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District 8 - District Deputy Message



Brian Rodgers

Brother Knights,

As we embark on a new church year it also means that we are a little under halfway through or fraternal year and I would like to post this question to you all, 'Are there goals or accomplishments you had hope to fulfill this year as a Knight that are not yet done?'

If the answer to that question is no it's not yet finished don't worry there is still time, if the question is no I never set any goals, don't worry there is still time. Advent, the season of preparation, would be an ideal time to begin working on goals for not only yourself but also the council as a whole. These goals can be as simple as more time in prayer, volunteering at Mass, or a daily Rosary or as complex as recruiting a new member to our ranks. Regardless of what you choose I encourage you to try to implement something new that can be continued after the season is done.

Be watching for news on the free throw contest coming in January, be active in whatever your council has planned over the coming months, and please make sure that you make your council's monthly meeting so to be better acquainted with the happenings in your parish.

Know that you are in my prayers and I wish you a blessed Advent Season.

God Bless,
Brian Rodgers
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Little Flower Council 9839

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We at 9839 would like to thank all who came out to attend our last Breakfast on November 10th. It was a good day and we were able to give funds to the OLG food pantry and fulfill our food pantry program requirement for the State K of C's. A big thanks to all who came out to support our group.

Our 9839 Men assisted with the annual Bizarre the Church has each year, we donated a food card gift basket, it was a successful event, and funds were used to assist in the Parish addition debt reduction.

By the time this On Course is released, we will be in the season of Advent. It is a beautiful time in the Church, a time to prepare. The term Advent comes from the Latin "Adventus" meaning coming, yes, that's what we are doing, preparing for the coming of Christ. It is not celebrated with the same vigor as Lent, but it is a good time for silence and sacrifice, and for me it is a joy filled time, as I watch our grandkids bursting with excitement each time Nancy brings out a newly wrapped present for the tree.

9839 will also be hosting 12 hours of Adoration on the 3 Friday's of Advent. From 8pm to 12am on these 3 Fridays, Jesus will be exposed, each hour there will be a Rosary prayed in reparation for the sins committed against the Sacred Heart of Our Lord Jesus Christ. We invite you all to come spend some quite time with Jesus.

We Hope your Advent season is filled with great Joy and Peace!

Our Knight of the Month is = Jeff Murtaugh

Our Family of the Month is = Mike and Bonnie Brunner Family

God's Peace

Deacon tom

Advent

Family Prayer

God of Love,
Your son, Jesus, is your
greatest gift to us.

He is a sign of
your love.

Help us walk in that love
during the weeks

of Advent,

As we wait and
prepare for his
coming.

We pray in the name of
Jesus, our Savior.

Amen.



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Sir Knights and Ladies,

I hope you had an enjoyable Thanksgiving surrounded by friends and family. I took some time and reflected on things I was thankful for and wanted to share some of those things with you.

I am very thankful for each and everyone of you. The more experienced Sir Knights have set for the path for younger Sir Knights to follow for years. You have help me to learn more about my faith and how our charity is stronger and more meaningful when done in unity with Brother Knights. Your support for our Turkey Bingo is greatly appreciated. It appeared that everyone had a great time.

I am thankful to live in a country where we can freely practice our religion without fear of persecution. And I will never be able to explain how thankful I am to those that have fought, are fighting, and will fight to allow us to openly practice our Catholic faith. One small part of showing our thankfulness is to those who have protected our faith is done through the Fourth Degree Honor Guard. This past month the Honor Guard was present for the funerals of Maynard Sandberg and Father Leo Kinney. Both men did a great deal for our faith at multiple levels. A special thank you to the Sir Knights who participated in the Honor Guard for these men.

Take some time today and reflect on what you are thankful for in your life. While doing so prepare yourself for the birth of Christ as we enter the Advent and Christmas Season. Know that my prayers and those of my family are with you, Sir Knights and Ladies, not only during this Advent Season but always.

Viviat Jesus,

Dan Heald, Faithful Navigator Assembly 787

*St. Leo the Great
Council 9906*

Brother Knights

Advent is a wonderful time of year as we prepare to celebrate the nativity of Jesus at Christmas. It will be extra special this year with our "new" church. There are many things coming together fast. Please pray that it all works out for our first Mass on December 20th.

The next meeting will be December 19th in the parish office. Rosary at 6:45 and meeting at 7:00

May God continue to bless you and your families. Have a blessed merry Christmas and a happy new year!

God Bless

Kevin Sebastian

Grand Knight 9906



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St. John the Apostle Council 1150

Brother Knights,

I pray this note finds you and your families doing well. I hope your Thanksgiving was filled with laughter and love with family and friends.

Thank you to the Brother Knights that assisted with the pancake breakfast for Special Olympics and Home on the Range. The Council truly appreciated the assistance from Brother Knights Alexa, Daniel, and Alexa; who were at St John's while checking on a Neo-Catechumenal Mission.

Please mark you calendars for our Council meeting on December 3rd, there will discussion about adjusting the meeting times. December 15 will be a breakfast to help support our Seminarians as they discern God will and the vocation he wishes them to follow. And on December 18th at 6:00pm the Knights will lead a Scriptural Rosary for St John's Catholic Church, all are welcome and bring a friend.

I have notice that all holidays are just a reason to have a sale and the bigger the holiday, the bigger the sale. What even happened enjoying those times with your family? I was in college and preparing to go home for Christmas Break. I was talking with a friend as we were heading to Mass at the Church on campus. I asked if he wanted to go to dinner after Mass. He said he had to pass he was meeting with a friend to practice singing Ave Maria. That was going to be his Christmas gift to his Mother. It was all she wanted for Christmas. All I could think was how humbly, beautiful that was.

As we enter this Advent Season please make room in your heart to receive a humble and beautiful gift from God; Jesus. My prayers and those of my family are with you and your families.

Vivat Jesus,

Dan Heald
Grand Knight Council 1150



Christmas Is For Forgiveness



A quote from Pope Francis: Dec. 24, 2014
"In switching on the light of the Nativity scene, we wish for the light of Christ to be in us. A Christmas without light is not Christmas. Let there be light in the soul, in the heart; let there be forgiveness to others; let there be no hostilities, which are dark. Let there be the beautiful light of Jesus. This is my wish for all of you, when you turn on the light of the crib."

"... If you have something dark in your soul, ask the Lord for forgiveness. Christmas is a great opportunity to cleanse the soul. Do not fear, the priest is merciful, forgiving all in the name of God, because God forgives everything."

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Our Lady of Grace Council 4894

Brother Knights,
As Thanksgiving is upon us and I reflect back on the past year there are many things that I am thankful for. My family has been blessed with relatively good health, we all have good jobs, a roof over our heads and food on the table. We have been blessed with another addition to our family with the birth of our 15th grandchild. I am especially thankful this year for the start of winter which in North Dakota means an end to road construction season!!!!

Our November 3rd breakfast netted \$370 each for Special Olympics and Home on the Range. Our December 1st breakfast proceeds will go to the Our Lady of Grace Food Pantry. We have been collecting blankets for the Veteran's Blanket Project that ends December 1st so I will have a report on that project next month.

Our November Family of the Month is
Brian & Kaythryn Lenertz
Server of the Month is McKenna Beeter
Knight of the Month is Jim Weaver

We were able to present a check for \$11,800 to the Vickerman family from proceeds from the spaghetti dinner that was held in September. AJ mentioned that she will be able to finish paying for Mark's funeral expenses. The Knights of Columbus were founded by Father McGivney just for this reason, to help provide support for families that have suffered hardship.

The Knight of Columbus offers its members life insurance to help ease the financial burden of a sudden death, especially of a bread winner in the family. Just the funeral expenses alone can be a huge burden on the remaining family members, not to mention losing one income in a two income family. So it only makes sense to carry enough life insurance to pay for a funeral and to be able to pay off your loans. We know not the day or the hour that we will be called home to the Father, so be prepared both spiritually and financially.

Have a Blessed Advent & Christmas.

Respectfully,
David Lebrun,
Grand Knight



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