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District 8 - District Deputy Message



Brian Rodgers

Brother Knights,

January is here and a new year brings very familiar need, hunger. We as Knights and Catholics have a couple different ways that we can directly

answer this need in our community. First, the Our Lady of Grace Food Pantry is an established and welcomed entity in the fight to make sure that our basic human right of food is covered and we must keep up our donations as we enter 2021. The second fight is new but can be something that the Knights could play a part of if so desired. The St. Vincent de Paul Society has agreed to take over the soup kitchen every

Thursday evening and will be serving out of St. Leos from 5:30-6:30 pm. The Confraternity of St. Leos will take the first Thursday, Bishop Ryan taking the second and fourth, and Knights Council #9906 the third. As of right now I ask two things of each council, please make sure to collect for the food pantry and also keep the new soup kitchen in your council's prayers.

Keep up the good work bringing in new men, now I feel is a wonderful time for them to be introduced to the Knights because now is when we can show them that we are more than breakfasts and fellowships. We press on to help those less fortunate than ourselves, keep up the good work as it will bear fruit if not at this moment, down the road. We must

continue to be a guiding force not only to our Church but also the world in this time of uncertainty. Now's the time to diversify and cast a new light upon what it means to be a Knight. If we can't necessarily do it with pancakes and coffee we must with our works and prayers.

As we come to the end of the calendar year and begin the new liturgical year, know of my prayers for you and your families and know how grateful I am to have the pleasure of working for you and all Knights. Have a blessed new year and here is hoping that God will continue to bless us and our works.

Brian Rodgers

Msgr. Joseph J. Raith Assembly 787

Sir Knights and Ladies,

As we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Savior, I wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and Peaceful New Year.

Unfortunately, the assembly chose to cancel this years Turkey Bingo due to COVID concerns. We regret not having that opportunity to share in your family's Thanksgiving. But we will be having bingo again next year and look forward to sharing that time with you.

As we are preparing to celebrate the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ reflect on this past year. But don't linger on the things that didn't go as we wanted, focus on what you did to help others. The small act of smiling at someone, even if you were wearing a mask, raised someone's spirit. Picking up an item from the market to help a neighbor. Or more importantly praying for our friends and family during these trying times. These simple acts of kindness are just what Christ would want us to do

As we move forward into 2021 keep your faith and keep performing those simple acts of kindness. Remember; when we pray, God hears us and He is listening.

Merry Christmas and a Happy and Peaceful New Year.

Viviat Jesus!

Dan Heald, Grand Knight



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Heather Edwards, GM

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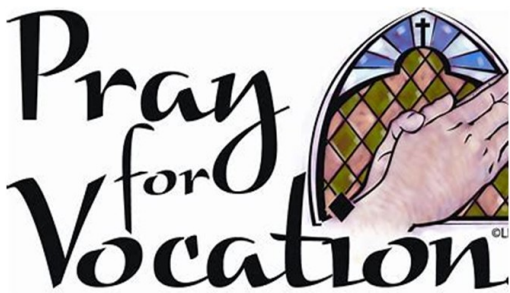
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Little Flower Council 9839

Brothers in Christ,

Council 9839 continues to meet monthly and do the best we can with the restrictions. Our meetings have been brief but there is good fraternity amongst Council 9839 members. We will continue to financially assist all the programs that the Knights support.

Our Council is offering our homebound and shut-inns the opportunity to contact us with any grocery shopping or pick-up and delivery of any other essentials they may need.

Many of us have lost someone that we Loved very much to this Corona – Virus, know of Council 9839's condolences and prayers for your Families at this time. It may be difficult to see, but indeed Jesus is doing some beautiful things behind the scenes that maybe he will never reveal to us, yet his plan is and will always be greater than anything we could ever imagine.

As you read this, we will be in the Christmas season, a time of Joy and a time of Peace. We probably do not recognize a lot of this in our neighbors, in our country, due to the many unknowns in our society today, but we must always try and see Jesus in the faces of all that we meet, he promised he would always be with us until the end of the age.

I pray that we will all spend some time praying alongside our favorite Nativity scenes this Christmas season, pondering Jesus' birth, the Holy Family, the Epiphany, and our Lords Baptism. Indeed, these reflections should bring Peace and Joy in the deepest parts of our souls. He came that we might have ETERNAL LIFE!

Merry Christmas and Blessed New Year

Server of the Month= Danica Stolba
 Family of the month = Randy and Jamie Brunner Family
 Knight of the Month = Luke Audet

We Love them All!

God's Peace
 Deacon tom, Grand Knight

A PRAYER FOR PEACE

Lead me from death to life, from lies to truth
 Lead me from despair to hope from fear to trust
 Lead me from hatred to love from war to peace
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St. John the Apostle Council 1150

Brother Knights,

Merry Christmas and a Peaceful New Year to you and your families. This has been a rough year for all of us but it has also shown us what is most important in our lives, our faith and our families. During this past year think about the times you have turned to the Holy Family to find strength and comfort. Fr. Richter, the staff at St John's, and our fellow parishioners have found unique ways to reach out to us to keep us connected to our faith, we can't thank them enough for all they have done. We have also learned how important our families are to us.

As we did our best to look out for one another, at time it meant staying away from those we love and count on. I was able to stay close to my family in Minot, but I missed being able to meet in person with my sisters and their families in Chicago and in Pocono, PA. I also missed seeing my Parish Family at Mass and at our breakfasts.

While we celebrate the birth of our Savior remember the strength and love he has shown us. As we prepare to enter 2021, keep your faith and families close. I wish all of my Brother Knights and their families a Blessed Christmas and Peaceful New Year.

Vivat Jesus!
Dan Heald, Grand Knight

St. Leo the Great Council 9906

Brother Knights

What a wonderful time of the year with the birth of our Savior. I hope you were able to celebrate his birth with your families. He is the reason for the season!

Our first meal for the soup kitchen went well. Thanks to Brian for his tomato soup and to everyone who helped. If you have an idea for a meal or want to be involved on the third Thursday of the month, please contact me.

Also, a big thank you to everyone involved in making this soup kitchen possible. There are other groups who serve on the first, second and fourth Thursday of the month. May God Bless all your efforts!!

Our next meeting will be January 21st in the church basement. Hope to see you there.

God Bless
Kevin Sebastian, Grand Knight



Lord, thank you for the volunteers who give of their time to help provide a warm meal for those in need.

May God Bless you!

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Our Lady of Grace Council 4894

Brother Knights,

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!! I hope you and your family are in the best of health and looking forward to what God has in store for us in 2021. The year 2020 was a very hard and try time for us. So many people who are dear to me have lost loved ones; as well as those who spent time in the hospital fighting this deadly virus. As we close out 2020, I hope you took a few moments to pray for all your church family members who were either affected or succumbed to COVID-19.

If you can recall, Stephan and Janae Ronning and their daughters were selected as Family of the Month for November as reported in my December article. Well, when you do great things, greater things happen. The Ronning family were selected by Supreme Council (New Haven, Connecticut) as one of their Families of the Month. What a prestigious honor. They will be receiving a special gift from Supreme Headquarters in the coming weeks. CONGRATULATIONS for achieving this wonderful blessing.

In other news (like news broadcasters), our Grand Knight, Dave LeBrun made selections for Knight and Family of the Month for December:

Knight of the Month is Tom Thomas. You have to do above and beyond to receive this honor twice in one year. Be assured that he has earned the right to be Knight of the Month.

Family of the Month are Jordan and Terri Niess. This couple along with their children attend Mass regularly and help out whenever needed. Thank you for your willingness to help, as well as raising your children in the Catholic tradition.

Be sure to let them know that you are proud of their achievements.

The January Breakfast has been canceled due to the COVID pandemic. As always, if you would like to make a charitable donation, make your check to Council 4894 and we will forward it to the designated charity.

A BIG THANKS to those who provided blankets for the Veterans Blanket Project. No one took time to count the blankets, but there were seven large trash bags full. Even when things are tough, we still manage to help those less fortunate than we are.

Well folks, this about wraps up the news for this last month of the year. Please pray for better blessings ahead and remember our departed brothers and sisters, as well as those who are still affected by COVID.

MAY YOUR NEW YEAR BE BLESSED AND SAFE.

Fred Coleman
Council 4894
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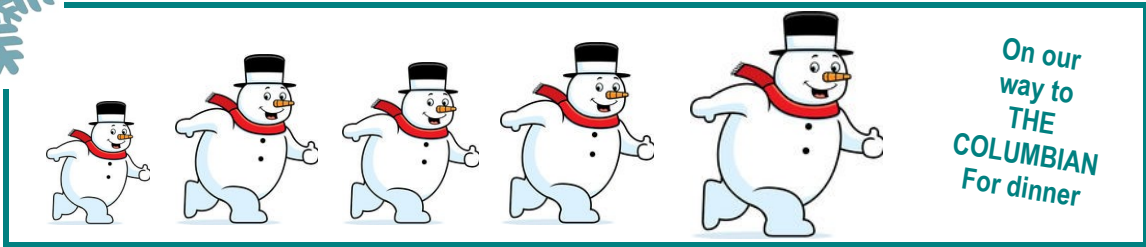
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