



**Knights of Columbus
St Paul the Apostle
Muncie, IN 47304**

The K of C Council for 2013-2014:

Chaplain: Father Joseph W. Grace

Third Degree Officers:

Grand Knight: Tom McComish
Deputy Grand Knight: Jim Carnes
Financial Secretary: Dan Waechter
Recorder: Jim Cheslik
Chancellor: Rex Stanley
Treasurer: Leroy Rhea
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Warden: Jack Young
Inside Guard: Jack Holland
Outside Guard: Jack Gardella
Board of Trustees 3 years: Tom Eulitt
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Programs: Jim Carnes
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Bingo: Kelly Young
Building: Tom Eulitt
Communications:
Newsletter: Tom McComish
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Webmaster: Tom McComish
Finance: Jeff Huff
Gibault: Bob Heintzelman
Recruitment & Retention: Trustees
and Tom McComish (chair)
Scholarship: Jim Cheslik

Philanthropies:

Core Charities: Gibault, Harvest
Soup Kitchen, St Vincent De Paul,
Christian Ministries, Fr Andre's
Orphanage Complex in Cap-
Haitian, Haiti

Muncie Catholic Parishes

St. Francis, St. Lawrence, St. Mary

Business/Building Manager

Kelly Young (Cell: 749-5285;
Hall: 282-8280)

August 2013 Newsletter

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Upcoming Events at the K of C Family Center:

Tues Knights Meetings:

Aug 6: Council 560 Meeting - 7pm
Aug 13: Fourth Degree Assembly Meeting - 7 pm
Aug 20: Council 560 Meeting - 7 pm

Dinners and Special Notices:

Aug: none scheduled

Rentals:

Private function – Aug 4, 5, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 31
Exchange Club – Aug 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
Sunrise Rotary – Aug 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Bingo:

Every Mon, Wed, and Fri: Early Bird play at 5:30 pm followed by Regular play at 7 pm. Our K of C Bingo Hall is located at 4833 N Wheeling Ave in Muncie.

“It is the Best of Times;” “It is the Worst of Times”

Some biblical verses tend to draw us into a quandary by trying to have a reasonable response expected of us.

Such evidence as to the ‘worst of times’ is compounded with evils that are unrelentingly engaged against human life, marriage and family, as well as freedom of religion and worship.

As to the ‘best of times,’ it is more difficult to ascertain how we can accept or embrace the present state of affairs in light of a positive impact. It is helpful to realize that I may have a worthwhile opportunity in this struggle against evil to make a difference with what I can do with spiritual weapons at my disposal.

We should have a positive attitude to always be part of the solution. When and only when, we draw upon divine help instead of doing little with our weak and insufficient human means can we be successful. Our Savior is very helpful in reminding us “that without me you can do nothing.” “But if you abide in Me and I in you, you will produce fruit that will last.”

This is all about using those spiritual weapons which are centered in the Eucharist where the Victorious Christ is always present providing competing good works to acquire unlimited power. The result is a spiritual arsenal against the forces of evil.

So do not discount what each of us can offer in view of ‘the best of times’ to now achieve relief and victory in this “spiritual conflict”.

A Message from Your Chaplain, Fr Joseph Grace



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Fr Andre' Reception at St Mary

Several of our Council Knights joined about 100 others at a reception for Fr Andre' at St Mary after mass on July 21st. Fr Andre was visiting in Muncie on a short trip in connection with his orphanage and ongoing related developments in Haiti. Noll Hall on the St Mary campus was the location of the reception. All in attendance enjoyed the fresh fruit and coffee cakes served.

Fr Andre' and Tony Costello presented information about ongoing developments of the orphanage in Haiti. Tony explained the history and most recent architectural revisions to the plans for the new orphanage which will expand from the current 17 children to about 80 in the future. Ball State students working with architect Costello have developed award-winning plans for the orphanage. Fr Andre' thanked everyone for their support and specifically mentioned our Council for their monthly core charity support. He noted that "my plans and work focus on repaying God for His goodness." It was a very informative gathering enjoyed by all in attendance.

Members of our Council were welcomed by Fr Andre' who warmly greeted them (see picture below).



Knights attending included (L to R): Steve Avila, Neal Hazen, Leroy Rhea, Fr Andre (center), Tom McComish, Jack Holland, and Jack Gardella.



Fr Andrew Dudzinski (upper right), Pastor at St Mary, greeted knights and others in attendance at the reception.



We Need Your Help: Donations needed now for 4th Degree Dinner and Auctions October 11th

Knight Jack Gardella, Chair of the Dinner and Auctions Committee, is soliciting items for the Second Annual 4th Degree event. Examples might be household items, furniture, gift cards, books, paintings, prints, lamps, gardening/lawn implements, event tickets, or just anything of value you no longer want or need. We need lots of clean items in good condition so please call Jack at 765-730-7622 or e-mail at Jimamy1921@wildblue.net

Please also put the October 11th date on your calendar and plan to attend the event. It will be an evening of good food, conversation, fun, relaxation, and good times in general. We look forward to hearing from you about donations that will help to make this event a success. This is the only formal public fund raiser for the Assembly in the 2013-14 year. Thanks in advance for your help!

An Invitation from the Assembly: Consider becoming a 4th Degree Knight

A wonderful opportunity beckons for our 3rd Degree Council members to invite them take the step to become 4th Degree Sir Knights. The 4th Degree for knights is the highest Knighthood attainable. We are fortunate to have a very active 4th Degree Assembly in Muncie doing the good work of the Knights of Columbus and we are seeking new members.

Groundwork for the opportunity was recently gained with several Muncie Knights completing the 3rd Degree at a Council 560 sponsored exemplification in Muncie. Those men along with others already at the 3rd Degree level in the Council are urged to consider becoming 4th Degree Knights. A special 4th Degree exemplification will be held in South Bend on September 14th. A group of Bishop William Arnold Assembly Knights will travel to the exemplification along with the new candidates. Faithful Navigator Bill Moore and the Assembly invite all of you 3rd Degree Knights to become one of the group.

What is the 4th Degree Knighthood all about?

The 4th Degree of the Knights of Columbus are committed to the preservation of the Church, the Order, and the many nations where Knights serve. It is a natural progression for 1st, 2nd and 3rd degree Knights to aspire to join the 4th Degree. Membership in the 4th Degree allows a Knight to display pride in his country, while continuing to serve his community and Church.

To qualify for the Fourth Degree a member must:

- Be 18-years-old or older and a regular Catholic
- Be a citizen of the country in which he resides
- Have been a member of the Order for at least 12 months
- Be a member in good standing within a council
- Be a 3rd Degree Knight

When a Knight joins the 4th Degree, he becomes a member of a group of men dedicated to promoting patriotism illuminated by their Catholic faith. He also earns the right - not obligation - to wear the regalia and to participate in color corps and honor guards at Church, Order and community events. Ideally, every 3rd Degree Knight should strive to become a member of the Fourth Degree. It is a place of honor and respect that its members will carry for the rest of their lives. (Taken from Dept Fraternal Services, Knights of Columbus)

What will you need to attend the 4th Degree exemplification in South Bend? First complete the Form 100. Then all that remains is the formal attire and some accessories. The 4th degree attire is specific and the responsibility of the candidate. The formal dress includes: tuxedo, black bow tie, white tuxedo shirt, black socks, dark dress shoes (prefer black), standard K of C service baldric, white gloves, black suspenders, and black cummerbund. These items can be purchased (some of the items can be rented) as needed. One source to purchase the baldric and additional items is: The English Company, Inc (www.kofcsupplies.com).

If you have any questions, please call Bill Moore at 765-749-4214 or e-mail him at: billmoore185@yahoo.com

Because of the need to make arrangements and acquire the necessary garb for the exemplification, please let Faithful Navigator Bill Moore know your intentions at your earliest convenience. We want to help you and look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible. Please join us as we march through life as 4th Degree Knights.

Bishop William Arnold Assembly
Knights of Columbus, Assembly 243 in Muncie
Meetings on the second Tuesday monthly



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