



The E-Knightlighter



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2, 9, 16, 23, 30 - Bingo 6:30
PM, Hall

3 - 3rd Degree Meeting 7:00
PM, Chamber.

5 - 4th Degree Officers
Meeting, Hall, 7:00 PM

10 - 1st Degree
Exemplification, 8:00,
Chambers

11 - 4th Degree Meeting, 7:00
PM, Hall

31 - 3rd Degree Officer
Meeting, 7:00 PM - 8:00
PM, Hall

31 - Yard Sale Work Party,
Hall, 9:00AM - 12:00 PM

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Social History and Change

New Bern was fortunate to have two knowledgeable speakers recently at Tryon Palace, Mgr. Gerald Lewis, Archivist Diocese of Raleigh and many other affiliations, with St. Paul Deacon Frederick M. "Rick" Fisher, Jr., Alumnus of St. Joseph, and St. Paul and William Gaston Catholic High School. I wasn't able to attend, and this is from the information they gave to me.

Monsignor's topic was "My Father's Business." Basically Msgr. said Father Price, the first North Carolinian to be ordained a priest in 1886 was made pastor of St. Paul in 1887 and his territory included half of eastern N.C. Because of the vastness of his charge, he looked immediately to the less fortunate African American children who were not being educated and set about opening a school for these children. The school opened with 9 children and within two years had 120. There was opposition from white citizens and African American clergy. At one point the school lost almost 100 students but most returned. The majority were not Catholic.

Deacon Rick Fisher spoke about changes in education for African Americans from his own personal experiences. He identified the many problems that arose, not only with the white population but the African American population as well. Deacon attended St. Joseph's Catholic Elementary and High School on Bern Street; then St. Paul Elementary School on Middle Street and finally graduated in the last graduating class from William Gaston Catholic High School on Bern Street. This school happened to be in the same space as the previous St. Joseph Catholic High School. A bit of trivia: Deacon's mother, Anna Wynn Fisher was in the first graduating class at St. Joseph Catholic High School in 1945. Deacon considers he received an excellent education. Nancy Stewart



Pictured from left to right: Msgr. Gerald Lewis, Deacon "Rick" Fisher and Pastor Father Tom Tully from St. Paul.

Grand Knight's Knightlighter Comments



I want to thank everyone that worked to make our annual Founders' Day Breakfast a success. Together we celebrated the legacy of Father McGivney and his vision for the Knights of Columbus and acknowledged the work that our Council has done and continues to do.

Every month as Grand Knight I receive for a lot emails and letters from organization or individuals in need of financial assistance. Your Officers carefully review those requests, and Council members then have an opportunity to vote. Not everyone agrees with all the programs funded but the majority vote rules and Brothers unite. Also received in the mail each month are many thank you notes. Recently, a Counselor at a school wrote about the smiles on the faces of the kids that received a new coat from our Coats for Kids program; a nursing home patient wrote thanking us for visiting and for the flower at Easter; and a widow wrote

thanking us for remembering her and her family in a time of need. Council 3303 is blessed to have Brothers who truly support our principles of Charity, Unity and Fraternity.

Our Council will conduct the 5th Sunday Rosary on May 29th. The place and time will be in our Church Bulletin. Please make every effort to come and bring your family and friends. What a great way to honor Mary the Mother of God during May, the Month of Mary.

May 8th is Mother's Day. Let's all take the time to honor our wives, mothers, and grandmothers who do the everyday work of caring for family, visiting friends and relatives. Council 3303 wishes every Mother a Happy Mother's Day and would like to thank you for all that you do for all of us.

Vivat Jesus
Jim Whetzel, GK

Knight of the Month

We have a special Knight of the month. The Knight is Father Thomas Tully. He is a man of God and is our leader of the Church and the Council. Father Tully is a hard working person who takes care of all the business of the Church and the people. In addition Father Tully also works in the community helping other people. He is a big asset to the Knights. You will find Father at most of our meetings giving us words of God. Hopefully his people will use his words and help people in the community. He wants us to feed the hungry and take care of the poor. We thank Father for all he does for the Knights. Take the time to shake his hand and thank him. We thank God for Father Tully and all he does for everyone. GOD BLESS.
Philip Nassef, DGK

Family of the Month

The Family of the Month of May 2016 is Judy and Kevin Blust.

Kevin and Judy are a very hard working couple with the Knights of Columbus. Kevin works bingo every Monday night and helps to keep it running like clockwork. He also helps out with set up committees for our events. Recently he took over the 300 club and also runs our annual golf outing. Kevin also is one of our Officers for the Council. Judy is the behind the scenes helper. She now takes care of all the correspondence that goes out for the 300 club and helps it run smoothly. She is always there to help Kevin when ever needed.

Congratulations Judy and Kevin for being the Family of the Month of May 2016.
Nick Dalessandro
Family Director



A Word from your Family Director

Well, July 1st we begin our new fiscal year. We just completed our Founders day family communion breakfast and it was a big success. Now what does the future bring?

On July 19th we will have a Pot luck dinner for the Families of the 300 club. The main meal supplied by the council will be a chicken dish, Italian style. Everyone will bring a side dish and deserts depending on your last name. More will follow in the church bulletin. We also have our Widows dinner in November and our Christmas party in December.

I am also going to try to put together a 50's-60's dance in the fall. Will keep you all posted. We also want to get in at least one more communion breakfast for our families. If anyone has any ideas of other functions we should have, I am all ears.

Thanks for all your support

Nick Dalessandro, Family Director

National Rosary Prayer Service

The Knights of Columbus will hold their fifth Sunday Rosary Prayer Service on May 29st at 9:30AM in the Chapel at Saint Paul Catholic Church. Everyone is welcomed and encouraged to join Sister Monique as she leads the Five Glorious Mysteries. This is part of a nationwide service the Knights hold when there are 5 Sundays in a month. We pray everyone will join us at this meaningful service.

Nancy and Sandy Stewart, PR KC Council

Faithful Navigator's Report



Sir Knights we will be having our election of officers for 2016-2017 at our May 11 meeting, please attend. The extension of our yard sale building is in full swing and should be completed before our next yard sale in June. I passed by today and the garage doors are installed. This addition will replace our entire offsite storage units on Trent road. As you may know they will be torn down in June to make way for more commercial stores.

As we prepare for our June yard sale I am calling on all Knights, especially our new Sir Knights, to get involved. Come and help, you may find something you like to do, and a talent that we could use

Please keep all of our SK and Widows in your prayers. Once again thank all of you for making our Assembly so successful.

Once again thank you for all for all you do,
Patrick Rocco, Faithful Navigator

Sir Knight of the Month

Assembly 1820 would like to acknowledge Clark French as Sir Knight of the Month for May 2016. Clark joined the Assembly on November 11, 1991. In that time he has served our organization and parish with his time and talent. Clark keeps our appliances fixed and in tip top shape to be sold during our Yard Sales. He can always be counted on for community or church functions for Color Corps duty. Clark wears many hats in service to the church and our parish community. He serves as a lector and a Eucharistic Minister at Mass. When you see Clark please thank him for all he does.

God Bless

David Rose, Faithful Captain

KNIGHTS HAVE MORE EXCITING NEWS ABOUT THEIR YARD SALE!

The Knights of Columbus will hold their second yard sale of 2016 in two large buildings at 1125 Pine Tree Drive for THREE days. They will be open Thursday, Friday and Saturday on June 2, 3 and 4 from 8 am to 12 noon.

We have built onto the back blue building and now have more inside covered space. This was done to help keep the customers happy while shopping, regardless of the weather.

We have CDs, DVDs, electronics, appliances, tools, nice home décor, jewelry, pictures, beautiful sets of dinnerware, house wares, craft supplies, linens, clothes, numerous antiques, sporting equipment, and a large selection of luggage. Boxes of new books to include non-fiction, technical, classics, novels, and history books are available. We have a separate building for furniture, appliances, rugs and exercise equipment. You will find we offer the best deals in town! Please come and especially see all of the new items.

We accept donations of clean and usable items, call Ralph Aviles (252) 638-1704 or Sandy Stewart (252) 633-9419. Donations of motorized vehicles are always welcomed, year round. Tax receipts are furnished.

Know while you are shopping, you are helping to support others in need!

The Knights support many organizations, among them are Special Olympics, Relay for Life, Eastern Pregnancy Information Center, Senior Pharmacy, Fund for Needy Children, Religious Community Services, Wounded Warriors Leave Program, MERCI Clinic, and many others. The Knights of Columbus would like to thank you for your continued support of their projects.

LAMB Program

The annual LAMB appreciation and awards dinner was held on Wednesday March 30, 2016. We had 60 Knights, wives and guests in attendance. We distributed over \$ 7,600.00 to 7 different schools and groups that support the mentally challenged in the tri-county area.

I would like to thank all of the Knights and their wives who helped to support this most worthwhile cause. Rest assured that the funds were received with heartfelt thanks, and a few tears, from all of those who work with the mentally challenged on a daily basis.

Our 2016 collection activities began at Wal-Mart on Route 17 on April 15 and 16. We had a great turnout from the Knights and filled all of the slots. We collected \$2,446.00. This is a great total for a two day event!

Our next confirmed collection will once again be at Wal-Mart on October 21-22.

I am currently working with Harris Teeter and Food Lion for a summer collection event but do not yet have confirmation and a specific date(s).



Pictured left to right: Tammy Wicks, Lisa Kinsey, Jim Kelly, Steve Aster, Lawanna Sampson, Mary Dwyer, and Denise Simpson

Tis the Month of Our Mother!

Come May, spring is in full bloom all around us. There is a lilt in the air and a sense of freshness as the cold and darkness of winter has been replaced by gentle rain and warm sunshine. What better time to celebrate the hope that new life brings by honoring Mary the earthly Mother of Jesus, the Son of God, who would usher in eternal Hope for the sins of all mankind.

First Communions, May Processions (and crowning the Queen of May) are long standing traditions of our Church that occur this time of year. For most of us these special expressions of spiritual devotion conjure up a flood of wonderful memories that keep us rooted in our Catholic faith. We have sung numerous songs and recited special prayers to Mary. But few can compare to the Rosary.

Through the centuries on several occasions Mary has appeared, especially to children, and through them has gently reminded all of us the power of saying the rosary on a regular basis. My Mom always carried her rosary and she had no problem fingering the beads during a stressful situation. As little tikes, my siblings and I didn't quite get it. But the significance of Mom's habit eventually sunk in.

Come May, as a rambunctious teen at Gonzaga high school in DC, me and my classmates all knew the drill. Every morning in May before school started, all 600 of us students would line up by home room in the parking lot. The Head master Father Tony McHale S.J. would take his perch on the fire escape by the gym and wait a few seconds for complete silence. We would take our rosaries out. With bull horn in hand, Father would direct a particular class to begin each decade of the rosary. Twenty minutes later, before excusing us for class, he would remind us. "Gentlemen, you may not appreciate it today, but pray the rosary to Mary as often as you can. Whatever predicament you may find yourself in, remember Mary is the mother of God. What loving son, especially Jesus, God Incarnate, would not heed his Mother's plea?"

PGK Mikie Casem

*Reach
for the Stars
Gala*

Saint Paul Catholic School would like to thank everyone that assisted with their fifth annual "Reach for the Stars Gala." A special thanks to the Knights of Columbus for their continued support. Buzzy Stubbs and David Blain spoke about the importance of supporting the school and their connection to New Bern. There were over 300 attendees that saw Buzzy Stubbs and Bill Stafford MC and auction items in a professional manner. There was a mix of young and older attendees that enjoyed dancing to the music of "Trainwreck Band."



Picture at Gala left to right parent, Parent Sir Knight David Rose; Pastor Father Thomas Tully; guest, Austin Baxley; Teacher Jennie Baxley, guest Vito Raganelli and parent Claudia Rose.

ST. Paul Catholic School Golf Tournament



St. Paul Catholic School invites you to join them for their annual golf tournament. The tournament will be played **Saturday, May 21st** at Fairfield Harbour Pointe Golf Club-1105 Barkentine Drive, New Bern.

The price is **\$55.per person** or **\$200 for a 4 person team**. Shotgun start is **9:00 AM**. Mulligan and Tee Busters available and a 4 player scramble format.

Goodie bags, a raffle prize and a Bar-B-Que lunch will be available. **There will be a hole in one contest for \$10,000!**

All proceeds will benefit St. Paul Catholic School athletic department,

For more information please call Dan Doban at (724)244-2211 or the school office at (252)633-0100. Come enjoy the fellowship of other golfers while helping the school with their athletic department.



2016 Saints Summer Camp

Sarah Anderson is this year's camp coordinator

The Saint Paul Catholic School Summer Camp Program exists to support parents of Saint Paul Catholic Church and the wider New Bern Community. We strive to offer students a safe and nurturing faith environment.



Camp will be filled with fun and exciting things to do in a safe, academic environment. Spaces are limited, so please register now to reserve your place. Please visit <http://www.stpaulcs.org/summer-camp-2016.html> for more detail and to apply.

HJ MacDonald Middle School Needs Proctors



The end of school is rapidly approaching and that means that it is time for EOG's (End of Grade testing). This year plans are to complete the testing for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade in one day each. This feat requires that every faculty member administer test to the students. We need proctors to help make sure that the testing is accomplished correctly and there will not be enough faculty members to do that. We need your help.

The test dates are Wednesday, May 25th, Thursday, May 26th, and Thursday, June 2nd. Testing will began at 8:30 AM each and ends at 12:30 PM each day.

You can sign up as a proctor by calling 514-6450 or go to the HJM website and register through the Proctor link. <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/508044ca8ae2dab9-eogproctors>

Thank you for your support of our students.

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Council 3303
Request for Personal Information Update
*Help keep the Council informed so they may keep you informed***

Member Name

Member #

Date of Request

Information to be changed

What do you wish to update?

Existing Information

Change to Information

Please return this form to:

A drop box will soon be available in the Chamber to return your request:

Post Office costs continue to rise and add considerable expense to the Council's budget.

Do you have an email address or have access to an email address?

Email Address to use:

Thank you for helping us to keep accurate and up to date records.

All Information will be sent to the Financial Secretary for his attention.

The Tech Team

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