

FITZGERALD COUNCIL 833 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS March 2022 Newsletter

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A Message from our Grand Knight:

Dear Brother Knights and Families:

When you read this message, the Lenten season will be upon us. The term Lent, literally means spring. Spring is a time of renewal and hope. As Knights of Columbus, we should use this Holy Season as a time of reflection, sacrifice and prayer. Your faith and that of your Brother Knights, is strengthened when we become involved in the traditional Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and alms giving. May each of you have a holy and successful lent.

A big thank you to all the Knights and families that helped on our first night of this season's fish fry. Our first week was a great success!! We had a nice mix of dine in and drive thru business. We can always use additional help so please consider bringing the whole family and joining us for one or more Fridays.

While Lent is a time of prayer and sacrifice, it's also a great time to welcome new members to share in this time honored fraternal organization. Many men and their families attend our fish fries so it's a perfect time to show how the Knights of Columbus put our faith into action. Please be sure to welcome everyone and share our council's stories of fellowship and good works.

It is also the time of year where we get to nominate new officers. If you have a Knight in mind for a specific role or are interested in learning more about a position, be sure to reach out to me.

Our monthly Knights of Columbus meetings are a perfect blend of information and fellowship. Please join us for our next meeting.

Finally, let us all keep the people of Ukraine in our prayers. Let us pray for peace.

God bless you all, and I hope to see you in person this Friday! Vivat Jesus!!

James McCarville Grand Knight Council 833

Knight of the Month:

The Knight of the Month is Dan Wesolowski for his help with the fish fry. Thanks Dan!

Knight Family of the Month:

The Knight Family of the Month is the Randy and Rosie Polak Family for all their hard work with the fish fry! Rosie helped to purchase a new fish fryer as well. Thank you!

Upcoming Events:

March 16th: General Mtg. 7:30pm March 17th: St. Patrick's Day!!!

March 18th: Fish Fry #3 March 25th: Fish Fry #4

March 28th: Officer's Mtg 7:30pm

April 1st: Fish Fry #5



OFFICERS: Chaplain: Father Hottovy **Grand Knight:** James McCarville Dep. Grand Knight: **Financial Secretary:**

Tony Schafers

Treasurer:

Philip Paitz

Recorder:

Barry Butler

Chancellor:

Alex Cordry

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A Message from our Chaplain:

Dear Brother Knights Families,

I hope you all are having a great Lent! I would like to reiterate from a past email that our Grand Knight, James McCarville sent out on my behalf a few weeks ago. It was reiterating the message Tony Shafers said regarding our first fry. I want to thank everyone involved with the fish fries for your time, effort, and energy in making them such a success.

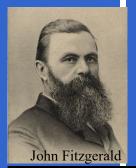
The most important aspect that you all helped make a reality was creating a space for authentic community to be fostered once more. We need these opportunities and events more than ever and as Tony mentioned people stayed and visited with one another. Even though we're more back to normal regarding masks, etc. and we've been out and about in our parish, our workplace and our city, there still is a residual sense of isolation and unnecessary fear that community events like this that can help dissipate the negative impacts of these past couple of years.

Please invite friends and neighbors, Catholic and non-Catholic, to our fish fries. You are doing an act of charity and we each need to do our part to reconnect with everyone. The more each one of us does this, the more we heal and move in the right direction. If anything, why don't we all work toward an even greater and deeper community than we had before and come out of this stronger!

Blessings on you Lent,

Fr. Hottovy





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KOC 2022 Fish Fry News

A Message from our Financial Secretary:

Brother Knights and Families,

On behalf of our Worthy Grand Knight, James McCarville and all the officers, we wish to thank everyone that made the first fish fry run so well. A special thanks to our Chaplin Father Hottovy for his guidance on welcoming dine-in eating as it was the right decision and the people loved it, many ate and conversed for some time. We gladly delivered 20 meals to the Pink Sisters and Christ the King Sisters, Cheryl says that the sisters were more than happy to have received these meals. Proceeds for this week \$4,404.00, which is about 400 meals including the courtesy meals give or take adult vs child which we did not track our first week.

While Jesus performed a miracle to feed the masses, ours came in the form of a lot of help from our families and friends. I know Randy and I were concerned that we were not as prepared for this first fry as we would have liked to be but with all the great help we got it done and it ran fairly well. I am sorry that I did not get a chance to greet everyone but I was in my zone trying to make everything run smoothly. Both the Polak's and I noted that depite the caotic start the fish fry went on with out any major hitches and that is thanks to the great crew we had helping including all the children which we love having help. Thank you.

I want to thank the major players that make these fish fries what they are, Randy and Roise Polak, Dan and Cheryl Weslowski, Matt and Theresa Schafers. Also a special thanks to Ron Schinkel, Mike Szatko, Alex Cordry, Ryan Weslowski, Philip Paitz, Ron Wortman, Tom Hoffman, Bob Ele and all the officers. While I would like to acknowledge everyone who helped in any manner it is not feasible to do this here but I would like to notice one individual each week for their contributions. This week that person is Mike Mandery, he comes in to help and somehow always ends up at the fish sink massaging (squeezing) the fish and does it so well and without complaint, thank you Mike.

P.S. Thank you to Father Beardslee and Father Kipper for joining us, the people loved having you there.

"Crusade for Christ, Die with Christ, Vivat Jesus!"

Tony Schafers FS, Fitzgerald Council 833



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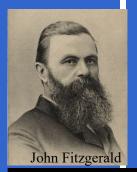
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Knights of Columbus 833 2022 Fish Fry Dinners From 4:30-7:30 PM

Knights Court Hall 6044 South Street

Dine-In & Carry Out Cost is \$12 per meal

Fried Fish, Baked Potato or French Fries, Cole Slaw, Pickles, and side of bread SERVING EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT (Except Good Friday)



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Special guests at our last fish fry....the Knights of the Holy Eucharist (Waverly) Pictured with John Costello and his granddaughter.



The Knights of the Holy Eucharist are a Franciscan community whose mission is to promote reverent devotion to Our Lord in the Eucharist. Jesus is the Eucharistic King whom the Knights have pledged to serve.

Their foundress was Mother Angelica on July 25, 1998, one of two male religious communities she founded. It was she who gave the fledgling community its primary mission. Mother Angelica's life of dedication to adoring Our Lord naturally spilled over into her founding of the Knights, and they are blessed to be part of carrying on her mission and legacy.

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KOC Regional Free Throw Contest - 2022

Thanks to all the participants, boys and girls ages 9-14, who attended the regional level of the Knights free throw contest on March 5th at Blessed Sacrament. These winners moved on to the state competition in Grand Island. Good Luck!

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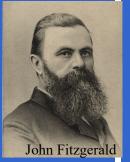
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