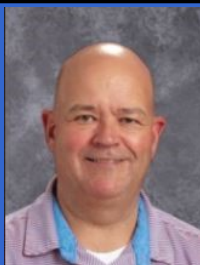


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A Message from our Grand Knight: Brother Knights,

I hope everyone had a Blessed Easter spent with family and friends! Spring is one of my favorite times of the year! The Resurrection of our Lord, the way the grass starts to green up, the blooming of the flowers and the increased amount of sunlight we see every day. It is all so refreshing! Another thing that is refreshing is what our council accomplishes every Friday during Lent with our fish fries! I am in awe of how we do this week in and week out!

Every Thursday I start texting or calling brother Knights asking if we are going to have enough help to pull this off again the next day, and most all of you step up and come through for our council, our school and our parish! I can't thank you all enough! It is each one of you that gave a hand this Lenten season that makes our council, and our fish fries the best in the Diocese!!

I want to extend an invitation to your Knights that have not become 3rd degree Knights yet. We will be having an exemplification ceremony in the near future for you to obtain the 3rd degree. At this ceremony we will also be bringing new Knights into our council. Please be on the lookout for emails and communications about this event.

Thank you and may God continue to bless us all.

Ron Schinkel
Grand Knight
Council 833

Knights of the Month:

Knight of the month is Cliff for installing the thermostats. Thank you !

Knight Family of the Month:

Family of the month is **Matt Fair Family** for working the fish fry's. We really appreciate it!

Upcoming Events:

April 19th: General Mtg. 7:30pm
April 24th: Officer's Mtg 7:30pm
April 29th: KOC State Convention
May 4th: Altar Server Training
May 7th: 4th Degree Ceremony
May 14th: Mother's Day!!



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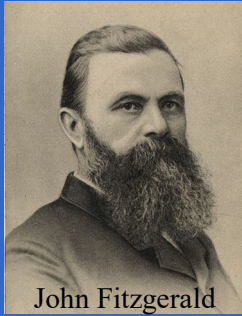
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A Message from our Chaplain:

Dear Brother Knights,

Happy Easter! He is Risen! Alleluia!

There is an ancient Christian saying that St. Pope John Paul II would like to repeat, “We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song!” The fact that Jesus is risen from the dead is indeed our song that we sing abundantly in this Easter season, about it's meant to ring in our hearts together at all times.

The resurrection of Jesus gives us so much hope because it's the promise of resurrection for us who are faithful to Jesus. We long for the resurrection even amidst the fallen world, and despite our own weaknesses and failings.

St. Paul says, “Where, O death, is your victory, where O death, is your sting?...But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ” (1 Cor 15: 55-57). It's because of the resurrection, that St. Paul's boast makes sense.

Easter is the greatest and happiest celebration that the world will ever know. The worst fear in the world, death, has been conquered, and we now have certain hope in eternal life by following Jesus Christ. The antidote to the sickness of sin and death is available to us all and it gives perspective to all our earthly concerns.

I pray that you and your families have a very blessed Easter Season. I hope it is a season filled with great joy. We indeed are an Easter people alleluia is our song. Let us sing this every day in our thoughts, words, and actions.

Sincerely in Christ,

Father Kipper



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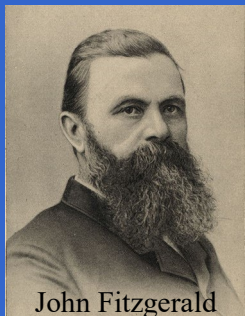
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A Message from our Financial Secretary:

Brothers, Sisters, Cousins, Nieces and Nephews,

Our last fish fry for 2023 was a swimming success, we served 487 plus our comps and it was steady all night long. In the coming weeks, I will be sending out a more detailed note to thank all those who worked behind the scenes helping to make these fish fries a great success. But for now I have to say that these fish fries are a success due to many of you who helped organize, prepare, serve, clean up and dine with us. As we are glad that they are over, we are also sad that they are because we like to hear the compliments on our food and we also love to hear the compliments on our help. Many people have said that they enjoy seeing the youngins working so politely and all with smiles on their faces.

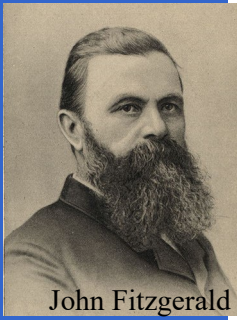
As I was talking to a fellow retired instructor from SCC, I told him that two of my sisters and their husbands were sitting at his table. Then I said one of my brothers was here working with his wife and their two kids in the drive thru and two of my nephews, along with my niece's daughter, were in the fish fry tent. He then asked "So is all your family here?", I said not even close, we have 99 and are still growing but on Fish Fry Friday nights I feel as though everyone is a brother, sister, cousin, niece or nephew. These fish fries really feel like a family affair and one thing I love to see is families sitting down sharing a meal as a family and enjoying each other's conversation.

No organization in the church pro-vides more charitable services, project and program support, and volunteer hours than the Knights. True to the founder's original vision, the Knights continue to help men to practice the faith, to be good husbands and fathers, and to provide for their families. Father McGivney could have successfully pursued a career in business, instead he answered God's call to be a parish priest, proclaiming and bearing witness to the love of Christ. So, it is not surprising that Father McGivney made charity the first principle of the Order. After all, God is love and Jesus revealed God's love for us as we are, "In Service To One, In Service To All."

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

Tony Schafers
FS/PGK, Fitzgerald Council 833





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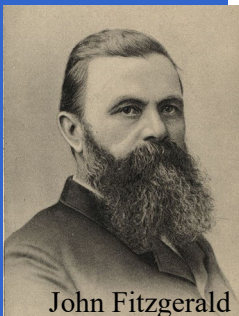
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