



Council 560

November 2015 Newsletter Knights of Columbus Muncie, Indiana



Assembly 243

The K of C Council for 2015-2016:

Chaplain: Open

Third Degree Officers:

Grand Knight: James R Carnes, Jr

Deputy Grand Knight: Kevin Durbin

Financial Secretary: Dan Waechter

Recorder: John Kindt

Chancellor: Neal Hazen

Treasurer: Leroy Rhea

Advocate: Phil Nix

Warden: Jack Young

Inside Guard: Jack Holland

Outside Guard: Open

Board of 3 years: Tom McComish

Trustees 1 year: Tom Eulitt

Service Committee Directors with Associate(s):

Church: Mike Clohessy, Jeff Huff

Community: Jack Young, Tom Eulitt

Council: Jeff Huff, Nick Bartkoski

Family: Greg Smith, Ed Kseniak

Membership: Jim Carnes, Leroy

Rhea, Tom McComish

Programs: Jim Carnes

Pro-Life Couple: John & Kathy Kindt

Youth: Brad Robertson

Standing Committees:

Bingo: Kelly Young & Jim Cheslik

Building: Tom Eulitt

Finance: Jeff Huff

Gibault: Jack Young

Newsletter: Tom McComish

and Pete Murk

Retention: Jim Carnes, Kevin Durbin

Scholarship: Jim Cheslik

Insurance: Open

Webmaster: Tom McComish

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Philanthropies:

Core Charities: Gibault, Harvest Soup Kitchen, St Vincent De Paul

Muncie Catholic Parishes

St. Francis, St. Lawrence, St. Mary

Business/Building Manager

Kelly Young (Cell: 749-5285;

Hall: 282-8280)

New K of C Insurance Contact

Jason Quear, Gen Agent, K of C

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Jason.quear@kofc.org

Schedule of Events at the K of C Family Center

Knights:

Nov 3: Council 560, Business Meeting – 7 pm Tues

Nov 7: Celebration of Fall Dinner and Silent Auction – 5:30 pm Sat

Nov 10: Assembly 243 Business Meeting – 7 pm Tues

Nov 17: Council 560, Business Meeting – 7 pm Tues

Friday Dinners

Nov 6: Yorktown High School Swim Team – 5:30 pm

Nov 13: Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts – 5:30 pm

Hall Rentals:

Private events: Nov 1, 14, 15, 21

Exchange Club: Thursdays on Nov 5, 12, 19, 26

Sunrise Rotary: Fridays on Nov 6, 13, 20, 27

Bingo

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

Important Announcement

Celebration of Fall Dinner and Silent Auction Mark Your Calendars to Attend November 7th

Our Council will sponsor a Celebration of Fall Dinner and Silent auction on November 7th at the Family Center. The council knights invite you, your family, and friends to attend. Be sure to tell your lady about the event.

Everyone is welcome. Please mark your calendars to reserve the Saturday, November 7th date. The knights promise another fun evening at the Family Center:

EVENT DINNER:

Tossed salad, baked pork tenderloin, mashed potato with gravy, vegetable, choice of beverages, desserts

Kelly, Jeff, and the "crew" cooking in the kitchen

Pre Event Tickets Available from any Knight

CASH LOUNGE

TIP BOOKS

WHEELBARROW OF JOY

****HIGH QUALITY SILENT AUCTION****

With Master of Ceremonies

Come One, Come All! Doors Open at 5:30 pm



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Sixteen Knights Received Second and Third Degree Exemplification

The second and third degree exemplification team did an outstanding job of conferring knighthood on candidates at the Family Center on October 8th. It was a beautiful and very meaningful ceremony that included the new revision for the third degree. The six candidates from Council 560 that participated included Fr. Dave Hellman (Pastor of St Lawrence), Michael Brown, Joseph Edwards, Joe McPherson, Jack Sharp, Shelby Short, Jim Stewart, and David Willaert. A tasty snack was provided to all in attendance after the ceremonies. Photos below reveal something of the event:



Fr. Dave Hellman with Michael Brown after the ceremonies

The photographs below were taken during the lunch after the exemplifications were completed. Congratulations to all in attendance:



It was a very special evening...

A Recent Field Trip to Maria Stein, Ohio Catholic Reliquary *

A Saturday Oct 10th field trip to Maria Stein, Ohio to tour the Catholic Reliquary was organized by Sir Knight, Jon Sullivan, Faithful Navigator of our K of C Assembly 243. Knights and invited guests making the trip included: Jerry Bricker, Art and Sue Wessel, Daniel and Teresa Lee, Sally Milne, Carmella Mansfield, Veronica Pociask and Jon and Sonnie Sullivan.

Karen Post served as the on-site tour guide of the relics, museum, and grounds. Over 1,000 relics of saints, (the majority of which are first grade or actual), are on permanent display at the site for viewing. In addition to the full body of St Victoria, encased in life-like wax and clothing of the era (304 AD), there were two slivers of the True Cross! The record dating back to St Helena, mother of Constantine the Great, relates that three crosses were discovered in a cistern in the holy land. To find out if the crosses were authentic and included the True Cross, she had an ill woman touch each of them. After touching the third cross, she was miraculously cured on the spot (324 AD).

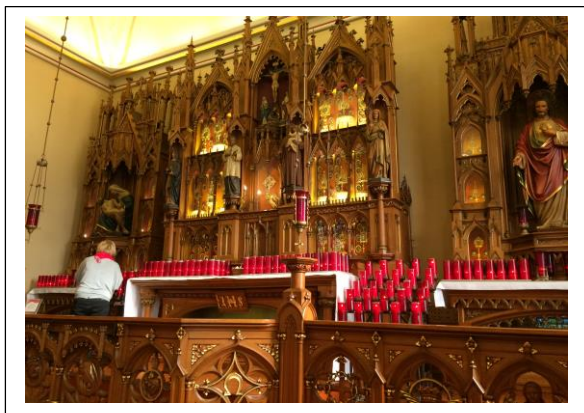
The altar in the reliquary chapel is made of highly hand-carved wood, completed by women due to their smaller hands. It is stunningly beautiful. The Maria Stein site, founded in 1843, was historically a nunnery of the Sisters of the Precious Blood. Today there are only about 120 nuns left in the order. Well attended masses are held at the site daily.

The group enjoyed lunch afterward at a local café. Those in attendance completed a wonderful bonding of new found friendships with people met just six hours previously. Ms Veronica Pociask requested that “next year the Knights of Columbus should sponsor a busload of visitors for another field trip.”

A final observation by our Faithful Navigator, Jon Sullivan, is that in the land of Cross-Tipped churches there, **none** of the churches are locked. They are all left open to the public 24 hours a day, unsupervised, and with only portables locked away! Jon noted that “this is the kind of world I so want to live in.”

Some photos of the event reveal a very informative and successful day at Maria Stein.

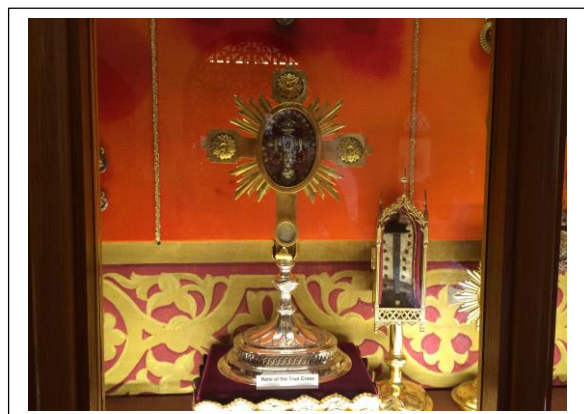
*Edited article contributed by Jon Sullivan, Faithful Navigator of Assembly 243, and his wife Sonnie.



Intricate carved display at Maria Stein Reliquary



Karen Post addressing the group



Relic of the True Cross on display



Some of those in attendance

Recent Building Committee Recognition

Knight Tom Eulitt, chair of the Building Committee, awarded four long-standing members of the committee a special citation for their contributions. The September 15th recognition was for service completed in a very important role for the council.

Council knights Receiving citations of merit were (L-R): Bob Heintzelman, Marvin Sue, Ed Kseniak, and Jack Holland.



Need for More Sack Lunches Increases

The number of sack lunches packed by the council knights was increased from 100 to 150 due to the Harvest Soup Kitchen needs increase in recent weeks. The knights that assembled the October sack lunches quickly responded to the request by providing more sack lunches. Knights that worked to serve the needy of Muncie through the HSK are noted below:



Knights that assembled the October sack lunches included (L-R): Jerry Bricker, Don Dennis, Jon Sullivan, Jack Holland, Jack Sharp and Tom McComish (Pete Murk, not pictured, also helped).

Some Important Dates to Remember

Please take note of the following dates. Be sure to confirm the 2016 dates because some might be revised later.

1. **Celebration of Fall Dinner and Silent Auction is November 7th. Doors open about 5:30 pm. It will be a fun evening with lots of great auction items. Come one, come all, for a great dinner and silent auction. More detailed information is presented elsewhere in this newsletter.**
2. K of C Celebration of Christmas with a dinner at the Family Center on Tuesday, December 8th.
3. The K of C District Master has reserved March 5, 2016 for a 4th Degree Exemplification. It is to be sponsored by our Council 560 and available for anyone in the state of Indiana who wishes to move to the 4th degree.
4. Third Annual Awards Recognition Banquet will be held for our K of C Council 560 and Assembly 243 on April 7, 2016
5. First Annual Muncie Knights of Columbus Golf Outing is scheduled at Players Club in Muncie on July 31, 2016. Contact Knight John Reynolds, chair of the outing, for more information.

Building The Domestic Church *The Family Fully Alive**

The Knights of Columbus recently sent out a booklet focused on the family as “domestic church” and a place of encounter with Christ within the community of a particular Christian family (noted by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson). Laying the cornerstone of the domestic church is stressed as prayers, devotions, and family activities. The booklet focuses on monthly activities. The November focus is “because the Lord is the God of our ancestors, we want to strengthen the relationships between our family’s generations.”

Meditation

1. “Who is one person in our family whose faith shaped my own? What strengths does each member of our family have?”
2. “What are some ways our family tries to live out belief in God and his Church? Which virtue seems to be particularly strong in our family – faith, hope, or charity?”
3. Why is keeping alive the memory of our history, our family roots, important to shaping the future?”

Family Project

1. “Making a family tree is a great way to celebrate one’s ancestry and learn about past events that have shaped each family member to be who he or she is today.”
2. “Connect with your family by corresponding with grandparents or other relatives. Send the *cards or notes saying thinking of you*. Have all family members sign the card or note.”
3. “Set aside time to visit graves of deceased relatives and to pray for them.”

Scripture Reading

1. “Praise to God, who is always faithful to his promises.” Read Psalm 105; 1, 6, 8-11, 44-45.

*Source: Building the Domestic Church *The Family Fully Alive*. A Booklet of the Knights of Columbus (2015), New Haven, CT, 35 pages.