



Knights' Notes – March '26 Issue

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CLUBROOM HOURS

Sunday: Noon - 9pm

Monday - Friday: 2pm - 10pm

Saturday: 11am – 10pm *May stay open later if there is sufficient business.*

KEY DATE REMINDERS

- **Saturdays, Burgers and Corndogs!**
- Mar 5th, Ladies Aux meeting, 6pm
- Mar 5th, Council mtg, 6pm
- **Mar 6th, Fish Fry**
- **Mar 9th, Blood Drive**
- Mar 12th, 4th Degree meeting, 6pm
- **Mar 13th, Fish Fry**
- Mar 17th, St Patty Day Lunch & Dinner
- Mar 19th, St Joseph's Day
- Mar 19th, Council mtg
- **Mar 20st, Fish Fry**
- Mar 25th, The Annunciation
- **Mar 27th, Fish Fry**
- Mar 29th, Palm Sunday

HOLD THE DATES

- Apr 3rd, Good Friday
- Apr 5th, Easter Sunday
- Apr 12th, Divine Mercy Sunday

SICK OR IN DISTRESS

Heal your servants, O Lord, who are sick, and who put their trust in you. Send them help, O Lord, and comfort them from your holy place.

Let Jim, any officer, or Terry know of someone Sick or Deceased to have name put on a prayer list. They should be affiliated with the K of C.

IN GOD'S CARE

- All faithfully departed and in Gods Arms.

FOR THE MONTH

HONORING ALL VOLUNTEERS

Visit us at: <http://www.kofc574.com> for previous Knights Notes, Parishes, and more. Contact GK Jim Smith at 309-530-5703 or jsmith1002@aol.com for a printed Newsletter. Club Ph: 309-828-9671

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Grand Knight Report-49th Edition

Greetings, Brother Knights, and Knights Friends,

As a Catholic community we have entered into the Lenten Season. The three pillars of Lenten practice are Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving.

This Lenten season all of us brother Knights of Columbus should be endeavoring to share the God given gifts that we are blessed.

The most common question that is asked during this season in "WHAT ARE YOU GIVING UP FOR LENT?" However another question that we should consider is "HOW AM I GIVING MORE?"

We can all show our devotion to our Savior, thru additional prayers, additional Mass attendance, participating in the Stations of the Cross. During this Lenten Season we can also give MORE of our TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE.

The gift of your TIME or TALENT, would be greatly appreciated during the preparation, and serving at our fish fries and St. Patrick's Day events. A gift of your TREASURE would benefit our Council's charitable giving towards most worthy causes. Please consider assisting your Knights of Columbus Council 574 during this Season of Lent.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of my fellow Knights at our Lenten fish fries.

Sincerely,

Jim Smith: Grand Knight (309) 530-5703 jsmith1002@aol.com



Blood Drive March 9th at the Club

Call 309-662-0500 or go to <https://www.redcrossblood.org/>

and schedule a time between 12:30 and 5:45pm.



Blood Drive!



American Red Cross

Together, we can save a life

Ladies Auxiliary Notes

Please plan to join us on Thursday, March 5 @ 6:00 for our next meeting. We will continue to discuss the 2026 list of committees. I will be sending out reminder texts on our GroupMe App for the fish fry dessert signups. Also, if anyone would like to donate items for our St. Paddy's Day basket raffle, please drop off at the Knights as soon as you can. Thank you!

See you soon – Tina

<p>Come Join Us!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Video Gaming • Big Screen TVs • Saturday Burgers & Corndogs • Full Bar 	<p>Our Banquet Room is available for Weddings, Receptions, Reunions, Anniversaries & More.</p>
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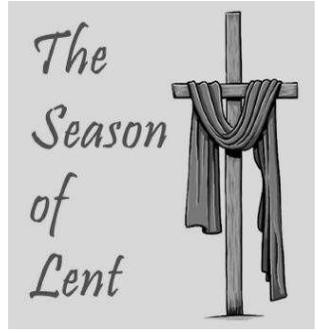
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY	
March	March
1 Charles Franklin	18 Jim Spachman
1 Steven Harsh	19 Jeffrey Stempora
4 Charles Kunkel	20 Martin Walker III
4 David Smith	21 David Edwards
5 Eric Batsie	21 Andrew Holt
5 Everett Kelly	22 Mark Kraft
5 Paul Segobiano	22 Joseph Orendorff
7 Todd Noonan	23 Michael Kline
8 Michael Mulcahey	23 Larry Mertes
9 Fr Roger Byambaasa	23 John Murphy
10 Michael Fowler	24 Dale Kirby
12 Rick Ramirez	27 Gerald Kelly
18 Alex Calvert	28 Michael Boylan
18 James Clothier	

What is Lent?

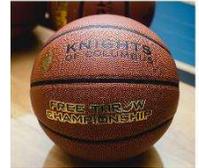
Lent is the season where the Church prepares for Easter. Starting with Ash Wednesday, Lent spans 40+ days until Holy Thursday. Jesus spends 40 days in the desert, fasting, praying, preparing for his mission.



K of C Free Throw Contest - SUCCESS

Held Saturday, Feb 7 at Corpus Christi school. This was a District Free Throw Contest sponsored by Council 574 in the Bloomington/Normal area and was open to all kids 9 -14! The three winners to go on to the Regional contest are:

- Owen Baner (boys, age 14)
- Hannah Okrzesik (girls, age 13)
- Cruze Hilgenbrink (boys, age 9)



K of C Spelling Bee Contest - SUCCESS

Council 574 conducted the Bloomington Spelling Bee contest on February 21. Contestants started at 2:00PM, from ages 9-14. The winners moving on to the State contest on April 18 are: First, Leo Mucci; Second, Serah Rose Arun; and Third, Hannah Kinate.



Key MEMBER Contact Information	
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Recorder: Martin Walker III	Terry Kieswetter: Club Manager
Inside Guard: Charlie Kunkel	Tina Weis: Ladies Aux President
Advocate: Martin Walker IV	



Burgers and Corndogs
11:30 am – 1:30 pm
Saturday's



Lent Fish Fry's Dinner & Dessert

Feb 27, Mar 6, 13,
Mar 20, 27 & April 3

5:30 – 7pm or until we run out

Adults \$12 – Kids \$6

(Fish or Grilled Cheese)

Open to the Public



Please Pay Your
Membership Dues

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Checks made out to the Knights of Columbus should be mailed to Mike Tomlianovich, 1714 Tompkins Dr, Normal 61761-2432, Cash can be brought to the club, or you can VENMO to 309-825-5823.

(Make sure email from 'noreply@kofc.org' don't go to spam)



St Patty's Lunch &
Dinner - Mar 17

COME JOIN THE FUN

**Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes,
Sandwiches, Adult Beverages!**



Tuesday March 17th - Lunch and/or Supper
Sandwich and Dinner Menu's

March 2026

Club Phone: 309-828-9671

We are a Catholic organization. Please refrain from using inappropriate language on our Property



**Support your Council
Attend a Meeting**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
<p>St Patty's Day Lunch/Supper Tues Mar 17 We need volunteers, so look for a sign-up sheet at the bar soon!</p>				25	26	27	28
						11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs Crew: John Braucht	
	Knights Rosary 6:00 pm at Historic St Patrick Church			Council Mtg 6pm	Happy Hour 	11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs Crew: Mike Weis Memorial Crew	
	On-Site  ♥ BLOOD DRIVE ♥			4 th Degree mtg 6pm	Happy Hour 	11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs Crew: Todd Noonan	
			Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes, Sandwiches	Council Mtg 6pm  Saint Joseph		11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs Crew: Steve Scudder	
	Ask Someone to Join		The Annunciation			11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs Crew: Mike Mulcahey	
	Our council works wonders through our programs. However, we depend on you to make it all work.			Council Mtg 6pm			

March 19th the Feast of St Joseph

The feast of St Joseph commemorates Joseph, the husband of the virgin Mary and stepfather of Jesus. It is believed that Joseph died before Jesus began his public life as an adult as there is no mention of Joseph in the bible after Jesus' childhood. The feast of St. Joseph is celebrated annually on March 19th.

"Of all the people I have known with a true devotion and particular veneration for St. Joseph, not one has failed to advance in virtue; he helps those who turn to him to make real progress. For several years now, I believe, I have always made some request to him on his feast day, and it was always been granted; and when my request is not quite what it ought to be, he puts it right for my greater benefit."— *St. Teresa of Avila*



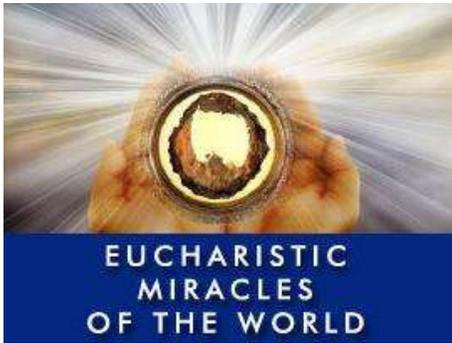
March 25th the Annunciation of the Lord

Pour Your grace into our hearts, O Lord we who have known the incarnation of Your Son Jesus Christ, announced by an angel to the Virgin Mary, may by his cross and passion be brought unto the glory of His resurrection, who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever... Amen.

March 17th

Saint Patrick's Day:

Saint Patrick's Day is a cultural and religious holiday observed by both Irish and non-Irish communities. It is traditionally a commemoration of Saint Patrick and the arrival of Christianity in Ireland. Furthermore, it is also a celebration of the heritage and culture of the Irish. The holiday has cultural and religious significance, displaying Irish symbols such as the shamrock and the color green.

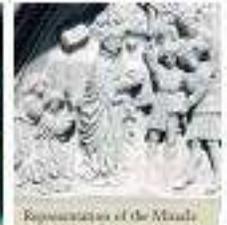


"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." (John 6:51-52)

Eucharistic miracles have occurred throughout our history. A Eucharistic miracle involves the body and blood of the Eucharist taking on biological qualities of Christ's blood, flesh, or both. These extraordinary events have helped people see the spiritual reality of God behind the physical world, reminding us there is more to our existence than we can understand with our 5 senses alone. **(a Monthly Series)**

Eucharistic Miracle of
SEEFELD
 AUSTRIA, 1384

The little city of Seefeld is the goal of many pilgrimages because of the Eucharistic miracle that took place there in 1384. During the Holy Thursday Mass a nobleman by the name of Oswald Milser, expected that the priest would give him Communion with the large Host. At the moment he was about to receive Communion, the pavement began to tremble under him, and Oswald felt as if he was being sucked into it. As the priest was returning the Host to the altar, live blood began to flow from it.



In the little city of Seefeld, Oswald Milser, Lord of Schlosberg, expected at the Holy Thursday Mass, to receive the large Host like that of the celebrating priest. But at the moment he was about to take Communion, the ground began to tremble and broke apart.

Oswald grasped the altar so as not to fall, and the priest immediately took back the Host from the man's mouth. The trembling stopped, and live blood began dripping from the Host. There were many witnesses who saw the miracle, and very soon the news spread throughout the whole nation. The Emperor Maximilian I himself was very devoted to it. Today one can visit the Church of St. Oswald where the precious relic of the Host, stained with blood, is exposed, and also view many paintings depicting the miracle.

March: Saint Joseph is the icon of God the Father

Silent but active and perfectly providing for the needs of all. The Church constantly invokes the protection of St. Joseph, admonishing us to *ite ad Joseph*, go to Joseph.

Knights' Rosary

Our next Rosary will be at 6:00pm Mar 2nd at the Historic St Patrick Church.

We will recite the rosary and have time for group discussion.

ALL ARE WELCOME.

Contact Scott at normalscott212@yahoo.com or 309-212-2904... **Yes, I plan to attend**



4th Degree Assembly 213

"All 3rd degree members are eligible to join"

Our next Meeting will be Thur, Mar 12 at KofC 574 Hall on RT Dunn Dr, Blm, 6pm.

Gondolas and Spaghetti will be provided. Please bring a dessert to pass. Let Scott know if you will be attending.

Contact Scott at normalscott212@yahoo.com or 309-212-2904 with yes, if plan to attend / no, if not.

Our assembly is still collecting dues. Please get them paid.



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