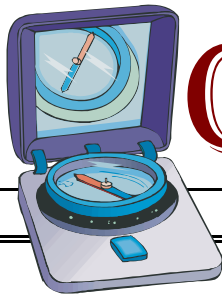


# THE COMPASS



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## A MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

Brother Knights,

On Tuesday October 6<sup>th</sup> I was able to attend the Holy Trinity Seminary Welcome Dinner along with **Mike Reiman, Michael O'Malley, Joe Semler** and **Father Flori**. Over 100 seminarians attended the dinner and it was very inspiring to see so many young men who have answered the call to serve Christ as their life's pursuit. We were fortunate to have one of the seminarians that we have supported for the last two years, Michael Baynham, to join us at our table. He is in his second year at Holy Trinity and is pursuing a degree in Theology. His home parish is St. Anne's in Coppell and he spent the past summer in a McKinney parish where he was introduced to the administrative duties of a parish priest. In both places he was aware of the strong influence the Knights of Columbus had on the parish and how the pastor relied on the Knights to get things done. I assured him that wherever his path led him, there would be a Knight's council nearby to help him achieve his goals.

It was a very enlightening experience for me and a confirmation that our support over these many years is both needed and appreciated. I hope that everyone in the council can see our work in person as I have invited Michael and the other seminarian we supported this year, Edwin Leonard, to one of our future meetings. Edwin is in his pastoral year and was initially going to be working at St. Paul, but was reassigned to Immaculate Conception in Carrollton at the last minute. Both indicated that either the December or January meeting might be the best chance for them to attend. I will make sure to give everyone advance notice if they are going to attend one of our business meetings so that all of you can have an opportunity to meet these fine gentlemen.

Fraternally,

— *Chris Curto, Grand Knight*

## OCTOBER RECAP

**Habitat for Humanity** – On Saturday September 26<sup>th</sup>, **Joe Semler, Michael O'Malley** and **Chris Curto** took hamburgers, buns and our grill down to a Habitat for Humanity work site and cooked lunch for the 35 person work crew. Helen Allison and the St. Paul Women's Guild provided the rest of the spread. As you can see from the picture, Joe and Mike did a fine job of grilling the hamburgers and the workers were well fed!

**Hike for Life** – On Saturday October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 26 members of St. Paul attended the Hike for Life at Breckinridge Park in Richardson. **Andy Tait** and his wife, **Rebecca**, did a fantastic job in organizing the St. Paul team and making sure that they all had donations. The majority of the attendees came from the Faith Formation classes and the Hispanic community. They were thrilled that members of

our council had donated over \$1,000 to the cause. It was a great combination of eager young legs to do the walking and our council to provide the backing. Thanks very much to all of you who contributed and thanks again to Andy and Rebecca for their outstanding job!



*Habitat for Humanity site: Michael O'Malley and Joe Semler are in the background by the grill watching the crowd.*

**40 Days for Life** – On Sunday October 4<sup>th</sup>, St. Paul signed up for a 24 hour vigil in front of the abortion clinic near Southwest Medical Center where the rosary was prayed for the unborn. There were many knights who helped cover our time in addition to other organizations at St. Paul. A special thanks to **Bob Seegmiller** who manned the difficult midnight to 4AM shift and to **Tom Zibton** who coordinated with the Men's Club to cover 6AM-10AM. Other knights who attended the event and battled the rain were **Marty Grisham, Eric Lopez, Tony Casmus, Phil Hoppman** and **Chris Curto**.



*The Knights Color Corp was at the Hike for Life-Richardson to kick off the event.*

**Golf Tournament** – The weather was cold and overcast but that did not stop approximately 65 golfers from showing up and having a great time. The annual Men’s Club/Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament that benefitted the two pregnancy crisis centers in Dallas was held on Friday October 9<sup>th</sup> despite the elements. Overall, it was a good time for a good cause. Approximately \$11,000 was raised for the centers. Thanks to all who participated and donated time and money for the event. **Ron Kormos** and **Phil Hoppman** did an outstanding job in organizing the event.



Joe Semler and Jim Killmeyer attempt to warm up prior to the start of the golf tournament.

**Burgers & Bingo** – On Saturday October 17<sup>th</sup> we had our second bingo event of the fraternal year. We sold 58 meals and most of them stayed for two rounds of bingo. We netted over \$500 for our council and provided an evening of entertainment for many of our fellow parishioners. Thanks to the following knights who helped make the event possible: **Wesley Mikel, Bill Eldridge, Tom McNamara, Joe Semler, Jim Killmeyer, Nick Falagrady, Bernie Gotway, Chris Curto, Lamar Sachnik, Jerry Dreher, Michael O’Malley** and **Al Laska**.



Bill Eldridge, Jerry Dreher and Lamar Sachnik (foreground) and Bill Higgins and Joe Semler (background) serve hamburgers and brats to one of the many bingo participants.

**Holy Rosary Month** – We kicked off Holy Rosary Month a little

early by leading the confirmation students in a rosary during their retreat on Saturday September 26<sup>th</sup>. We also led the rosary following the 9:15AM mass every Sunday in October. We had decent attendance every week and I know the parish appreciated our efforts and commitment to the rosary. A special thanks to **Glenn Angel** for leading our efforts and organizing the knights to lead the decades.



Glenn Angel leads over 75 youth in the rosary during their Confirmation Weekend.

### NOVEMBER-DECEMBER SCHEDULE

- ✓ *Thursday November 5<sup>th</sup>* – Monthly Business Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. We will pray the rosary at 7:00 p.m.
- ✓ *Monday November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>* – Special Olympics Bowling – The event will take place at USA Bowl (formerly Don Carter Lanes). Additional dates have been added due to the number of teams involved. Volunteer time is 10:30AM – 1PM for all dates except Saturday November 14th which is 8:45AM – 6PM. Volunteers are desperately needed!!! Please notify **Jim Massey** if you wish to volunteer.
- ✓ *Wednesday November 18<sup>th</sup>* – Officers and Director’s Meeting will be held at 7:15 p.m. in the Parish Center.
- ✓ *Saturday November 21<sup>st</sup>* – Memorial Mass and Pot Luck Dinner with the Catholic Daughters. The dinner will occur in the Parish Center following the 5:30 p.m. mass.
- ✓ *Thursday December 3<sup>rd</sup>* – Monthly Business Meeting starts at 7:30PM in the cafeteria. We will pray the rosary at 7PM.
- ✓ *Wednesday December 16<sup>th</sup>* – Officers and Director’s Meeting will be held at 7:15PM in the parish center.
- ✓ *Sunday December 20<sup>th</sup>* – Parish Christmas Party and Sing-a-long – 7-10PM in the church, gym, cafeteria.

### PASSBOOKS

We still have approximately 16 Passbooks left that need to be sold. This is our largest revenue raising event of the year and we need to sell the books. For every \$20 book sold, our council gets

to keep \$8.50 and since we ordered fewer books than we have members it stands to reason that not every member has purchased a book. If you have any interest in buying one for yourself or for someone you know, please contact **Jerry Dreher** at 972-233-2405 or e-mail your request to him at [jerry4d@aol.com](mailto:jerry4d@aol.com) and I am sure Jerry will be happy to personally deliver the book to you!

### **VETERANS DAY PARADE**

K of C Council 12021 and the VFW Post 3530 will sponsor the eleventh annual Veterans Day parade and program on November 11, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. The parade route will commence on St. Paul Drive and progress through the Church property to the front of St. Paul School, and the program will be held in the Activity Center. All parents and parishioners are invited to cheer and support the parade honoring all veterans of the US Armed Forces that have served, or are now serving, this great nation to preserve our freedom, which many of us take for granted. All Knights are welcome to attend and be sure to wear your veteran's uniform, if it still fits, or your KC shirts for the Council 12021 to be visible to the crowd as the sponsor of the parade. Convertibles and drivers are needed to transport the Grand Marshals, City Council members, Father David, Deacons and Veterans and Knights that are unable to walk the parade route. Please contact **Jim Massey** at (972)235-6158 or at [jfm00523@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jfm00523@sbcglobal.net).

### **NEW DALLAS AREA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WEBSITE**

Early in September a new website was released for Dallas area knights. The website is [www.kofc-dallas.org](http://www.kofc-dallas.org) and it contains many of the same features as the state run web site and already includes degree schedules in the area along with significant area events. It is supposed to be more user friendly and easier to submit information for posting our council's schedule and notes. Once you have entered the website, you can log in as a user by clicking on the Sign In icon and typing in your membership number and using our council number, 12021, as the password. It looks like it will be a great tool to use in the future and everyone is encouraged to log into the website and at least check that their own personal information is correct and up to date.

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LICENSE PLATES**

Want to make your car look better, drive better, get better fuel economy and show your pride in our order and country in one simple step? All can be done by getting a set of Knights of Columbus license plates. The plates proudly display the emblem of our order and the words "IN GOD WE TRUST". Our Texas State Council has partnered with the Texas Department of Transportation to make these specialty plates available. Cost of the plates is \$30 in addition to regular registration fees, with personalization available for slightly more. TXDOT will return \$22 of the fee to Texas State Charities for the infirm priest support program. On June 19, Pope Benedict XVI declared the "Year of the Priest," and what better way to support our clergy than to participate in this important program. Plates can be ordered on-line from the depart-

ment of transportation at <http://www.txdot.gov> or a mail-in form can be downloaded from the same site. Plates will be available for pick-up at your local tax office within two-weeks of ordering/payment. It is NOT necessary to wait until your current vehicle registration expires. The registration fee for the new plates will be prorated with the old.

### **COMMITTEE OF ONE THOUSAND**

The Committee of One Thousand supports vocations. For your minimum contribution of \$10, you will receive a handsome pin in recognition of your generosity. No membership card will be issued and there are no meetings to attend. 100% of all money collected is given to Father Rudy Garcia, Diocesan Director of Vocations, to be used as a discretionary fund for the seminarians at Holy Trinity Seminary. To date, approximately \$20,000 has been donated by the committee in support of the men discerning a call to the priesthood. Become a member of the Committee of One Thousand today, by contacting Bob Seegmiller at [ras2118@hotmail.com](mailto:ras2118@hotmail.com) or (214) 679-7596.

### **PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

As requested by our Holy Father and our Supreme Knight, all councils will recite the Prayer for Vocations at each business meeting. Feel free to bring a copy of the Compass to the meeting for this prayer:

*Heavenly Father, bless your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. Give those you have called to the married state and those you have chosen to live as single persons in the world, the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of your Son so that in Him, with Him, and through Him, we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully, always and everywhere. With Mary, we ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### **REGULAR FUNDRAISING**

Our regular fund raising endeavors:

<i>Donating Blood:</i>	We are Number 22058.
<i>Tom Thumb:</i>	Good Neighbor Program No. 5476.
<i>Albertson's:</i>	Community Partner No. 490001198484
<i>Kroger:</i>	Share Card Number 86500 26819

Forms for all of the above are available at each meeting from our Financial Secretary

**Jim Ryan:** November 2

**Stephen Munson:** November 2

**Bob Fisher:** November 4

**Daniel Montalvo:** November 7

**Dr. Charles Kasbarian:** November 8

**Richard Hose:** November 14

**Frank Kormos:** November 15

**Al Laska:** November 26



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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Thu, Nov. 5, 7:00 p.m.	Rosary and Monthly Business Meeting: St. Paul School Cafeteria
Mon, Nov. 9 - Sat, Nov. 14	Special Olympics Bowling at USA Bowl
Wed, Nov. 18, 7:15 p.m.	Officers Meeting in Parish Center
Sat, Nov. 21, 5:30 p.m.	Memorial Mass & Pot Luck Dinner with Catholic Daughters