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From The Grand Knight...

Dear Brother Knights & Family Members,

It seems that the year 2024 is off to a flying start! We are now in the holy season of Lent. I hope my brother Knights are taking advantage of the time to delve into a deeper spiritual life through prayer, fasting, and alms giving.

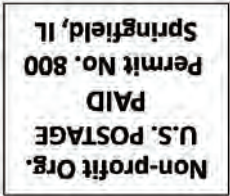
I encourage all to read the newsletter to see all the activities that are happening at the Club-house. Just to let you know, the “Big Raffle” on Thursday nights is now over \$13,000!

Come out to the Clubhouse and see the progress the men have made with the remodeling. We have freshly painted walls, new lights, remodeled bathrooms, and new floors. The drinks are the same quality we’ve always had, and now there is a nice improvement to the interior.

Fr. Don Blickhan always has a very good spiritual article in our newsletter each month. It is difficult to learn in just one short hour a week all the things that make Catholicism such a rich faith. Father’s articles can help you become a more informed Christian Knight. On this spiritual note, I encourage our Knights to attend all the services during Holy Week. These three days - Triduum - of Thursday through Saturday, will make Easter Morning special where we can sing a joyful “Alleluia.”

Please continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life, and for an end to abortion.

- Thomas Maas, Grand Knight
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12 Yankee Candles – Ken Herron
Igloo Cooler – Steve Neisen
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Set of 2 Crockpots – Piper Terwelp
Farkle game – Mark Thompson
Bunco game – William J. Smith
Red baking sheet & cookie cutters – Mary Boden
Step stool – Kent Deusterhaus
Stanley Utility bag, hammer/tape meas. – John Doellman
Cammo backpack –John Baseline
Christmas Apron –Chris Holley
Bag chair – Brad Hummel
Car vacuum cleaner – Makenzie Holtmeyer
Mini waffle iron – Rita Genenbacher
10-pack Flashlights – Joyce Terwelp
4 Mini glass jars – John Boeing
4 Mini glass jars – Chuck Zanger
Bluetooth speaker – Tammy Selsor
3-piece Baking Dishes – Darlene Obert
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Cuisine Art Oven mitt Tim Kathmann
5-piece Marble Cheese Cutting Set –Rich Rakers
Mug warmers –Karen Peter
Large “Merry Christmas” sign –Tim Kathmann
Pioneer Woman bake & prep set –Mary Venverloth
Bath &Body works lotions – Tim Kathmann



Bath & Body works lotions – Jay Smith
2 pillows – Leo Zanger
Golf umbrella – Roger Gallaher
Christmas Welcome Mat – Tom Maas
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Addias Bag – Janet Hutmacher
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- COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The KofC Council #583 election of officers to serve for the period of July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025, will be held on Tuesday evening June 11th, 7:00 p.m. And, an election for three Directors for the Columbus Home Association will be held at the Monday June 17th meeting. Directors will serve for the period of July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2027. If you are interested in running for one of these offices please contact Bill Anderson at 217-257-2108. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at our May 2024 meetings and at the June meetings.

- A PRIMARY ELECTION IN ILLINOIS...

Is currently being held in the State through Tuesday March 19th. Your vote is important for the health of our Democracy!



If you judge people you have no time to love them.
- Mother Theresa

- CHAPLAIN’S REFLECTION...

Ironically throughout history God has worked through fools, using them as his prophets and spokesmen. But they nevertheless boldly spoke the truth, often at their own peril. And they were plain if not repulsive persons, rarely clean-cut nor impressive individuals.



Moses was an insecure, stuttering murderer on the run. And then there was Amos, a sheep herder from Tekoa. The last of the prophets was John the Baptist. He “...wore a garment of camel’s hair, and a leather girdle around his waist; and his food was locusts and wild honey.” (Matt 3:4) In appearance he was a strange fellow, unlike the officials of Judaism in their fine garments at the Temple.

And John directed attention toward a humble carpenter from the backwater town of Nazareth and pointed to him as the Messiah. “John preached: “After me comes he who is mightier than I, the thong of his sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie.” (Mark 1: 7)

Is it any wonder that proper people in the Jewish establishment ignored that carpenter, Jesus? And who did he draw around him as his followers but a rag-tag band of ordinary folk, fishermen, a tax collector, and a revolutionary?

Few of them had any education or could read. Who would take serious this group, much less listen to the extraordinary claims they were making?

And people wondered why many Jews did not follow Jesus. Good heavens, it made little sense to rational men and women!

I could go on and on with examples from figures from the Bible who were foolish, common and even reluctant figures. But God has consistently chose such persons as his spokesmen.

The Scriptures speak to this. Jesus in a prayer to His Father stated: “I give you praise Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike.” (Luke: 10:21)

God speaks through fools to the humble of heart. The proud ignore such spokesmen. And I believe that God speaks to the human family today. And if so, is it not likely that he at times continues to speaks through fools?

Our tendency is to listen to the establishment, “the beautiful people” and the celebrities. But that is often not the spokesmen that God chooses.

To whom are you listening?

- Fr. Don Blickhan

- MASS FOR SHUT-INS



Team members for the Shut-in Mass are asked to please send an email to garywinking@gmail.com so that Gary can gather your email addresses and contact you with scheduling information.

Broadcast Date:	Mass Intention:
Sunday, March 3, 2024	Dalton M. Gibson
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Sunday, March 17, 2024	Paul Stupasky
Sunday, March 24, 2024	Larry Costigan
Sunday, March 31, 2024	Russell Sparrow

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Council #583 will be granting scholarship assistance for the 2024-2025 school year to children and grandchildren of 3rd & 4th degree members. Each 3rd/4th degree member may submit an entry form for each of their children or grandchildren. Place your application in the red can at the Clubhouse (south building). A given family may win only one scholarship.

These will apply to Quincy University or to local parish schools.

Entry forms and complete information are available from Council Secretary Bill Anderson at 217-257-2108 or at billanders44@gmail.com.

1st and 2nd degree members—why not advance to the 3rd degree? It is easy, and very little time is required.

