

FEBRUARY 2024

THE GOOTEE GAZETTE

Knights of Columbus
Council 13105



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Upcoming Events

March Council Meeting

Monday, March 4th at 7:00 pm
Rosary at 6:30 pm

Simple Lenten Meals

Each Friday in Lent
Dinners start after the Stations of the Cross
Holy Family Room in the Nativity Parish Center

Seafood/Sausage Boil

Saturday, April 6th
Time TBD
Nativity Gymnasium

If you know someone who you think would be a good addition to our ranks, please let us know and we will reach out to him to get him in our council. We will always need good men to help us do the great things we do, and grow our brotherhood to able to even greater things in the future.

Joining is quick and easy: <https://bit.ly/kofcjoin>

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Calling All Knights

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Grand Knight's Message

I hope everyone is doing well. I've been fighting some sinus pain and a stomach bug that seems to be making the rounds lately. Hopefully, you have not had the same experience.

I started our last council meeting by delivering a message that I wanted to convey in this newsletter as well. I think our Knights Masses are important and want to continue them, but I'm struggling with filling all the volunteer positions and not seeing more Knights at our designated masses. I'm working with Theresa Marlin on automatically filling volunteer positions with Knights when they are assigned through the system. That will go a long way because currently, we have Knights assigned to other masses on the same weekend.

I will do a better job of letting everyone know when the next Knights Mass is to help everyone have it on their calendars. Please make every effort to attend these masses so the members of Nativity can see us en masse.

I'd also like to see more Knights volunteer to lead the Rosary before our Knights masses. I enjoy being a part of this and believe parishioners do as well. Please consider volunteering for this activity.

I understand we are all busy with our personal lives, but we are attending Mass each weekend. I am asking that as many Knights as possible make an effort to attend our designated Knights masses, even if it isn't your normal time.

-Justin Braun

Happy Birthday

February Birthdays

Paul Bobish - February 6th
Robert Koch - February 23rd

March Birthdays

Scott Madere - March 3rd
Bernie Kruse - March 11th
Robert Rooney - March 11th
Pat Hennessy - March 15th
William Mennel - March 18th
Keith Clowers - March 19th
Daniel Stahl - March 25th
Louis Everett - March 31st

Reverse Raffle Basket

The basket we provided for the reverse raffle sold for at least \$155. I haven't received a final sale price, but that is what the basket was up to the last time I checked.

Next year, I would like to try and compile a basket of donated items from members of the Council. That way we won't have to pay any money out from the Council and will probably end up with some pretty cool items.

Seafood Boil 2024

The seafood boil will return in 2024, but we are moving the date of the event.

We have confirmed the date to be Saturday, April 6th.

Moving the boil outside of Lent will allow us to include meat. Look for more information about this event in the coming months.

If you are interested in helping out, please let Justin Braun know.

Free Throw Competition

We held our council free throw competition on Sunday, January 28th which happened to coincide with an Open House that school was hosting. This turned out to be a happy accident as there was a constant flow of people through the gym and may have increased participation in the competition. I would like to try and hold these events on the same day moving forward, if possible.

We had 8 participants and four champions.

9-year old girls - Kaelyn Kidwell

11-year old boys - Benjamin Smith

12-year old boys - Braxton Kidwell

14-year old boys - Matthew Stevens

Benjamin Smith went on to win the Regional Competition. The State Competition has not been held yet.



Calling All Knights

E6 Catholic Men's Conference

The E6 Catholic Men's Conference was held on Saturday, February 17th at the East Central High School Performance Arts Central.

Several of us were in attendance and it was a great day. I enjoyed praying the rosary throughout the day with over 1,300 other men. It was a pretty powerful experience.

Sean Casey gave an incredible talk and stuck around afterward to give autographs.

I highly recommend attending this event in the future.



Council Dues

31 members have not paid their dues. Please get these paid as soon as possible.

The amount owed is \$52.00. If you would prefer a Paypal link, let Ralph Proctor know.

Trivia Night will return

Trivia Night will be returning in November. The date has not been determined yet.

This will be a joint venture with the Fathers Group. Please let Justin Braun know if you are interested in helping out.

Council Facebook Page

Please take a moment on Facebook to "Like" our new Council Page at facebook.com/gootee13105



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2023 Donations

- \$200 to support a high school student to attend World Youth Day
 - An anonymous donor matched our donation
 - \$50 from free-will offering at simple lenten meals
 - \$500 total donation
- Basket for Reverse Raffle silent auction (\$140 value) - sold for \$160
- \$292.05 to Support our Seminarians
- \$200 to support Garrett Phillips' Eagle Scout project
- \$350 for a hole sponsorship to Catholic Radio Indy's Golf Outing
- \$1,000 Bruce Christen Scholarship awarded to Lily Daming
- \$1,000 Bruce Christen Scholarship awarded to Elliot Leffler
- \$150 for chess boards for Nativity Chess Club
- \$250 to the Indiana Right to Life Dinner
- \$350 to the Nativity Marriage Ministry to help offset the costs of an event
- \$200 to support Military Chaplains (Outdoor Nativity Scene Raffle)
- \$200 to Nativity's Pro-Life Ministry
- \$200 for the Gibault Day After Christmas Party