

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Council 2490

El Campo, Texas



January 2016

93RD YEAR OF SERVICE TO THE CHURCH AND COMMUNITY

## Desk of the Grand Knight

I would like to thank all who attended the Annual Ladies Night and Awards Banquet that was held on Saturday, January 9th. A wonderful meal catered by Mikeska's was enjoyed by the 107 people in attendance and thank you to Brother Knight Gerry Mikeska for donating the meal plates for Father Michael and Fr. Francis. During the evening the following awards were given out; **Knight of the Year** was awarded to **Deacon Jerome J Grahmann**, **Family of the Year** was awarded to the **Deacon Jarrell Nohavtiza Family**, **Merchants of the Year** were awarded to **Ed Polasek, Billy Drapela, James Pierce and Tristian Couey** for their contributions to the building of the new outside BBQ storage area. **Fifty Year Pins** were awarded to **Dr. Ben Berkosky, Robert Faas, Edwin Hrcir, Jr. and Ray Jaksch**. **Twenty-five Year Pins** were awarded to, **Ben Altenhoff, Bubba Baker, Paul Bruton, Anthony Dorotik, Curtis Eggemeyer, Mark English, Christopher Henke, Ellwood Hermansen, Gerard Kaspar, Robert Little, Clay Nohavitz, Jeff Nohavitz, Dwayne Novak, Grant Tripp, and Tommy Turner**. Father Francis gave a presentation on his journey of becoming a priest. Special guests for the evening were **Diocesan Deputy Alvin Kulcak** and his lovely wife Janice. To end the evening a door prize drawing was held for the ladies, which consisted of the floral arrangements which were used as decorations on the tables, HEB gift cards, Candle and Cross donated by Lori Kocurek, 2 Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet Cd's donated by Greg Witcher and a piece of Premier Jewelry donated by Cathy Hrcir.

**Reminder to pay your Council Dues.** They may be sent to the following address:

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## Chaplin's Report

We have just joyfully celebrated the incarnation of the Christ—the Son of God coming as man. He came for the life of the world, that man might be saved. We know redemption because of him in his incarnation; ministry; and passion, death, and resurrection. He came into the world and took all of humanity in himself accepting the punishment for man's sin, which is death. By dying on the cross, he took on mortality and defeated death renewing mankind to God's grace—the state in which man was created. Because Jesus said yes to the Father, we can now glory in the Truth of the invitation to eternal life through him who is our Savior. Liturgically, we will soon be entering into Lent when our gaze is turned toward and focused on the saving work of Christ on the cross. Though we move from the joyful time celebrating Christmas to the sobering reality of why he was born into the world, we can still celebrate because the sadness of Jesus' death on the cross makes way to the joy of the Resurrection. Christ was not defeated by death, but instead won victory over death and shares that victory with us who believe in him. This coming Lent take some time to reflect on what Jesus' act accepting death for you means in your life and how do you accept the salvation he won for you in the way you live your life for him. ~Father Michael Rother~

## • UPCOMING MEETINGS •

### Regular Meeting:

January 26, 2016

7:00pm

### Officers & Directors Meeting:

February 9, 2016

7:00pm

### Knight of the Year

Deacon Jerome J Grahmann

### Family of the Year

Deacon Jarrell Nohavitz Family

**Patriotic Rosary** will be recited at 5:30pm on **Friday, February 5, 2016** at the Sacred Heart chapel.

**Charity Pins:** The following Brother Knights have purchased the new charity pins: **Michael Bolcik, Travis Bolcik, Daniel J Marek, Richard T Raun, Kyle M Wallis, Terry Priesmeyer, Matthew Edwards, Greg Witcher, Robert Hrcir, Timmy Drapela, Leonard Georig, Darrell Nohavitz, Raynond L. Viktorian, Jr., John Tumlinson, Alios Korenek, Deacon Larry Hoelscher, Edmund Kruppa Ed Polasek, Ricky Priesmeyer, Jonathan Eide, Billy Drapela, Dennis Edwards**. Seventy percent of the money is returned to the Bishop who allocates the money for the continuing education of the priests and laity in the Diocese. Please show your support by purchasing a new pin.

As a Council let us pray that God extends his healing hands on the following brother knights: **Father Dan Morales, Richard Raun, Johnny Mican, Timmy Drapela, Tommy Drapela, Tommy Turner, John Tumlinson, Tommy Drapela, Tommy Turner, Bob Staff, AJ Hlavaty, Everett Clark, Edmund Kruppa, Francis Stock, Albert Wied, Allen Naiser, Doug Hlavaty, Andrew Rod, Ed Strnadel, Michael Bolcik, Ron Price**.

**Council Blood Drive Wednesday February 3, 2016 3-8pm.**



**Dates to Remember**

- January 26                      *Council Meeting*  
7:00pm
- February 3                     *Blood Drive*  
3:00pm - 8:00pm
- February 9                    *Officer's Meeting*  
7:00pm
- February 10                  *Annual Ash Wednesday*  
*Fish Fry 5-8pm*
- February 14                  *Valentine's Day* ♥
- February 23                  *Council Meeting*  
7:00pm



**2015-2016 Council Officers:**

<u>Chaplin</u> Fr. Michael Rother	<u>Chancellor</u> AJ Priesmeyer
<u>Assistant Chaplin</u> Fr. Francis Nguyen	<u>Warden</u> Madsen Raun
<u>Grand Knight</u> James A Kocurek	<u>Lecturer</u> Kevin Kresta
<u>Deputy Grand Knight</u> Timothy Drapela	<u>Inside Guard</u> Zachary Edwards
<u>Treasurer</u> Raymond Viktorian, Jr.	<u>Outside Guard</u> Darrell Nohavitza
<u>Financial Secretary</u> Joseph Janda	<u>Trustees</u> John Tumlinson Gregory Witcher Larry Staff
<u>Recorder</u> Daniel E Marek	
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