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Notes from the Navigator



Worthy Sir Knights,

Lent is fast approaching along with St. Patrick's Day, and another exemplification to bring in some new Sir Knights. We've had a successful 2016 with our participation in our service programs, so let's keep it up for 2017 - and remember to track your hours. It is much easier for you to send them to me as you perform the services rather than wait until the end of the year.

Also, for those of you who have paid your dues, thank you. If you haven't, please do so. You should have received a billing in your email accounts. You can submit your payment at one of our assembly meetings or mailing directly to our Faithful Comptroller, Kerry Doughty or me. Our annual dues are

\$25. We value your membership as a Sir Knight, so if you are experiencing financial hardship, please contact the Faithful Comptroller or me, and we will handle your situation with the utmost discretion. Thank you for all that you do!

Rick Hycoop, Faithful Navigator

Month of the Holy Family



The month of February is dedicated to the Holy Family. The special devotion which proposes the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph as the model of virtue of all Christian households. The Holy Family models for us what family life should exemplify. It is a school of virtue for both parents and children. There we find God, and learn how to connect with God and with others. The family is where love is freely given without self-interest. It is where we learn to love, to pray and to practice the gift of charity. We should ask ourselves if our own families model that of the Holy Family. We need to be open to God's grace to value the positive and to accept our mistakes — and to be willing to rectify them.

Prayer in Honor of the Holy Family

O God, Heavenly Father, it was part of Thine eternal decree that Thine only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, the Savior of the human race, should form a holy family with Mary, His blessed mother, and His foster father, Saint Joseph. In Nazareth, home life was sanctified, and a perfect example was given to every Christian family. Grant, we beseech Thee, that we may fully comprehend and faithfully imitate the virtues of the Holy Family so that we may be united with them one day in their heavenly glory. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

January Sir Knight of the Month

Last month, we recognized Sir Knight Brian Lagasse, as our Sir Knight of the month for his tireless volunteer services in our Assembly Honor Guard and for volunteering to be our Trustee - again. Sir Knight Lagasse quietly works behind the scenes to support the Honor Guard duties at various Holiday Masses and funeral Masses. He keeps the assembly informed of the status of his council 764 when the Faithful Admiral is not in attendance to do so.

Our Assembly has allotted a \$50 donation to be forwarded to the charity in the award winner's name. Sir Knight Lagasse's donation will be revealed at our February business meeting.

If you would like to nominate someone for the Sir Knight of the month award, please let me know with a short description of why you think that person deserves to be recognized. Yes, it really is that easy!



Assembly Volunteer Hours for 2017

Volunteer Hours are captured by calendar year and are reported to Supreme each January in the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities, Form 1728. Hours are separated by category as follows:

Church

Community

Youth

Habitat for Humanity

Culture of Life

VAVS (Veteran Affairs Volunteer Services)

Food for Families

Special Olympics

Miscellaneous

This form also tracks the number of blood donations and the number of visits to the sick or bereaved. If you do any volunteer activity, visit someone who is sick, or comfort someone who is grieving a loss, please let me know so I can roll it up in our report.

The table on the right shows what I've captured so far for 2017.

Categories

Church

Church	6
Community	2.5
Youth	
Habitat for Humanity	
Culture of Life	
VAVS	
Food for families	
Special Olympics	
Miscellaneous	3
	11.5
# of visits to the sick	0
# of visits for bereavement	0
# of blood donations	1
# of Habitat for Humanity projects	0

Preparing for Lent 2017

February 28th is Fat Tuesday, Mardi Gras, which makes March 1st Ash Wednesday. The Fridays of Lent are: March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; April 7

Good Friday is April 14th

Assembly 0004 will perform the Fish Fries at Good Shepherd Catholic Church on March 10, 24, and April 7. Council 11672 will perform the Fish Fries at Good Shepherd Catholic Church on March 3, 17, and 31. The net will be split as has been done in the past Lenten seasons.

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February Schedule of Events

February 5th - 1st Reconciliation Mass Honor Guard 9:00 at Bicentennial Chapel, Redstone

February 6th - Council 11672 Monthly Meeting 7:30 at Good Shepherd

February 9th - Assembly 0004 Monthly Meeting 7:00pm at Holy Spirit

February 10th - Council 4080 Monthly Meeting 7:30pm at St. Mary of the Visitation

February 12th - Council 11672 Monthly Breakfast 8:30-10:30am at Good Shepherd February 16th - Council 16428 Monthly Meeting 7:00pm at Queen of the Universe

February 18th - 4th Degree Exemplification
12:00pm at Our Lady of the Valley, Birmingham

February 19th - Council 764 Monthly Breakfast 8:00-11:00am at Holy Spirit

February 20th - Council 764 Monthly Meeting 7:00pm at Holy Spirit

February 21st - Council 11672 Officer's Meeting 7:00pm at Good Shepherd

February 28th - Mardi Gras



February Happenings

March Schedule of Events

March 1st - Ash Wednesday

March 4th - 2nd & 3rd Degree Exemplifications
Huntsville location and times TBD

March 6th - Council 11672 Monthly Meeting 7:30 at Good Shepherd

March 9th - Assembly 0004 Monthly Meeting 7:00pm at Holy Spirit

March 10th - Assembly 0004 Lenten Fish Fry at Good Shepherd Catholic Church

March 10th - Council 4080 Monthly Meeting 7:30pm at St. Mary of the Visitation

March 11th - St. Patrick's Parade
10:30am at Lot K on Clinton Ave.

March 12th - Council 11672 Monthly Breakfast 8:30-10:30am at Good Shepherd

March 16th - Council 16428 Monthly Meeting 7:00pm at Queen of the Universe

March 17th - St. Patrick's Day

March 19th - Council 764 Monthly Breakfast 8:00-11:00am at Holy Spirit

March 20th - Council 764 Monthly Meeting 7:00pm at Holy Spirit

March 21st - Council 11672 Officer's Meeting 7:00pm at Good Shepherd

March 24th - Assembly 0004 Lenten Fish Fry at Good Shepherd Catholic Church

March 30th - Bishop's Dedication of new building 6:00pm at Mercy Parish on Segers Road



March Happenings

April Schedule of Events

April 1st - First Regular Mass at Mercy Parish 5:30 in New Building, Segers Rd. Madison

April 3rd - Council 11672 Monthly Meeting 7:30 at Good Shepherd

April 7th - Assembly 0004 Lenten Fish Fry at Good Shepherd Catholic Church

April 9th - Council 11672 Monthly Breakfast 8:30-10:30am at Good Shepherd

April 13th - Assembly 0004 Monthly Meeting 7:00pm at Holy Spirit

April 14th - Good Friday

April 14th - Council 4080 Monthly Meeting 7:30pm at St. Mary of the Visitation

April 16th - Easter Sunday

April 16th - Council 764 Monthly Breakfast 8:00-11:00am at Holy Spirit

April 17th - Council 764 Monthly Meeting 7:00pm at Holy Spirit

April 18th - Council 11672 Officer's Meeting 7:00pm at Good Shepherd

April 20th - Council 16428 Monthly Meeting

7:00pm at Queen of the Universe

April 22nd - Fourth Degree Exemplification at St. John the Baptist in Madison



April Happenings

Warriors to the Workforce Hiring and Training Event



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Alabama State Council Drawing Ticket Request Form

Prizes

1st Prize: \$1 000 Gift Card

2 nd Prize: \$500 Gift Card		
<u>Tickets</u>		
\$5.00 each ticket or books of 5 tickets for	\$20.00	
I would like books of 5 tickets		
I would like individual tickets		
Need Not be present to Win		
Name:		
Address:		
City: Zip Code:		
Phone #:		
Email:		
Council#		
"You Are Responsible for All the Tickets that YouReque	est."	
Make Checks Payable to: Alabama State Council, Knights of Columbus.		
All Stubs and Checks need to be returned to: Danny Garcia, State Advocate, 124 Mountain View Lane		
Madison, AL 35758	Ticket#	_ to



Good Shepherd Catholic Church

13550 Chaney Thompson Road
(256) 882-1844
http://www.goodshephsv.org
Home to Council 11672
Council11672.weebly.com

Mass Schedule:

Saturday 5:30 PM Sunday 8:30 AM 11:00 AM



Holy Spirit Catholic Church

625 Airport Road, Huntsville
(256) 881-4781
http://holyspirithsv.com/
Home to Council 764 and Assembly 0004

Mass Schedule:

Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 7:30 AM 9:00 AM 11:45 AM



Most Merciful Jesus

Assembly0004.weebly.com

Coming April 1st to Segers Lane, Madison (Currently holding weekend Masses at Mill Creek Elementary School, Madison)

http://www.mostmercifuljesuschurch.org

Mass Schedule:

Saturday 5:30 PM Sunday 8:30 AM 11:30 AM



Our Lady of the Valley

376 Goss Road, Redstone Arsenal (256) 842-2175

http://www.garrison.redstone.army.mil/smore.aspx?keyid=2567&showtype=2#

Mass Schedule:

Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 9:00 AM



Our Lady, Help of Christians

1201 Kingsbury Ave SE, Huntsville (256) 801-9157

http://ourladyhelpofchristians-al.org

Traditional Latin Mass

Schedule: Sundays Only

Low Mass 8:00 AM High Mass 10:00 AM Volume I, Issue IX Page 7

Our Lady, Queen of the Universe

2421 Shady Lane, Huntsville

(256) 852-0788

http://www.olqu.org/home.php

Home to Council 16248

Mass Schedule:

Saturday Sunday 5:00 PM

9:00 AM

11:30 AM



St. John the Baptist

1055 Hughes Road, Madison

(256) 722-0130

http://www.stjohnbchurch.org

Home to Council 10232 and Assembly 2420

madison-kc.org

Mass Schedule:

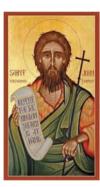
Saturday 5:30 PM

Sunday 7:00 AM

8:30 AM

11:30 AM

5:30 PM



St. Joseph's

2300 Beasley Ave. NW, Huntsville

(256) 534-8459

http://saintjosephcc.com

Mass Schedule:

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:15 AM

11:15 AM



St. Mary of the Visitation

222 Jefferson St. N, Huntsville

(256) 536-6349

http://www.smvparish.org

Home to Council 4080

Mass Schedule:

Saturday 5:30 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM

11:00 AM



In Service to One, In Service to All

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From the moment of our founding in 1882, charity has been the first principle of the Knights of Columbus. We are men of faith and men of action.

In 2014, we set new records in charitable giving for the 16th consecutive year. Our charitable contributions increased in 2014 by more than \$3.4 million over the previous year to a record \$173,550,680. In addition, we achieved our highest level of charitable service, volunteering more than 71.5 million hours. The number of service hours contributed by members rose in 2014 by more than a million hours over the 2013 total, with each member donating nearly a full workweek on average.

Our charitable activities encompass an almost infinite variety of local, national and international projects. From international charitable partnerships with Special Olympics, the Global Wheelchair Mission and Habitat for Humanity to our own Food for Families and Coats for Kids projects and other purely local charities, the opportunity to work together with fellow Knights and their families is virtually endless.

We undertake these acts of charity because we see those in need through the eyes of faith. Moreover, in the Knights of Columbus, we approach these acts of charity together. Pope Benedict XVI calls this the "practice of love...as a community."

If you'd like to be a part of an international organization of more than 1.9 million Catholic men whose principal work involves helping others in need, we'd like to meet you and invite you to join us.

The Patriot Degree

On February 22, 1900, the first exemplification of this degree was held in New York City. The ritual added patriotism to the three original principles of the Order: charity, unity and fraternity. Any Third Degree member in good standing, one year after the anniversary of his First Degree, was eligible for membership in the Fourth Degree. Currently, any member of the Third Degree in good standing, regardless how long he has been a Knight, may join the



Fourth Degree. The primary purpose of the Fourth Degree is to foster the spirit of patriotism by promoting responsible citizenship and a love of and loyalty to the Knights' respective countries through active membership in local Fourth Degree groups called assemblies. Fourth Degree members must retain their membership as Third Degree members in the local council to remain in good standing.