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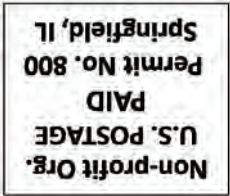
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From The Grand Knight...

Our April Showers came in May this year. It was good that God remembered us and sent the plentiful rains. The flowers are blooming in their beauty and the grass is green and lush. Congratulations to all the graduates! Please thank your parents for helping you achieve your goals, whether your graduation was grade school, high school or college. Without your parents you may not be where you are today, embarking on a new phase of your life! Congratulations to our Chaplain, Fr. Don Blickhan, who is celebrating 50 years as a priest. May God continue to bless Fr. Don with health. Many Knights along with your Officers are busy planning for this year’s BBQ which is coming up on Aug. 9, 10, 11. Plan to attend and please say “yes” when you are asked to help. The Big Raffle will be over \$16,000 by the time you receive this newsletter. Come and enjoy an evening with us and take in some baseball and volleyball games. I encourage all to read our diocesan paper *The Catholic Times*. In the March 17th, 2024, issue there is an article on assisted suicide. Bishop Paprocki’s column often addresses current issues by giving the Catholic perspective. You can also read his column on-line and even view his videos by going on the net to dio.org A recent article, “A Catholic Response to Harrison Butker’s speech.” And don’t forget to read the *Hey, Father* articles. Please continue praying the Rosary and other prayers for vocations to the priesthood and religious life and for an end to abortion.

- Thomas Maas, Grand Knight
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- BIG 50/50 JACKPOT RAFFLE

This popular raffle is held each Thursday evening at McGiveny Hall. Tickets are sold from 6:00—7:45 p.m. and the drawing is held at 8:00 p.m. The pot grows weekly and can get very substantial!

Your support for this raffle helps to advance the Council's many charities in the Quincy area, to include support for our parishes, scholarships to the University, QND and the local parish schools. It also assists with our facility upgrades. And you have seen evidence of those improvements across the council grounds.



Many do not realize that—while we are a non-profit organization, we do pay property taxes, sales taxes, payroll taxes, insurance utilities and many operating expenses.

How the process works: Come early to get a \$2.00 pin card giving you an ID number -- if you don't have one from other drawing nights. You only need to get a pin card once.

Purchase tickets at 6 for \$5.00. Write your ID number from the PIN card and drop them in the basket.

We draw a ticket, that person has 5 minutes to come forward.

The ticket holder then selects a number from the jackpot board. If the number chosen is not the jackpot, they can win up to \$100.00 if they are present.

We are thankful for your support and hope you have some fun trying to win the "Big Jackpot." It can be a very exciting time as people gather for the big drawing, enjoy refreshments and make new friends.

A complete set of rules are available at the time you purchase your pin card or tickets.

We will resume the raffles on Thursday June 7th.

- ST FRANCIS PARISH PICNIC

Saturday June 8th on the parish grounds from 5:00 p.m. till midnight.

Live Music with food, beer and wine available. Raffles and auctions.

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Never wish life were easier, wish that you were better.

- Jim Rohm

- KC INSURANCE



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- SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Congratulations to the winners of \$500 tuition credit scholarships to Quincy Notre Dame High and our local parish elementary schools! These grants apply to the 2024-2025 school year.

St. Dominic: Morgan Venverloh, granddaughter of Ron Venverloh; Katrina Campos, granddaughter of Leroy King.

St. Francis: Nolan Kelly, son of John Kelly; Mary Zanger, daughter of Joe Zanger.

St. Peter: Harrison Fischer, grandson of Terry Hickey; Hailey Averkamp, granddaughter of Mike Brennan.

Blessed Sacrament: Kellyn Bockhold, granddaughter of Dave Bockhold, Leah Young, daughter of Mike Young.

Quincy Notre Dame: Andrew Flachs, grandson of Pat Flachs, Cael Willer, son of Dan Willer.

Quincy University: \$1,000 scholarships will go to Owen Zanger, son of Chuck Zanger; Isaac Drew, son of Brian Drew; and Caroline Haxel, daughter of Phil Haxel



- THROUGH THE GOAL POSTS

As men, we set the tone of the culture, and when that is absent, disorder, dysfunction, and chaos set in. This absence of men in the home is what plays a large role in the violence we see around the nation. ... Be unapologetic in your masculinity, fighting against the cultural emasculation of men. Do hard things. Never settle for what is easy.



- Harrison Butker

- CHAPLAIN'S REFLECTION...

Dear Brother Knights:

Standards of measurement are a regular part of our everyday lives. We'll stop at the station and buy ten gallons of gas, check the tires, inflating them to about 30 pounds, and wipe our brow because it is 90 degrees. We'll drive 10 miles to work, watching the speedometer so we don't exceed the speed limit, and then stop at the market on the way home to purchase a gallon of milk, 5 pounds of potatoes, 2 pounds of hamburger and a dozen eggs. We'll arrive home and open a cool drink, chilled to perhaps 40 degrees, and tune in to a radio station at 90.7 mhz on the dial.



Nearly every interaction with the world about us involves mutually agreed upon standards. Standards are absolutely essential for successful business. Without standards we would have chaos in manufacturing, communication and trade.

In our religious lives as Catholics there are also standards. The fundamental standard of truth for us is the person of Jesus Christ, the son of God. "I am the way, the truth and the life," he taught us. Jesus gave us standards for living our lives expressed in his teachings. These teachings, have been passed down to us in the Holy Scriptures and in the Catholic Church under the guidance of the apostles and their descendants, the bishops of the church in union with the Holy Father.

The church has been passionate through the centuries to protect and pass on that deposit of Faith in Christ. In every age it has been a valiant struggle to uphold the truth and transmit it faithfully against the determined opposition of the Church's enemies. Indeed, tens of thousands of men and women have paid for their allegiance to Christ with their lives including eleven of the twelve disciples who gave their lives for the Lord. In more recent times martyrdom for the Faith continues.

Satan has never rested in his efforts to sow discord. To counter this confusion the Church has developed a clear standard of the doctrines of the Faith for the followers of Christ. Approved in 1992, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* is an essential tool for any serious Catholic. It is an extremely well-written book, filled with the riches of Christ's teaching. For nearly every question an answer can

be found in the Catechism. Want to know about a current moral issue or to check what the Church teaches on baptism, the Catechism has the answer.

While it is written using technical theological terminology and is formally addressed to the Bishops of the Church, it is an indispensable tool for the ordinary believer. Even many of our Protestant brethren have praised it as a tool for searching out the depths of the Christian Faith.

Along with the Bible, this vital standard deserves a place on the shelf of every Catholic home. (*The Catechism can be accessed for free online.*)

- Fr. Don Blickhan

- MASS FOR SHUT-INS

June 9 Intention: Dorothy Jean Deters *(5/24)

June 16 Intention: Barbara Jean Deters *(6/11)

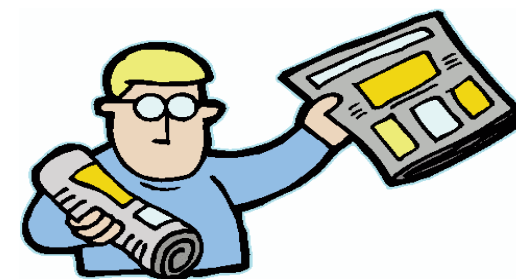
June 23 Intention: Kenneth Nelson *(6/18)

June 30 Intention: John C. Horman *(6/25)

July 7 Intention: John (Jack) Souders *(7/2)

These Masses can be viewed Sundays at 10:30 am on KHQA-ABC. A special thanks to the Fourth Degree for sponsoring this activity!

**Recording date at studio*



- COUNCIL UPDATES:

•Our popular "Chicken Dinners" will resume in September!

•To join the council - or to advance to a higher KC Degree please contact Council Secretary Bill Anderson at: 217-257-2108.

•New Council officers will be elected in June.

•Get ready for a great golfing experience at the new high-tech range when it opens this summer!

•Summer Bar hours: Sports Bar (by the ball field) M-F, 4 p.m. till close. Clubhouse (south end of grounds): Saturday 3:00 p.m. till close and Sunday 1:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.