



# Knights of Columbus

## George R. Kutterer Council 6165

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August 2018 Newsletter

### Grand Knight's Message

Braving the heat and a sluggish start, some of our hardest brother Knights perfectly executed another successful 4th of July hamburger stand at the Legion Park. Thanks to everyone who helped, this is a core fundraising event for us, but also an enjoyable chance for fellowship. Of course, special thanks goes out to Jim VonDerHaar for all he does in ensuring this day's success.

Thanks to everyone who volunteered to work the Monroe County Fair parking and ticket slots. We were blessed with much better weather than usual for this event, which was a welcome relief. Thanks again to Joe Dent and John Haubrich for their organization efforts for this yearly opportunity.

Looking forward to August and beyond, our activity with Immaculate Conception School events will be picking up. See below for details on the upcoming Back to School Night, I can tell all Knights with young children from personal experience, this is a great opportunity to meet parents of your child's schoolmates and start building those relationships. You may be surprised how many other fathers could be interested in becoming Knights.

And rapidly approaching as summer begins to close are our annual Tootsie Roll Drive and Car Show. The success of both of these events rest squarely on the shoulders of all who volunteer to help make them possible. See below for more details, and please check your calendar now, the lifting is much easier with more shoulders.

Vivat Jesus!

Jonathan Gilbreth

Congratulations to new Knights Mike Braun and Bob Wachtel for making their commitment at the First Degree Exemplification in July. We welcome Paul Scozzari who transferred to our council and Matt Sainz who plans to do so soon. We're glad to have them with us.

Our council was pleased to sponsor diocesan seminarian Nicholas Flemming. Proceeds from the Vocations Raffle ticket sales help to fund our support. Please pray for an increase in religious vocations and consider participating in the parish Chalice for Vocations program. More details can be found on the home page of our website.

We had 32 people volunteer to give blood and collected 28 units. The Red Cross is desperately short on blood because of the summer rush. Our next blood drive will be on Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00am until 1:00pm. Invite your family and friends to come give the gift of life.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS...**

#### **Card Lotto**

The next one will be held on Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, at 7:00pm at Columbia Convalescent Center. Contact Nick Matrisotto at 314-609-7092 if you would like to help. Thanks to all the knights who show up every month to participate in this worthwhile ministry.

#### **Back to School Night**

All are welcome to Back to School Social Night in the garden (lower) level of Immaculate Conception Church on

Friday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00pm as we kick off a new school year. We'll have food, drinks, music and activities for the kids. Kids can make their own ice cream sundaes and floats. If you have any questions, please call Nick Matrisotto at 314-609-7092.

#### **Family Committee**

For the last four years or so our family committee has been led by Nick Matrisotto, Brian Repp, and Ted Haney. These three have built this committee into the most active committee we have- helping to meld our family life and our council activities. Please contact Nick at (314) 609-7092 or at [stlouisareamaps@aol.com](mailto:stlouisareamaps@aol.com) if you are interested in serving on the next committee. Our thanks to Nick, Brian, and Ted for all they have done and continue to do to keep our council family- focused.

#### **2018 Tootsie Roll Drive**

The 2018 fund raising drive to benefit those with intellectual disabilities (Tootsie Roll Drive) will be held on Friday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, and Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please put it on your calendar and consider donating some time and treasure to this worthy cause.

#### **Our Next Council Meeting:**

Our next council meeting will be held on Thursday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30pm.

For more information about our council and its activities or to sign up to work at our current events, go to our website at [www.kofc6165.org](http://www.kofc6165.org).



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Our council sponsored the fireworks with a donation and staffed a hamburger and ice cream stand to raise money. Thanks to all who braved the heat to make it a success including, but not limited to those pictured: Bob Stadler, DGK Jim VonDerHaar, Jeremy Stemler, Treasurer Matt Buhr, John Whitworth, Pat Grawitch, Steve Dressler, Warden James Huch, and GK Jonathan Gilbreth.

*Thanks!!*

### Calendar of Events

**Eucharistic Adoration-** Every Tuesday

9:00am-10:00pm in the Reservation Chapel

**KC Council Meeting-** August 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm

**Card Lotto-** August 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00pm

**Parish Labor Day Picnic-** September 3<sup>rd</sup>

**First Degree Exemplification-** September 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

**Blood Drive-** September 16<sup>th</sup> After All Masses

**Tootsie Roll Drive-** September 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual KC Car, Truck, and Tractor Show-**  
October 13<sup>th</sup> 11am-2pm



**BACK 2 SCHOOL**

**SOCIAL NIGHT**

MUSIC

KIDS MAKE THEIR OWN SUNDAES

KIDS CRAFTS

Food & Drink served at 6:30pm

**Friday, August 24th 6:00 - 9:00pm**

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
FELLOWSHIP HALL (GARDEN LEVEL)

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