KNIGHT NEWS

Council 844 Helena, MT

JUNE	2026
11th	EXEMPLIFICA-TION @ 6PM
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27-28	MEMB. DRIVE ST. MARY'S

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

I've often been reminded of the value of fraternity. It's a subject that has come up many times over the past. month and I've looked back on how spending quality time with quality people has improved my life. I, like many of my fellow veterans, suffer from PTSD; however, I have brothers I can turn to in the Knights of Columbus to keep me healthy. On June 2nd, we had a farewell dinner for our Chaplain, Father Tim. He has been a great addition to our council and we'll miss him. But he is following God's call. Let's remember to pray for him in his new parish. The trustees are submitting a nomination memo for Council Officers in the fraternal year-2026-2027. If you aren't on the list and would like to run for an office, you can have someone nominate you in June. The proposed budget is complete. We will vote to approve it in June.
Vivat Jesus!, Jerome Richard, Grand Knight

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Our trustees have presented a slate of officers to be considered for election at the June membership meeting. They are: Grand Knight-Jerome Richard; Deputy Grand Knight-Brady Benson; Recorder-Joshua Schultz; Chancellor-Marty Beatty, Treasurer-Brian Mattern; Advocate-Rick Tappan; Warden-Joe Bugni; Inside Guard-Richard Rime; Outside Guard-Rick Duane; Trustee (One-Year)-Bob Simoneau; Trustee (Two-Year)-Mike Boyle and Trustee (Three-Year) John Russell. Other nominations will be accepted up to the time a vote is cast at the June 11 meeting.

FIFTH SUNDAY BREAKFAST

Thank you to all who worked so hard to make our breakfast a rousing success. Those gentlemen are: Bob Simoneau, Mike Glueckert, Jim Ruch, Dave Galt, John Russell, Marty "Krusteaz" Heaton, Rick Richetti, Richard Rime, Willy Frank, Rick Duane and Carl O'-Loughlin. Thank you to Marty Beatty who helped with grocery shopping on Saturday and to Father Tim Moriarity for announcing the event from the pulpit two separate weekends prior to the breakfast. We garnered an all time high of $1,585.00 in free-will offerings!

TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVES

The following dates, locations and times where they will be held: 6/13 @ Super 1; 10-2; 6/14 a OLV after Masses; 6/20 @ Safeway; 10-2 and 6/21 St. Mary's after 9 am Mass. The drive ends on 7/5 with weekend locations open to suggestion.

HELPING HAND GOD'S LOVE

Our council provided a spaghetti dinner to 29 guests at God's Love on Tuesday, May 26. Special thanks to Carl O'Loughlin, Rick Richetti, Richard Rime, Bill Hall and John Russell. The next God's Love meal is scheduled in September.

COD SALE

Brother Knights, our council has some frozen cod (uncooked) left over from the Fish Fry dinners. We are selling loins (2 pack) for $4.00 and cod filets (approximately 12 pieces) for $2.00. The sale will be conducted at the General Meeting on June 11 at the hall. No sales will be conducted after that date. Cash, personal checks or credit/debit card is acceptable as payment.

FATHER TIM SEND-OFF

Thank you to all who assisted in set-up; tear-down, dish washing, bringing food and your presence. Special thanks to Rick Tappan for supplying steaks that were out of this world, Jerome Richard for his expert

grilling and, of course, Bob Simoneau for his always special touch for such events.

FOOD FOR FAMILIES - HELENA FOOD SHARE

The Helena Food Share donation box is located at the entrance to the Hall. Bring your food donation to the next meeting and drop it in the box. John Russell, our Community Director, will deliver your donation to Helena Food Share. If you decide to personally deliver your donation to Helena Food Share, please donate on behalf of Knights of Columbus Council 844. Obtain a donation slip from them and turn that slip into John Russell or any Council officer. If you prefer, you can scan your donation slip and send it via text to John Russell at (406) 461-3839, or jr-safe@gmail.com. Helena Food Share is located at 1280 Boulder Avenue in Helena. There were no contributions for the month of May. Total contribution for the 2025-2026 fraternal year is 1,837 **pounds.**

RAFFLE DRAWING WINNER

Congratulations to the May winner, Al Williams.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVES

Upcoming the weekend of June 27-28 we will be holding membership drives at Our Lady of the Valley and St. Mary Catholic Community.

AID AND SUPPORT AFTER PREGNANCY (ASAP)

Brother Knights, the Helena Options Clinic donation box is located at the entrance to the Hall. Bring your donation to the next meeting, and drop it in the box. John Russell, our Community Director, will deliver the donations to the Options Clinic. If you decide to personally deliver your donation to Options Clinic, please donate on behalf of Knights of Columbus, Council 844. Obtain a donation slip from Options Clinic and turn that slip in to John Russell or any Council officer. If you prefer, you can scan your donation slip, please ensure that all of it is legible before you send it in. Options Clinic is located at 1005 Partridge Place, Suite 1, Helena. Contributions for May were $500.00. Total contributions for the 2025-2026 Fraternal Year is $5,535.00

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to the June Family of the Month, Alex Rodriguez.