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Grand Knights Corner

Brother Knights

On a very personal note, I would like to express the appreciation of my family for the many cards, prayers and words of comfort on the recent loss of my Mother, Mary Catherine Weeks. The Brotherhood of Knights was evident in your kindness.

Our principle of Patriotism was demonstrated by the success of our **Veteran's Day** program at all Masses on Veterans Weekend. The Honor Guard, flags and special prayers were appreciated by our St. Brendan's community. We collected over \$1,000 that has been donated to the Veterans Hospital and for the Frontline Faith project.

On December 3, the **Breakfast with St. Nick** was a success with over 100 breakfasts served and a "surprise" visit by Santa Claus. Brother Jim Egan coordinated this program and was supported by over 20 Knights. The children and their parents had a great experience.

The **Keep Christ in Christmas** program this year includes the sale of car magnets. We had an informal start last weekend at some of the Masses and distributed 25% of our supply. These magnets depict the Nativity scene and are very well done. They sell for \$5 and send a mes-

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Our Lady of Guadalupe

Our Lady of Guadalupe - Her Meaning and Her Message and Other Our Lady of Guadalupe Events in December

Mark your Calendars: As we prepare for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe there are a number of events at the parish you are invited to attend and should know about:

On December 6th, Dr. Paul Thigpen will talk about Our Lady of Guadalupe - Her Meaning and Her Message. Place: Social Hall

On December 11th, we will be planning a Knights of Columbus Marian Prayer Program after the 5:00pm Mass to honor our Lady under the title of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Place: Church and Our Lady of Guadalupe Grotto

On December 12th, beginning at 5:30 AM we begin the celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. If you have never been to this celebration at 5:30 in the morning you are in for a real treat. Place: Church

On December 12th at 6:00PM, the parish will dedicate the new Statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe and the grotto back by the food pantry. Place: Our Lady of Guadalupe Grotto

Also, on December 12th, at 7:00PM we will come together for Mass. Place: Church

All through these celebrations, we pray for Unity - in our parish, in our state and in our country. I invite you to enjoy this series of events and to possibly experience a new perspective on the Mother of Our Lord and our Mother.

Hope you see you there.

Bill Kelly

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Council meetings are the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 7:30 PM. Officers meet at 7:00 PM. The fourth Monday is member social meeting.

**Your Officers and Committee Chairs
2011 - 2012 Fraternal Year**

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- Fraternal Benefits Advisor..... Stephen Znoj

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sage that the Knights support fully. To avoid conflict with the distribution of pledge cards the next 2 weekends, Fr. Bob has requested that we sell them outside the church after Mass. It worked best last weekend when we had multiple Knights positioned a few feet from the main exits. Brother Jason Morrow has prepared signs for us to wear and will insure that the supply is available for each Mass. Your assistance in exiting early will help us complete this project over the next two weekends and is appreciated.

Our Council is hosting a special icon of **Our Lady of Guadalupe** as part of a great program honoring our Blessed Mother. Brother Billy Kelly is coordinating this program scheduled for the 1pm and 5pm Masses on December 11 and will have a descriptive article in the December Newsletter. We will be requesting our 4th Degree Knights to support an honor guard at these Masses by separate letter. Please plan to join in this celebration by attending either of the special Masses.

Make sure that you join us for the council **Social** with our spouses on December 9, 2011.

Thanks for all the support that you provide to the council and parish.

Vivat Jesu

Curtis



Happy Birthday to all!

FRANK	CISZEK	11-Dec
CHET	NADOLSKI	14-Dec
KENNETH	SNELLINGS	14-Dec
JOHN	BOEHM	15-Dec
QUENTIN	SKINNER	18-Dec
TIMOTHY	MARGESON	20-Dec
DAVID A.	MARINO	24-Dec
GUY	TOMPKINS	22-Dec

Knights and Our Lady of Guadalupe

You are invited. Please come to the upcoming events to learn more about and honor Our Lady of Guadalupe. One in four persons in the Western Hemisphere is Catholic. United -- we can bring about positive change. This year, at the 129th Supreme Convention, the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council, Cardinals and Bishops initiated a National Marian Prayer Program dedicated to Our Lady of Guadalupe. She wishes to promote unity among her children, and Knights are taking the lead. With Fourth Degree participation, The Marian Prayer Service will be held in Saint Brendan Church, Sunday, December 11th after the 1:00 pm and 5:00 pm masses. The prayer service features a unique image touched to the tilma of Saint Juan Diego and sealed with soil from Mexico's Tepeyac Hill where our Lady appeared in 1531.

Why Our Lady of Guadalupe, why an effort to promote unity across the hemisphere?

From a letter from Rick Sisko, State Deputy introducing the Knights of Columbus Marian Prayer Program dedicated to Our Lady of Guadalupe: "The Supreme Knight has charged we Knights to lead our fellow Catholics through 'unity with our fellow Catholics,' in intercession and prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe"

And what does Mary, the "The Woman," "The Ark of the Covenant," "The Immaculate Conception," the Mary of Fatima and Lourdes, and the one in the same, Our Lady of Guadalupe want for all of us? In her own words, to Saint Juan Diego, whose feast we celebrate on December 9th, she wants to be our Mother:

"Listen, put it into your heart, my youngest and dearest son, that the thing that frightens you, the thing that afflicts you, is nothing: do not let it disturb you; and do not fear this sickness, not any other sickness, nor any sharp or hurtful thing. Am I not here, I, who am your Mother? Are you not under my shadow and protection? Am I not the source of your joy? Are you not in the hallow of my mantle, in the crossing of my arms? Do you need something more? Let nothing else worry you, disturb you..." She is saying this to all of us in North, Central and South America. We are united by the Rosary.

On Tuesday, December 6th, at 7:00pm in the Social Hall, Dr. Paul Thigpen, Director of Adult Faith Formation, will talk more about Our Lady. Dr. Thigpen's topic: "Our Lady of Guadalupe, her Meaning and Message."

On December 9th, the church celebrates the Feast of Saint Juan Diego.

On December 12th, Saint Brendan's will celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe beginning at 5:30 am, with Mass at 6:00 am. At 6:00 pm, the new grotto of Our Lady of Guadalupe at the Learning Center on the church campus will be dedicated. A bilingual mass will be held at 7:00pm. Since, June, Knights of Columbus from our Council #12942 have participated in the building of this beautiful grotto to Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Please join us at the above events to honor Our Lady. Brother Knights and families please try to attend and support the Knights of Columbus National Marian Prayer Service to Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 11th either after the 1:00pm or 5:00pm mass.

Knights' Social

Help celebrate the Christmas season by attending the December Social

Social Hall

Friday December 9th, 2011 (6:30 PM Socializing-7:00 PM Meal)

6:00 Set Up (Could use some help!!!)

All Knights, Wives, & Invited Guests

Please try to respond if attending gskinner@uwyo.edu Response helps us plan the meal, Thank you for providing this information.

Baked Country Ham, Baked Plain and Sweet Potatoes, Green Salad, Sweet Corn and Dressed-up Green Beans, Rolls, and Soft Drinks will be provided by the Knights

Those with last names starting with M-Z please bring deserts.

Those with last names starting with A-L just bring yourselves and your guests.

This is a BYOB event if you desire something besides soft drinks

Fellow Knights, Wives, and Invited Guests do welcome the winter month of December by socializing and joining each other for this supper event. We thank each other for the great showing at the October event and to those that prepared the delightful appetizers and desserts.

BY REQUEST: The Food Pantry Ministry has asked for parish help in providing a Christmas Meal for those in need. If you haven't responded to this request, please consider doing at this important time of year. Thanks for all your help and do have fun on the 9th.

UP COMING EXEMPLIFICATIONS

If you are interested in moving to your next degree or if you know of anyone that would like to become a member the Knights of Columbus please be sure to contact Dan Jozwiak via e mail danjoz@bellsouth.net or by phone at 678-327-6621 so he can coordinate with the supporting councils.

UP COMING 1ST DEGREES EXEMPLIFICATIONS

December 12, 2011 Saint Brendan's Registration 7:00pm Exemplification 7:30pm

UP COMING 2ND DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATIONS

December 7, 2011 St. Benedict's Registration 7:00pm Exemplification 7:30pm

UP COMING 3RD DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

January 21, 2012 at Notre Dame Academy in Duluth Hosted by St. Monica's. Registration 9:30am Exemplification 10:00am

COUNCIL 660 1ST and 2ND DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATIONS

The 3rd Wednesday of Each Month

December 21, 2011

1st Degree candidate registration opens at 6pm, the insurance presentation from FA Vernon Hatcher will begin at 6:30pm and the ceremony begins at 7:00pm. Dress is jacket & tie. 2nd Degree candidates are welcome and encouraged to observe the 1st Degree ceremony.

2nd Degree registration also opens at 6:00pm, closing at 8pm. 2nd Degree candidates are expected to carry their 1st Degree card & Rosary. If there are fewer than 20 1st Degree candidates we anticipate the 2nd Degree to begin at 8:15pm.

A light dinner will follow cash bar as always. Please RSVP by Monday evening, 12/19 so we don't run out of food (and the ceremonies team will get to eat.)

We are located at 2620 Buford Hwy. NE, Atlanta, 30342-3110, approximately 1/2 mile north of Lenox Rd., on the left.

Please join us in welcoming our new brothers that have recently made their 1st degree.

Kim Martiny

Joe Fenton

David Cravens

These new members have signed up to obtain their 2nd degree on December 7, 2011 at St. Benedict's. They are looking forward to contributing whatever they can to our council. We appreciate their efforts in moving to their next level. We look forward to having these gentlemen obtain their 3rd degree in January 2012.



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Notes from November 14, 2011 Council Meeting

1. Three new applications were read in.
2. Three brothers made there 4th degree.
3. A 1st degree is scheduled on 12/12 at St. Brendan.
4. Breakfast with St. Nick is scheduled on 12/03
Setup is at 8:00am
Pictures with Santa is at 9:00am
5. Basketball free throw is scheduled for 12/11 and the Gym has been reserved.
6. We have two-boxes of Magnets to sell ("Keep Christ in Christmas").
7. The Food Pantry has 400 families now and will have the families come in and pickup food for Christmas on 12/21.
8. The Insurance Agent gave a Status on Knights Insurance.
9. The District Deputy gave a status on the District membership which is at 100%.
10. Veteran Day Masses was a big success and we got good feed back.
We collected \$1,012.50 for the Veteran Hospital & Front Line.
11. Knights hats were given to Frank Ciszek & Frank Janik.
12. Bill Hickman gave a status on the Polish Dinner,
We sold 120 tickets for dinner,
Had a silent auction and raffle tickets were sold.
13. A St. Patrick's day events are being planned for 3/17, with a dinner that evening.
14. A motion was made to donate \$560.00 for cloth bags,
It was seconded and approved.
15. John is going to setup part of the back cover of the newsletter for Council Members who have their own business and would like to have it listed.
16. It was suggested that the Knights HELP out the church on the new phone system,
It was tabled until next Council meeting.
17. December Social night is schedule for 12/09/11.
18. We need to complete at least 4 Service Programs for the STAR Council award.
19. Dan made a motion to give \$300.00 to the veteran hospital gift fund by the Assembly,
It was seconded and approved.

Youth Programs

Basketball and SOCCER Challenges

Free Throw Contest for Boys and Girls 10 - 14 will be on Sunday January 29, 2012 at Dobbs Creek recreation center. Registration starting at 1:00pm, contest starts as soon as participants complete entry form and are ready to start. Each participant in each age group gets three practice free throws and fifteen free throws.

The highest number of baskets, in there age group will move to the next level of competition, which is District competition, Sometime in February the District will take place, same rules apply except instead of 15 free throws there is 25 free throws.

We as a council surpassed our record for soccer this year, we can surpass our record for the free throw contest from last year. If each Brother Knight would bring one participant with you to the contest.

Email me if you want to help or need information or see the council website www.kofc12942.org

Thanks again Brother Charlie Tullier

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Knights & Friends 2011 Golf Outing

Our October 25th outing at the Manor concluded the 2011 season for the Knights and our friends. Eight outings were held on 7 different courses with great participation and fellowship. Our schedule will re-start in March 2012. Thanks to all who joined us for the 2011 tour.



December 2011

Knights of Columbus St. Brendan Council

We're on the Web

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 <i>Breakfast with St. Nick</i>
4	5	6 <i>7:15pm Social Hall Dr. Paul Thigpen Our Lady of Guada-</i>	7 <i>2nd Degree St. Benedict's See Page 6 for details</i>	8	9 <i>Council Social 6:30 Socializing 7:00 Meal</i>	10
11 <i>Knights of Columbus Marian Prayer Program Location: Church and Our Lady of Guada- lupe Grotto</i>	12 <i>Council Meeting 6:30 Officer and Service Program Directors 7:00 General Busi- ness Meeting - All invited</i>	13 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content;"><i><— Dec 12th 1st Degree St. Brendans See Page 6 for details</i></div>	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 <i>1st and 2nd De- gree at Council 660 See Page 6 for details</i>	22	23	24
25 <i>Merry Christmas</i>	26	27	28	29	30	31

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