



Knights' Notes – May '25 Issue

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CLUBROOM HOURS

Sunday: Noon - 9pm

Monday - Friday: 2pm - 10pm

Saturday: 11am – 10pm *May stay open later if there is sufficient business.*

KEY DATE REMINDERS

• Saturdays, Burgers and Corndogs!

- May 1st, Ladies Aux meeting, 6pm
- May 1st, Council meeting, 6pm
- May 3rd, St James TL / St Philip
- May 3rd, Kentucky Derby
- May 5th, Cinco De Mayo Party
- May 8th, 4th Degree, KofC Hall
- **May 11th, Mother's Day**
- **May 12th, Blood Drive**
- May 15th, Council meeting, 6pm
- May 26th, Memorial Day
- May 29th, Ascension



HOLD THE DATES

- June 8th, Pentecost
- June 13th, St Anthony Day
- June 15th, Trinity Sunday
- June 15th, Father's Day
- June 19th, Feast of Corpus Christi
- June 24th, St John the Baptist Day
- June 27th, Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
- June 29th, St Peter Day

SICK OR IN DISTRESS

- Jerry Griffin, Dennis Fries, Gretchen Lee, David Liptak.

Heal your servants, O Lord, who are sick, and who put their trust in you. Help them O Lord, & comfort them from your holy place.

Let Jim, any officer, or Terry know of someone Sick or Deceased to have name put on a prayer list. They should be affiliated with the K of C.

IN GOD'S CARE

- Theresa Fowler, wife of Council 574 honorary life member Ron Fowler.
- All faithfully departed and in Gods Arms.

FOR THE MONTH

HONORING ALL VOLUNTEERS

Visit us at: <http://www.kofc574.com> for previous Knights Notes, Parishes, and more. Contact GK Jim Smith at 309-530-5703 or jsmith1002@aol.com for a printed Newsletter.

Club Ph: 309-828-9671

Grand Knight Report-51st Edition

Brother Knights and Knights Friends,

JESUS CHRIST HAS RISEN AGAIN, HALLELUJIA! HAPPY EASTER!!!

The 6 Lenten fish fries that Council 574 sponsored were well attended, and by all accounts reported "THE MOST DELICIOUS AND BEST FISH FRIES IN THE AREA."

Council 574 could not provide this service to the community without the volunteer support of our membership, the membership of the Ladies Auxiliary, and also the friends of the KC who are not official members of either organization. THANK YOU ALL!!

At the next meeting of the Knights of Columbus (Thur. May 1 @6:00 PM), nominations for the 2025-2026 officers will be opened. Nominations will close at the meeting on Thur. June 5.

Basically, the same 8 members have been in leadership roles for the past 4 years and would encourage any interested members to consider submitting their name to the nominating committee. We have developed a good foundation for this historic organization and are seeking a new generation of leadership to continue our traditions.

Any member that is interested in becoming more involved with the behind-the-scenes actions that the Knights of Columbus are involved with CALL ME AND LET'S TALK!

LET'S KEEPING IT DONE ON DUNN!

Jim Smith: Grand Knight (309) 530-5703
jsmith1002@aol.com

Ladies Auxiliary Notes

Ladies – Please plan to join our next meeting on Thursday, May 1, @ 6:00. We will be discussing the upcoming Derby Day Party.

GK Jim has graciously offered to prepare chicken wings and chicken tenders, so please spread the word to bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert to share.

With summer right around the corner, we will begin our discussions about the Special Olympics Pizza/Dance Party.

See you Thursday – Tina

Blood Drive May 12

K of C Hall

Call 309-662-0500 or go to the Red Cross website and schedule a time between 12:30 and 5:45pm.

Help Save A Life

Appointments are PREFERRED by American Red Cross. Walk-ins are always welcome, but appointments help ensure that everyone that comes is served.

Vocations Fundraiser

Brother Knights... you will soon receive a mailing with **raffle tickets** for the annual vocations raffle.

- **Buy/sell as many tickets as you can.**
- Return all purchased tickets and money to the club. **Please do not remove the cover...**
- Return all un-purchased tickets to the bartender.

You may also return books and money to Mike Tomlianovich, or Bob Wefer.

Support tomorrow's Priests

Come Join Us!

- Video Gaming
- Big Screen TVs
- Saturday Burgers & Corndogs
- Full Bar

Our Banquet Room is available for Weddings, Receptions, Reunions, Anniversaries & More.



Happy Birthday



May

- 2 Michael Connor
- 2 Daniel Kniery
- 3 William Mulcahey
- 4 Fr John Horton
- 4 Martin Mulcahey
- 7 Alan Finley
- 9 James Carstens
- 9 Mike Tomlianovich
- 12 Fr Bowan Schmitt
- 12 Michael Thoennes
- 15 Bill Brady
- 17 Charles Montgomery

May

- 19 Vern McGinnis
- 23 Jason Eardley
- 23 John Beemsterboer
- 24 Mike Buttitta
- 24 Evan Calvert
- 25 James Johnson
- 26 Todd Bauer
- 26 William Walsh
- 30 Merlin Malinowski
- 30 Matthew Deptula
- 31 Douglas Braun
- 31 Roger Herman
- 31 James Ulbrich

You're Invited to a
Kentucky Derby
PARTY
SATURDAY MAY 3rd
151st Run of the Kentucky Derby
chicken wings/tenders
bring appetizers, sides or desserts
3 - 7pm or until we run out
Brought To You By The Ladies Auxiliary



Please Pay Your Dues



Checks made out to the Knights of Columbus should be mailed to Mike Tomlianovich, 1714 Tompkins Dr, Normal 61761-2432, Cash can be brought to the club, or you can VENMO to 309-825-5823.

(Make sure email from 'noreply@kofc.org' don't go to spam)

Key MEMBER Contact Information

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| Grand Knight: Jim Smith | Warden: Brendy Lee |
| Deputy GK: Steve Scudder | Outside Guard: Dan Carmany |
| Fin Sec: Mike Tomlianovich | 1 Yr. Trustee: Tyler Williams |
| Treasurer: Bob Wefer | 2 Yr. Trustee: Dennis Fries |
| Chancellor: Martin Walker III | 3 Yr. Trustee: Roger Petri |
| Recorder: Mike Buttitta | Terry Kieswetter: Club Manager |
| Advocate: Martin Walker IV | Tina Weis: Ladies Aux President |

Burgers and Corndogs

11:30 am – 1:30 pm
Saturday's



May 2025

Club Phone: 309-828-9671

We are a Catholic organization. Please refrain from using Inappropriate Language on our Property



Next to Nights



<https://www.facebook.com/nexttonights>

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27  Beer and Baseball	28 	29  Pay Dues	30	May 1 Council Mtg 6pm	2 Happy Hour	3 11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs  Crew: Tom Miller
4	5 Knights Rosary 6:00 pm at Historic St Patrick Church	6	7	8 4 th Degree mtg 6pm	9  Happy Hour	10 11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs Crew: John Braucht
11  Happy Mother's Day	12 ♥ BLOOD DRIVE ♥	13 	14	15 Council Mtg 6pm	16 Happy Hour	17 11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs Crew: Mike Weis Memorial Crew
18	19	20	21	22	23 Happy Hour	24 11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs Crew: No Burgers Today
25 	26 memorial DAY 	27 	28 Ask Someone to Join	29  Ascension	30 Happy Hour	31 11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs Crew: TBD

Our council works wonders through our programs. However, we depend on you to make it all work.

The Slate of Officers Running for Election in June will be emailed within a week:

Anyone wishing to enter a nomination please contact Mike Tomlianovich at 309-825-5823

- Grand Knight:
- Deputy Grand Knight:
- Chancellor:
- Treasurer:
- Recorder:
- Advocate:
- Warden:
- Inside Guard:
- Outside Guard:
- 1st Year Trustee (3-year):
- 2nd Year Trustee (2-year):
- Third Year Trustee:

May: The Blessed Virgin Mary

Our Lady has long been associated with the beauty of flowers and the coming of spring. This is fitting because she is both beautiful and the Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the life of the world. In May, the Church remembers our glorious lady with crownings and processions in her honor.



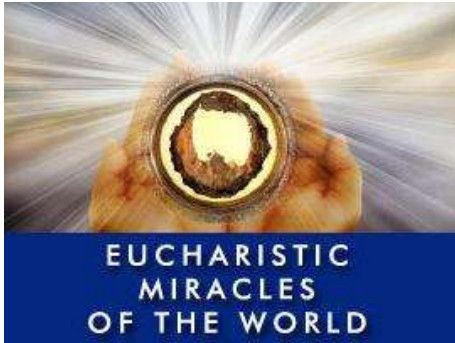
To Jesus through Mary

Ascension - May 29, 2025

Ascension commemorates the day that Jesus ascended into Heaven (Acts 1:1-11) after spending 40 days appearing to his disciples after his resurrection. The disciples thought that Jesus was going to restore the earth to the Kingdom of Heaven. He instead promised to send the Holy Spirit to give them power. Afterward, he ascended into Heaven and disappeared in a cloud.



Ascension



"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." (John 6:51-52)

Eucharistic miracles have occurred throughout our history. A Eucharistic miracle involves the body and blood of the Eucharist taking on biological qualities of Christ's blood, flesh, or both. These extraordinary events have helped people see the spiritual reality of God behind the physical world, reminding us there is more to our existence than we can understand with our 5 senses alone. **(a Monthly Series)**

Eucharistic Miracle of

LA ROCHELLE

FRANCE, 1461



The Eucharistic Miracle of La Rochelle concerns the instantaneous cure of a boy paralyzed and mute since the age of seven when he received Communion at Mass on Easter Sunday, 1461.

He was completely healed of his paralysis and was, once again, able to speak. The most authoritative document that describes visually this miracle is the painted-manuscript preserved still today in the Cathedral of La Rochelle.

During Easter of 1461, Mrs. JehanLeclerc brought her twelve-year-old son, Bertrand, to the Church of St. Bartholomew. Bertrand had been paralyzed and mute since the age of seven due to a terrible fall. When the time for Communion arrived, he indicated to his mother that he also wanted to receive Jesus in the Eucharist. Initially the priest did not want to give the young man Communion, because the boy was not able to go to Confession given his muteness. The young man, however, continued to beseech the priest for Communion and, in the end, the priest did permit him to receive it. From the first moment that Bertrand received the Host, he began to feel shaken by a mysterious force. He was able to move and to speak. He was cured. According to the document hand-written immediately after the miracle. Bertrand's first words were, *Adjutorium nostrum in nomine Domini!* ("Our help is in the name of the Lord!") The most authoritative document that visually describes this miracle is the painted manuscript preserved to this day in the Cathedral of La Rochelle.

The Most Precious Blood of

NEUVY SAINT SÉPULCRE

There are two drops of blood from our Lord, Jesus Christ, collected on Calvary during the Passion preserved in the church of Neuvy-Saint-Sépulcre in Indre. They were brought to France in 1257 by Cardinal Eudes returning from the Holy Land.

This relic of the coagulated Blood is known to be pure, because it was not mixed with water or earth. From the year 1257, it had been kept in this church which was built in the first half of the year 1000 and modeled on the Church of the Holy Sepulcher in Jerusalem. In order to honor the holy relic of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus, numerous indulgences have been granted. The Archbishop of Bruges, André Frémiot, founded the Confraternity of the Most Precious Blood in the year 1621. Two years later, Pope Gregory XV granted new indulgences to the faithful devoted to the Sacred Blood. Each Monday of Easter and every first day of July, a Solemn Mass is celebrated and there are processions to adore and honor the Sacred Relic. There have been many graces attributed to invoking the Sacred Blood of Neuvy-Saint-Sépulcre.

Insurance & Investments

We have a solemn duty to protect families — a duty rooted in our founding. Since the days of Father McGivney, we have pooled our money to help widows and orphans. And we've built our life insurance program around the same principle of mutual aid. When families lose a loved one, we are there for them — just as we have always been. We now protect Catholic families with more than \$123 billion of life insurance.

We value the trust our families place in us, and we're widely recognized for our stewardship of their financial well-being. Forbes has named us 1 of America's best life insurance companies for 3 years running. S&Ps awarded us a superior rating again last year. And we've now had top marks from AM Best for 40 years in a row. Life insurance is only one part of how we serve families. We also help them plan for their future, through Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors. Knights of Columbus Mutual Funds are available to anyone who wants to invest in line with the Catholic faith. And we help Catholic institutions steward their resources.

We now manage more than \$2.2 billion for dioceses, religious communities and families. And every dollar we invest respects the Church's moral teaching. This is also true of the Knights of Columbus Charitable Fund (KCCF). We launched it five years ago. And this year, we passed a major milestone. Through KCCF, a wide variety of generous donors have now given more than \$100 million to over 2,000 worthy charities.

Our continued growth proves the timeless value of Father McGivney's vision. But it's also a testament to the tireless work of our fellow Knights. One thousand K of C insurance agents advance our mission every day. They do outstanding work. And I couldn't be more grateful for their commitment and professionalism. When I became Supreme Knight, I asked Bob Marlowe and Joe DiCalogero to be my senior insurance advisors. Both of these men have been top-performing general agents for decades. And they know what it takes to keep us strong and growing. After a combined 85 years of building up the Knights, they're both retiring this year. Bob and Joe, thank you for serving the Order so well for so long!

2024 Supreme Knight

“Brothers, Are you on track to reach your financial goals?”

Are you unsure how to begin setting those goals?

As your agent, I'm dedicated to helping you find the right insurance solutions, no matter your stage of life. Whether you are in your working years with young kids, living paycheck to paycheck, or knocking on the door of retirement, I'm excited to help you protect what matters most and build financial security with insurance-based solutions tailored to meet your priorities. The first thing to consider is whether your family would be financially taken care of if something happened to you. Would they struggle to meet the mortgage payments or to pay off other debts? Term life insurance can be an affordable option to give you protection in case of the unexpected. You'll also have the option to convert to a permanent plan in the future without additional underwriting. Terms and conditions may apply. Second, start preparing for retirement, no matter how far away it may seem.

The Knights of Columbus offers annuity solutions to help provide you with retirement income you can't outlive, guaranteed. Finally, disability income insurance. For many men, regardless of their phase in life, protecting their income is their greatest financial need. What would you do if you were no longer able to work? Don't overlook how disability income insurance may be able to help you. I understand that your financial needs are not just unique but change over time. I'm here to help you find the right solutions today and to walk with you as your insurance needs evolve. If you have any questions, please come chat with me and we can schedule a time to meet.

Thank you! Matt Koeniger

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DID YOU KNOW?

The Church gives honor to the Mother of God.

A story about a small town's efforts to create an outdoor nativity scene illustrates this point. A Protestant minister said to the local Catholic priest, "We can include all the characters mentioned in the Bible, except we should leave Mary out. Otherwise, the scene will appear to be too Catholic." The priest responded, "I'll agree to that on the condition that you explain to everyone how the infant Jesus was born without a mother."

Catholics are indeed known for the honor they give to the Virgin Mary, and she plays an irreplaceable role in God's plan of salvation. It is only right that we honor her (not worship her), for one of the Commandments says, "Honor your father and mother". If God wants us to honor our parents, how much more must he desire us to honor his Mother. The angel Gabriel declared Mary to be "full of grace", making her worthy of our highest respect. Mary herself stated that "all ages will call me blessed".

The Catholic Church is virtually unique in obeying and fulfilling this scriptural prophecy.

DID YOU KNOW?

Ascension History



The Observance of Ascension marks Jesus Christ's ascent into heaven. After his crucifixion and resurrection, biblical narratives detail how he ascended to heavenly realms in the presence of his disciples. It signifies the conclusion of his earthly ministry, the glorification of the resurrected Christ, and anticipates his second coming. This event offers lessons like the establishment of human dignity and divine promise.

Despite its origins in the 1st century AD, across the Atlantic, the Ascension observance found its place in American Christianity, gradually becoming intertwined with its religious landscape. The significance resonates with American Christians mainly through the theological promise of believers' own future ascension, instilling both hope and encouragement. Moreover, it greatly influences the themes of various Christian-oriented systems, activities, and media.



[Good News #174 032925: Rejoice and Return: The Prodigal Son's Lesson](#)

PODCAST By Deacon Al Lundy... Link:

<https://www.podbean.com/ew/pb-64j83-186b50b>

Welcome to "Good News on Catholic Spirit Radio" with your host, Deacon Al Lundy. This episode delves into the revival of faith as Mass attendance rises and baptism preparation intensifies. Deacon Al encourages families with young children to embrace church participation despite common hesitations, offering practical advice to enhance children's experiences during services.

The episode further explores the power and importance of prayer, urging listeners to routinely pray with their children and involve God in everyday life.

As part of Lent's reflections, Deacon Al reads and discusses the Old Testament tales of Israel's renewal and St. Paul's teachings on reconciliation. He concludes with an enlightening take on the Gospel story of the prodigal son, emphasizing genuine repentance and the father's unconditional forgiveness. Listeners are called to reflect on their own faith journeys during this time of year and to rejoice in God's inexhaustible mercy. Join us in interpreting these passages and applying their timeless lessons to modern life.

**Lent Fish Fry's
Dinner & Dessert**

**THANK YOU ALL FOR
ATTENDING OUR
FRIDAY FISH FRY'S...
SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!**

Knight's Rosary

Our next Rosary will be at 6:00pm May 5th at the Historic St Patrick Church.

We will recite the rosary and have time for group discussion.

ALL ARE WELCOME.

Contact Scott at normalscott212@yahoo.com or 309-212-2904... **Yes, I plan to attend**



4th Degree Assembly 213

"All 3rd degree members are eligible to join"

Our next Meeting will be Thur, May 8th at KofC 574 Hall on RT Dunn Dr, Blm, 6pm.

Pulled pork, smoked sausage, baked beans and scalloped potatoes will be furnished.

Contact Scott at normalscott212@yahoo.com or 309-212-2904 with yes, if plan to attend / no, if not.

Increasing the attendance at these meetings will be a topic of discussion.



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