



# **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

## **Queen of Peace Council #5296 - Elk River, MN - November Newsletter**

*"A Catholic men's organization promoting Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism, and Family". Serving since 1962.*

### **Grand Knight's Message**

Brother Knights,

Happy New Year to one and All! I hope the holiday season was good for you and that you were able to spend some time with the ones that you love.

We as Knights were well represented during the holidays at St Andrew's, in decorating the church, the nativity and parking assistance once again this year. These things make me proud to be part of such a great organization. Thank you to all who have helped out in these and I'm sure many other areas that go unnoticed behind the scenes, you are all very appreciated.

As a council, we have a couple busy months coming up. Please watch the newsletters, bulletin and emails for these events and I would encourage you to come out and support the different events we do or to help out at them. This is a good way to get involved, meet new Knights and is also very rewarding.

I would ask that you keep a few Knights in your prayers, Tim Boerger lost his Mother recently along with Tom Faue who lost his mother the week after Christmas. Please let them know you are thinking of them during their time of greif.

Blessings

Doug Kraus

Grand Knight

### **Council Calendar of Upcoming Events**

<u><b>January</b></u>	<u><b>February</b></u>	<u><b>March</b></u>
9th - Admission Degree	2nd – Pancake Breakfast	7 <sup>th</sup> /8th – Membership Blitz
9th - General Council Meeting	6th - Admission Degree	8th – Pancake Breakfast
12th – Nativity Tear-Down	6th - General Council Meeting	12th - Admission Degree
12th – Pancake Breakfast	<b>13th to 16th – Ice Fishing Trip</b>	12th - General Council Meeting
12th – Free Throw Contest	23rd - District Bowling	14th – Major Degree
<b>16th to 19th – Ice Fishing Trip</b>	27th – Officers Meeting	15th – Membership Banquet
23rd - Officer's Meeting		26th – Officers Meeting
25th – Spaghetti Dinner		

## Completed Events from December

**Bowling for Special Olympics** on December 1st

**Christmas Potluck** on December 7<sup>th</sup> About 30 Knights and spouses enjoyed at delicious meal and Holiday cheer.

**Pancake Breakfast (Missions)** on December 8th

## Upcoming Council Events

**Admission Degree** on January 9th at 6:00pm at St. Andrews in Room 3.

**General Council Meeting** on January 9th at 7:00pm (6:30pm Rosary) at St. Andrews in Room 3.

**Nativity Tear-Down** on January 12th after the Pancake Breakfast.

**Free Throw Contest** on January 12th from 10am to 1pm in the St. Andrew School Gym.

**Pancake Breakfast** on January 12th from 8am to 12pm in the St. Andrew Cafeteria.

**Ice Fishing Trip** from January 16th to January 19th.

**Officer's Meeting** on January 23rd at 7:00pm at St. Andrews in Room 3.

**Spaghetti Dinner on January 25th** in the St. Andrew School Gym.

## Fourth Degree

If you are interested in the Fourth Degree, please ask at a Council meeting for more information. Queen of Peace Council has many Fourth Degree members who would gladly assist you or you may contact Rich Belanger directly at: 763-441-3598. **It's never too late to take the next, final step on your journey to Knighthood.**

## Knight of the Month

Our Knight of the Month this month is Steve Krick. Steve can be seen helping out with blood drives, breakfasts, parking at Christmas, and a variety of other events throughout the year. Next time you see Steve tell him congratulations on being the January 2020 Knight of the Month!

## **Faith Based Opportunities**

### **Exodus 90**

Keith Bistodeau will be leading Exodus 90 here at St. Andrew starting on January 13<sup>th</sup> and running until Easter Sunday. The kick-off meeting will be on January 14<sup>th</sup> at 6pm (Room TBD), but please reach out to Keith for more information if you are interested.

### **Men's Welcome Retreat (via St. Michael Catholic Church)**

Save the date! The Men's Welcome Retreat (CRHP) is March 28th-29th, 2020. Contact Deb Jan at 763-807-7286 if interested. All men 18 and over are invited!

### **Catholic Men's Conference**

Saturday February 22<sup>nd</sup> 8:30am-5pm at St John's University. Contact Doug Kraus for more info.

## Council Officers

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### Council Website and Facebook Page

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**[WWW.ELKRIVERKOFC.ORG](http://WWW.ELKRIVERKOFC.ORG)**

### Announcements

If you are currently not receiving emails or newsletter from the council please send your contact information to Keith Bistodeau at [keithcyrilbistodeau@gmail.com](mailto:keithcyrilbistodeau@gmail.com).

Also, if you would like to join our KC Companions of Christ Email chain please send your contact information to Keith Bistodeau at [keithcyrilbistodeau@gmail.com](mailto:keithcyrilbistodeau@gmail.com).

### Wanted

Wanted: Good men to join our fraternal brotherhood organization for faith, fun and fellowship in service to our church and community. For membership information, call Bob Hurd, 763-498-3734.