



My Brother Knights,

Well, just as we finish reflecting upon the Christmas season it also means that we will soon be approaching Lent. With the late Easter this year we have a little more time to get ready. We don't know what the political landscape in Lincoln holds, but I know it is everyone's desire to return to in-person Friday fish fry events and the opportunity for fellowship that comes with being together.

I would like to thank you all for the continued work and service to the council, parish, and community that you provide. We had a good turnout for the January food fellowship with Subway giant subs, a good turnout for the Free Throw contest, our basement storage area is looking better than ever, the new Scholarship Committee is hard at work, and we participated in several activities to highlight the sanctity of life.

In addition to April's Lenten Food Drive, we will host another Drive-Thru Food Collection Drive February 12th, 11AM-2PM in front of the church. These events have proven to provide a needed infusion of items to the St. Francis Food Pantry at Catholic Social Services at crucial times. Thanks to Jerry Frain for his leadership in this area. Brother Jerry also stays busy with several other projects, with an upcoming collection of medical supplies to support a Catholic mission in Africa, brought to us by Brother Matthew Teinart, currently deployed in Djibouti.

We will hold our next Charity, Unity, and Fraternity exemplification February 20th at 2 PM. In addition to bringing new members into the Order, this is an ideal opportunity for anyone who is either a 1st or 2nd Degree Knight to exemplify into the 3rd Degree. Less than an hour of your time and no cost to take this step. Contact Membership Chairman Gary Taylor for more information.

After setting aside \$1,000 each of the past two years, as well as designating the last pancake feed to support our scholarship fund, Mike Hosek is leading our newest committee, the Scholarship Committee, in getting this program from inception to reality. We'll hear more about this at our February 2nd meeting. Speaking of pancake feeds, our next event is February 27th, with the proceeds going to the St. Patrick's School woodworking club. This will provide funding for projects for students who need financial assistance to buy wood and supplies for their projects. We're tweaking the pancake feed, as well, shortening the hours to match when people eat breakfast following their Sunday Mass time.

We're continuing to collect dues and keep council financial operations running smoothly while Financial Secretary Al Schrader continues his rehabilitation assignment. As of press time, about 70 men have yet to submit their dues. I would appreciate a call or e-mail to let me know you're working on it. The cost of sending out second notices can be reduced if I know to expect your submission. Also, please contact me if you have financial difficulties that the officers may address. In closing, I would like to thank the overwhelming support for the four optional assessments. Most members have supported all or some of the programs and allow us to continue our support of vocations, the sanctity of life, support for the less fortunate, and building equity in the scholarship fund.

Vivat Jesus, Jim

Calendar of Events2021

2/2	Membership meeting, 7PM Finigan Hall
2/11	Parish Pitch Tournament, 7PM Finigan Hall
2/12	Drive-Thru Food Collection, 11AM-2PM
2/18	Clergy Appreciation Dinner, Cathedral basement 5:30PM Social, followed by Ricky's Café dinner
2/20	Charity, Unity, Fraternity Exemplification, 2PM
2/27	Pancake feed to benefit Woodworking Club
3/2	Ash Wednesday (March meeting will be 3/9)
3/4	First Fish Fry

Birthdays for February

Adrian Carlson	2/2	Harlan Leibel	2/14
Charles Horstman	2/4	Randall Noble	2/15
Robert McDonald	2/4	Stan Fraas	2/19
John Oliveros	2/6	Jorge Cobian	2/20
Mike Hosek	2/9	Marti Krings	2/22
Todd Hoebelheinrich	2/10	Jacob Sloup	2/22
Daniel Weyers	2/12	Lyle Wilsey	2/24

Family of Month: Rod & Ann Middaugh

Knight of Month: Tim Salmen

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