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District 8 - District Deputy Message



Brian Rodgers

Brother Knights,

This month I first want to take a moment to congratulate Garrison council #4715 as they have accomplished the impressive feat of Star Council. Grand Knight Travis Klein, his trustees and officers, and the Knights as a whole, must be commended and congratulated. They are one of only nine councils in our entire state to reach Star Council this year and to make it even more impressive, this was their second year in a row of accomplishing Star Council.

I also want to take a moment to thank all of the Knights who took time on a busy Saturday to walk with us in the state fair parade. We have been doing it for many years and it continuously is one of the greatest ways that we can show the community what it is to be a Knight.

The state's district deputies have met in our semi annual meeting and from it came a lot of good things. We discussed the accomplishments of our state over the last year, talked about what the upcoming year will bring (more on that in a second), and we had a chance to spend time with other Brother Knights in fraternity.

The upcoming year will bring many activities, we can't be a Knight without that statement being true, but to start the year off, we must to make sure that we are prepared. One of the things that we discussed in great length at the meeting was the need for our councils to be self-insured, our parish's insurance doesn't cover our council activities, but just as important, safe environment compliant. The way it was discussed is that our councils must be safe environment compliant before any public functions are held, and that one member who has gone through the safe environment training be present. That means with breakfast coming up it becomes that much more important that all the forms are turned in so that safe environment training can happen. I am going to be reaching out to each council individually to discuss where we are in the process, but it is an absolute must that every council be safe environment compliant before any breakfast are held.

God Bless,

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St. John the Apostle Council 1150

Brother Knights,

I pray this letter finds you and your families well. Hopefully you've had an enjoyable summer.

This month, my article was a little more difficult to write after being out of the area, visiting with family and not being in touch with what was happening with the Knights and at St. John's.

I was going to write about volunteering or patience and grace but I end up with something more like one of Father's Homilies and I can't compete with our priests. I wish you and your family as well. Continue to enjoy

your summer time. Thank you for those who volunteer no matter how small you think those actions are. You don't know how much of an impact you have made on somebody's day. When we volunteer learn a little bit more about ourselves and discern a little of what God wants from us.

I pray you are to enjoying your summer.

Vivat Jesus!

Dan Heald
Grand Knight

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St. Michael Council 4715

Brother Knights,

July has flown by. Council 4715 had three members at the ND State fair Right to Life booth on Wednesday, July 23. I would like to thank Josh Thompson for taking the time to getting members Chris Roberts and Matt Moenkedick to man the booth with him. Thank you gentlemen for being an advocate for the unborn.

August 4th is the next council meeting and the first of the fraternal year. One item of new business will be to distribute Blessed vehicle visor clips to the EMT ambulance services of Garrison and Max. With September being the month of the Blue Mass for first responders this will be a perfect time to honor them and pray for them. I look forward to seeing some my brothers and sisters in Christ at St John's Catholic church in Minot for the September 11th Blue Mass at 6:00 PM.

August 17th is the date for the Peace Garden Mass. all are encouraged to attend and pray a Rosary and attend a Mass with our Canadian brothers and friends. 11:30 AM Rosary and Mass to follow. A lunch will follow the Mass. The cost of the lunch will be \$18.00.

Council 4715 has lost two members unexpectedly in July. Brother Paul Garcia, and Brother Paul Ruhland. Please pray for them and their families. The parishes of St Nicholas in Garrison and Immaculate Conception of Max will certainly feel the loss of these active parishioners and Knight Members. This is a reminder for me that as a Knight we should always remember death and live our life accordingly. For we know not the day or hour we will be called home.

Vivat Jesus,

Travis Klein
Grand Knight



Pope Leo XIV's August Prayer Intention

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Our Lady of Grace Council 4894

Brother Knights,
I hope all is well with all of you. Summer is half over and school will be starting soon.

Congratulations to the following people:

Knight of the Month Tom Warsocki
Family of the Month Marvin and Brenda Vetter
Altar servers of the Month Payton and Anna Donamaria

Construction is moving right along on the Food Pantry and the Parish Center. Please remember that meetings are held in

the Dining Room due to construction.

Keep in mind that the monthly breakfasts will be starting again and volunteers will be needed to work them.

JESUS I SURRENDER MYSELF TO YOU.

VIVAT JESUS

Jim Weaver
Grand Knight

"Pray as though everything depended on God. Work as though everything depended on you." — St. Augustine

Msgr. Joseph J. Raith Assembly 787

Sir Knights & Ladies,

I hope this note finds you all well. Summer is half gone. Where has the time gone?

First and foremost, I want to thank Sir Knight Fred Coleman for managing the July Assembly Meeting in my absence. I was visiting my 100 year old Mother.

Second, I would like to thank those Sir Knights that participated in helping get the float ready for the State Fair Parade and those that participated in the Parade. Even though there were only 7 of them, I thank you for your dedication.

Every year it has been the same thing and every year the same people help. Why have functions when only a few participate? Why have an organization when only a few

participate? Is it worthwhile to have the float next year? Seems like people join organizations just for the sack of joining them.

Meetings are held the 4th Tuesday of the month. These meetings are a Dinner meeting opened up to Spouses. They are held at the Homesteader's Restaurant at 6 pm.

Please keep Sir Knight Dan Heald and his Family in your prayers.

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VIVAT JESUS
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Little Flower Council 9839

Greetings everyone and brother Knights,

I pray that you have been enjoying god's gift of summer time fun and as we head into the new fraternal year with high hopes and expectations, I would like to tell you about the Knights of Columbus and the greatness of this group of men. To some it may seem that the Knights is just a group of men who have long uneventful meetings and make breakfast every other Sunday to raise a little money for a local charity in the area, and may be losing its true meaning in our day and age. I hopefully can tell you in this letter that what our Knights group truly is and the great joy and grace one can receive in joining the Knights of Columbus. First off I want to tell you a little on how the Knights of Columbus got started and what it's truly built on. Our founder Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney, felt there should be some way to strengthen religious faith in our church and at the same time provide help and financial need to families in need. So he created the Knights of Columbus on the principles of Unity, Charity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. Each of these ideals plays major role in this group that Fr. McGivney started, and urged each parish in his day to recruit members and create their own KC council to share its practices in their area. Today we must be reminded of this and encourage the men of our catholic faith to join the Knights of Columbus, to help out those in need and build up there catholic faith at the same time. Like I said before we are not just a group of men coming together for meetings and making pancakes, our KC group is more than

that. I personally can say that joining the Knights of Columbus and being part of a great group of faithful men, has benefited me greatly in my life and has made me more in love with my catholic faith. Filling my life with complete love and joy by coming together with the men of our group and helping out where and when needed while at the same time enjoying the fellowship and friendship with everyone greatly, and more importantly coming together as men in prayer. We come together every month on the first Tuesday for our meetings. Starting off with prayer together in the church then our meeting follows in the gathering space where we do talk about how we can help out our church and community. It's more than just a long drawn out meeting but we come together as the men of our church and catholic faith and enjoy each other's company and fellowship over food and drinks, talking about faith, family, and fun. If you're looking to help out in the church and volunteer we do host fundraiser breakfasts and events and are always willing and lending a helping hand to those who are in great need in our church and in the community. If you are looking to deepen yourself in the catholic faith and want to be part of something that truly helps out those in need and our catholic faith please bring to prayer the Knights of Columbus.

Thank You & Godbless

Luke Audet
Grand Knight

St. Leo the Great Council 9906

Prayers for Council 9906 Grand Knight Rob Lowe who is recovering from a knee replacement.

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