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From the Grand Knight

You may remember during your exemplification the lesson on Unity talked about being a Knight of Columbus means that you possess unity in purpose and unity in action, which come from our shared Catholic faith and the grace of the Holy Spirit. You were given a strand of string, and it was easily broken. When bound together as a rope or cable it's much stronger. Not unlike our Council if we work together on projects and events, they will be more



successful. That benefits our Church, the community, our brothers and their families.

Peter 4:10 "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace."

This verse encourages believers to use their unique gifts to serve the community. We have many members that regularly participate in events and projects at the church, with our council and in the community. We have 228 members of our council. If each member gave 3 hours a month in service, that would cover most of a month for a 24-hour period each day. I realize some brothers are not physically able to do certain things. Your service can be in prayer. Sign up for a holy hour once a week in the adoration chapel. The power of prayer is unbelievable. If you are looking for other ways to contribute your time please reach out to me and I can offer some ideas.

Vivat Jesus, Jeff Christian, Grand Knight



Join us each month at 6:45 before the Council meeting to recite the Holy Rosary with your Brother Knights! Contact Ethan Apsley for details. If you don't have a rosary, we'll give you one!!!

November 30 is a 5th Sunday - Knights will be servers at the 10am Mass. Join us!!





MOVEMBER MATTERS

Shedding Light on Men's Health

Men's health issues are often overlooked, under-discussed, and underfunded. Statistically, men are less likely to seek medical help, visit doctors less frequently, and are more likely to die younger than women. Across cultures, men are often socially conditioned to "tough it out," suppress emotions, and ignore symptoms—an attitude that can have fatal consequences.

Prostate cancer is one of the most common cancers among men, with millions diagnosed each year. Testicular cancer, while less common, is the most prevalent cancer among young men. Perhaps most alarming is the crisis of men's mental health: globally, men account for three out of four suicides, and suicide remains the biggest killer of young men in many countries.



How Movember Makes a Difference

Since its inception, the Movember Foundation has funded more than 1,250 projects across 20 countries, raising over \$1 billion (USD). These projects span research into new treatments for prostate and testicular cancers, mental health initiatives targeting at-risk men, and programs aimed at improving early detection and treatment outcomes.

Breaking the Stigma: Have the Conversation

Central to Movember's mission is the idea that talking saves lives. For far too long, cultural norms have discouraged men from discussing their feelings, health concerns, or mental struggles. Movember encourages men to break this silence. Whether it's checking in with a friend or simply being vulnerable for a moment, every conversation chips away

at the notion that men must always be stoic and self-reliant. By normalizing these conversations, Movember not only improves individual health outcomes but also fosters stronger communities. When men feel supported and understood, they are more likely to seek help, support others, and engage in healthy behaviors.

I'm doing Movember because

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Looking Ahead: A Call to Action

The importance of Movember extends far beyond a month of quirky facial hair. It is a call to action, challenging harmful stereotypes and promoting real, lasting change in how society views and treats men's health. Let your mustache be more than just a style statement this November. Let it be a symbol of hope, action, and change.

Visit www.movember.com

Things For Which To Be Thankful



Remember to give thanks to God for <u>every</u> thing, not just the big things ...

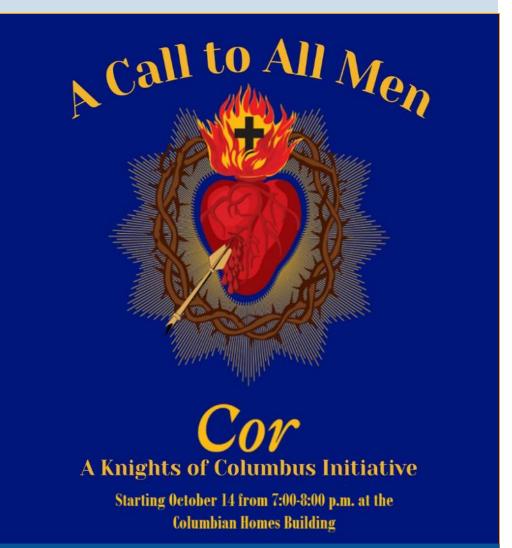
- Fresh sheets right out of the dryer
- · Hearing a baby laugh
- Singing in the car to your favorite tunes
- Hot showers
- Pizza

- Watching rabbits and squirrels run around in the back yard
- Complementing someone when it isn't expected and seeing their face change
- The smell in the air when it just starts raining
- Helping someone in need
- A stunning sunrise or sunset
- Seeing someone you love come through the front door and your heart bursts with joy, every single time...No matter how many years, miles, times ...
- When your dog rests his chin on your leg



Thanksgiving Day - Thursday, Nov 27, 2024

9am Thanksgiving Day Mass - SJ



THE COR GROUP WILL MEET EVERY SECOND AND FOURTH TUESDAY, 7-8PM. ALL MEN ARE WELCOME - YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A KNIGHT TO JOIN US.

All Saints - All Souls

It seems unusual that our Church liturgical calendar schedules two major celebrations on days that are back to back. But that is precisely the situation with the solemnity of All Saints, a liturgical feast, and the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (All Souls), a liturgical observance.

All Saints' Day

All Saints' Day, which began most likely as All Martyrs' Day, can be traced to the earliest Christians. By the third century, the followers of Christ were annually honoring their brothers and sisters who had given their lives (been martyred) while witnessing for and defending Jesus Christ. Typically, on the anniversary of a martyr's death, those living would gather to remember and offer prayers at the tomb or place where the deceased had died. Tombs were sometimes decorated and altars built over the tomb. The belief among the first Christians, which continues today, is that believers who died defending Christ were borne by angels to heaven and are face to face with the living God, in the presence of the beatific vision.

Today, All Saints' Day is a solemnity and holy day of obligation on which the universal Church honors the martyrs, the saints and the confessors, including all known and unknown, all who have gained the reward of heaven.

All Souls' Day

The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed, or All Souls' Day, evolved onto the Church calendar long after All Saints' Day. Sometime between 998 and 1030, St. Odilo, the abbot at the Benedictine Monastery in Cluny, France, encouraged all the monks to pray for the souls of those who had died, those waiting the joys of heaven. He instituted this commemoration on the day after All Saints' Day, and soon other religious orders and churches began, on that same date, to annually remember all who had died. Remembering and praying for the faithful departed is tied directly to our belief in purgatory.

On All Souls' Day the universal Church prays for all those in purgatory, people who were much like us, whose offense may have been less than ours. By pleading for them, we are inspired to lead purer lives. On that day, and during the entire month of November, we remember our departed brethren as we go to the cemetery where they are buried, attain indulgences for them, give alms, do some good work, ask for Masses to be said in remembrance, all on behalf of those close to us and to others we may have neglected during the year.

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace."

- excerpted from Simply Catholic - https://www.simplycatholic.com/all-saints-and-all-souls-days/

All Saints Day - Saturday, Nov 1, 2025 (Since this falls on a Saturday this year, it is not a Holy Day of Obligation)

- Fri, Oct 31 5pm Vigil Mass, Bilingual SJ (Trunk or treat following)
- Sat, Nov 1 8:15am Mass SV (normal 1st Sat Mass time, but will be at SV due to Ministry Day of Reflection)
- Sat, Nov 1 Evening Mass as usual

All Souls Day - Sunday, Nov 2, 2025

Normal Sunday Mass Schedule; Cemetery Mass to be planned.



Sacred Heart Council 822 Knight of the Month

The Knight of the month for October is a faithful Brother who always answer the call. If the church needs something, the school needs something or a brother or his family needs something... He is there!

I have never known this Brother to say no to a call for help unless he already has plans with his family. Even then he will try to accommodate the request. He is devoted to his family; he is devoted to our community, our church but most important Edgar Flores is devoted to God. That is why I have selected Edgar as our Knight of the Month.

- Jeff Christian, Grand Knight



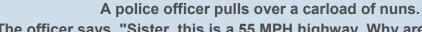
GIBAULT TOY DRIVE

Gibault has sent a list of needs they have for Christmas presents for the families they serve. Lists are on the tables at the Columbian Homes hall.

Please bring unwrapped items and place them in the box provided near the bar and we will get them to the families.

Deadline for drop off is December 10. Let's make Christmas special for these folks!





The officer says, "Sister, this is a 55 MPH highway. Why are you going so slow?"

The Sister says, "Sir, I saw a lot of signs that said 41, not 55."

The officer replies, "Oh, Sister, that's not the speed limit, that's the number of the highway you are on!"

The Sister giggles, "Oh! Silly me! Thanks for letting me know. I'll be more careful."

At this point, the officer looks in the backseat where the other nuns are trembling. The officer asks, "Excuse me, Sister, but what's wrong with your friends back there? They're shaking something terrible."

The Sister answers, rather sheepishly, "We just got off Highway 101."





Annual Rabbit Stag Dinner - \$20 admission Weds, Nov 26 - 6-8 pm



Join us at the annual rabbit stag dinner the night before Thanksgiving for an evening of fraternity, feasting, and festivities.

50/50 raffles

Queen of Hearts drawing

Pull tabs

Poker tables

Gun Auction (see below)

Proceeds benefit the charitable work of the Council and support the Columbian Homes building.

Dinner will include:



- Fried Rabbit
- Mashed Potatoes
 - Sauerkraut
- Celery, Carrots, and Radishes







There will be a gun auction at this event with multiple drawings. Tickets will be \$20. 30 tickets will be sold per drawing, with the winning ticket holder receiving his choice of long gun or archery item from the selection provided. All State and Federal laws regarding background checks will be observed.



COOKING CREWS NEEDED

Seeking Dedicated Volunteers to Keep Our Weekly Food Offerings Available to Everyone!

As you all know, we serve Wings & Shrimp every Wednesday night at the raffle events and Dinner every Friday night. We are very much in need of dedicated



volunteers to join our crews. Your support and involvement are crucial to our success, and, to be honest, if we don't get a few more crews, especially for Wednesday nights, our schedule may have to change starting in January.

Our Thursday night Bingo events are also staffed fully by volunteers.

These events are critical for our operating budget – the proceeds of these events support the costs of keeping the building open and maintained, as well as allow us to do various things for the Church and the community.

Whether you have a few hours to spare or can commit to a longer-term role, there are various opportunities available to suit your schedule. Volunteering with us is a wonderful way to make a positive impact, meet new people, and gain valuable experience.

If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information about the cooking crew roles and responsibilities, please contact Greg Hall at 317.902.7284 or Patty Davis at 317.642.7028. For Bingo, contact John Schoentrup at 317.364.1942 - Bingo volunteers must be Knights due to our gaming license requirements.

We welcome individuals of all backgrounds and skill levels, and you don't have to be a Knight or a Friend of Gibault to donate time.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to give back. We look forward to hearing from you soon!



SONIA STEFFEN Our Resident "Vampire"

Sonia has been working with us as a bartender for a little more than a year, and says the best part of working at the KofC hall is "the people. Without doubt."

When she's not at the hall slinging drinks, she works for Exam One as a phlebotomist. drawing blood to protect and diagnose people's health conditions.

You might be surprised to know that Sonia is

an avid huntress and fisherwoman, with her favorite game being

turkey (hunting) and bluegill (fishing). She also enjoys deep sea fishing - FOR SHARKS! She also loves

all types of music, so next time you see her, ask her for her current jam and put it on the jukebox!

DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN PAY FOR MEALS AND DRINKS AT THE BAR USING YOUR CREDIT CARD? WELL, YOU CAN!! NO MORE EXCUSES FOR NOT HAVING CASH!



Amy Onofre was the winner of the Sacred Heart Council #822 essay contest this year and was treated, along with her family, to dinner at Buca di Beppo's Pope Room. Behind Amy and her family are Knights Edgar Flores, Father Mike Keucher, Michael Daniels, Jeff Christian, and Ethan Apsley. Father Mike not only tipped the biretta to Amy, he wore it, too!



Your Council and Your Impact



In October, your Council #822 donated:

- Over \$3,000 to the St Joe capital campaign from the golf outing
- \$100 to support Christmas stockings for Gibault
- Flowers in memory of John Schoentrup's mother, Judy

In order to continue these good works, we rely on you! Thank you for your dues, donations, and support!.

Knights of Columbus, Sacred Heart Council #822

Meeting at Columbian Homes, 413 E South St, Shelbyville, IN 46176 - tel: 317.398.9914 Monday-Friday, 3p - close; Saturday, 9a - close



Your 2025-2026 Council Officers

| Grand Knight: Jeff Christian (also serves as Retention Director) | Chaplain: Father Mike Keucher |
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| Deputy Grand Knight: Mark Welch | Chancellor: Jim Boksa (also serves as Membership Director) |
| Financial Secretary: Patrick Bohman | Recorder: Michael Daniels (also serves as Program Director) |
| Treasurer: Mark Beck | Advocate: Steve Goebel |
| Warden: Edgar Flores Inside Guard: Angelo Dellapenna | Outside Guard: Ethan Apsley (also serves as Evangelization and Faith Formation Director) |
| Lecturer: Randy Foreman (also serves as Family Director) Community Director: Jim Kozinski | One Year Trustee: John Schoentrup Two Year Trustee: Dan Weaver |

Recurring Events

- » 1st Tuesday of the month: Council business meeting, 7p. All Knights welcome.
 - » 3rd Tuesday of the month: Columbian Homes meeting, 7p. All Knights welcome.
 - » 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month COR group men's faith and formation, 7p. All men welcome you need not be a Knight. FOR MEALS AND BAR TABS, THE CLUB ACCEPTS CREDIT CARDS AT THE BAR!!

 - » Wednesday nights: choice of wings or shrimp dinner (6-8p), drawing & 50/50 raffle.
 1/2 order (5 pc w/fries) \$9; Full order (10 pc w/fries) \$13; Fries only \$2. Open to the public.
 - » Thursday nights: BINGO! (6:30p). Open to the public. NO BINGO ON THANKSGIVING DAY
 - » Friday nights: dinner (6-8p) Open to the public. NOTE: PRICES HAVE MODERATELY INCREASED DUE TO FOOD AND OVERHEAD COSTS Nov 7: (Kim Knight) - Smoked pork chops and sides - \$15
 - Nov 14: (Edgar Flores) Latin cuisine \$15
 - Nov 21: (Steve Lancaster) Ribeye steaks, baked potato, salad market price will dictate
 - Nov 28: NO DINNER DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING
 - Dec 5: (Greg Hall) Fried chicken and sides \$15
 - » Saturday lunch: Hamburger, cheeseburger, breaded or grilled tenderloin \$6; with fries, \$9. Open to the public.

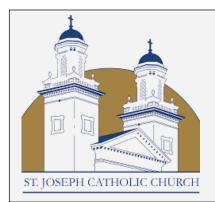
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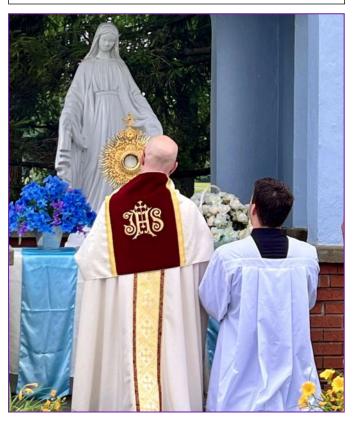
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