ST. THOMAS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #2149 APRIL 2024 NEWSLETTER

The next monthly meeting for the St. Thomas Knights of Columbus Council #2149 will be Tuesday, April 9th at 7:30 pm. The Rosary will be prayed at 7:15 pm.

Dear Brother Knights and Catholic Community – He is Risen! He is Risen! Alleluia! Welcome to the Easter season! For the next several weeks we will celebrate the Easter season as we prepare for Pentecost – the birthday of the Church! And please note, that says "the" Church, not one of the many thousands that exist today but the One and Only Catholic Church! Jesus' mission throughout his ministry was to start the Church so that the gospel, the "Good News", could be spread to all nations! As Knights, we need to continue that mission and be evangelists. Sadly, we don't need to go to foreign lands to spread the message but most of us can start by re-evangelizing members of our own families! So let's get started!!

<u>March meeting</u> - A meeting of the St. Thomas Knights of Columbus Council #2149 was held on March 12th. George Bax was drawn for the attendance prize but was not present so the pot will go to \$15. Randy Buschjost was drawn for the 50/50 prize of a KofC t-shirt.

<u>Highway Trash Pickup</u> – The Knights will be picking up trash one evening the week of April 8-12th depending upon the weather. Please contact Jeff Cassmeyer if you would like to volunteer to help.

<u>Knights of Columbus Donuts and Magnets – April 14th</u> – The Knights will have coffee and donuts after the Sunday morning Masses at St. Cecilia and St. Thomas on April 14th. They will also hand out "REMEMBER The Unborn" magnets. The magnets are replicas of the "REMEMBER The Unborn" signs that are being sold by the council.

<u>"Heart of a Hero" Men's Conference in Jefferson City – evening of April 19th and during the day on April 20th –</u> Lamar Hunt Jr. will be speaking Friday evening after dinner. On Saturday, the speakers are Fr. Bill Peckman from our diocese, Adam Wright from Covenant Network, Dr. Andrew Swafford from Benedictine College, and Brian Miller from the Archdiocese of St. Louis. Please plan to attend this event and be inspired to live out your faith in the world. To sign up, visit: <u>https://www.menofsignumcrucis.com/mens-conference</u>

<u>Missouri Knights of Columbus State Convention – April 26-28th</u> – This year the convention will again be in Columbia. Jeff Cassmeyer and Jason Buschjost plan to represent the council.

<u>Mid West March for Life – May 1st – State Capitol Lawn</u> – Rally starts at 9:15 am and the March will immediately follow. Please wear RED. <u>www.midwestmarchforlife.com</u> for more information.

<u>Remember The Unborn signs</u> – There are more 8'x3' and 4'x2' signs available for purchase from the Ladies Auxiliary or the Knights of Columbus. The 8'x3' signs are \$225 and the 4'x2' signs are \$90. A smaller option will be available this spring possibly.

<u>Novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe – Now until December 12th</u> – Please join in and pray daily for our country and church: <u>https://novena.cardinalburke.com/novena/reflections-library</u>

<u>Invite your neighbor, your son, or grandson to become a Knight of Columbus</u> – St. Thomas Council #2149 is looking for a few more good men. Please prayerfully consider Catholic men – young and old in your life that could benefit from joining the Knights of Columbus. Contact Jeff Cassmeyer or Glenn Prenger or go to www.kofc.org.

<u>Good of the Order</u> – Pray for healing for Martha Strope, Justin Veit, Scott Rademan, Kenny Boessen, Leon Boessen, Gilbert and Hermina Strope, JoAnn Heckman, and Cassidy Rae Luebbering.

<u>Meeting minutes</u> – The minutes to prior meetings and the newsletter can be viewed on the St. Thomas the Apostle Church website: <u>http://www.stthomasapostle.net/</u>. The Knights section can be found under Parish Groups.

<u>Signum Crucis</u> –is a Catholic men's group that gathers on the 3rd Wednesday of each month – the next gathering is April 17th at Helias Catholic High School. This month the group will have the options of either gaining knowledge via a study of church history or to focus on their prayer life with a special devotion presentation. The rosary starts at 6:00 pm followed by Mass and then fraternity afterwards in the cafeteria. More information can be found at: <u>https://www.menofsignumcrucis.com/post/april-2024-newsletter</u>

Please pray 3 Hail Mary's every day for the unborn. Jeremiah 1:5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you."

"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire." St. Catherine of Siena

"Proclaim the truth and do not be silent through fear."

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