



# Knight Worthy News



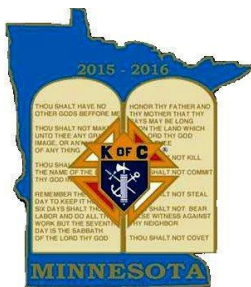
Queen of Peace Council #5296, Elk River, Minnesota

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*Touching Lives.*



## It's January

In the first part of January we continue to celebrate Christ’s coming. We will soon follow the Magi to Jesus’ crib as they bring their gifts to honor our Savior on the Epiphany. Soon the Christmas decorations will come down and we settle into Ordinary Time. As present-day disciples we pray for a faith like the first disciples as we begin moving toward the season of Lent.

Pope Francis’ intention for January is timely and may challenge some of us. In light of the current political climate it is important to pray for dialogue with those who differ from us. This can, and should, extend beyond politics as we work towards inclusion for all people regardless of religion, political affiliation or nationality. Rather than running away, our Holy Father challenges us to reach out to others and start a dialogue. This is especially poignant in time where our leaders seem to be trying to increase divisiveness instead of being humble enough to admit that there may be more than their solution to a problem.

There are still opportunities to sign up for perpetual adoration. There are many hours that have only one person signed up so prayer partners are still needed. Prayerfully consider this important ministry if you are not already participating.

All Knights are encouraged to make an effort to attend the next General Council Meeting on 1/10. At this meeting we will work on the next budget and we will review the by-laws. The by-law review will involve some reworking of the verbiage and the various steps required for expenditures and decision making.

As Knights we pay annual dues of \$28. Have you ever wondered where the money goes? True, it goes into the Council account, but from there the Council pays \$5.58 per member to Supreme, \$16.00 per member to State and \$7.82 per member to pay Council bills like insurance. All told, we pay out \$29.20 per member each year. If you would like any details of how the funds get used, you may contact Loren Volk.

We would like to welcome three new Knights: John Gillette, Brian Bistodeau and Eric Toth to our Council. Please welcome them when you get the chance.



## Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights,

I would like to wish each of you a very Happy New Year. 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, parking assistance and honor guard. 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 encourage you to invite a catholic gentleman who you think may make a good Knight to become a member. If you are not comfortable with this please just let one of the officers know and we can do the asking for you. We have degrees monthly and our major degree at St. Andrew's is March 16<sup>th</sup>. This is a great opportunity for new members and is close to home.

Lastly, I would ask that you keep a few Knights in your prayers, John Lyrenmann lost his father in December and Ron Blaha lost his mother the week before Christmas. Please let them know you are thinking of them during their time of grief.

Blessings  
Doug Kraus  
Grand Knight



## Chaplain's Message

Though Christmas is over, I thought of sharing this message with you. God is for all and He loves all. In the same way the birth of Jesus is also for all; His birth was announced to all. However, only those who accepted Jesus became Christians. At the birth of Jesus, everyone rejoiced, and went to pay him homage. At his birth the angels sang Glory to God and peace to people of good will.

Jesus is for all can be explained by a story. There was a fight among the people claiming Jesus to be their own, that Jesus belongs to them alone. First the shepherd claimed (argued) Jesus is the Good Shepherd, and He was taking care of the flock. When one strayed, he went in search of the one, rejoicing when it was found. He is a shepherd who belongs to us.

Then the carpenters claimed that He is a carpenter so He belongs to them. His father Joseph was a carpenter, so He may have helped His father and learned carpentry. He belongs to us.

Then the fisherman claimed that He was a fisherman. Some of the apostles were fisherman. They once fished for an entire night but caught nothing until Jesus came and told them to spread their nets again. They had a pleneiful catch. Who can He be if not a better fisherman?

Physicians together claimed Him because He said He is the Good Physician, and cured many sick people. He is the healer of physical and spiritual sickness. Jesus appeared to them and said the He is for all. He wants us to love all, and to live a life that is pleasing to Him. He calls us to repentance; to turn away from sin and toward God.

Vivat Jesus!

Fr. G. Arockiya Newton, OSB



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## DEFENDING:

Life & Family.

## SERVING:

God, Church,  
& Community.

## Completed Events



### Breakfast with Santa

We had excellent attendance for the is event. Thank you to Dale for sitting in for Santa as he was a bit busy this year.

### Blood drive

The December blood drive was a success. It appears that there were a number of parishoners who were willing to give blood at St. Andrew before venturing out to complete their Christmas shopping

## Upcoming Events



### Pancake Breakfasts

**When:** Sunday, January 13, Open  
Sunday, February 3, CAER and St. Andrew open house  
Sunday, March 10, Stubenville retreat

Please join us for these important fundraisers. We will be serving: pancakes, French toast, eggs, hash browns, sausage and bacon with milk, juice, & coffee. Bring your family; enjoy a great meal and fellowship while supporting your Brother Knights.



### Nativity Take Down

January 13th is the date that we will take down the Nativity set for the year. Please feel free to join us at 1:00p.m. for this annual event as we put a close to the Christmas season.



### Spaghetti Dinner

Join us January 26<sup>th</sup> for the annual spaghetti dinner. Fr Mark will be making his lasagna again, we encourage you to come and enjoy a delicious dinner.



## Birthdays

### January

1	Mark Ahmann
3	Mike Brant
3	Steve Brant
3	Austin Solors
4	Matthew Hemmelgarn
6	Wilfred Nathe
7	Scott Zierdan
8	Tyler Brant
9	Richard Niemela
10	Marc Crepeau
11	Kenton Yoder
16	Joseph Gutzwiller
18	John Ryder
19	Eugene Zappa
24	Don Weber
24	Mike DuBois
25	Curtis Ebner
26	John Lyrenmann
27	Paul Kolles
29	Brian Leither
30	Jerry Hendrickson

### February

3	Marvin Johnson
3	Tom Faue
4	Al Goblirsch
5	Loren Volk
7	Richard Wagner
7	Joe Lenertz
8	Sam Mahon
8	Keith Reemts
9	Tony Williams
11	Chris Kos
11	Chris Witzman
13	Tom McGrath
13	Tim Talberg
15	John Dickes
16	Duane Betker
17	Glen Kolles
20	Jon Berg
28	Larry Toth

### March

1	Marble Wood
1	Dan Eck
2	Robert Mord
2	William Mord
3	Robert Ebner
3	Scott Reller
6	Jerry Banken
10	Dave Alfveby
10	Jacob Benz
10	Weston Kolles
12	Ron Blaha
17	Bob Koehler
18	Ronald Ebner
18	Lloyd Barthel
19	Dan Brant
20	Richard Corbin
22	Ralph Heib
22	Robert Burley
25	Kellen Boerger
26	Peter Busch
27	George Moulds
28	Harry Stevens
28	Evan Griffiths
29	Greg Loidolt



## Fourth Degree

By: SK Rich Belanger, PGK, PFN

### Brother Knights,

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. There is another exemplification in April, so ask around if you are interested.

**It's never too late to take the next, final step on your journey to Knighthood...**



## Family of the Month

January: Ron Blaha

The Ron Blaha family is our family of the month for January. You will find Ron at nearly every Council event, he is a member of the crew that takes care of the grounds and he is in his first year as a Council officer.



## Meet a Knight

This month get to know Joe Sadowski.

Joe is a long time Knight who is easily recognized around the Parish. Whenever help is needed somewhere, Joe is willing to help out.

Joe grew up on a dairy farm west of Elk River. He attended school at St. Andrew from grades 1-6 and graduated from Elk River HS. He has been driving a truck for the past 29 years and has been a Knight for 38 years.

Thanks Joe for always being willing to help out!



## Council Calendar



### January

5	Nativity Takedown, 9:00 am	St. Andrew
6	Pancake Breakfast	St. Andrew Cafeteria
10	General Council Meeting 7:00 (6:30 Rosary)	St. Andrew Room 3
17-20	Ice Fishing Extravaganza	Upper Red/Casa Belang
24	Admission Degree 6:00 Officer's Mtg 7:00	St. Andrew Room 3
26	Spaghetti Dinner	St. Andrew Cafeteria

### February

3	Pancake Breakfast - CAER	St. Andrew Cafeteria
3	Blood Drive	St. Andrew Gymnasium
7	General Council Meeting 7:00 (6:30 Rosary)	St. Andrew Room 3
21-24	Ice Fishing	Lake of the Woods
21	Officer's Meeting 7:00	St. Andrew Room 3
23	District Bowling Tournament	McPete's

### March

14	General Council Meeting 7:00 (Rosary 6:30)	St. Andrew Room 3
9-10	Council Membership Blitz	St. Andrew
10	Pancake Breakfast - Stubenville	St. Andrew Cafeteria
16	District Major Degree	St. Andrew Gymnasium
17	Council Membership Banquet	Daytona Country Club
28	Officer's Meeting	St. Andrew Room 3



## Service Anniversaries

### January

**35 Years**  
Ed Stevens

**20 Years**  
Scott Brabec  
Glen Gohl  
Mike Wingard

**10 Years**  
Doug Kraus

**5 Years**  
Tin Corpe  
Kevin Corpe  
Mike Cross

### February

**40 Years**  
William Mord

**35 Years**  
Mike Arnold

**30 Years**  
Bill Gutzwiller  
George Klaers  
Greg Loidolt

**25 Years**  
Tim Boerger  
Gary Ullom

**15 Years**  
Rich Olson  
Tom Brant  
Dan Ebner

### March

**60 Years**  
Stan Kalvestran

**35 Years**  
Gary Kolles  
Joel Kolles

**10 Years**  
John Thole



**Wanted:**

**GOOD MEN TO JOIN OUR BROTHERHOOD ORGANIZATION FOR FAITH, FUN AND FELLOWSHIP IN SERVICE TO OUR CHURCH COMMUNITY. ASK A MAN TO JOIN TODAY.**

\* Check out our Council Website at [www.elkriverkofc.org](http://www.elkriverkofc.org)