

Knights of Columbus

Council 996

GREETINGS FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

SPECIAL DATES OF INTEREST:

- Bingo every Tuesday @ 7pm
- November 1st-All Saints Day
- November 2nd-Business Meeting
- November 9th-Columbus Club Meeting 6:30pm
- November 11th-Veterans Day
- November 16th-Thanksgiving Potluck
- November 24th-Thanksgiving Day
- November 27th-1st Sunday of Advent

I want to congratulate Nick Atkins, Carder Ferguson, Nick Matthews, and Tommy Taylor on their becoming 2nd and 3rd degree Knights. For those that were not there, we had a class of about 32 that went through the second and third degree exemplifications. Congratulations to them all. At the time of this writing they are about to go through the fourth degree

exemplification. So congratulations on that also.

We had our 1st Knights of Columbus Charity Golf tournament in place of Octoberfest. We had 16 teams playing in it. Jack Danciu & Associates won the first place on the first flight, Argco took second. Farm Bureau tool was first on the second flight (sorry I do not know who took second one the second flight). It was held at Fianna Hills Country Club, 32 hole sponsors. From what I am hearing everyone had a

good time.

We are having our Thanksgiving potluck/check presentation on the 16th of November. Happy half hour will be at 6:00 p.m. and the check presentation will be at 6:30p.m. We will eat immediately after. So please everyone bring your favorite side dish. This Thanksgiving let's keep in mind of all that we have to be thankful for. God Bless You All!!

Vivat Jesus
Grand Knight
Gus Copenhaver

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UPCOMING EVENTS!!

Thanksgiving Dinner is November the 16th. Happy hour 6 pm, dinner at 6:30. Please bring a side dish.

The Kid's Christmas Party is tentatively set for December 16th unless there is a rental that day. As of now all Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays are booked. Watch the December bulletin for more details.

COUNCIL LECTURER - DC. GREG PAIR

Dress Up for Mass!

Sam Guzman

July 27, 2013

Dress, Holy Mass, Virtue
Catholic, catholic
men, dress, faith, manliness,
men, virtue

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Dapper gents from
Our Lady of Victory Catholic
Parish, Cincinnati, OH.
(1943).

Society is growing
more and more casual. I
have seen people shopping
for groceries in their pajama
pants and fuzzy slippers. I've
been to world-class classical
concerts where people are
dressed in Hawaiian shirts
and jeans. In fact, it's hard
to think of anything people
will dress up for anymore.
Even weddings and funerals
are getting more and more
casual.

This bothers me because
how we dress is a sign of how
much respect we have
for ourselves and for other
people. If we don't dress up
for anyone or anything, it's a
sure sign that we don't re-
spect anyone or anything.
Dressing up is a small
sacrifice Looking sharp takes
effort. Putting on a well
pressed suit and tie, rather
than a wrinkled t-shirt, takes
time. Shaving, rather than
sporting a scruffy five-o'clock
shadow, takes a little bit of
effort. Combing your hair,
rather than letting it stand on
end, requires a small amount
of work. It is exactly these
little sacrifices of time and
effort, though, that tell other
people that they are worth it.
Trust me, I know it's not easy

for men. We naturally don't
want to make that effort. I
guarantee that if you do,
though, you will feel like a
million bucks. You will feel
more manly and more
confident.

Dress up for mass!

Even if you don't think
dressing sharp is worth it for
every day activities, there is
one place you should never
slum it. Ever. And that is
holy mass.

Catholic gentlemen.

Jesus, the Kings of kings, is
at your parish. Angels
tremble before him, demons
flee from him, and he makes
himself present on the altar
at every mass. Do you really
want to meet him in flip flops
and cargo shorts? Do you
really want to tell Jesus, "You
weren't worth dressing up
for?" We struggle as a society
to understand royalty. We
have a warped view of
equality that tells us that no
one, no matter who they are,
is worthy of honor and
respect. This is simply wrong.
St. Paul says to "give honor
to whom honor is due." And if
anyone is worthy of honor, it
is Jesus Christ, our priest and
king. I know, I know. Nobody
else does it. In fact, the mass
at your parish may not be
very reverent (I hope it is).
But that is no excuse. Part of
being a man is doing the
right thing, even if it isn't
popular. Be strong, swim
upstream.

Priests, consider
explaining the significance of
the real presence of
Jesus in the Eucharist, and

then gently encouraging your
congregants to show respect
in how they dress. Legalism
is not the answer While I
think every man should dress
up for mass, I'm not about to
prescribe exactly what you
should wear. It's not my
place to recommend a
three piece suit, a certain
color of pants, or wingtip
shoes. While I won't tell you
what to wear, I will suggest
three basic rules on how to
dress for mass.

1. Your outfit should take
effort – When choosing what
to wear for mass,
don't go for what is most
comfortable and easy. In fact,
make it a little
uncomfortable. For example,
if you have been wearing
Crocs to mass, try
wearing some nice leather
shoes instead. If you have
been wearing a polo shirt, try
a dress shirt. If you have
been wearing a tie, try adding
a sport coat. In other words,
put forth some effort and
make a small sacrifice.

2. Your attire should be
above average – We all live
in different places, and our
culture has much to do with
what constitutes respectful
dress. A ranch hand in rural
Montana or poor migrant
worker is not held to the
same standards as a wealthy
Wall Street executive. No
matter where we live,
though, we should all have
"Sunday best"—clothes we
wear that are nicer than what
we wear every day. If you're

wearing the same thing to
mass that you do when going
to the movies, there is a
problem.

3. Do it for love – Most im-
portantly, love should be our
motivation. The
moment we start doing things
for reasons other than love,
we are wasting our time. I
have heard a lot of people
say, "God looks on the heart.
He sees that I love him even
if I don't dress up." WRONG.
Love always manifests itself
outwardly through acts of self-
giving. Love is not a feeling,
it is a choice to sacrifice
yourself or something you
value for someone else. As I
said earlier, dressing up is a
very small sacrifice.
Tell Jesus you love him and
respect him by making a
sacrifice of effort when
choosing your attire or
grooming for mass. The more
you don't feel like dressing
up, the more valuable your
sacrifice of time and
attention will mean to Jesus.

Conclusion

While the world may tell us
that nothing is worth dressing
up for, that should never
apply to the Catholic
gentleman. We should show
respect to ourselves and
others by making an effort—
especially for holy mass. We
must be courageously coun-
ter-cultural in our dress, even
if we get funny looks. What is
the attire like at your local
parish? What is one way you
can dress up more for mass?

N O V E M B E R B I R T H D A Y S

2nd-- Robert Sebren	18th - Frank Hug, Sr.
3rd - Robert Daley, Joseph Bugeja	19th - Kenneth Siebenmorgan
4th - Robert Hatwig, Aaron Graham	20th - Charles Mackey
5th - Nick Borengasser	21th - Michael McCarthy
8th - Robert Dolanski	22nd - William Koenigseder
9th - Kyle Moore, William K. Orr	24th - Johnnie Frederick, J.J. Seiter
11th - Robert Collins	27th - David Hotz
14th - Paul Bochat	29th- Andrew Rideout
17th - Jerry Spahn, Tim Weisenfels, Ronald Testa, Rick Gammill	30th - Michael Locknar

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FROM YOUR BROTHER KNIGHTS!

F A M I L I E S I N N E E D O F P R A Y E R

Sick:

Gerald Miller, J.B. Meyers, Scott Koch, son of Gilbert Koch, Mrs. Bernie Tougas, Tina Mayfield, widow of Jim Mayfield, Billie Sharum, Bob Schwartz, Marvin Copenhaver, Harold Willie, Dottie Matthews, grandmother of Nick Matthews, and Lance Kinsey.

Deaths:

Thomas Horwedel, brother of the late John Horwedel and brother in law of Cher Horwedel, and Sister Josita Nahlen, who was a frequent visitor of our fish nights and enjoyed it immensely.

Military:

Jake Dahlem, stationed in Japan, and Jacob Ferguson, son of Carter Ferguson, who is deployed.



NOVEMBER 2016

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Bingo 7pm All Saint's Day	2 Business Mtg. @ 7:30pm	3	4	5
						Hall Rented	Hall Rented
6 Daylight Savings Time Ends	7		8 Bingo 7pm Election Day	9 Columbus Club Mtg. @ 6:30pm	10	11 Veteran's Day	12
						Hall Rented	Hall Rented
13	14		15 Bingo 7pm	16 Thanksgiving Potluck and Presentation 6pm	17	18	19
20	21		22 Bingo 7pm		24 Thanksgiving Day	25	26
					Hall Rented		
27 1st Sunday of Advent	28		29 Bingo 7pm				30

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Knights of Columbus**

2016-2017 Council Officers

Chaplain	Fr. Babu Battula
Grand Knight	Gus Copenhagen
Deputy Grand Knight	Matt Hutchinson
Financial Secretary	Marc Lux
Treasurer	Mark Urban

2016-2017 Columbus Club

Robert Collins, President

*Meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of
every other month at 6:30 P.M. All Council
996 members are invited and encouraged to
attend.*

Results of the members golf tournament on Oct. 23 at Ft. Chaffee

1st Jack Danciu

Kendall Myers

Mark Urban

2nd Jim Geels

Jason Zimmer

Charlie Bieker

Mike Bieker

3rd Tom Stoddard

John Mackey

Mike Heathcott

Dave English

4th Marvin Chapin

Alexa Chapin

Al Geisbauer

Dave Sessions

5th Art Rideout

Andrew Rideout

Greg Rideout

Meredith Rideout-Woosley

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