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THE KNIGHTLY NEWS

FITZGERALD COUNCIL 833
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
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A Message from our Grand Knight:

Brother Knights,

By the time you read this, the new school year will be underway already. Where does the time go? We pulled off an amazing Jayhawk Jumpstart this year! We fed 500 hungry kids and parents. All we had left over was a few hot dogs. This is a time for fun and being social. This is becoming a fantastic tradition and is a great way to showcase the Knights of Columbus to not just parents that haven't heard of us or know what we do but to the youngsters too.

The more they see the Knights out and about, the more the boys will know us when that time comes for them to be asked, “Would you like to be a Knight?”. I fondly remember all the Knight functions that our father dragged us to. We might not have understood the Knight function but we certainly associated being at the hall with fun times running around all the ground out there. Soon old man winter will be calling and it will be time for Coats for Kids. This is time for giving back. Being a Knight is fun and rewarding with time for social aspects, time to give back in charity, time to serve others, and time to serve God.

As I looked around at the gentleman helping cook, serve, set up and clean up afterwards, they were mostly our senior Knights. Please consider getting more involved. Perhaps a little bit at a time. Help out at the Jumpstart for 30 minutes. Shovel one walk in the winter for a shut in. Take a shift at a single fish fry. Come to the fireworks stand for a time. All of these activities are important aspects of what it means to be a Knight either directly or indirectly.

See you all at the next meeting!

Matt Schafers
Grand Knight 833

Knight of the Month:

Knight of the month is **Clarence Waldman** for hauling three loads of tree limbs from the Knights Hall clean-up after the storm. Thank you Clarence!

Knight Family of the Month:

Family of the month is **James McCarville and Lisa** for their help with the server outing. Lisa made desserts for the boys as well! Thank you!

Upcoming Events:

August 15th: Assumption of Mary
August 21st: KOC 833 Meeting - 7:30pm
August 26th: Officers Meeting - 7:30pm
September 2nd: Labor Day
September 7th: Membership Drive
September 8th: Membership Drive



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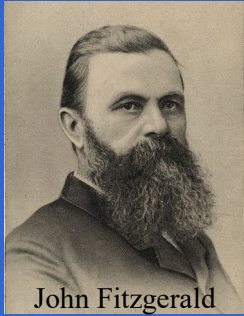
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A Message from our Chaplain:

Dear Brother Knights,

In July, over 50,000 Catholics gathered together in Indianapolis for a National Eucharistic Congress. The attendees came together for talks, fellowship, the celebration of Mass, and prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

The Eucharistic Congress was, in part, the culmination of the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage, where Catholics across the country adored Jesus present in the Holy Eucharist in a manner that has never taken place in our nation’s history. The Eucharist, made visible in the monstrance (a metal vessel used to “show” the Eucharist) was processed by foot, van, and boat from the north, south, east, and west, beginning in San Francisco, Lake Itasca, Minn., New Haven Conn., and Brownsville, Tex. and arriving in Indianapolis for the Eucharistic Congress.

What a great witness this was to the faith and a reminder of the presence of Jesus in our midst. The word Mass comes from the Latin word *missa* meaning, “sent.” If a Mass were to be celebrated in the Latin, the words of dismissal are “*Ite, Missa est,*” which is translated literally as “Go, it is sent.” In the 13th Century, St. Thomas Aquinas commented on these words of dismissal saying, “And from this the Mass derives its name ... the deacon on festival days ‘dismisses’ the people at the end of the Mass, by saying: ‘*Ite, missa est,*’ that is, the victim [Jesus] has been sent to God through the angel, so that it may be accepted by God.”

St. Thomas describes the heart of what the Mass is all about: the re-presentation Christ’s offering of himself to the Heavenly Father. And then this gift of Christ to the Father pours forth to the Church in the reception of Holy Communion. Christ offers himself as a sacrifice to the Father, and in doing so he also offers himself to the Church in giving us his very body and blood.

Thus, the dismissal at the end of Mass is not an ending but a beginning. Catholics who attend Mass have asked for forgiveness of their sins, listened to the Word of God, reflected upon its impact on their lives through the homily, entered into the redemptive work of Jesus, and received him in the Eucharist. Actively participating in the mystery of the Mass changes the hearts of Catholics. It necessarily moves us into mission. So, the dismissal at Mass is not just a declaration that it’s over and it’s time to go home, but a call to take the fruits of this Mass to be missionary disciples.

As thousands of Catholics processed across the country and took our Lord to the streets, it’s a reminder for all of us as Catholics to bring Jesus wherever we may find ourselves.

May God bless you and your families.
Sincerely in Christ,
Father Nicholas Kipper

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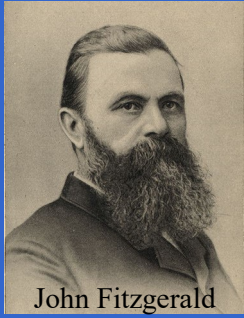
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St. Teresa Altar Server Baseball Outing!!!

Thanks to all the Knights who organized the St Teresa Altar Server Saltdog Baseball game outing on Saturday. The evening began with pizza in the church basement, and then headed to the stadium.

The boys had a lot of fun....Dancing and trying to catch free T-shirts. Blaze Beauclair even caught a hot dog on the upper deck!! We had a great group that had a lot of fun with a wonderful evening for baseball.

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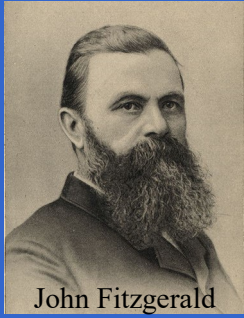
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Jayhawk Jumpstart

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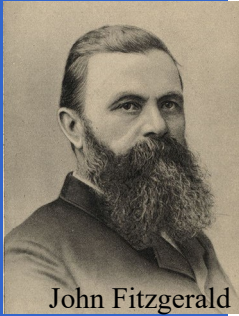
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