

# SANTA MARIA

FAIRBORN COUNCIL #3724

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

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## Grand Knight's Corner

In my last issue I shared some of my reading on keeping spirits up during uncertain times. The last issue left off with some thoughts and examples on silence and with this issue I'm going to pick up the discussion with service. Since this is the year of St. Joseph I'm also going to throw in some thoughts on my reading from the Consecration to St. Joseph program. Silence as talked about last month lends itself to contemplation and service lends itself to work and who better than St. Joseph to use as a model of quiet contemplation and service before self.

### Service

We greet God in human ways via the daily interactions we have, supporting our faith, breaking bread with friends, volunteering at hospitals or service centers. Even performing in our daily jobs if we are not yet blessed enough to have retired.

- We have choice over where we give our business. Serve your neighbors by supporting the local economy. Shop at small businesses, even if it costs a little more. Head to farmers markets or street fairs to meet farmers and vendors in the area.
- The internet is inundated with fake news, serve with your words by sharing a story of hope, for instance the upcoming Marian statue procession that will be travelling through our parish.

### Education

The goal of true education, according to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., is "intelligence plus character." "The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically."

- Read books by authors you might not normally consider.
- Soak up wisdom, past and present. Local colleges, parishes, and Catholic Charities host speakers regularly, often at little to no cost.

Keeping our spiritual energy up in times of trouble takes effort. I find it harder and harder during the normal day to day to do so. I find myself turning more and more to the study of St. Joseph who has no recorded words in scripture yet was one of the most influential men ever. The more I read about St Joseph the more fascinated I become, talk about a model of service before self.

Joseph living with Jesus and Mary in Nazareth, working in his carpenter shop with Jesus thinking of his role as guide and protector contemplating and praying on that responsibility. Contemplative prayer is an actual term with its own definition and that is prayer directly initiated and carried forward by the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Not a lot is written about Jesus early life in Nazareth Luke in Chapter 2:52, indicates that Mary and Joseph both witnessed Jesus advance in wisdom, age and favor before God. Joseph would have found much to contemplate during his workday. Shaping beams, door frames, repairing tables and chairs all with Jesus working by his side learning his earthly fathers trade. I imagine St Joseph loved and enjoyed the son of God as he  
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worked all day in his shop and must have marveled at the presence of the Spirit of God in his spouse Mary. Turning to Saint Joseph can help all Christians to deeper state of prayer and to sanctify human work by doing it in the company of Christ. Because of his familiarity with God St Joesph can teach us not only how to enjoy the divine presence but also how to work in such a way that contemplation is fostered in the midst of that work.

My Knight of the Month was Bro Matt Justice our Chancellor, who is doing a bang-up job helping to keep our seminarian's spirits up and keeping the council engaged in Nam's vocational journey. Here is a link to an interview Nam did back in November 2020, part of a series entitled, "He will shower you with Grace." <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rxVXBkYfhfo>

My Family of the Month was that of Bro Larry DeWitt, who continues to perform his duties as treasurer in an exemplary form even receiving a letter of appreciation from Wright Patt Credit Union for his attention to detail and the completeness of his record keeping. When you see Matt and Larry around the hall tell them congrats. Ut in omnibus glorificetur Deus

Vivat Jesus. GK Erbacher

### \*\*\*\*\* MEETING CHANGE AND OFFICER ELECTIONS \*\*\*\*\*

As the Fraternal year draws to a close, we need to gather to elect the officers that will lead us into the next year. Since Supreme dictates that we cannot hold an election until after May 15th, we will, once again, move our May business meeting to the third week of the month. The May Council business meeting will be held on Thursday May 20 in the Council Chambers at 7:30. We have already held the first round of nominations. There were some vacancies. Additional volunteers are being sought. If you wish to serve, make sure you are at the meeting to accept the nomination or call the GK with your interest and desired office. Otherwise, come and cast your ballot for the Council Leadership for the coming year.

### SUPER CASH BONANZA CHARITY CAMPAIGN

Reminder - the final turn-in date is 11 May since all sold tickets and payment must be mailed so they are received by the State Treasurer on or before 14 May. Our first turn-n was 1290 tickets sold. Since then, members have sold an additional 100 tickets, well on our way of reaching our 1617 goal. If you have yet to return your sold tickets, please do so on or before 11 May.

Brother's, we need your help in either buying or selling these tickets. We can accomplish/exceed our Council goal if everyone gives a little extra effort. As a convenience, you can place your sold tickets/checks in an envelope and drop in the Council's mailbox behind the MHC Parish Center: or contact PGK Jim McCoy at 879-3570 (H) or 694-3368 (C); PGK Herman Karhoff at 361-2758 (C) for pickup. Thank you for supporting this important charity event.

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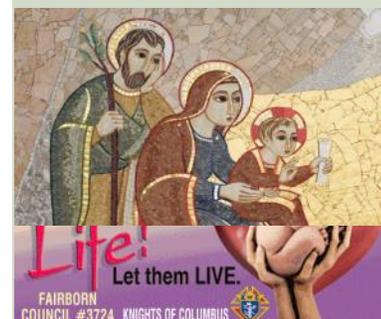
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## OFFICER ELECTIONS FOR THE NEXT FRATERNAL YEAR

The time to choose the officers for the next fraternal year is upon us, the following positions were opened for nominations at the April Business Meeting. Nominations will continue under old business at the May Business meeting followed by the election of the nominees under New Business.

Officer and Service Program Personnel for 2021-2022 Fraternal Year

Candidate Nominations as of April Business Meeting

Grand Knight:	PGK Gene Erbacher
Deputy Grand Knight:	No Nominee
Chancellor:	Bro Matt Justice
Treasurer:	Bro Larry DeWitt
Recorder:	No Nominee
Advocate:	PGK Steve Wal
Warden:	No Nominee
Outside Guard:	Bro Terry McCann
Inside Guard 1:	No Nominee
Inside Guard 2:	Bro Ken Normand
1 <sup>st</sup> Year Trustee:	PGK Larry Bogemann

The following service program personnel will need to be filled for the next fraternal year as well. Please prayerfully consider one of the following positions. These are not elected positions but the Grand Knight or one of the PGKs or the Trustees may approach you about taking on these vital roles. Titles with an asterisk next to them must have a director to be compliant with State and Supreme Guidelines. If there is a name listed that means a Bro has already been approached and accepted the job for the 2021-2022 Fraternal Year.

*Program Director:	Vacant
Life Director:	Vacant
Faith Director:	Vacant
*Family Director:	Bro Dan Cyphers
*Community Director:	Vacant
*Membership Director:	Vacant
*Retention Chairman:	Vacant

Job Descriptions Per our 3724 By-Laws

**Program Director:** The direct involvement and personal commitment of the council and membership in a program that will establish the Knights of Columbus as truly a Catholic, family, fraternal service organization. All other chairman report to this position which ensures that council meets its state and supreme council requirements on time.

**Membership Director:** have supervision of a comprehensive program of recruitment and retention for his council. The membership director will handle recruitment efforts, act as chairman of the membership committee to review new member applications, report to the council at general business meetings 3724 efforts to recruit new members.

**Community Director:** Has the responsibility to make the council aware of its life within the community and to develop programs that will be of service to the community.

**Family Director:** Promotes activities and programs within the Council that would strengthen and support the family life of its members. The youth program was rolled up into family in 2019-2020 fraternal year.

**Retention Director:** Formerly part of the Membership Director duties, Supreme broke this into a separate duty to act upon members who have fallen off the roles or active status, to determine why and how we can bring them back to full council participation.

**Life Director:** Spearheads the 3724 Culture of Life, Respect Life Programs, ensures that 3724 stays at the forefront of the battle to protect our way of life against the culture of death that is so prevalent today.

**Faith Director:** promote a program that will enable the membership to respond to the constant call for the active participation of the laity in the work of the Church.

### 3724 Major Contributions Upgrading MHC Signage

The Fairborn Knights donated \$10,000 and labor to Mary Help Christians to replace old MHC signs with new LED signs. Additional signs for FYI, Saint Vincent DePaul Food Panty, and K of C will be installed.

Bros. Frank Carchedi, John Whitmore, Terry McCann, Ray Daley, Percy Gros, Eric Rogalinski, and Herman Karhoff were instrument in providing their help and expertise to signage upgrade activity.



Broad Street Sign



Maple Ave Sign



“Fr. Tom gives approval/blessing to MHC new LED sign.

## INSURANCE CORNER

The Knights of Columbus offers a wide range of insurance products, please contact me for your insurance needs or if you have any questions.

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## MEMBERSHIP

Know someone interested in joining the Knights of Columbus, they can become an online member for free! Have him go online to <https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html> and fill in the requested information, its that easy.

## HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS



## HOME CORPORATION

Your Home Corp continues to work hard to support the Council. The Directors met on April 15 to pay bills and discuss business. Due to the COVI D-19 crisis our work parties will be suspended until further notice.

## THE WORLD OF FINANCE

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers



## GOOD OF THE ORDER

Health and Healing requests are entered into the council's prayer request book prior to the business meeting. If you can't make a meeting and have a name you wish to include in the Santa Maria prayer intentions, please call the council hall and leave a message or send an email to Santamaria@3724kofc.org.

### Health and Healing:

PGK John Whytal, PGK Lew and Melita Murphy, Dave Bartok, Paul and Rose Yosick, Jon Edwards, Steve Paulsen, Jim McNamara, Tom O'Connor, Robert Herring, Robert Hernandez Sgt, Rosalie Sloat, Velma Hobbs, Sophia Yarwick, Cladina Hay, Tony Liam, Janet McGrath, Bill Gould, Jan Gartsipe, Jeanne Paula, Wallace Johnson, Cathy Kempf, PGK Bill Gazzerro, Alice Smith, Hope Smith, Pat Banaszak, Ruth Fisher, Catherine Lumppp, PGK Russ Milliron, Ellen Dunn.



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## MAY EVENTS

May 6 Trustee Meeting  
May 10 4th Degree Meeting  
May 20 Home Corp Meeting  
May 30 5th Sunday Rosary

May 9 Mother's Day  
May 20 Business Meeting  
May 27 Lecturer Meeting  
May 30 Corporate Communion

## JUNE PREVIEW

Fathers Day, Ride, Walk, &, Run for Life, Lecture Meeting/Degree,

## BUSINESS MEETING ATTENDANCE

The 2nd Thursday on each month, we pray the Rosary at 7:00 pm which is followed by our business meeting. Please attend, stay after the meeting and socialize with your brother knights. Every Thurs there's a Pot-of-Gold drawing. Entry fee is 50 cents and you are required to sign your name in "The Book". At 10:00 pm on the meeting night and at 9:30 pm on the other Thursdays there's a random drawing from our membership pool. The name of the winner drawn win's the Pot-of-Gold if they completed the entry requirements.



Matt Justice receiving the KOTM from GK Gene Erbacher



Larry DeWitt receiving the FOTM from GK Gene Erbacher

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# MEMORIAL DAY

