

**FITZGERALD COUNCIL 833  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
January 2012 Bulletin**

**A WORD FROM OUR CHAPLAIN:**

*Dear Brother Knights,*

We have just celebrated the Solemnity of the Epiphany. The word epiphany means a manifestation or revelation. In the story of the Three Wise Men, we see Jesus manifested to the gentile world, since the Three Wise Men were from the East. One of the main lessons of this solemnity is that we all are called to be an epiphany, that is, a manifestation of the goodness of the Lord. How can a member of the Knights of Columbus be an epiphany? How can we better lead others to Jesus? The gifts of the Three Wise Men, gold, frankincense and myrrh, give us some ideas. What is our gold? What is our frankincense? What is our myrrh? St. Gregory the Great wrote eloquently about these gifts that we should present to Jesus in our daily lives. He states that gold is Christ's wisdom, which shines in us. Frankincense is the prayer and adoration we give to Jesus, and myrrh is our daily self-sacrifices.

May we, like the Three Wise Men, open our hearts ever more wide to Jesus. Let us ask Jesus for the grace to open the doors of our hearts, our homes and our Church to others. May each of us Knights be an epiphany, a manifestation of the Lord to all we meet throughout this coming year of grace.

~Msgr. Nemeč

**GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT**

We come to the end of the year with a positive attitude as we look forward to the new year. I'm sure you have enjoyed many blessings and will again in 2012. I want to wish each of you and your family members a Happy New

Year - one filled with Joy and good health.

Our Christmas dinner and gift exchange went off well. We had 74 people who not only enjoyed a great prime rib dinner but a lot of fun with the gift exchange. I saw a number of people making exchanges of their gift not always to the happiness of the person who lost theirs and had to find another. But it was all in good jest and fun for all. On Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup> we will do two things at St. Theresa's Church. First, we will have coffee, orange juice and donuts after the 8 AM and 10 AM masses, at the same time we wish to recruit new members. Second, we will have a corporate communion during the 10 AM mass. The 4<sup>th</sup> degree honor guard will be with us. Any member and his family is encouraged to meet in the basement before the mass. Then, we will go up and walk in as a group to the front of the church to reserved seats on the left side. Msgr. Nemeč, the acolyte and the servers will follow up. Hope to see many of you there.

God Bless,  
Dennis Hruby  
Grand Knight

**KNIGHT OF THE MONTH:**

The Knight of the Month for December is Dean Graham. Dean spent many, many hours preparing the Christmas Dinner. Thanks Dean for making the Christmas Dinner a tremendous success.

**KNIGHT FAMILY OF THE MONTH**

The Knight Family of the Month for December is Dennis and Elaine Hruby. The Hruby family decorated the hall for our special Christmas dinner. Thanks Dennis and Elaine.

**VALENTINE'S DINNER**

On February 11<sup>th</sup> we will be having a Valentine's day dinner. Check your newsletter and church bulletin for the menu and other details.

**NATIVITY SCENE AT ST. TERESA'S**

We will be taking down the Nativity scene at St. Teresa's on Saturday morning, January 7<sup>th</sup>. We will begin at 9:30 AM. If you are available please come help us.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Jan 7<sup>th</sup>- 9:30 AM, Nativity Scene take down at St. Teresa's.
- Jan 14<sup>th</sup>-Free Throw contest @ St. Teresa's, begins at 12:00 PM.
- Jan 15<sup>th</sup>-Corporate Communion at St. Teresa's during the 10:00 AM mass. Meet in the church basement at 9:45 AM.
- Jan 15<sup>th</sup>- Coffee and donuts following the 8 and 10 AM masses.
- Jan 16<sup>th</sup>- Regular meeting, 7:30 PM at the Knight's Hall.
- Jan 30<sup>th</sup>-Officer's meeting, 7:30 PM at the Knight's Hall.

**ARE YOU READY FOR THE FORECAST?**

Want to know where you're headed financially? Are you saving enough to meet your retirement goals? If you or your spouse died today is enough of your income replaced for your family's continued standard of living? We can help answer these and many other questions by providing a report generated via a professional computer software analysis. Other companies charge a large fee for this type of help, while the Knights of Columbus provides this service FREE as part of our regular review with Knight's families. Call me to set up a review and see how a

*Forecaster analysis can help you plan for a successful financial future.*

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**MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

We will be having a membership drive along with our Corporate Communion on January 15<sup>th</sup>. If you know anyone interested in joining our council invite them to come to the mass and visit with a Knight during the coffee and donuts afterwards. Our future is in recruiting young men to join our council.

**VOLUNTEER SHEET**

You will be receiving your annual volunteer sign up sheet in the mail along with your dues. Please return this sheet promptly so we may begin making schedules for this year's events.

**JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

BERNARD	J.	MORAN
KURT		MATTHES
THOMAS		HARRE
DAVID		BROUILLETTE
WALTER	P.	WESIERSKI
JAMES	D.	FAIMON
BRIAN		THOMPSON
ARTHUR	G.	MATOUS
JOHN	L.	TROPY
THOMAS	W.	SEIB
LARRY	M.	NELSON
GREGORY	G.	SWIM
ELMER	F.	THARNISH
MICHAEL	F.	MASEK