

Knights of Columbus Council #3134

Sleepy Eye & Leavenworth



December Knights of Columbus Meeting

Monday, December 9th, 2019

Rosary: 7:00 p.m. at Saint Mary's Church, Sleepy Eye

7:30 p.m. meeting in church basement followed with Christmas party, food and drink. Members and Spouses are welcome.

- Call to order & opening prayer
- Pledge of Allegiance & roll call
- Minutes and communications:
- Chaplain's Report
- **Old Business**
 - November 16th, Night of Knights
 - November 17th, Corporate Communion and Memorial Mass
 - KC Christmas Caroling Dec 7th:
 - Prolife Sign Lighting
 - Las Vegas Raffle Tickets
 - Other
- Bills & Treasurer's Report:
- **New Business**
 - 2020 Cadillac Dinner
 - Keep Christ in Christmas billboard and coloring contest
 - KC sponsored free throw contest, Jan. 2020
 - KC Jr. High Sponsored Basketball Tournament
 - 2020 Super Bowl Brunch
 - Other:
- District Deputy/KC Insurance Agent remarks
- Good of the Order, Knights in distress
- Next Meeting-Monday, January 13th @ St. Mary's Church Social Room
- Officers meeting: 1/4/2020
- Adjournment & closing prayer

Brother Knights,

Happy Advent and Merry Christmas to all of the Brother Knights and their families. Advent is a time of preparation for Christ the King being born. In the most recent Gospel from Matthew, it reads that as in the time of Noah and the flood so will be the coming of the Son of Man. I ask myself, if Jesus came to my door today unexpectedly, would I panic? Is my "house" in order? Is my heart in the right place? One great way of preparing is spending time in Adoration. I have always left adoration more at peace with life, it's amazing what that quiet time will do. Mathew 24: 42 says, "So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming." God Bless and Rejoice! – Ryan Braulick, Grand Knight

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Upcoming Calendar Events:

1. **12/7/19** KC Christmas Caroling directly after Saturday Mass at St. Mary's
2. **12/9/19** KC December Meeting/Christmas Party starting with rosary at 7 pm
3. **Note: last Wed. of December is Christmas, I don't plan on having KC men's group this month**
4. **1/12 or 1/19/20** KC free-throw contest at St. Mary's School
5. **1/13/20** KC January Meeting (w/ Las Vegas Raffle) starting with rosary at 7 pm
6. **1/29/20** Men's Group at Sleepy Eye Care Center 9:30
7. **Through out January** Meals on Wheels (Greg Gangelhoff)

A Special Thanks to Sleepy Eye Electric and Brother Knights who volunteered their time and energy installing the KC Pro-Life sign lighting!



Brother Knights and Family Members in Distress

1. Msgr. Lozinski
2. Rick Helget
3. Fuchs Family

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A Message from KC Agent, Denny Schommer:

It's That Special Time Of The Year, Again

As we look back, we measure the passing of the seasons, from one holiday to the next, and see how our lives have changed over time. The Christmas season gives us pause to thank God for sending his only-begotten Son to redeem us. It is a time to reflect on all the gifts we've received from him. Likewise, God's love inspires us to become gift givers. **Reflect, for a moment, on what the giving of gifts does for the gift-giver.**

It seems to fulfill the need to please, encourage or help someone. As I look back at 2019, I can't help but think of all the selfless members of the Order who gave gifts to help others. As our Supreme Knight, Carl Andersen, has stated, we are "Knights of Charity." **And we prove this every day with the many members who give of themselves; of their time, talent or treasure, to help those less fortunate.**

By the disaster relief provided by our "Knights of Charity"; \$4.2 million supporting hurricane victims alone. By the one thousandth ultrasound machine that has been placed in pro life centers to help save more unborn children. By our mission of charity to the Middle East and the Christian community there that faces extinction. By "Knights of Charity" helping provide coats for more than 105,000 kids who will now stay warm this winter.

All of these important initiatives, gifts if you will, help many others. But don't forget about your own family...and I'm not talking about gifts that you'll put under the tree. **This holiday season, when we think of all the gifts we have been given and all we are able to give, make sure you give your family the gift of peace of mind.** Secure in the knowledge that whatever challenges they may face, you have protected them.

The Knights of Columbus has the products that will do just that: Provide financially for your family if you aren't here, make sure you have enough for a comfortable retirement, give the care needed if you can't care for yourself and make sure all of this comes to pass if you are sick or hurt and can't work. **It's prudent and painless to sit down with me to analyze your particular situation to make sure you and your family are protected. After all, aren't they the best gifts that you have been given?**

As we prepare to celebrate Christmas, let us be thankful for all the gifts and graces God has showered upon us, especially the gift of his Son, our Savior! As Isaiah 9:5 says: For a child is born to us, a son is given to us; upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name him Wonder-Counselor, Mighty One, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace, Emmanuel – God be with us!!!

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