

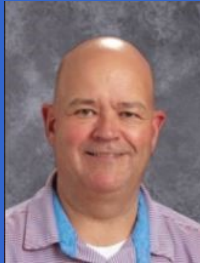
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THE KNIGHTLY NEWS

FITZGERALD COUNCIL 833
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
May 2024 Newsletter



“A Pioneer Catholic of Lincoln”



A Message from our Grand Knight:

Brother Knights,

Here we are diving into the month of May! Spring brings us so many wonderful things. Our parish has had the first communion celebrations, confirmation is in the next few weeks, we have beautiful flowers and trees blooming (along with allergies)...it is just a time of new beginnings!

I recently attended the Knights of Columbus State Convention in Kearney. This is a nice event but I don't think it portrays the reason many of us become Knights. There is a nice dinner/awards ceremony on Friday evening. Many categories are covered and awards are given to the council that is chosen to receive the award. Council 833 didn't get recognized at the state level for any of the many things we do throughout the year...but let me assure you we get recognized by the people that matter! Those are the people we serve. Our parishioners, our school teachers, our school students and our fellow knights. Is a plaque nice? Sure it isbut what grabs at my heart, and fills it with pride, is the cards, letters, emails, phone calls and personal conversations I have with the people we serve. Thanking ALL OF US for the good deeds we do. The fish fry dinners that bring people together, the snow scooping, the presentations of roses, of bibles and of ice cream treats. These are the reasons I am so proud to be a Knight. The CHARITY that the Knights of my council does! You are all the winners of the greatest award we can receive and that is people's admiration and respect for what you do.

Thanks to all of you!

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Knight of the Month:

Our Knight of the Month is **Joe Schroedl**, for the countless hours he spends helping the Knights. A true Knight gentleman who helps many in our parish

Knight Family of the Month:

Our Knight Family of the Month is the **Alex Cordry Family** for their constant attendance volunteering at the yearly fish fries. We appreciate the time and effort Alex and his family give to our council.

Upcoming Events:

- May 14th: Election Day**
- May 15th:** General Meeting 7:30pm
- May 19th:** Appreciation Dinner 5pm
- May 20th:** Officers Meeting - 7:30pm
- May 27th: Memorial Day**



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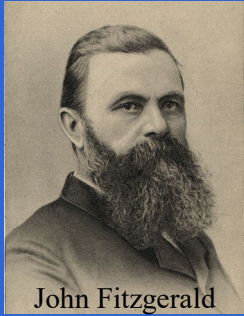
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We would like to show our appreciation to you and your family for what you do by hosting a pizza and pasta party on May 19th at the Knights of Columbus Hall. This event will begin at 5 PM and the menu will consist of pizza, pasta, salad, breadsticks, desserts and drinks. We will also have a bounce house for the kids.

To RSVP please text me at 402-429-2515 with your name and how many will be attending or you can go to this link... <https://forms.gle/GKUHnxdDyCDPufxb7> and submit the information. Please RSVP by May 15th.

I would like to thank our Knight of the Month, Joe Schroedl, for the countless hours he spends helping the Knights. I would also like to share with you something I observed with Joe at mass a few weeks ago. Joe was sitting in his pew at the side of the church when a parishioner who is visually impaired sat in front of Joe. Communion time came and Joe took it upon himself to inform this parishioner it was time to go to the communion rail. Joe then escorted this person to the communion rail and back to her pew. What a gentleman you are Joe and a special person, in a world that needs more Joe Schoedls!

Our Knight Family of the Month is Alex Cordry and his family. Year in and year out Alex and his kids show up on the Friday nights of Fish Frys and work, work and work. We appreciate the time and effort Alex and his family give to our council.

As I mentioned at the beginning of this message, spring brings new beginnings and many changes. I will also be experiencing change. As May comes to a close, so will my career as a teacher. My 32 year tenure as a public school teacher will come to an end. As with anything you pour yourself into, this will be bittersweet for me. I look forward to free time with my family and grandchildren but I know I will miss the interactions with my colleagues and students. Also coming to a close is my time as your Grand Knight. At the end of our Fraternal Year, June 30, I will be stepping down as the Grand Knight of Fitzgerald Council. The reins will be passed on to Matt Schafers who will do an outstanding job as the leader of the council. This, too, will be a bittersweet time for me. I have enjoyed every aspect in the position of Grand Knight for the storied 833 Council. This experience was so fulfilling only because of each of you. Thank you for your continued prayers for me, and for our council, as we move forward.

Important Dates:

- 5/14- Election Day
- 5/15-General Meeting, 7:30, K of C hall
- 5/19- Appreciation Dinner, 5:00 PM...RSVP please
- 5/20- Officer/Director Meeting, 7:30 PM
- 5/27- Memorial Day

Thank you and may God continue to bless us all.

Ron Schinkel,
Grand Knight 833



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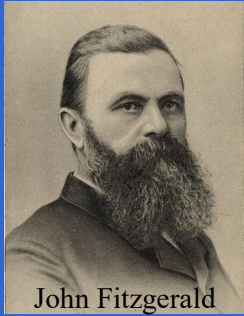
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A Message from our Chaplain:

Dear Brother Knights,

I hope that you have all had a blessed Easter season. This is a time of such joy, even in the world that is a vale of tears with all of its concerns and tribulations. We long for the resurrection of the dead, where we will enjoy the presence and love of God for all eternity. But, of course, we know as Catholics that we can enjoy the presence of God right now. This found in Christ’s real presence in the Eucharist.

In his encyclical letter on the Eucharist, *Ecclesia de eucharistia*, St. Pope John Paul II spoke of the great gift of Eucharist. He wrote: “The Church has received the Eucharist from Christ her Lord not as one gift – however precious – among so many others, but as the gift par excellence, for it is the gift of himself, of his person in his sacred humanity, as well as the gift of his saving work.”

What our Lord offers us is his very self. In this time of Eucharistic Revival in the Church of the United States, let us make it a point to have a greater reverence, love and understanding of Christ’s presence in the Eucharist. And in doing so, encounter him in his total gift of self.

Sincerely in Christ,

Father Nicholas Kipper



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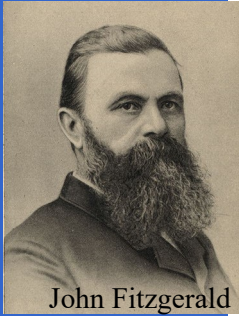
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