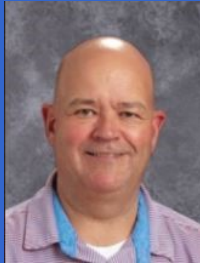


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A Message from our Grand Knight:

Happy Spring Brother Knights!

Here we are already into April. Hard to believe how quickly the Lenten season went, along with our fish fries. What a VERY SUCCESSFUL fish fry season it was for our council. I am not sure if you were able to read our FS Tony Schafers recaps every week, but we have an amazing author in our ranks! Tony’s writings were spot on and our numbers for the 6 Fridays we served fish were staggering for our Council.

There is not enough space in this newsletter to thank everyone that is involved with making these evenings so successful. The Knights, the families of our Knights and the friends of our Knights are the ones that need to be congratulated for our success. I, as you Grand Knight, am so thankful for everyone. From the customers to the fryers, the drink servers, the dish washers....all of you **THANK YOU!**

Please watch your emails as we will be having a family dinner at the hall sometime soon to show our appreciation for helping with the fish fry. We will work to schedule this on a Sunday in May if possible.

Just a couple of reminders....

April 17-General Meeting at the hall, 7:30 PM

April 29- Officer/Director Meeting at the hall, 7:30 PM

Many of our Knights have yet to pay this year’s dues. Dues are \$30. FS Tony Schafers will be sending our notices. If you aren’t sure you can contact Tony or myself. You can also Venmo your dues payment to @Ron-Schinkel

Thank you and may God continue to bless us all.

Ron Schinkel,
Grand Knight 833

Knight of the Month:

Knight of the month is **Bob Ele**. Bob is at the hall every Friday for fish fries and we appreciate all he does! Thank you!

Knight Family of the Month:

Family of the month is the **Brian Pfeiffer Family** for all the volunteering at our fish fries on Friday Nights. Thank you very much for all your dedication to our council!

Upcoming Events:

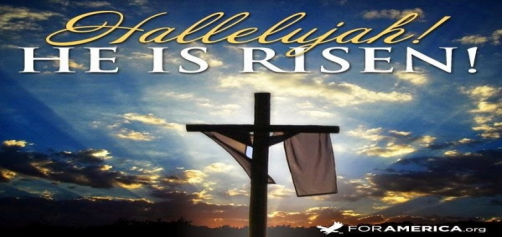
April 17th: KOC 833 Meeting 7:30pm

April 27th: **SPRING GAME**

April 26th-28th: KOCStateConvention

April 29th: Pius Awards Night

April 30th: Officers Meeting - 7:30pm



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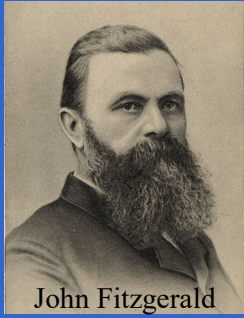
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A Message from our Chaplain:

Dear Brother Knights,

He is risen! Alleluia!

Easter is the greatest celebration in the Church because it is the greatest event in the history of the world. The fact that Jesus resurrected from the dead changes everything. Our greatest fear, our death, has been put to death by Jesus. Through Jesus’ resurrection, God has power over death, and that's what gives us so much hope.

Jesus gives hints of his power over death throughout the gospel. We see this, for instance, in the raising of his friend Lazarus from the dead. He tells Lazarus's sister, Martha: “I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.”

In Jesus, these are not mere words. These are not just platitudes to make Martha feel better. They are truth, and he proves that they're true because he then raises Lazarus from the dead. May we follow Jesus with all our hearts as his faithful disciples, carrying us, too, into eternal life.

May God bless you and your families with a blessed Easter season.

Sincerely in Christ,

Father Nicholas Kipper



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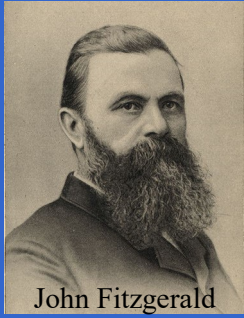
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*A Message from our Financial Secretary:
(March 27th)*

“Official Fish Fry of the Huskers”

Brother Knights, and families,

Our Worthy Grand Knight Ron Schinkel decided that we needed to display a Husker flag on the flag pole since both the men’s and women’s basketball teams were playing in the NCAA tournament. Then, Matt Schafers decided that we are now the Official Fish Fry of Husker Nation. Just like the Husker men, we started out like gangbusters but did not keep it going at the end. Once six o’clock came it dropped off both inside and out. The crowd indoors was less than it had been, but we were having a great night with takeout orders in the serving line and the drive through was lined up to the street. With the Husker men’s basketball game set to start at 5:50 many people brought their food home to watch the Huskers play. In the end the Husker men lost but the Husker women won, and the fish was a win, so two wins make it alright. We ended up serving 525 plates which is still a great night of fishing and feasting.

One brother knight caught me in the main dining room on my way to the Jon and said that these folks have some questions for someone who might know the answers. Their first question was, “Who is that man over there talking to those people in the serving line”. Jokingly I asked them if he had bothered them or upset them in some way to which they replied, “Oh no he was very pleasant, and we enjoyed talking to him”. What they really wanted to know was if he was the Grand Poobah or something like that. I had to be honest with them and said, “He was a Grand Knight and now he is a Trustee, so yes, he is a Grand Poobah of sorts”. The knight that they were pointing out was Sir Knight Dennis Hruby and I told them that he is a very nice man to which they all agreed. It’s this kind of personal touch that gives our fish fries a family affair feeling that our patrons appreciate, thank you GP Dennis.

As the Easter Triduum comes and goes and my wife, Kim, isn’t a fish fry widow anymore, I will be sending out a fish fry summary thanking all the behind-the-scenes people that make these fish fries as successful as they are. But for now, I will just list a few of these fishermen and fisherwomen that have put in countless hours to make these a great success. They are Randy and Rosie Polak, Dan and Cheryl Wesolowski, Ron Wortman, Mike Szatko, Bob Ele, Jon Weber, Matt and Theresa Schafers, and Joe Schroedl. And finally, our Worthy Grand Knight Ron Schinkel and his grandsons, Weston and Lane. I took their pictures and promised them that they would be in the newsletter, and they were so excited about that, can’t wait to sign them up! So, from all of us officers of Fitzgerald Council 833 we wish you a Happy Easter and hope that the time you spend rejoicing is surrounded by family and friends. Happy Easter!

Tony Schafers
FS/PGK, Fitzgerald Council 833



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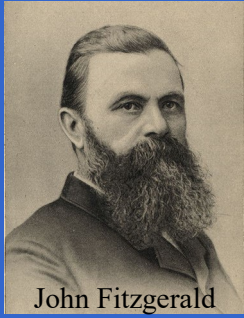
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(April 1st)*

St. Teresa Easter Vigil

Brother Knights,

If you were not able to attend the Holy Triduum services (specifically the Easter Vigil) this year let me tell you that they were some of the most beautiful services that we have ever had here at Saint Teresa's. Both Father Kipper and Father Schwenka did a superb job being both the celebrant and concelebrant for these services.

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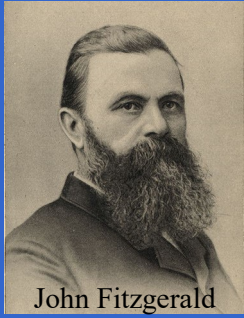
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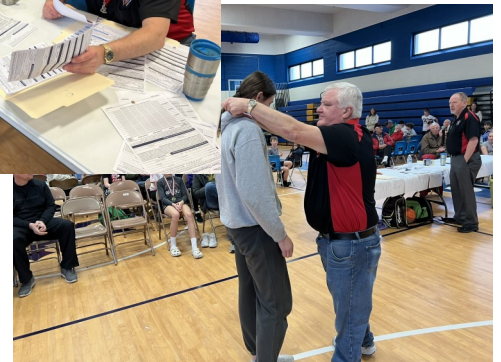


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KOC Regional Free Throw Contest 2024

The Knights of Columbus Regional Free Throw Competition was held at St. Teresa's school gym on March 23rd. This was the second year in a row we have hosted with our facilities.

Thanks to all our 833 Knights who helped at this large event. We hosted around 200 total participants and their families from councils throughout the Southeastern Nebraska area, showcasing our school and newly renovated gym.



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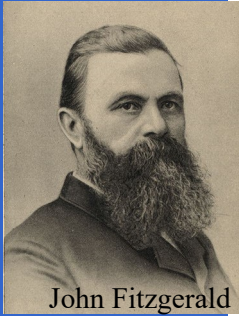
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