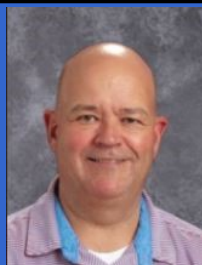


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## A Message from our Grand Knight: Brother Knights,

We are now well into the Lenten season!

We are approaching, or maybe have passed (depending on when this newsletter is published) our 3rd fish fry of the season! Our fish fry dinners are a tradition of Lent and Lincoln! Are FS Tony and DGK Matt used to come to the fish fries with their parents and I am sure many of you have some memories of the Fitzgerald Council fish fries! I have heard from numerous attendees this year, and in the past, that 1..we have the best fish in Lincoln and 2...that they have been coming for many years!



There are many reasons why I share that with you but the main reason is that our KNIGHTS are the reason many people have these wonderful memories! The Knights of the past, today's Knights and our future Knights are what make these traditions possible.

We are blessed to have so much, yet we take so much for granted. I get nervous every week after looking at the signup genius and wondering how in the world are we going to pull off the fish fry this week when only a small number have signed up?? And then all of the sudden we have our brother knights coming through the door ready to work!

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## Knights of the Month:

The Knights of the Month are **Jon Sullivan and Mike Szatko** for helping set up the fish fry tent. Thanks gentlemen!

## Knight Family of the Month:

The **Wahl family!** The Wahl boys...Zach, Patrick and Rich Wahl for running the fryers for the first 2 fish fries! Thanks you fellas!

## Upcoming Events:

**March 10th:** Fish Fry Week 3  
**March 15th:** General Mtg. 7:30pm  
**March 17th:** Fish Fry Week 4  
**March 17th:** St Patrick's Day  
**March 24th:** Fish Fry Week 5  
**March 27th:** Officer's Mtg 7:30pm  
**March 31st:** Fish Fry Week 6



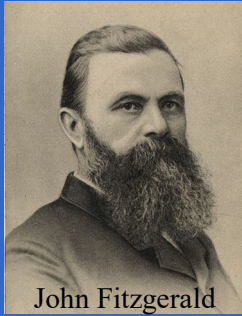
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Some bring their children and grandchildren to help and this is how the tradition of our wonderful fish fries continue. I am blessed to be associated with this council and the Knights that make up our council and I truly thank you for always “showing up” to make our events successful for our parish.

I hope you and your families are sharing time together, sacrificing together and making traditions together during this blessed season of Lent.

If you ever have questions, comments, or suggestions I can be reached via email at [schinkelr@gmail.com](mailto:schinkelr@gmail.com)

Thank you and may God continue to bless all of us,

Ron Schinkel  
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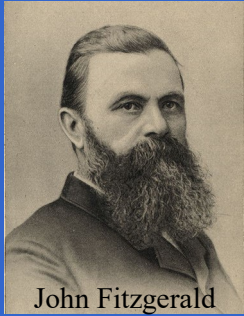
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## *A Message from our Chaplain:*

Dear Brother Knights,

The sacrament of confession is an untapped blessing to us. The Lord gave us confession as the ordinary means to have our sins forgiven, which continues his healing ministry.

Part of understanding the blessing of confession is a recognition of the reality of the priesthood. Priests are to continue the sanctifying and healing work of Jesus. Jesus healed during his time in and through his very person. Going to the priest acknowledging one sins allows for that interpersonal healing to take place, and the Lord forgives us of our sins.

When we go to confession we beg for God's mercy. When we go to confession we know that we are undeserving of God's mercy. And so over time as we come to fully except the mercy of God we become more merciful. Even when others sin against us or maybe even persecute us, we come to know in this sacrament that we too are sinners.

One of the enduring effects of making a frequent confession is that we come to know our weaknesses. We have to quite literally speak our weaknesses and failings to the priest. However, the sacrament of confession is not about beating ourselves up over sins, but owning them, showing contrition for them, and letting the Lord into our weaknesses.

During the remainder of the season of Lent, let us meditate on the great and profound mercy of God. We receive this mercy of God at a great cost, as God's mercy is fruit of Jesus' suffering, death, and resurrection. In this season of Lent, let's make it a point make a good, holy confession and receive the mercy of God.

Sincerely in Christ,

Father Kipper



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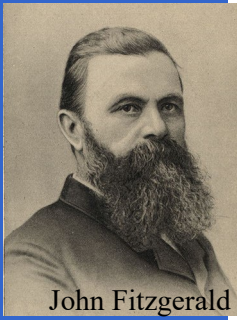
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## KOC Regional Free Throw Contest—St Teresa’s 2023

St Teresa’s School had the honor to host the “Regional” Knights of Columbus free throw contest finals with the 1st and 2nd place winners headed to STATE. We had a great turn out with kids from 7 Eastern Nebraska Districts coming to our gym for competition. Thanks to all who helped organize and work this event.

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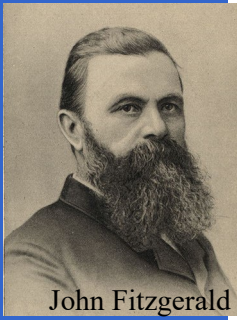
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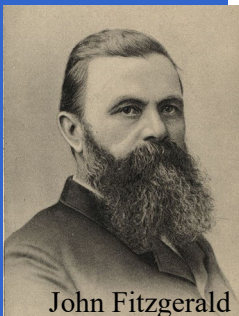
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