

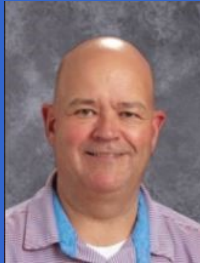
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FITZGERALD COUNCIL 833
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
June 2023 Newsletter



“A Pioneer Catholic of Lincoln”



A Message from our Grand Knight: Brother Knights,

Happy Summer Brother Knights! What a great time of the year it is! Children (and teachers!) are on summer break! The days are longer, the warmth is constant and the humidity is starting to climb up! We all know God is Great, but wasn't the inch of rain we had on Thursday morning a blessing from Him! I read somewhere that it had been since last July Lincoln has received more than an inch of rain. Please keep praying for rain for our farmers and our lakes and streams!

I would like to congratulate Father Beardslee on being the Knight of the Month for June! Father spearheaded a membership drive at Pius for the graduating senior men. There was a tremendous turn out for the event! Father was helped by our trustees, James McCarville and Marvin Burbach. Without their help this wouldn't have been able to succeed. Thanks to all three of you for building the Knight's future with this recruitment drive.

The Knight Family of the Month is James and Lisa McCarville. James and Lisa provided desserts for the Pius event along with organizing the luncheon that was served. Thanks James and Lisa for your ongoing commitment to Council 833.

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Knights of the Month:

Knight of the month is **Father Beardslee** for spearheading a membership drive at Pius for graduating seniors. Thanks!

Knight Family of the Month:

Family of the month is **James and Lisa McCarville** for providing desserts and coordinating the Pius membership lunch. Thank you!

Upcoming Events:

- June 11th:** Corpus Christi Sunday
- June 14th:** Flag Day
- June 18th:** Father's Day
- June 21st:** General Meeting-7:30pm
- June 26th:** Officer's Meeting-7:30pm
- July 3rd-4th:** Fireworks Tent



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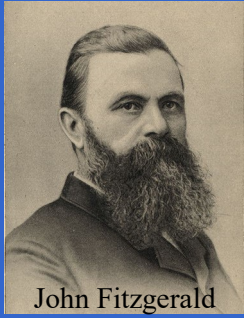
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As I mentioned above, summer is here and with that we have a lot of upcoming events. July 2-4 we will have our Fireworks tent at the Hy-Vee on 52nd and O Street. We will need volunteers to help with this endeavor! Please be open to sharing some of your time this fireworks season by giving back to our council. Please look for more information in the church bulletin as we get closer to the middle of June.

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June 11th our parish will have the Corpus Christi procession from St. Teresa's church to the Pink Sisters Chapel. Our council is in charge of the sound system for the event and also for manning the canopy that covers the priest during the procession. Please contact me if you are willing to help. The procession takes place after the 8 AM mass. It would be spectacular if we had a huge Knight presence at the event. We are the protectors of the church and with today's unrest, our greatest deterrent is numbers.

Before the General Meeting on June 21st we will host an exemplification at the Knight's Hall. At this time we will enter into our council the young men that signed up at the Pius event. I believe we have 5 or 6 new knights to welcome. Please arrange to attend. The starting time will be 7:00 PM and last approximately 30 minutes.

June 23rd will be the Fish Fry Appreciation Dinner at the hall for everyone that helped with the fish fry. All are invited. After the event we can go to the Patriot Pete's Firework Show. Location to be announced.

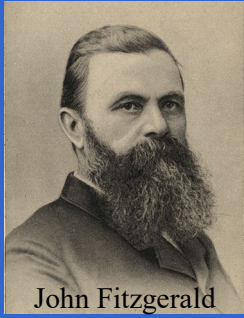
The last event I will mention is the Alter Server outing to the Saltdogs baseball game. This will be on July 29th. Servers will attend the 4 PM mass, enjoy pizza and then head to Haymarket Park to cheer on the Saltdogs. There is no charge for this. More information will be shared later in the summer regarding this.

Once again thank you for service our council. Continue praying for our priest, praying for rain and praying for each other.

May God continue to bless us all.

Ron Schinkel
Grand Knight
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A Message from our Chaplain:

Dear Brother Knights,

We follow Jesus because he is the way, the truth, and the life. There is no other way, truth or life. In a world of moral relativism and subjectivism, believing that there is a truth does not change will necessarily bring about division and even conflict.

As Catholics, we don't look to pick fights with the world around us. We live the truth and present it to the culture in which we live. But we also should not be naïve about the battles that we face today.

Many of you have probably heard about the recent controversy involving the Los Angeles Dodgers baseball team. The team had invited an anti-Catholic group called The Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence to be honored at Dodger Stadium. The group mocks the vocation of religious sisters who sacrifice their entire lives to be brides of Christ. This group promotes homosexual actions that are contrary to God's design for human sexuality. Some of its actions, I wouldn't even mention in this column.

After some initial backlash, the Dodgers disinvited this group. However, after counter-backlash, the Dodgers re-invited the group to be honored in June. Subsequently, some baseball players have courageously spoken out against this anti-Catholic group, despite facing a barrage of attacks.

I've been a baseball fan for as long as I can remember. I have so many memories of playing the game that has become the national pastime. It's a pure game that is part of our national heritage. Thus, I find it terribly disheartening that it's being subjugated by an agenda that is not only anti-Christian but has nothing to do with baseball.

Many of you are probably familiar with the great Dodger broadcaster Vin Scully. Scully was not only the voice of the Dodgers but an iconic voice of baseball itself. He was sometimes called the "voice of summer." Personally, I would rather listen to a game with play-by-play by Vin Scully than watching a game on TV.

Scully passed away last year. He was a devout Catholic and a fellow member of the Knights of Columbus. Scully was honored with a Life Achievement Award at a conference of Catholic writers and editors. He was also intricately connected with the Dodger organization. You have to wonder what his reaction would have been to this and if anything would have changed.

Let us never be deterred in our mission as Catholics regardless of what our current culture advocates and celebrates. Jesus remains the way, the truth, and the life--no matter what is popular and acceptable in the eyes of the world.

Sincerely in Christ,
Father Kipper



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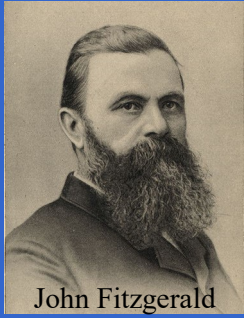
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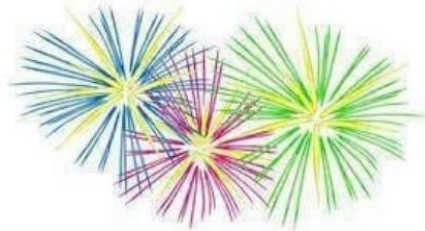
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Knights of Columbus Fitzgerald Council 833 Fireworks Stand 2023



Please support your St. Teresa's Council by purchasing fireworks on July 3rd & 4th this year. We are at the HyVee Parking Lot at 52nd and O Street. This fundraiser helps us to support many different causes and events during the year.

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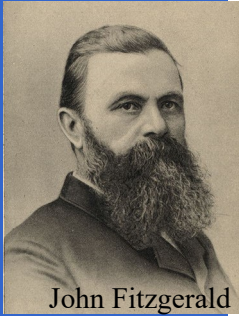
We also are in need of volunteers for shifts on those two days as well as set up on July 2nd. Contact any Knights of Columbus officer if you want to volunteer and see parish bulletin for more information.

Thanks for your support!



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