



KNIGHT LINE



Knights of Columbus 10646

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February 2023

Grand Knights Message

Next Meeting February 9, 2023

At 7:30 P.M.

Grand Knights Letter

Dear Brothers,

Brothers, as we enter into the Lenten season, let us all take the time to reflect on how we can serve God, our Church, our Council, our Community and most of all Our Families. We will be having our Lenten Fish Frys starting on Friday, February 24.

I would like to say Thank You to our Worthy Deputy Grand Knight Brother Ricky for his service in conducting the Officer's and Business meetings for me, since my schedule doesn't allow for me to be present for them. THANK YOU, BROTHER RICKY BROWN.

Our meeting this month will start with dinner at 7:00 pm provided by your Brother Knight Ricky Brown and refreshments are in the refrigerator. Our business meeting will start immediately afterwards at 7:30 pm.

ALSO DON'T FORGET YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD and YOUR SAFE ENVIRONMENT ID!

**God Bless you all!
Dennis Hernandez
Grand Knight**

"A humble soul does not trust itself, but places all its confidence in God."

— St. Faustina



Current Officers Fraternal year (July 2022-June 2023)

Chaplain:	Father Robinson
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Trustee:	Tony Roell (2 yrs.)
Trustee:	Mike Evans (1 yrs.)

DUES DUES DUES

Brothers our Financial Secretary Brother Malcolm Ducote has sent out the dues billing for 2023.

BROTHERS, FOR YOU WHO HAVE NOT SENT YOUR DUES, PLEASE DO SO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THANKS....

"Each time you let God love others through your faith it is Christmas time each time you smile at someone and offer him your hand and heart."

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Happy Birthday!

JOE PICARD	02/10
ART OJEDA	02/13
GREG SCHULTE	02/13
ROBERT SURBER	02/13
JOHN HARDIN	02/16
RICHARD SINGLETON	02/19
MICHAEL ROELL	02/21
PAT CONWAY	03/01
BRANDON SCARNA	03/03



COMMITTEE OF 1000 PINS

Another way to enable us to assist our seminarians by obtaining donations for these pins. Monies raised are given to seminarians on an as needed basis to help with books, clothing, and other essentials. They are available for a Donation of \$10 at the monthly meetings.



Family Rosary on Zoom

The **next Family Rosary** is scheduled for **February 28th at 7:00 pm** on Zoom.

Join Rosary Zoom Meeting Link

(Ctrl + Click to follow link) ↓

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89257693557?pwd=eTBzMm9NU05ERnk4b0pSa0RzdINwZz09>

SEMINARIAN SUPPORT



MATTHEW BIAGGI

Redemptoris Mater Seminary
C/O Rev. Zachary Webb
Dallas Diocesan Vocations Office
PO Box 190507
Dallas, TX 75219

(Matthew's birthday is October 16)

MARK WILLARD

Holy Trinity Seminary
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(Mark's Birthday is Sep. 14)

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History of St. Valentine

Who was Saint Valentine and how did he come to inspire Valentine's Day?

In the early martyrologies, three different St. Valentines are mentioned, all sharing Feb. 14 for a feast day. Unfortunately, the historical record is sparse. The first St. Valentine was a priest and physician in Rome. He along with St. Marius and his family comforted the martyrs during the persecution of Emperor Claudius II, the Goth. Eventually, St. Valentine was also arrested, condemned to death for his faith, beaten with clubs, and finally beheaded on Feb. 14, AD 270. He was buried on the Flaminian Way. Later, Pope Julius I (333-356) built a basilica at the site which preserved St. Valentine's tomb. Archeological digs in the 1500s and 1800s have found evidence of the tomb of St. Valentine. However, in the thirteenth century, his relics were transferred to the Church of Saint Praxedes near the Basilica of St. Mary Major, where they remain today. Also, a small church was built near the Flaminian Gate of Rome which is now known as the Porta del Popolo but was called in the 12th century "the Gate of St. Valentine," as noted by the early British historian William Somerset (also known as William of Malmesbury, d. 1143), who ranks after St. Bede in authority.

The second St. Valentine was the Bishop of Interamna (now Terni, located about 60 miles from Rome). Under the orders of Prefect Placidus, he too was arrested, scourged, and decapitated, again suffering persecution during the time of Emperor Claudius II.

The third St. Valentine suffered martyrdom in Africa with several companions. However, nothing further is known about this saint. In all, these men, each named St.

Valentine, showed heroic love for the Lord and His Church.

The popular customs of showing love and affection on St. Valentine's Day is almost a coincidence with the feast day of the saint: During the Medieval Age, a common belief in England and France was that birds began to pair on Feb. 14, "half-way through the second month of the year." Chaucer wrote in his "Parliament of Fowles" (in Old English): "For this was on Seynt Valentyne's day, When every foul cometh ther to choose his mate." For this reason, the day was dedicated to "lovers" and prompted the sending of letters, gifts, or other signs of affection.

Another literary example of St. Valentine's Day remembrances is found in Dame Elizabeth Brews "Paston Letters" (1477), where she writes to the suitor, John Paston, of her daughter, Margery: "And, cousin mine, upon Monday is St. Valentine's day and every bird chooseth himself a mate, and if it like you to come on Thursday night, and make provision that you may abide till then, I trust to God that ye shall speak to my husband and I shall pray that we may bring the matter to a conclusion." In turn, Margery wrote to John: "Unto my right well beloved Valentine John Paston, Squyer, be this bill delivered. Right reverend and worshipful and my right well beloved Valentine, I recommend me unto you, full heartily desiring to hear of your welfare, which I beseech Almighty God long for to preserve until His pleasure and your heart's desire." While speaking of the amorous flavor of Valentine's Day, no mention is made of the saint.

While it seems that the exchange of "valentines" is more the result of secular custom rather than the memory of St. Valentine, and that the celebration has been further paganized with cupids and

the like, there is a Christian message that should be remembered. The love of our Lord, depicted beautifully in the image of His most Sacred Heart, is a sacrificial, selfless, and unconditional love. Such is the love that each Christian is called to express in his own life, for God and neighbor. Clearly, St. Valentine no matter which one showed such a love, bearing witness to the faith in his dedication as a priest and in the offering of his own life in martyrdom. On this Valentine's day, looking to the example of this great saint, each person should offer again his love to the Lord, for only by doing so can he properly love those who are entrusted to his care and any other neighbor. Each person should again pledge his love to those loved ones, praying for their intentions, promising fidelity to them, and thanking them for their love in return. Never forget Jesus said, "This is my commandment: love one another as I have loved you. There is no greater love than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends" (Jn 15:12-13). St. Valentine fulfilled this command, and may we do the same.

**Catholic Education Resource Center
<https://catholiceducation.org/resources/history-of-st-valentine>



Eucharistic Adoration



Brothers,

As Catholics, we receive the Eucharist during Mass. However, there is another opportunity for us to experience the Blessed Sacrament through Eucharistic adoration. The Catechism of the Catholic Church explains the importance of incorporating adoration into our prayers to God:

"Adoration is the first attitude of man acknowledging that he is a creature before his Creator. It exalts the greatness of the Lord who made us and the almighty power of the Savior who sets us free from evil. Adoration is homage of the spirit to the 'King of Glory,' respectful silence in the presence of the 'ever greater' God. Adoration of the thrice-holy and sovereign God of love blends with humility and gives assurance to our supplications" (CCC 2628).

"Only by giving are you able to receive more than you already have."

— **Jim Rohn**

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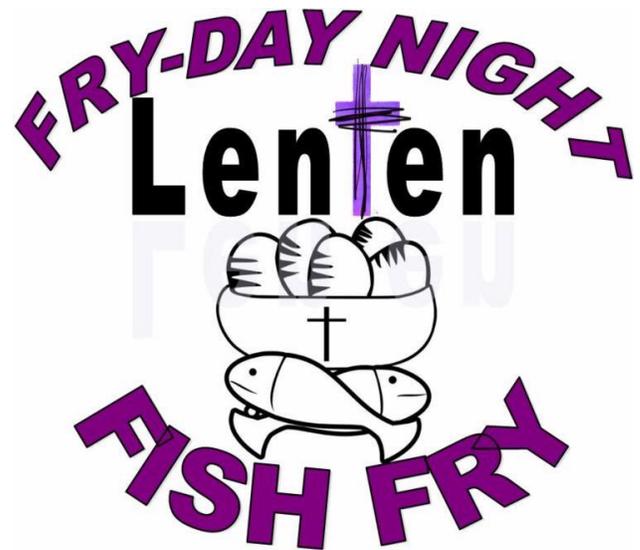


Weekend at The Pines April 16-18
Service to One, Service to All

They will have a cabin for each Council which sleeps 20 to 24. So if there is an interest for the council and someone would like to organize it, please take the lead. I will forward the email to the council, from Greg Price, below is his contact.

Greg Price
Director of Development
Asst. Director of Facility Construction
phone: 214-522-6533 ext 205
site: www.thepines.org
email: greg@thepines.org

"Arise, shine; for the light has come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon you"
Isaiah 60:1



Brothers,
Our annual Lenten Fish Frys will commence on Friday, February 24. We will need help from as many Brother Knights and your family can help. Your Grand Knight has taken on the Chairmen position and Brother Nate Castelin will Co-Chair. Please consider in helping. The fish fry's are a great way to serve our Parish community and a good time to fellowship with other Brother Knights.

Pro Life

North Texas March for Life – January 14, 2023 – Cathedral Guadalupe – 2215 Ross Avenue - Concluded

Many thanks to all who came out to the March as an Usher for Mass, Marshal for the Prayer Vigils, Marshal for the March itself, or you just came out and marched – It was a beautiful day with nearly 6000 people on hand.

We had 25 Marshals for the March – we really need to have 1 marshal for every 100

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people – meaning we were 35 people short...

Next year when the call comes out please do all you can to help us with this event – There are many people working behind the scenes to make abortion legal in Texas again – we have to remain strong and show everyone that Texas is a Pro-Life state!!!

Bishop's Pro Life Dinner – March 25th – Renaissance Addison Hotel

Join Bishop Edward J. Burns at the 30th Annual Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner benefiting the Catholic Pro-Life Community at the Renaissance Addison Hotel. The evening will feature a live and silent auction, raffle, live music, and so much more... all in celebration of LIFE! Link to buy tickets is below – Please buy your Council tables as soon as you can – This helps the CPLC with planning.

Lou Holtz – of Notre Dame fame – a fantastic speaker – will be the keynote – you will not want to miss this opportunity to hear him in person.
(https://www.prolifedallas.org/Bishops_Dinner_Special_Guest)

To buy tickets -
<https://www.prolifedallas.org/Bishops-Dinner-Reservations>

Special Note!!!

The CPLC moved this event so that it would not conflict with the upcoming KofC Convention in Dallas this year – Let's show our appreciation by packing the house with KofC and supporting our Bishop and his Pro-Life Team!!!!

Have you received a note via email asking you to protest in front of a CVS or Walgreens?

If so please know that 40 Days for Life is not asking for this, nor am I – the request that many GK's have received is from an organization that I have not heard of before - CitizenGO.

Several GK's have written the State Advocate asking if this is legal - I have also been in touch with our State Advocate on this issue and here is part of what I wrote to him in a note earlier today:

“If CVS and Walgreens are following the law they are not dispensing abortion related pills in Texas. Because of this I do not see an advantage to stand outside a random CVS or Walgreens.

I would rather see the Councils do something else with their time to help this situation - since Abortion is still legal in many of our other States... Like plan a 24 hour prayer vigil in adoration, or raise funds for a local pregnancy center and take advantage of the ASAP program...

If this group (CitizenGo) is so concerned with abortion pills and standing in front of a pharmacy, where were they when the RU-486 pill was first being dispensed? That started in September of 2000...”

So if you receive a note asking you to stand in front of a Walgreens or CVS I would advise that you ignore it – If you feel you must act please consider time in adoration or helping moms and babies in other ways – I truly think this would be time well spent.

One more item to note – **There is a 40 Days for Life campaign planned for McKinney** in

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front of Whole Woman's Health – Feb 22-
April 2 – Please contact
paul@prolifemckinney.org for more details
or to sign up.

Monthly Events:

Spend some time with Jesus – and help shut down an abortion clinic while doing it

Adoration is each First Friday of the month at Birth Choice with the intention that Southwest Surgical (in the same complex) stops performing abortions.

To get on the mailing list to sign up please contact Jim Hickey at fladawg@att.net

Mar 3, April 7 and May 5

1st Saturday Rosary for an end to abortion – 8AM - St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church, 4015 S. Hampton Rd., Dallas 75224

Immediately following 8:00 a.m. Mass in the Chapel. Gather with us in present or private prayer, as we supplicate for LIFE from conception to natural death. For more information, contact Maria Castillo-Lopez, mariantwelve@yahoo.com.

Mar 4, April 1 and May 6

3rd Saturday Rosary for those on Death Row – 8AM - St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church, 4015 S. Hampton Rd., Dallas 75224

Immediately following 8:00 a.m. Mass in the Chapel. Gather with us in present or private prayer, as we supplicate for LIFE from conception to natural death. For more information, contact Maria Castillo-Lopez, mariantwelve@yahoo.com.

Mar 18, April 15 and May 20

Our Pregnancy Resource Centers need your help:

I have received notes from both the White Rose and Birth Choice requesting assistance - Any financial assistance is appreciated – perhaps you can assist.

Please help as you are able – or arrange a Baby Shower at your Parish to help both of these fine life affirming institutions.

Special Event:

Blessings to all!

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Tom Clark

Texas State Pro Life Chairman

President - Hike for Life Inc

www.hikeforlifetexas.org



SAFE ENVIRONMENT RENEWAL INSTRUCTIONS

The Diocesan Safe Environment Department has created a new online training program called **MinistrySafe**. This allows all returning Sacred Heart volunteers to complete their training from home. This training is for Sacred Heart volunteers but will also cover KC members. If you are not a Sacred Heart volunteer, you must still be SE cleared if you plan on participating in KC activities. This training process is done on the KC website and instructions follow.

DIOCESAN TRAINING INSTRUCTIONS

Yearly training is **required** once every 12 months to retain a Safe Environment status. To start the training, go to <https://dallas.setanet.org/>

- Click on “**My Obligations**” on top of page
- Do **NOT** click on “Screening Form”
- Enter your name and address and click search to continue
- Verify your personal information
- If you do not have an email address listed, you will be require to enter an email address – **you must provide an email**

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address before you can begin the MinistrySafe training

- Click "Update Information and Continue
- Select the training "Sexual Abuse Awareness Training" (MinistrySafe). English and Spanish versions are available
- You must view all 9 videos in their entirety and complete a 25-question quiz as part of the training. The entire training should take approximately 2 hours.
- The database will notify the Sacred Heart SE officer when you complete the training, but please email a copy of your certificate to Malcolm for the KC council files. Also keep a copy for your records.
- After all steps have been completed, please allow at least 7 days for the processing and distribution of your badge. Cecy will contact you to let you know that your badge can be picked up at the Sacred Heart office.
- The badge must always be worn when on church grounds other than when attending mass.
- All badges will expire the date of your training of the next year.
- If you have any questions, please email Cecy Tanaka at safeenvironment@sacredheartrowlett.org

KC ONLY TRAINING INSTRUCTIONS

If a Knight is NOT a Sacred Heart volunteer, then he must be cleared through the council which is done through a KC Diocesan / Supreme training program. Clearance training must be updated every 12 months. A background check will also be performed every 24 months. For training through the diocese KC, follow these instructions:

- Log on to the "Dallas Diocese Chapter" at kofcdallas.org
- Click on **Programs** from list of links across the top. A drop-down menu will appear.

--Click on **Safe Environment** and scroll down to the blue highlighted box on the left side of the page for training explanation.

--Scroll down to the red button **Start K of C Training**

--When asked for your registration code, use **kofcsafe** for self-registration.

--Follow instructions from there.

--After completion, be sure and print a copy of the completion certificate. Keep one copy for your records and email a copy to Malcolm Ducote at ducotemj@gmail.com

--Your badge will come from Malcolm. He must have a current snapshot on file.

If any questions, email Malcolm.

OFFICER SAFE ENVIRONMENT

In addition to the above training, the following officers must be trained on the KofC.org web site. GRAND KNIGHT, PROGRAM DIRECTOR, FAMILY DIRECTOR AND COMMUNITY DIRECTOR. Each of these officers will receive an email from supreme with specific instructions. If you fail to take the training within 30 days of receiving the email, supreme will automatically drop you from that director position. Thus far, the only position not cleared is COMMUNITY.

"It's not necessarily what we do that makes us different but why we do it."



Please keep in your prayers Brother Knights and their families who are experiencing health problems and ask the Lord to extend his Blessings to them.



Knights of Columbus Information

Brothers here are some links to our Council website, the Dallas Diocesan Knights of Columbus Council, the Texas State Knights of Columbus Council and Supreme! All these websites have a lot of information on what we as Knights are about and what we are doing. I thought that this could help you if you have any questions or just want to know what Supreme, Texas State Council and the Dallas Diocesan Council have going on.

(Ctrl + Click to follow the links)

Sacred Heart Council 10646 website

<https://kc10646.com>

Supreme

<https://www.kofc.org/en//index.html>

Texas State Council

<https://www.tkofc.org/>

Dallas Diocesan

<https://www.kofcdallas.org/>

“As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands — one for helping yourself, the other for helping others.”

— Audrey Hepbur

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Prayer for the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Eternal Father, I offer You the most Precious Blood of Your Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for all sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.

If you are interested in reading about this powerful prayer and help those in purgatory, follow this link.

<https://aleteia.org/2018/10/30/pray-st-gertrude-the-greats-powerful-prayer-for-the-holy-souls-in-purgatory/>

“Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can.”

— Arthur Ashe

Volunteerism is one of the most selfless acts that we can become involved in.

“Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It’s not.”

— Dr. Seuss



“Every person can make a difference, and every person should try.”

— John F. Kennedy

“Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth.”

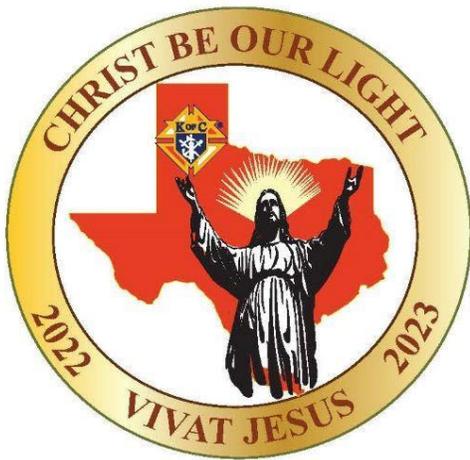
— Muhammad Ali

*“When I started counting my blessings,
my whole life turned around.”*

— Willie Nelson

*“We cannot live only for ourselves. A
thousand fibers connect us with our
fellow men.”*

— Herman Melville



*“The best way to find yourself is to lose
yourself in the service of others.”*

— Gandhi

*“Everybody can be great. Because
anybody can serve. You don't have to
have a college degree to serve. You don't
have to make your subject and your verb
agree to serve. You don't have to know the
second theory of thermodynamics in
physics to serve. You only need a heart full
of grace. A soul generated by love.”*

— Martin Luther King, Jr.