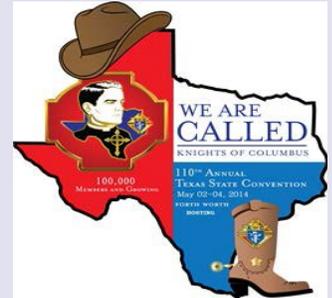




Knights of Columbus

Council 7983

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Brother Knights,

I was reading an article in the Columbia magazine that got me thinking about the many things the Knights of Columbus do around the world and here at our own Prince of Peace community that make a difference. Every day, Knights all over the world take on opportunities to make a difference, whether through community service, raising money or engaged in prayer.

Our Catholic faith teaches us to "Love thy neighbor as thyself." Members of the Knights of Columbus show love for their neighbors by conducting food drives and donating the food to food pantries, by volunteering at Special Olympics, and by supporting, both spiritually and materially, mothers who choose life for their babies.

I just want to take some time today to thank you and your families for taking on those opportunities that make a difference and for helping this Knights of Columbus Council 7983 to be as successful as we are. The reason we are so successful is that everyone gets involved in the many charitable events we are involved in, and they are many!

This Lent we are providing our Prince of Peace community a place that they can bring their families to eat at our Lenten Fish Fry, in which we provide a service of good tasting fish/shrimp and all the trimmings at a reasonable cost and a place for community fellowship.

Our council participated in providing a Religious Appreciation dinner for Priests, Nuns, Deacons and other religious on 8 March 2015. Approximately 10 Knights from our council and their spouses helped to serve dinner and also operated two bars. Our Assembly 2628 Color Guard also presented the colors for this event.

We currently are in the planning stages of our upcoming Casino Night, April 25th 2015, in which our Chairman Cesar Camacho and Co-Chairman David Gonzalez and their committee are busy putting together the final touches to make this a successful and profitable event, that will benefit charitable needs and projects.

We also have a committee that is planning Monsignor Joe Wagner's 50th Jubilee for May 23rd, in which we will celebrate his 50th year as a priest.

Knights recognize that our mission, and our faith in God, compels us to action. There is no better way to experience love and compassion than by helping those in need, a call we answer every day. I ask that you please continue to answer the call to make a difference as we continue through our Lenten journey and beyond. Thanks for making Knight of Columbus Council 7983 a successful and compassionate council.

Vivat Jesus!
Ambrose Cordero
Grand Knight

Knight's Birthdays



Roel S. Quiroga	03-01	Raymond Rios	03-02	Raul S. Fernandez	3-03
Brian S Fetsch	03-03	Simon P Gonzales	03-03	Domingo Lozano	03-03
Ernest San Miguel	03-03	Rodney Wilkinson	03-05	Michael A Aguilar	03-07
Carlos V Chavez	03-07	Raphael I. Ike	03-07	Mark B Dziadul	03-08
James L. Reed,	03-09	Michael Reyes	03-09	Joe E Escobedo	03-11
Jose D Sanchez	03-11	Jacob De La Garza	03-14	David G Garcia	03-14
John T Enyeart	03-16	Patrick Santos	03-17	Francisco Soriano	03-20
Florentino Esquivel Jr	03-21	Mark W Blow	03-22	Rick S Waller	03-23
Jerome M Simon	03-24	Gilbert Tamez	03-24	Nick C Gonzales	03-28
Michael K Smith	03-29	Nicholas J Raven	03-31	Ronald A Santos	03-31

Anniversaries

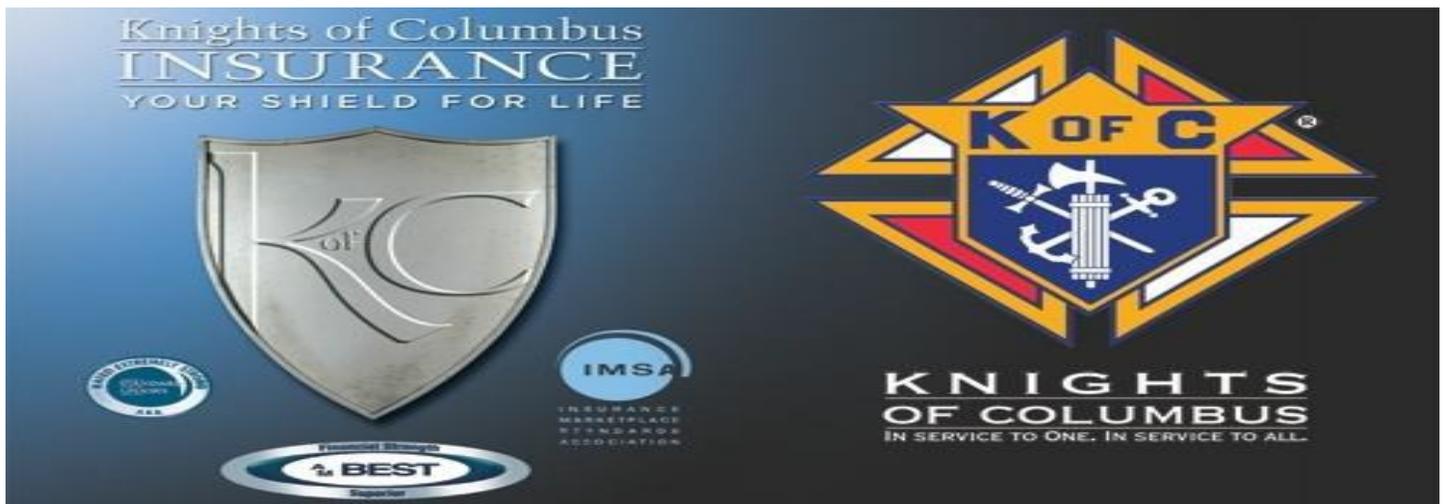


Cesar & Yami Camacho Jr	03-01-1986
Pete & Joyce Lopez	03-08-1990
Raul G & Veronica Fernandez	03-09-2002
Ramiro R. & Martha Arriaga, Sr	03-12-1977
Carlos & Rosemary Hernandez	03-14-1987
Russell L. & Aunci Williams	03-31-2001

Ladie's Birthdays



Monica Cardona	03-03
Maria Vargas	03-05
Martha Arriaga	03-06
Dora Basaldua	03-08
Monica Rocha	03-08
Jennifer Mireles	03-12
Olivia Zieschang	03-15
Catherine Skerrett	03-17
Hope Gonzales	03-23
Esther Olivares	03-28



Helping Our Families Prepare

Tempus fugit memento mori — time flies, remember death. The phrase, we are told, is to remind us to be conscious of our own mortality and to plan accordingly. As Catholics, we keep death always in the front of our minds because it is the gateway to paradise, but also because we want to be sure that we are preparing accordingly and living just lives, conquering sin and living for God, so that we may live with Him after death. But death is not always easy to think about. While we live with Christian hope, we know that our death also means sadness and trial for those we love. We know that we will leave a void, and, depending on the circumstances of our own death, we may even leave loose ends. But by thinking about the unthinkable, and planning for the inevitable, we may be able to reduce those trials and tie up some of those loose ends. That's why we are excited to introduce the Knights of Columbus Personal Planning Workbook. The Knights of Columbus Personal Planning Workbook is a no-cost tool available from your Knights of Columbus field agent. The thirty-four page book is a comprehensive planning guide that will enable you to record personal information, identify personal wishes and supplement legal documents. With the Knights of Columbus Personal Planning Workbook, you can:

- List medical information
- Identify your long-term care instructions and wishes
- Identify the location of records, documents, accounts, passwords and other important concerns
- Identify charitable gifts
- Supplement your will with instructions and information on the distribution of your estate, as well as information on guardians, executors and the power of attorney
- Express your wishes for your funeral service, including desired readings, lectors, gift bearers, pall bearers, and fraternal or military organization involvement
- Prepare a Survivors' Action Items and Concerns listing for the settlement of your estate and the execution of your last wishes
- Establish a list of people to notify
- Record information on life insurance policies and other benefits
- Express your wishes for an obituary
- Write a letter expressing your wishes to your pastor

The Knights of Columbus Personal Planning Workbook may not be the most enjoyable workbook you have ever filled out, but it may be the most impactful. In a fast-paced digital age like ours, there are so many more things to plan for and to record, and so much less time in which to do it. The Knights of Columbus Personal Planning Workbook is an easy and effective way to gather your thoughts, details, data and wishes for the benefit of your loved ones. This great resource is another extension of our founding mission, set forth by Father Michael J. McGivney, of protecting Catholic families. As pointed as it may seem, tempus fugit memento mori reminds us that we — with certainty — will die, but that we may very well not — with certainty — know when. So why not spend a few minutes preparing for the inevitable? You'll have the comfort of knowing that you did the right thing and the assurance that, when that time does come, you will have made a very difficult time just a little bit easier for the ones you love.

To get a complimentary copy of the Knights of Columbus Personal Planning Workbook, contact your Knights of Columbus field agent to set up an appointment. You can find him by visiting kofc.org/findagent

Knights of Columbus Council 7983 March 2015 Events

- Fish Fry – 6 March 2015 – Need help to set-up, cook, serve, and clean-up starting at 4:30pm – 9pm.
- Religious Appreciation Dinner – 8 March 2015, 3 - 9 pm, K of C Council 4140, Camp Bullis Rd
- Council 7983 Officer Meeting – 10 March 2015 – 7pm - Classroom 102
- Admission Meeting –12 March 2015 – 7 pm – Portable 4
- Fish Fry – 13 March 2015 – Need help to set-up, cook, serve, and clean-up starting at 4:30pm – 9pm.
- First Degree Ceremony – 16 March 2015 - 7pm – Portables 3 & 4
- Council 7983 General Membership Meeting – 19 March 2015.
- Fish Fry – 20 March 2015 – Need help to set-up, cook, serve, and clean-up starting at 4:30pm – 9pm.
- Taco Breakfast - 22 March 2015, Need help in Kitchen 7am through after 1230 pm mass
- Fish Fry – 27 March 2015 – Need help to set-up, cook, serve, and clean-up starting at 4:30pm – 9pm.
- Tootsie Roll Drive – 28 March 2015 - 9am - 3pm

The Season of Lent

We are in the Season of Lent, a time with Jesus in the desert. Christianity has long had a fascination with the desert. The Bible treats it as a place of great transition. It is where the Israelites passed through on their way from exile and, as we read in the Gospels, where Christ goes for the period between his baptism and the beginning of his public ministry. This Lenten Season can be for us a time of beginning anew with Christ.

Pope Francis, in one of his homilies last week said, "The Lord never tires of having mercy on us and he wants to offer us once again his forgiveness, inviting us to turn to Him with a new heart, purified of evil, to take part in his joy."

Our daily routine can be an obstacle to being aware of God's presence and guidance. During this year's Lenten journey with Jesus in the desert, consider the following to help overcome obstacles:

- Punctuate your day with prayer. Begin and end the day with a prayer from the heart.
- Acts of charity bear fruit! Tell your family how much you appreciate them. Write a note to someone in need of hope and encouragement.
- St. Benedict advises, "Read a spiritual book during Lent."
- Take 5-10 minutes to read the Gospels.
- Invite Mary, the Mother of God, to walk with you; pray the Rosary! Deacon Tom Fox has written a book called, Holy Land Rosary: Meditations on the Gospel Prayer. It is available at the Pilgrim Center of Hope. This 80 page booklet includes meditations written by him on each mystery of the Rosary, photos of the Holy Land (most are of sites where the mystery actually happened), the history and explanation of the Rosary.

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