now it's time to prepare and practice our Catholic faith during the Lenten season. One of the most powerful things we can practice during the Lenten Season is to do the "Station of the Cross". It has the power of putting our mind on the focus of the pain and suffering Christ did for us so we would better understand life and death. I challenge all Brother Knights to review the Lenten Schedule at St. Joseph Church with the family, and plan to be in attendance when the "Stations of the Cross" are scheduled. Please also consider privately reflecting on the Stations.

Lent is a special time of prayer, penance, sacrifice, reflection and good works in preparation of the celebration of Easter. Lent is also time of reflection and action to better practice our beliefs.

As members of the Knights we have many time tested tools to utilize during the Lenten season. Foremost of these tools is our principle of Charity. We give our time, talent and goods to those who are in need, i.e., donating time for the Catholic Harvest Food Pantry, giving clothes to charity, visiting the shut-ins and elderly, driving those without transportation . We give aid and hope through partnering with other ministries in our parish, among so many other ways. The participation of members in unity through our programs provide the opportunity to evangelize our principle of charity in action and by example. Charity is also the premise upon which everything builds around as Catholics.

The Lenten season is an excellent opportunity to reflect on the principle of Charity and good works through our Council programs. Do the programs our Council offer the opportunity to become involved in program areas that interest you? Equally important, do the programs of our council offer you an opportunity for others to be recruited to the Knight of Columbus? In other words, do we evangelize by example? Do you want to offer this same opportunity to build a culture of life to another individual? Someone offered you this opportunity! Only you can answer this question and take action.

During Lent we have the opportunity to evaluate and reflect. How do we evangelize our acts of Charity reflected as actions of our council? Consider this question personally. Can our council offer more programs and activities that afford the opportunity to evangelize what we do and believe.

Please review your activities over the next twelve months and schedule yourself to attend our Council monthly meetings always held on the third Tuesday evening of the month at St. Joseph Church, St. Pio Room , rosary at 6:30 PM, meeting at 7:00 PM. We need your talent to practice the principle of Charity.

God Bless Us,

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