

FITZGERALD COUNCIL 833 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS September 2023 Newsletter

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A Message from our Grand Knight:

Brother Knights,

It looks as if we finally have a break from the blistering heat! We are beginning to feel the coolness of fall and football! Another season of Pius football where our council runs the chain gang and down marker for the varsity football games. Brothers Matt Schafer, Ryan Wesolowski, Brad Behne, Brian Callan and myself can be seen on the visitor's sideline during the Pius home games. We are always looking to get other knights involved so if this is something you might be interested in, please contact one of us.

We have, and continue to do, many great things for our parish and school. We recently donated money for the ASAP program and the St. Teresa's Conference of St. Vincent DePaul. We hosted a burger/hot dog meal for our school's Jayhawk Jumpstart, purchased bibles for our 4th grade students, donated money to support the Pink Sister's 50th anniversary celebration and presented roses to the mothers of babies baptized in our parish. This is just a snapshot of what we do and we do it because we love Christ and our parish.

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Knight of the Month:

Knight of the month is **Matt Schafers** for all his volunteer work for our council Thank you Matt.

Knight Family of the Month:

Family of the month is **Randy and Rosie Polak** family. Thank you Polak family for all the time, talent and service you give to our parish and council.

Upcoming Events:

September 15th: Altar Server Training September 20th: General Meeting 7:30pm September 22nd: Altar Server Training September 25th: Officer Meeting 7:30pm



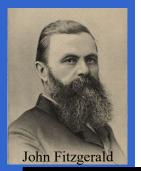
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We have many things yet to do and like I mention in every newsletter, we need YOU! We will be conducting a membership drive this month, and in October we have our Tootsie Roll Sunday to raise funds for persons with developmental disabilities. These are events you can help with after masses with the giving of just a few minutes of your time. Please consider!

Our council meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month at our Knight's of Columbus Hall, 6044 South Street. Stop by for a meeting, a beverage and some pizza once. We would love to have you!

If you ever have questions, comments, or suggestions I can be reached via email at schinkelr@gmail.com

May God continue to bless us all

Ron Schinkel Grand Knight Council 833



John Fitzgerald

THE KNIGHTLY NEWS

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A Message from our Chaplain:

Dear Brother Knights,

Sometimes etymology, the study of the origin of words, can help us understand concepts in a deeper and better way. The use of words changes over time, and seeing the origin gives us perspective.

In July, I attended a conference where there was a talk given by Dr. John Boyle in the Catholic Studies department at the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota, in which he talked about wisdom.

I tend to think the Greek term "sophos," where we get the base for the word Philosophy, the lover of Wisdom. Our English use of this word would include calling someone who is smart "sophisticated." Dr. Boyle pointed out that the word wisdom in Latin sapientia, means "to taste." While at first glance, it seems to be disconnected from our usage, it makes sense. The wise person takes in reality like food. We savor it. Someone is not wise simply because they know a lot of things. They have to reflect on reality; it's why hopefully we grow in wisdom with age.

I reflected on this and thought of it in light of one of my favorite words: sophomore. A sophomore is a "wise fool." It's a little tongue-in-cheek because it's a fool who thinks he's wise. While not universal to all sophomores, some in their second year of school have gained some knowledge and so they think they are wiser than they really are.

There are plenty of "wise fools" out there. The real wise fools include those who say with a degree of smugness that you can re-define marriage to whatever you want it to be. Or, there is the ever more prevalent belief that you can choose whether you are male or female or neither. These ideas which are hailed as wise in our culture, are essentially saying that you can create your own reality.

To be wise means that we taste and savor reality as it really is, and not making it into whatever we want. The Christian life is about conformity to what is real. Just like we come to know the objective world "out there," in the natural world, through faith we see what Jesus has objectively done in redeeming us. That redemption is something that happened in time, it is offered to us right now, and we would be wise to conform ourselves to that reality.

Sincerely in Christ, Father Kipper



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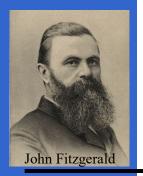




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