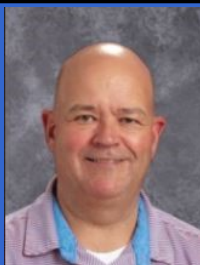


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A Message from our Grand Knight:

Brother Knights,

WOW! It is hard to believe that December of 2023 has arrived! For some it has been a blessed year, and for others there have been struggles. Knowing that we are nearing Advent and the birth of our Savior we need to remember that this is the season of Hope, Peace, Joy and Love. For those that have struggled I hope you find hope and peace. For those that have been blessed I hope you share your blessings with others by offering joy, love and hope!

Our council has been blessed in so many ways this year, and for many years in the past. We have members of our council that work so diligently to ensure our council is successful. I am so proud of being the Grand Knight of Council 833. It swells my heart knowing that we do the right thing at the right time every time!

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Knight of the Month:

Knight of the month is **Dan Wesolowski** for his help constructing the new KOC hall addition. Thanks!

Knight Family of the Month:

Family of the month is the **Barry Butler Family** and his son Karl completing a cellular reception project in the St. Teresa's church basement for better phone reception and it was very successful! Thank you!

Upcoming Events:

December 8th: Immaculate Conception
December 9th: KOC 833 Xmas Party
December 20th: KOC 833 Meeting 7:30pm
December 25th: CHRISTMAS
December 27th: Officer Meeting 7:30pm



OFFICERS:

Chaplain: Father Kipper
Grand Knight: Ron Schinkel
Dep. Grand Knight: Matt Schafers
Financial Secretary: Tony Schafers
Treasurer: Philip Paitz
Recorder: Barry Butler
Chancellor: Nathaniel Cunningham

Warden:

Ron Wortman
Advocate: John Lenich
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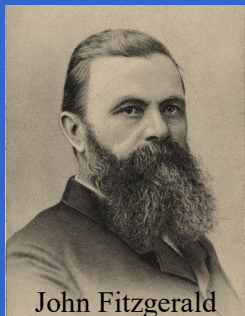
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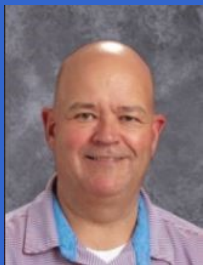
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I am thankful for the officers of our council that don't ever get the recognition they deserve. These men volunteer time throughout each month doing things that are totally behind the scenes. If you see one of these gentlemen or know one, be sure to thank them for their service. Here are our officers:

Matt Schafers- Deputy Grand Knight
Tony Schafers- Financial Secretary
Philip Paitz- Treasurer
Barry Butler- Recorder
John Lenich- Advocate
Ron Wortman- Warden

Cliff Henggeler- Inside Guard
Reese Meyer- Outside Guard
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Along with the great leadership of our council, we also have Knights that go above and beyond the call of duty. All of the programs our council does is only possible by the great men that volunteer to help out. A few of these tasks that our knights take on are... Snow removal for the elderly/homebound of our parish, Presenting Roses at Baptisms for mothers and the child, Tootsie Roll Sunday to benefit individuals with intellectual disabilities, Candy Cane Sunday to purchase items for those of our parish that our less fortunate, Coats for Kids that provided 100+ winter coats for the children of St. Teresa School. The list goes on and on and it only happens because of the great men of our council! Thank you so much to these men and their families.

One of the greatest strengths of our council is the guidance we get from our clergy. Father Kipper, our council chaplain, as well as Father Schwenka and Father Beardslee, support and encourage our council in all of our endeavors. Father Kipper attends our monthly meetings and all of the priests show up at all of the different events we have. We are so truly blessed with the priests we have in our parish and their continued prayers they bestow upon all of us.

A few items to put on your calendar for this month...

December 2- Set up the nativity scene at church 11 AM

December 9th we will have our annual Christmas dinner at the hall.

December 16-17 is Candy Cane Sunday. We will pass out candy canes after each mass that weekend.

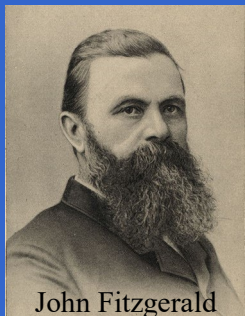
December 20- General Meeting at the hall beginning at 7:30. Come enjoy some pizza, a beverage and some holiday cheer.

And finally, I pray that each of you and your families find the hope, peace, joy and love that this beautiful season of Advent offers.

May God continue to bless us all.

Ron Schinkel
Grand Knight
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A Message from our Chaplain:

Brother Knights,

We now approach the holy season of advent. The word “advent” literally means, “arrival.” It is the time where we are preparing for the arrival of our Lord Jesus.

This might seem somewhat strange to prepare for the coming of Jesus when we know he has already come. But this season rekindles something special for us. There is something new and refreshing about Advent every year. We would never want to take for granted the magnitude of God entering into the world, taking on human flesh.

It's also a time during this holy season where we see the plan of God laid out for us. We recall the many prefigurements and types of Christ: the prophecies of old, the patriarchs like Abraham and Moses, and the Jewish kings. In recalling these people and events from the past, we see how God has prepared us for our redemption and salvation in Christ. We should never forget the plan of God, or we are liable to forget our history, from where we have come.

Advent is a time, as well, where we think about when we will meet Jesus face to face, when our time on earth has ended. For the faithful disciple, this is not a reflection that begets fear, but rather eager anticipation. If there is something in our life that needs to change, preventing us from being with the Lord forever, now is the perfect time to address it.

On behalf of all the priests at St. Teresa, I wish all of you a blessed Advent season in preparation for the great celebration of Christmas, the celebration of the unthinkable: that God would take on human flesh and enter into our little world.

Sincerely in Christ,
Father Kipper



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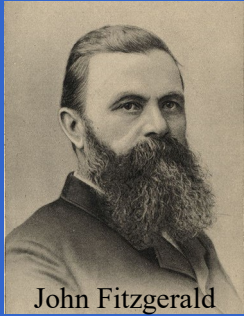
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The Knights of Columbus cordially invites you and a guest
to our 2023 Christmas Party.

Saturday, December 9, 2023. Social at 5pm, Dinner at 6pm

Menu: Cornish Hens, Yukon Gold Potatoes & Green Beans Almondine.
Caeser's Salad, Rolls and Ice Cream with Brownies.

\$30 per couple; \$15 per single

Bring a \$10-\$15 gift for a white elephant gift exchange

Knights Hall, 6044 South Street

RSVP to Marv Burbach mjburbach01@gmail.com or call
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Please respond by December 2nd



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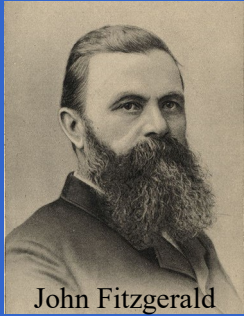
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St. Teresa Nativity Set-Up 2023

Thanks to all who came out to help set up the Nativity at St. Teresa's yesterday!! Advent has begun as we prepare for the birth of Jesus.

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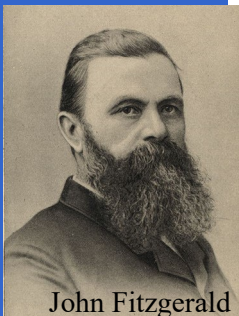
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