

Knights See See

Knights of Columbus – New Prague, MN 56071 June 2023 New Prague Council 2023

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Greetings brother Knights. It finally feels and looks like summer is here! I hope everyone has taken the time to get outside and enjoy the nice weather.

The annual awards banquet was held on May 21st and all reports state that a good time was had by all. I couldn't make it so I would like to thank Deputy Grand Knight Todd Anderson for taking the helm for the presentations.

Our annual KC picnic will be held on Friday, June 30th from 4:30 to 7:30. All KC members, their families, and the spouses of past KC members are invited to attend.

Be sure to attend our next meeting on June 8th. Will be having the election of officers for the upcoming year. At our last meeting we took nominations and all officers agreed to move up one position. However, since that time Tony Simek has decided to step down from his current Inside Guard position. When you see Tony thank him for the great job he has done in the past year as an officer and as a regular bingo caller. If anyone is interested in filling the final officer position let me or another officer know.

Since this is my last Grand Knight message for the SeeSee I would like to say thank you to this council

for having the confidence in me to fill the position of Grand Knight. I am truly humbled to have followed so many great knights into that position, and I will always be grateful to be a member of such a great council.

Finally, the April Knight of the month is one of our newer members. Every time I am out and about and talk with this brother Knight he always talks about being a KC member. He always has a smile and likes to tease me by calling me the "Grand Poobah" which all future Grand Knights better get used to. He truly loves to participate in our council activities. During the Tootsie Roll drive I ran an errand to Coborn's to pick up supplies for the hall. There was this brother Knight, sitting on a stool giving out Tootsie Rolls, despite having some pretty serious issues with his feet—which you wouldn't have known because of the brilliant smile he displayed. Therefore, next time you see Mark Simek congratulate him for being the April Knight of the Month.

Let us continue to dedicate ourselves to praying the Rosary to our Holy Mother for the end to abortion and all the other evils that plague our world.

Vivat Jesus!

**Tom Busch
Grand Knight**

K.C. HALL BULLETIN OF EVENTS

- June 3..... Wedding Shower
- June 5..... New Prague Boys LaCrosse Banquet
- June 6..... New Prague Girls LaCrosse Banquet
- June 8..... Third Degree Meeting
- June 15..... Fourth Degree Meeting
- June 30..... KC Picnic 4:30-7:30
- July 13..... Third Degree Meeting

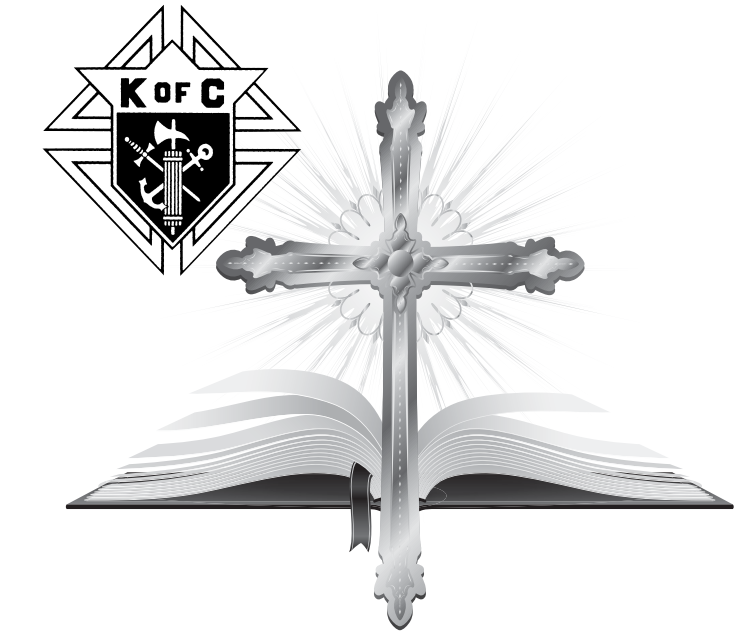
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CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

The Mother of Jesus

As we honor our mothers in a special way on Mother's Day, we can see another experience that Jesus has shared with us. The one He would honor on Mother's Day is Mary; and the love and honor He had for her must have been truly spectacular. As true man, Jesus would have had all of the natural affections toward His mother that we have toward ours. He would have recalled all of the tender love and nurturing that He received from Mary ever since He was a little boy. He would have remembered all that she taught Him; all of the sacrifices that she made for Him; the quiet work she did to keep their home clean and comfortable; the meals she prepared; the protection she provided Him; the countless joyful moments that they shared with Joseph in their home at Nazareth. When Pope Paul VI visited Nazareth in 1964 he said, "How I would like to return to my childhood and attend the simple yet profound school that is Nazareth! How wonderful to be close to Mary, learning again the lesson of the true meaning of life, learning again God's truths" (*Office of Readings, Feast of the Holy Family*).

Because Jesus was also true God, He would have been perfectly aware of all these things, and would have had a perfect spiritual relationship with her as well. He knew the role she played in the Father's plan of salvation. He knew the suffering that her response to Gabriel had, and would have: "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word" (*Luke 1:38*). He



knew her heart and all of its fears, sorrows, and joys. He would have known her every prayer and the simple, childlike trust that she had in His Father in heaven. She had that same trust in Him. That is why she told the servants at the wedding at Cana, "Do whatever He tells you" (*John 2:5*). As our Mother she constantly tells us the same thing. She does not tell us to do anything that she herself has not done; for "blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it" (*Luke 11:28*). She not only did this perfectly, but she actually heard The Word of God, Jesus, "the Word became flesh" (*John 1:14*), from His first cry in the stable in Bethlehem, to His final words from the Cross on Golgotha. Most likely she heard Him speak more than any other person on earth.

Jesus would have known and experienced the pro-

found love that Mary had for Him, His Father in heaven, and Joseph. He would return that love perfectly. In fact, if we look carefully, both from a human and divine point of view, no one could love and honor Mary more than Jesus, for no one could have seen her more clearly than He could. He could look upon her with eyes both human and divine, and His gaze could penetrate into the very depths of her being and upon the purity of her soul. Her response to this honor, and the honor given to her by her other children, the members of the Church, is the same: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior... The Almighty has done great things for me, and Holy is His Name" (*Luke 1:46-47,49*).

~ Fr. Michael J. Miller

AUXILIARY NEWS

Happy Spring!

The K of C Auxiliary held their final meeting of the spring before vacation on May 22, 2023 starting with a social hour followed by a pot luck supper. The food was great and a good variety.

Officers were nominated and accepted their positions for another year. They are Rosella Kes, President, Nancy Unger, Vice President, Val Simek, Secretary, and Marcy Dvorak, Treasurer.

Mary Wick is taking her 2nd year on the State Board as Treasurer and Nancy Unger will hold the position of 3rd Person on the Audit Committee. We congratulate all of our officers for their great work during the year.

We discussed the State Convention that was held at the K.C. Hall on April 22. 13 Knights of Columbus Auxiliaries were present at our convention. On May 13, we served lunch for the Craft and Vendor Sale that was at the PAC at St. Wenceslaus. The rain stopped many people from coming but we still had a good turnout.

Our next meeting won't be until September 25th, 2023. We will again be having a pot luck supper and spouses or friends are invited to attend. Social Hour at 6:30 and dinner at 7:00.

Hope to see everyone at our September meeting. Have a safe and blessed summer vacation.

**Respectfully submitted
Rosella Kes - President**

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2022-2023 Third Degree Officers

Chaplain	Father Eugene Theisen	Warden	Craig Turner
Grand Knight	Tom Busch	Inside Guard	Tony Simek
Financial Secretary	Mark Ritter	Outside Guard	
Deputy Grand Knight	Todd M. Anderson	One Year Trustee	James Wagner
Chancellor	D.J. Gilder	Two Year Trustee	Luverne Malecha
Recorder	Kenneth T. Kes	Three Year Trustee	Lyle Malecha
Treasurer	Michael J. Bartusek	Lecturer	
Advocate	Don Dvorak		

2022-2023 Fourth Degree Officers

Faithful Friar	Fr. Roger J. Hessian,	Inner Sentinel	Jason Palo
	Fr. Nicholas VanDenBroeke	Outer Sentinel	Joe Simon
Faithful Navigator	Dave Stepka	Admiral	Lyle Malecha
Captain	Robert Fahey	Purser	Bob Pavek
Pilot	David Webb	Trustees	Mike Moeller,
Comptroller	Larry Entinger		Mark Ritter, John Wiskocil
SCRIBE	Tom Simek		