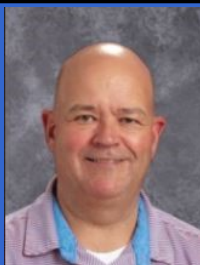


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## A Message from our Grand Knight:

Brother Knights,

Here we are in the last few months of 2023 as we enter October. I was visiting with a friend the other night and he mentioned how he can't wait for this year to end. This year has brought him some health issues, car troubles, home repairs, etc, etc. I understand how he hopes the new year takes away some of these misfortunes he has experienced this year, but does turning the page of the calendar really bring us peace?

I am not sure that is the case. We are burdened by life's unexpected twists and turns, but as Knights we have the power of our brotherhood to help us through these twists and turns. We have the power of prayer, our sword against Satan. We have the power of Charity, our founding principle. And we have our brother Knights. When we combine all three of these things we can face many things head on!

In our monthly meetings we pray for brother knights and their families. In our monthly meetings we discuss ways to increase the charity we give to our parish, our school and others less fortunate. And lastly in our meetings we have camaraderie with our brother knights. We enjoy each other's company while we share a beverage and have some pizza.

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## Knight of the Month:

Knight of the month is **Jon Sullivan** for his work on the patio addition at the Knights hall. Thank you Jon!

## Knight Family of the Month:

Family of the month is the **Brian Callan Family**. Brian and his sons Weston and Lane helped move the shed at the hall and have been very helpful by volunteering their time to help at the hall. Thank you !

## Upcoming Events:

**October 14-15th:** Tootsie Roll Weekend  
**October 18th:** General Meeting 7:30pm  
**October 30th:** Officer Meeting 7:30pm  
**October 31st:** All Hollows Eve



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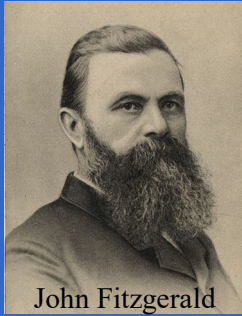
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I look forward to our monthly meetings. As your Grand Knight, there is plenty of preparation for the meetings, but the reward is the things I mentioned above. I know that I am not alone if feeling the pressures of being a parent, a businessman, a provider for my family, but I do know that I get comfort and some relief from these when I get to see my fellow parishioners and brother knights at our monthly meetings.

I guess what I am saying is, if you haven't attended a meeting recently give it a try. You might get something out of it, and find some enjoyment or relaxation in attending. I hope you stop by. Our next meeting is October 18th, 7:30 PM at the Knight's Hall.

We are looking for some help in distributing Tootsie Rolls for our Tootsie Roll campaign that benefits our family and community members with intellectual disabilities. We will be handing out Tootsie Rolls after each mass the weekend of October 14-15. Along with distributing them at St. Teresa's, we will also be handing them out at Hy-Vee, 50th and O Street, on Saturday October 14th and Sunday October 15th.

The signup genius can be found here ( <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054FAEAF2DA2FA7-44760987-tootsie#/> )

Please consider signing up for a 2 hour slot. I have signed up and plan on bringing my 2 young grandsons to help. This is a great way to spend time with a family member and also do charitable work!

May God continue to bless us all,

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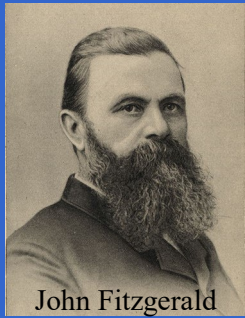
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## *A Message from our Chaplain:*

Dear Brother Knights,

As I mentioned in a recent homily at Sunday Mass, I had the opportunity to travel in September to the Normandy region of France with my father and a priest friend of mine. I had always been intrigued by the invasion upon the beaches of Normandy during World War II, which is known as D-Day. I've admired the courage of the troops going into this battle. It felt something like a pilgrimage to see these beaches and battlefields: places where a moral battle against tyranny was fought.

The Normandy beaches are only a little over an hour from the town of Lisieux, the home of our patron, St. Teresa. And so, we also made a visit to see St. Teresa.

Saint Teresa is, of course, known for her “little way.” The little way is essentially doing little things with great love. In Lisieux, you can visit the Carmelite monastery where Saint Teresa lived and is laid to rest, her childhood home, and a very large basilica dedicated to St. Teresa.

The contrast between this giant basilica and the little way of St. Teresa gave my pause. I wasn't bothered by the fact of this, but it was a moment of reflection. In the eyes of the world St. Teresa didn't do much in her life, but the effects of her prayers are very much apparent.

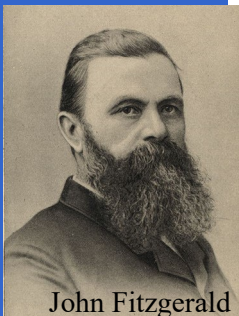
She wanted to be a missionary. She wanted to go to the far corners of the world to preach the gospel. She was obviously never able to do this in this life, but she continues to do it through her prayers. She is now the patron of the missions. One of her great sayings is that she wants to “spend her heaven doing good on earth.”

This giant basilica dedicated to St. Teresa is thus a fitting expression of the power of one saint. In fact, as you walk around this basilica there's little plaques from different countries throughout the world where St. Teresa has made some kind of impact, evidence of her greatness of soul. Let us remember, too, that like St. Teresa, our little, good deeds can have great, long-lasting effects.

Sincerely in Christ,  
Father Kipper







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