



Holy Family Council 13123 Upcoming Events

- February 4th Knight's Mass 9:30AM, Followed by Coffee and Donuts
- February 6th Officers Meeting St. Mary's Room 7:00PM
- February 14th Membership Meeting St. Mary's Room 7:00PM
- February 18th Pancake Breakfast
- . February 18th District 48 Free Throw Championship Mellinger Center 12:30 Register
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- . March 11th Pancake Breakfast
- . March 18th Region 1 Free Throw Championship in Mellinger Center 12:30PM

KNIGHTS FAMILY MASS REMINDER: *Especially those Knights we have not seen in a while !!!*

Please join your Brother Knights and families on every first Sunday of the month. The Knights process into mass together with family members to worship and celebrate the Eucharist together as an integral part of the Holy Family faith community. All Knights and family members are encouraged to gather at 9:25 AM near the church entrance to process into church behind our banner. After mass, we sponsor and host donuts and coffee for all parishioners. This is a great opportunity for fellowship, conversation, and inviting others to join the Knights.

MEMBERSHIP DUES:

It has been a month since 2018 dues notices have been mailed out. If that notice is still in your " Bills to be paid box ", please, help the council to remain solvent. Send in your dues today. Your 2018 payment has already been made to State and Supreme, so you are shorting the Council #13123 of funds that could be going to charitable efforts. Please return your dues either by mail or better yet, bring them to our next General Meeting. Being a Knight is truly an honor and comes with responsibilities. Our dues keep us ticking as a viable council on a local, statewide and national level. If you have not paid your annual \$30.00 dues, now is the time!

For those of you who find it difficult to pay your dues but wish to remain a Knight, please talk to us. WE CAN HELP. Fellow Knights who have medical issues and cannot attend events or meetings the Knights of Columbus can maintain your membership status on a limited basis. For those Knights who wish to forfeit your membership we need to know that as well.

Contact our Financial Secretary John Willey at 815-226-3931 or john.willey@sbcglobal.net with any questions. Thank you.

Mardi Gras Event 6:00 PM

The Knight's Ladies Auxiliary is holding a celebration at Lino's restaurant Tuesday February 13. Dinner cost is \$25.00 per person with a cash bar. Traditional Lino's fare will be served. Please send your check to Denise Grzelak at 4774 Welsh Road, Rockford zip# 61107 to confirm your reservation. It is great time to share fellowship with the ladies who support the Knights in their efforts. All are welcome including friends, family and neighbors.

PRO-LIFE

THANK YOU THANK YOU. A big thank you all those who attended the Respect Life Banquet. You helped us make progress towards our goal of a Rosary Memorial to the Unborn. A special thanks to all of committee members, parish staff and volunteers from the Knights of Columbus.

The Rosary Memorial will follow after the parish's capital campaign and the expansion plans are finalized. Location will depend on the final placement of the proposed fellowship hall and other modifications to the parish building.

Please keep the Rosary Memorial in your prayers. Should you wish to contribute to the Memorial fund contact: Steve Garbe at segarbe@comcast.net.

BAPTISM MINISTRY AND COMPASSION MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Our Parish is seeking more volunteers to help with the Baptism Ministry to assist our priests in the preparation, during and after baptisms on Sundays scheduled on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month. Holy Family is also seeking more volunteers for our Compassion Ministry. Duties include visiting Holy Family patients in the local hospitals to show that they are being remembered. We have to introduce ourselves as the Knights of Columbus from Holy Family and ask them to pray together. This is separate from the ministry for the Homebound. Brother Othello is our point of contact for these ministries and will be coordinating with the staff at the Harte Center.

Free Throw Championship

The parish winners of the Holy Family competition are as follows: Girls: Ava Lassandro (11yrs) 1st place, Ella Maier (12yrs) 1st place, Ella Lassandro (13yrs) 1st place, Mia Lassandro (13yrs) 2nd place. Boys: Simon Stewart (9 yrs) 1st place, Gianni Rodriguez (10yrs) 1st place, Logan Huffner (10yrs) 2nd place, Owen Beaulieu (11 yrs) 1st place, Issac Stewart (12 yrs) 1st place, Johnny Kerestes (12 yrs) 2nd place and Nolan Brauns (14 yrs) 1st place.

Congratulations to all the winners!! Come see all of the winners on February 18 at the Mellinger Center at 12:30PM as they compete in the District 48 Knights competition.

ATTRACTING NEW MEMBERS:

If you know someone in our parish who is a practicing Catholic and would make a good Knight, ask them to join! It is a privilege to be a Knight. Talk to your friends about what we do to support our parish and community. Ask them if they are ready to join the brotherhood to transform their lives, their church and community.

Additional information for prospective Knights can be found online under the Ministries tab at HolyfamilyRockford.org.

COMMENTS OF THE GRAND KNIGHT

Greetings Brothers,

- The "Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity" results have been tallied and I want to send a big kudos and "thank you" to every 13123 member. You have contributed around six thousand volunteer hours and around \$150,000 to your Church and community. You should all be very proud and your charitable spirits renewed with the knowledge you have touched countless lives in more positive ways than we will ever know. These are 2017 figures so please remember to thank our Past Grand Knight Br. David Monteleone for the steadfast leadership and "out of the box" thinking which largely contributed to this success. Thank you also Brs. Bob, John, and Steve for your work in compiling these figures, and all you do behind the scenes. Please let this serve as cause and encouragement to invite more Catholic gentlemen to join our ranks and help us carry on our charitable works for many years to come.

Lastly, prayerfully consider joining many of your brother Knights at TMIY (This Man is You) Saturday mornings at 6:30 a.m. in the Family Room. Anyone who attends will attest to the many personal and spiritual benefits this great program affords.

You will not regret making the time; we hope to see you there. May God continue to Bless each of you and your families. Please remember your council in your prayers.

Blessings

Frank Ramirez Grand Knight Council #13123

Springs of Wisdom

The smile that you send out.....returns to you.

VENERABLE FATHER MICHAEL J. MCGIVNEY, PRAY FOR US.
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, QUEEN OF THE KNIGHTS, PRAY FOR US.

Chosen To Go and Bear Fruit That Will Remain

