



Knight Worthy News



Queen of Peace Council #5296, Elk River, Minnesota

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May

May has arrived. May Day, Pet Vaccination Clinic, Cinco de Mayo, Fishing Opener, Mother’s Day and Memorial Day. Sounds like summer! The month of May was adopted by the Church in the eighteenth century as a celebration of Mary’s maidenly spirituality. The profusion of blooms and new growth are part of the reason that the Church selected May for this celebration. May also means that we are nearing the end of our Council year and we are serving our last breakfast until September. Seems to happen faster each year.

Now we have to get to some housekeeping items. The most pressing of which is the slate of officers for the 2019-2020 Council year; we still have a need for an Inside and Outside Guard. Knowing that those two vacancies exist the slate of officers is as follows:

Grand Knight: SK Doug Kraus
Recorder: Steve Krick
Lecturer: Keith Bistodeau
Inside Guard: Open
Trustee, 3yr: SK Ray Dixon

Deputy Grand Knight: SK DJ Wallentiny
Financial Secretary: SK Loren Volk
Advocate: Joe Weeks
Outside Guard: Open
Trustee, 2yr: SK John Ryder

Chancellor: SK Ron Beckerleg
Treasurer: Tim Boerger
Warden: Clayton Talbot
Trustee, 1yr: SK Jim Witzman

If any member is interested in being an officer, please contact Jim Witzman at 612-805-1846. If we do have multiple individuals interested in one of the positions, we will cast votes as needed. Please take the time to review the slate of candidates and consider whether or not you wish to pursue becoming an officer.

Don’t forget that George Klaers is once again coordinating our annual trip to Mille Lacs on 6/13. True, you can’t keep any walleyes but you can keep and cherish the memories created by a fun evening with a great group of guys. Seats are limited so get your spot reserved by calling George at 763-360-4558.

There is also an opening for someone willing to write this monthly newsletter. If you enjoy receiving this communication each month, and will miss not having this piece of communication, please contact Steve Krick at 612-819-7810 or Doug Kraus at 612-859-3860. It takes about 90 minutes each month to prepare and publish this newsletter.



Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights,

Welcome to May! The birds have been singing, I have noticed the migrating birds are arriving back, tree buds are starting to pop and soon all the flowers and flowering trees will be in full bloom with a multitude of colors. New life is truly upon us, if you are able, take a moment to enjoy some of what mother nature gives us, it is truly an amazing blessing.

Our annual Tootsie Roll Drive was last weekend and once again we did very well, raising almost \$3,300 for 4 different charities that we support. Tim Corpe with the help of Ron Blaha have done a great job of running this event. Thank you Tim, Ron and all of you who volunteered to help hand out the Tootsies.

If you are on Facebook, I encourage you to look for our new council page. We will be advertising many of our events on there as a way to draw in some potential new people. Like and share the page when you see it.

Please bring your saved pop tops to church the first 2 weekends in May for collection or to the General meeting on the 9th.

The seminarian who is at our parish, Tom Skaja will be ordained a deacon on Saturday June 8th, 10:30am at the Cathedral in St Cloud. It would be a beautiful thing to see in person and if you cannot make it, just keep Tom in your prayers on this special day.

Our installation of officers is June 20th. Everyone is welcome to come. Mass starts at 6pm and dinner follows Mass.

Glen Kolles is the April Knight of the month. Glen has been on the parish council, the grounds crew and he helps with decorating the church for different seasons. Glen and his family quietly do a lot around the parish. Please congratulate Glen when you see him.

Most importantly I would like to wish all the mothers out there a very happy Mother's Day on the 12th.

Blessings
Doug Kraus
Grand Knight



Chaplain's Message

The heart of Christianity is to know Jesus Christ just as the disciples of Palestine knew him. We know that he cannot be seen, nor heard but the point is that he is here with us. He is with us in so many ways and he can communicate with us in so many ways. . This is to walk by faith. To strive to make Jesus our companion in life is to be Christians. This is the goal of our life too. To know Jesus in a real and conscious way is to live our Christian life authentically. Once we believe that the risen Lord is present for us here and now and are committed to knowing him then things will change. A third person comes into our lives namely the Holy Spirit. He is our helper, guide, teacher, and advocate all in one. Our lives will be radiant through prayer and the Word of God. The more we know Jesus and the more we love him, he transforms our lives. Our hearts and minds are purified by the love of Jesus and from our hearts spring all that is good. Since God is the basis of all the goodness, his love for us is manifested through his commandments and that is the reason why we experience God's love through his commandments and try our level best to love others as he loves us and thus we grow towards happiness. When we love Jesus, we love others with a warm and human love. Hence, let us make efforts to know Jesus better and desire to experience Him.

Vivat Jesus! Fr. G. Arockiya Newton. OSB



Council Officers

Chaplain	Fr. Arockiya Newton	763-441-1483
Grand Knight	SK Doug Kraus	763-441-1783
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Chancellor	SK Ron Beckerleg	763-263-0701
Recorder	Steve Krick	612-819-7810
Financial Secretary	SK Loren Volk, PGK	763-263-1314
Treasurer	Tim Boerger, PGK	763-441-5333
Lecturer	SK Stephan Cismowski	952-215-6918
Advocate	Clayton Talbot	763-647-0129
Warden	Joe Weeks	612-532-4986
Inside Guard	Dan Bauman	763-441-4555
Outside Guard	Ron Blaha	612-202-1445
Trustee 3 Year	SK Ray Dixon, PGK	316-722-2603
Trustee 2 Year	SK John Ryder, PGK	763-355-9456
Trustee 1 Year	SK Jim Witzman, PGK	612-805-1846
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Mail Addresses:

If you are currently not receiving emails of newsletters and upcoming events, please send your email address to Steve Krick at steve.krick@charter.net



DEFENDING:
Life & Family.
SERVING:
God, Church,
& Community.

Completed Events



Pancake Breakfast

We held our April breakfast to provide funds for celebrating the graduation of the fifth graders at our school.



Tootsie Roll Drive

Our annual Tootsie Roll drive was April 26-28. We collected about \$3300 to fund programs for people with intellectual disabilities. Recipients this year were: Special Olympics, Options Inc., ARC of central MN and Functional Industries. Thank you to all who volunteered for this and a special thank you to Tim Corpe and Ron Blaha who lead the team for our Council.

Upcoming Events



Pancake Breakfasts

When: Sunday, May 5, Vocations

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



Pet Vaccination Clinic

The annual pet clinic will be held at Elk River City Hall on Saturday, May 4.



State Convention

The State Convention will be held in Alexandria from May 17-19. Doug Kraus and Don Walentiny Jr. will be representing the council as Delegates.



Birthdays

May

2	Tim Boerger
2	Paul Hipsag
2	Matt Witzman
3	Gary Kolles
7	Dennis Gatenby
10	Ray Dixon
14	Doug Kraus
18	Rich Belanger
18	Greg Wersal
18	Tony Greseth
19	Robert Guerin
19	Father Newton
20	Mike Hallaway
21	Steve Gramins
22	Dave Cielinski
22	James Niedzielski
24	Phil Domeir
25	LaVern Knobbe
26	Mark Marquez
29	Glen Gohl
29	Ron Sadowski
30	Scott Gerold
30	Keith Strang

June

1	Clarence Gobely
1	Edmond Martin
1	Richard Mueller
1	Chad Peterson
2	Walter Schumacher
3	Martin Opem
4	Edwin Schroeder
4	Stan Steuter
6	Michael Aaron
7	Earl Caouette
7	Joel Kolles
7	Troy Dahlheimer
10	Michael Arnold
15	Tom Goenner
16	Gerald Rohling
17	Gerry Palmer
18	Augie Keller
21	Doug Hipsag
21	Michael Dehn
23	Scott Brabec
24	Darwin Elmquist
25	Rick Slobodnik
25	Doug Kolles
26	Nathan Hildenbrand
27	Chuck Haben
30	George Klaers
30	Clay Haverkamps

July

1	Bob Hurd
2	Jim Beaudry
3	Michael Belanger
3	Brian Gardner
5	Phil Beckstrand
5	Joseph Mayne
9	Doug Fiedler
10	James Brant
12	Joe Weeks
13	Chris Haugen
15	John Thole
21	John Fossum
25	Duane Gasser
28	Mark Voigt
28	Chris Erickson
31	Glenn Saylor
31	Tony Jarmoluk



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...



Meet a Knight

We seem to be running out of steam for this section of the newsletter. There is not a Knight to meet this month. Hopefully we'll be able to meet a Knight for the June newsletter which will be the final newsletter until (hopefully) resuming in September.



Family of the Month

May: Glen Kolles

Glen has served on the parish council, the grounds crew and he helps with decorating the church for different seasons. Glen and his family quietly provide many valuable contributions to our Council and parrish.



Council Calendar



May

4	Pet Vaccination Clinic	Elk River City Hall
5	Pancake Breakfast - Vocations	St. Andrew Cafeteria
8	General Council Meeting 7:00 (6:30 Adm Deg)	St. Andrew Room 3
12	Mother's Day	
17-19	KD MN State Convention	Alexandria
22	Admission Degree 6:00, Officer's Mtg 7:00	St. Andrew Room 3

June

9	Blood Drive	St. Andrew Gymnasium
11	District Installation of Officers 6:00	St. Andrew
13	Mille Lacs Fishing Extravaganza, 4:30 bus	Lake Mille Lacs
16	Fathers day	
20	Installation of officers	6pm
27	Admission Degree 6:00, Officer's Mtg 7:00	St. Andrew Room 3

July

4	Independence Day	
25	Admission Degree 6:00, Officer's Mtg 7:00	St. Andrew Room 3
27	Annual Family Steak Fry 4pm social 6pm meal	Kraus



Service Anniversaries

May

60 Years
Lloyd Barthel

35 Years
Stan Steuter

5 Years
DJ Valentiny

1 Year
Joel Alfveby
Mike Bauer
Leo Grotte
Austin Solors

June

30 Years
George Klaers

10 Years
Tim Rissman

July

None



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.elkrivorkofc.org