



Knights of Columbus Newsletter Council #15373



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From the Chaplain - Fr. John Harrold

Dear Brothers,

Although we have just completed the Christmas Season, Lent begins in a month, and will be celebrated Feb. 14 - March 28. There are a bunch of things that we are scheduling for Lent, and I am asking you to mark your calendars now.

Ash Wednesday is Feb. 14th. Three opportunities will be available to receive Ashes.

Wednesday Evenings there will be **Ecumenical Services** taking place in Avonmore and Saltsburg.

I plan to schedule at least 3 evening **Masses on Thursday evenings** to give people a chance to go to daily mass who cannot go in the morning.

Friday evenings we will rotate **Stations of the Cross** between our three Churches. My tradition is have the people at Stations carry the Cross next to me during Stations.

On **Ash Wednesday and Fridays** during Lent St. Matthew has its **Fish Fry**.

On **March 19** at 7:00 pm at St. Matthew's, we will have our **Regional Lenten Penance Service**.

I hope you will encourage family and friends to share in these opportunities to celebrate Lent and prepare for Easter.

From the Grand Knights Table - David Swierkosz

In view of the fact that it is an exceptionally harsh winter let's not forget to check on the

shut-ins and the elderly. Let's reach out to those less fortunate and be alert for people in need of our help. May everyone stay healthy and have a safe and blessed New Year.

From Field Agent - Michael Steele

Insurance Check-Up for 2018

Where did 2017 go? It seems like it was summer yesterday and Thanksgiving was last week.

I hope you and your family had a great finish to 2017 and a wonderful start to 2018. Thank you for all you do to live out our mission of charity and service to Church and community!

Hopefully, you've established a few goals for this year. I've learned a great tip regarding resolutions. First, write them down. It's not too late if you haven't already done this. Commit your goals to paper and post it someplace you will see it often. Writing down a goal is the first step towards achieving it. It may not make sense at first, but I'm sure you have heard stories of the success this simple task can bring. Whether your goal is to exercise more, give more to charity, read more or watch less television, you're more likely to accomplish it if you write it down.

Second, resolve to have an expert look at your finances. I recommend that you have a team of experts help you, and I or your council's servicing insurance representative would love to be the first you sit with. Schedule some time to meet together and your professional Knights of Columbus insurance

agent will provide an “insurance check-up” (at no cost!) that will evaluate any gaps in your family’s life insurance protection. Now might be the perfect time to fill those gaps, not later. Keep in mind that unlike many other products, you don’t just need money to obtain life insurance; you also need good health, and no one knows when your health could change.

Did I mention our check-up is free of charge? This is just one of the benefits entitled to you as a member of the Knights of Columbus. When was the last time you received something for free that could provide value to you and your family for generations? Call me or your council’s representative today.

Contact Michael at 951-901-0803 or by email at Michael.Steele@KofC.org

From the Newsletter Editor and P.R. Chairman - Ken Nath

As we start the New Year, one of the important issues that we all need to keep in the forefront of our minds is to constantly be on the lookout for “active” new members. It is only through continued growth that we will be assured that our organization will continue to not only exist but to flourish!

Upcoming events:

- **Wednesday, Jan. 3 at 6:30 PM** - Officers meeting.
- **Thursday, Jan. 11 at 7:00 PM** - General meeting at St. Sylvester’s.
- **Monday, Jan. 15** - Chapter meeting, *Place to be determined*

-Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 4 & 5, At the Masses - Flyers will be available to purchase Easter Candy.

-Saturday, Feb. 10 at 4 PM - Our Bishop will celebrate Mass at St. Ambrose, followed by a dinner in the church hall.

-Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 24 & 25, At the Masses - All candy orders need to be turned in.

-Tuesday, Feb. 27 - The annual Lenten Evening of Prayer and Reflection will be held at St. Emma’s. The cost for this event covers a great dinner

- Monday, Mar. 19 - Chapter meeting, hosted by us.

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