



Knights of Columbus Newsletter Council #15373



July 2017

From the Chaplain - Fr. John Harrold



The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

On Tuesday, August 15th we will celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This Feast day is a Holy Day of obligation for the Church. Mass will be celebrated on Monday, Aug. 14 at St. Ambrose Church at 7:00 pm, on Tuesday, Aug. 15 at St. Matthew Church at 8:30 am and at St. Sylvester Church at 7:00 pm.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven at the end of her earthly life is a defined dogma of the Catholic Church. On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII, exercising papal infallibility, declared in *Munificentissimus Deus* that it is a dogma of the Church "that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory." As a dogma, the Assumption is a required belief of all Catholics; anyone who publicly dissents

from the dogma, Pope Pius declared, "has fallen away completely from the divine and Catholic Faith."

From the District Deputy #115 - Timothy D. Shields

I would like to welcome Fr. Harold to the Slickville area and wish him well as he begins his new priestly assignment, and pray for success as your new Chaplain. As you begin a new fraternal year, please think of new ways to serve the partnered parishes and to strive for another Star Council Award. Your DD is always available to help, as well as your State Officer corps. Vivat Jesus!

From the Grand Knights Table - David Swierkosz

Brothers, Recently our new pastor Fr. John attended our July Knights meeting. We welcomed him and assured him that our council was there to support him and help him in any way possible. At this time he also agreed to be the Chaplain of our council. We look forward to getting to know him and work with him on various projects within our parishes.

We also got our two main annual fund raisers underway. They are the Coal Tickets (Chance Of A Lifetime) for various prizes and vacations, and the Football Raffle based on the weekly NFL Games. These raffles help fund many of our yearly projects. Please be as generous as possible.

On a closing note remember to keep Sunday

September 10th open for our annual Partner Parish Picnic. Details to follow in the future.

From Field Agent - Michael Steele

Our Insurance and Membership Quota for 2017-2018

*Another fraternal year, another opportunity to achieve star council! Here's what we need: **New Members: 4, Associate to Insurance members: 3***

An Ethical Responsibility

In March of 2017, the Knights of Columbus was named one of the World's Most Ethical Companies by the Ethisphere Institute for the fourth year in a row. This is a tremendous honor and achievement that all Knights should be proud of. You are part of a fraternal benefit society that puts integrity above everything. Tremendous though it is, being one of the world's most ethical companies is not just an achievement; it's our legacy and our responsibility. We won't settle for less.

We owe it to our founder, to our Church, and to our members. As a business, the Knights of Columbus holds a unique place in the world. For starters, we were founded by a Venerable Servant of God, who, we pray, is on the path to Sainthood. How many companies can say that? It is our responsibility to continue the business in a way that Father McGivney intended. He founded this organization so that a caring community of Catholic families could come together and protect widows and orphans from financial devastation upon the death of the bread winner. Our mission remains the same 133 years later. From our founding to the present day, we are and have been an unapologetically Catholic company.

For us, this means that we must conduct our business in accordance with Catholic principles. We have established a strict screening process for our investments, and we refuse to invest in companies that deal in abortions, contraception, human cloning, embryonic stem cell research, for-profit health

care that pays for any of the aforementioned, and pornography. We are an organization by brother Knights, for brother Knights. We don't worry about stock price, shareholders, or corporate takeovers. We worry about doing what's right for our members and their families. After all, we're brother Knights too. As agents, we are rigorously trained to adhere to the highest ethical standards. Each of us must sign a Code of Ethics, which is modeled after the Ten Commandments. Among its commandments is "Thou shall present, honestly and accurately, all the facts necessary to enable a member to make an informed decision." "Our fraternal ties to our members," it goes on to say, "make it more incumbent on us, in our dealings with them, to assure that their interests are uppermost in our minds as we provide solutions to their financial needs. It all boils down simply to the golden rule - Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." After all, we are our brother's keeper. That's our commitment to you. And that's our commitment to conducting our business in line with Church teaching, and in line with the vision of our holy founder. We are honored that the Ethisphere Institute has acknowledged that commitment. Discover the benefits of doing business with one of the World's most ethical companies. Contact me today.

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Did You Know - Calvin Kulik

In this month's "Did You Know" we will continue our focus on local Knights who are veterans that served our country.

DID YOU KNOW... that Brother Knight Andy Cup, from St. Matthews Parish, is a veteran who served during the Vietnam War? Andy was drafted into the US Army on 2/10/1970. He did his basic training in Ft. Dix, N.J., and then was transferred to Ft. Ord

in California for AIT. (Advanced Infantry Training). After completing AIT in July of 1970. I think it would be a good bet that Andy was in the "thick of things" during his Vietnam tour of duty because he explained that he spent most of his time in the jungle as an assistant machine-gunner! His lived for weeks at a time in the jungle of the northern part of South Vietnam, about 20 miles from the DMZ. (De-Militarized Zone). Andy was stationed with the 101st Airborne Unit and their primary job was to provide support for the artillery that were located in nearby Fire Support Bases. Andy was awarded the Vietnam Campaign Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, and the Combat Infantry Badge (CIB) for his service in the Vietnam War. He was honorably discharged after about 22 months of service from Ft. Carson, Colorado on 12/13/1971. *THE Knights of Columbus is proud to have Andy as a member of our chapter and thanks him for his service to our country!!*

From the Newsletter Editor and P.R. Chairman- Ken Nath

You may have noticed the recent improvements and clean-up activity in Slickville in preparation of their upcoming centennial celebration. We would encourage our members to lend a hand to help make this celebration a success.

As always, if anyone has any ideas for the Knights to get involved in any of our communities or Partner Parrish's please let me know.

Upcoming events:

- Monday, July 17 - at 7:00 PM - Chapter meeting in Indiana.
- Saturday, July 22 - at 7:30 AM - Help with Slickville clean-up, meet at Civic Center.
- Wednesday, Aug. 2 at 6:30 PM - Officers meeting.
- Thursday, Aug. 10 at 7:00 PM - General meeting at St. Sylvester's.
- Saturday, Aug 12 at 3 PM - Need volunteers to direct parking at St. Sylvester's for Polka Mass/Installation of new Pastor.
- Monday, Aug. 21 - at 7:00 PM - Chapter meeting, at a location to be determined.

Current Officers:

- Chaplain.....Fr. John Harrold
- Grand Knight..... David Swierkosz
- Deputy Grand Knight.....Paul Ukish
- Prog. Dir./Lecturer.....Brad Ronian
- Recorder.....J R Martin
- Membership Director.....Calvin Kulik
- Financial Secretary.....Ralph Sabedra
- Treasurer.....Steve Rado
- Advocate.....Charlie Angell
- Chancellor.....Chuck Colton
- Warden.....James Baker
- Inside Guard.....Andrew Cup
- Outside Guard.....Andrew Hill
- Trustee (3 year).....Calvin Kulik
- Trustee (2 year).....Stan Kanick
- Trustee (1 year).....Ken Nath
- Newsletter & P.R. Chairman.....Ken Nath
- Dist. #115 Deputy..... Timothy Shields
- Insurance Field Agent..... Michael Steele