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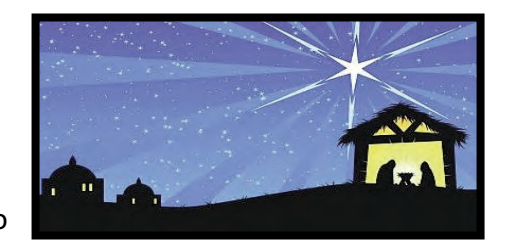
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Council Business Meeting
2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:00 p.m.



From The Grand Knight....

Dear Brother Knights and Family Members,

We look forward to December and the joy of the Christmas Season! We will hold our annual *Christmas Cheer* social event from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Dec. 14th at the Clubhouse. This is a great opportunity to mingle with fellow Knights and wish each other a Merry Christmas! While you're there, you can pay your dues or donate to the T.V. Mass for Shut-Ins. Those who give at least \$10 toward the support of the Mass will be entered into a drawing for a \$50 gift card. Everyone is encouraged to bring a snack to share with others. Each member and spouse will receive 3 drink tickets for the celebration.

Be on the lookout for your *Christmas Cheer* Raffle Tickets in the mail as well to have an opportunity to win some of the great gifts that will be raffled off!


Before Christmas, we must first go through the penitential season of Advent. This is the beginning of the liturgical year, and it reminds us of the coming of Christ into the world at His birth, His coming into our hearts and souls through the Eucharist, and especially His second coming when He will judge the living and the dead.

Let us all take time to prepare ourselves for the coming of Christ in our lives so that we may joyfully welcome Him during this Christmas Season! I would like to wish all my fellow Knights a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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- CHILDRENS' CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Christmas party will be held on Saturday, December 13th, from 1:00-2:30 p.m. in McGivney Hall (north building).

Sign up sheets to register are in both buildings. You must be a member to sign up a child. We will need parent's name, child's name, age, male/female and telephone number.



Gifts will be given to children who are present at the party. For questions please contact Lori Quevillon 217-316-1299, or Merry Boden 217-430-6210.

Please register your children *no later* than December 10th so we may obtain gifts for them.

- CHICKEN DINNER!

All-you-can-eat Chicken Dinners are being served in Father McGivney Hall from 5:00 - 7:00 pm.



Price is \$14 for adults, \$7.00 for Children 12 & under, Children under 5 eat free! Includes chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans & corn. Serving Dine-in or Drive-Thru, 1/2 chicken with 3 sides, price \$14.00 per meal. Please invite your Family & Friends. Everyone is welcome!

(**No dinners** will be held on Fridays November 28th, December 26, nor on Friday January 2nd)

- THE KNIGHTLY NEWS...

To submit information for publication send your copy to us at knightlynews583@gmail.com no later than the third Tuesday of a given month.

- KC BREAKFAST BUFFET

The next delicious monthly KofC breakfast buffet will be held on Sunday, December 7th from 8 a.m. till 11 a.m. in the Club House (South building) Adults \$14, Kids 6-12 \$6. Age 5 and under free.



Your true character is most accurately measured by how you treat those who can do 'nothing' for you.

Mother Teresa

- SUPPORTING MCDONALD HOUSE

We will be delivering the collected beer and soda tabs to the Ronald McDonald house soon. Please drop off your tabs to the Clubhouse before Friday, December 12th or contact Janice by e-mail at, (jkzanger@comcast.net.) *Thank you!*



- 2026 CALENDAR RAFFLE UPDATE

The 2026 Raffle Calendar is in full swing, but the response has been a little slow. We still have a way to go and only one month left to sell our calendars!

We really need the generous support of all our members to help raise money for the our club charities. Please think of family, friends and neighbors who might make a purchase. Remember, the calendars make great Christmas gifts with many chances to win.

The "Early Bird Drawing for three lucky winners will be held on 12/14 at the main club house during *Christmas Cheer*. Get those calendars returned to us for a chance to win \$100.

Anyone selling 20 calendars will be entitled to a free calendar. Anyone selling 50 calendars will be entitled to 4 free calendars.

For more calendars stop by the Club or call Mike Schlipmann at 653-9318 or John Veith at 653-0258. Thank you for your generosity and support.

- FOURTH DEGREE NEWS...

The 2024 *Christmas Cheers* social event will be held on Sunday December 14th from 1-3pm at the Clubhouse. Hope to see you there! That day we will have a table set up for our Fourth Degree members to pay their 2026 membership dues & hopefully make a donation to the TV Mass for shut-ins.



During these Holidays, please remember to pray for all of our sick and our service men and women who are away from their families during this Holiday Season. May God look over them and keep them safe. "May God bless the United States of America". From our family to yours may all of you have a safe & blessed holidays. *Vivat Jesus!* - Your Faithful Navigator, Terry Obert

- CHAPLAIN'S REFLECTION...

The Bible is a book we treasure. It presents the history of Salvation, God's action in the Universe over time. It's source is what we call "revelation," that is what God has shown through many witnesses over time.

It speaks of creation, the Fall into sin and God's work of gathering and preparing a people to carry forward into time His saving plan. Through Moses he gave us guidance on living a good life through the "Ten Commandments. The prophets sparked in the hearts of believers a hope for salvation, that some day God would send a Savior.

Christmas is the commemoration of that phenomenal moment when God himself came to us through a humble woman in Bethlehem.

And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there will be no end."

And Mary said to the angel, "How shall this be, since I have no husband?" And the angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God." (Luke 1:30-35)

He came to us in the flesh that first Christmas. We talk much of believing in God. Christmas is the message that *God believes in us* so much so that he became man.

Can we ever tire of celebrating this great miracle?

- Fr. Don Blickhan



- TV MASS INTENTIONS

Recording	Broadcast	Intention
Tues, Dec 2,	Sun, Dec 7	Anne Lubbe
Tues, Dec 9,	Sun, Dec 14	Ed & Vivian Schulte
Tues, Dec 16,	Sun, Dec 21	Walter & Alberta Winking
Tues, Dec 23,	Sun, Dec 28	Knights & Families
Tue, Dec 30,	Sun, Jan 4	Theresa (Tudie) Stahl



- OUR NEW TREASURER

We welcome our new Council 583 treasurer, Steve Shaw. Steve was raised on a farm in Lee County, Illinois. He came to Quincy in 1964 to study



Accounting at Gem City Business College. After Gem City he spent 3 years in the Marines. Returning to Quincy, he married a Quincy girl, Sharon Dietrich. He then attended Quincy College and earned a degree in Business Management. After spending 40 years in the banking

industry, he and Sharon retired to Cape Coral, Florida where they lived for 13 years. Wanting to be closer to family, they moved back to Quincy in March 2025.

Steve has been a member of the Knights of Columbus most of his adult life. He and Sharon raised their 10 children, 6 boys and 4 girls. After retirement, he became active holding the office of Financial Secretary and later Treasurer in Council 11177 in Cape Coral. He was also the Comptroller and an active member of the Color Corps in Assembly 2115.

Steve invites all members to enjoy the rewards of being an active member. Come to the meetings and help with various projects. Your efforts will be greatly rewarding and appreciated!

We thank our outgoing treasurer Dan Hoffman for his faithful service to our Council!



Trust the past to the mercy of God, the present to his love, and the future to his providence."

-St Augustine of Hippo