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Message from the Grand Knight

Brothers,

Over the past six months, our parish has experienced a season of transition. With renovations underway in our church, we have worshiped, gathered, and carried out parish life in the parish hall. While this temporary move required adjustments, flexibility, and extra work for many groups, it also revealed something beautiful: a parish willing to sacrifice comfort for the sake of renewal.

Scripture reminds us that God often asks His people to move, to trust, and to prepare for something greater. The Israelites worshiped in tents as they journeyed toward the Promised Land. In much the same way, our parish stepped into a temporary space knowing it would lead to growth.

As Knights, we witnessed charity and unity firsthand—volunteers stepping up, spaces shared, and parishioners working together. Now we look ahead to the new

year with gratitude and excitement as we prepare to return to a newly renovated church and welcome new classrooms for our school!

Thank you for your sacrifice, patience, and service.

Vivat Jesus!
Ken Smith
Grand Knight

Upcoming Events & Holy Days

January:

- Jan 1 – Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God (Holy Day)
- Jan 3–4 – Pre-Mass Rosary
- Jan 4 – Bingo
- Jan 8 – January Meeting
- Jan 17 – District Meeting (Princeton, IN)
- Jan 18 – ARISE Holy Hour & Overnight Adoration

February:

- Feb 1 – Bingo
- Feb 5 – February Meeting
- Feb 7–8 – Pre-Mass Rosary
- Feb 15 – ARISE Holy Hour & Overnight Adoration
- Feb 18 – Ash Wednesday



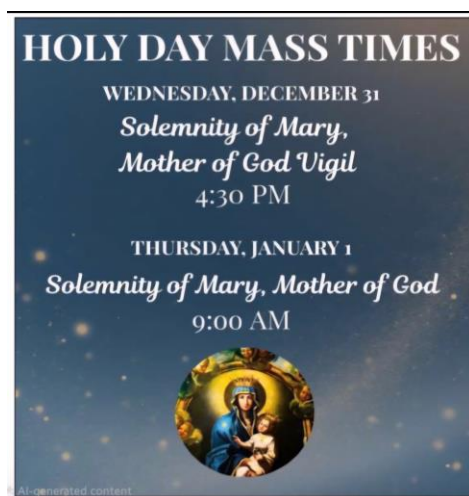
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March:

- Mar 1 – Bingo
- Mar 5 – March Meeting
- Mar 7–8 – Pre-Mass Rosary
- Mar 14 – St. Patrick's Day Dance
- Mar 15 – ARISE Holy Hour & Overnight Adoration
- Mar 17 – St. Patrick's Day



Council Activity Highlights

Coats for Kids – Our council participated in the KofC Coats for Kids drive and donated our coats locally. We received a shout out online for our timely delivery!



My Hometown Newburgh, IN

The Salvation Army of Evansvil... • 15m •

As temperatures begin to dip we see an increase in the need for coats. We are blessed to have a good amount of adult coats but youth coats are not easily accessible to us. Then enters the Knight of Columbus like the shining armor bearers they are. They donated 96 youth coats that we will be able to distribute! Thank you for thinking of us and allowing us to be stewards of such a meaningful gift! [Good Shepherd Knights of Columbus 14673](#) [The Salvation Army USA](#)



Race for Vocations - Our council along with the Columbiettes provided volunteers at the hospitality tent for this year's Race for Vocations on October 4th. A big thanks to Cathy and Al Bragin for organizing the volunteers!

Fall Parish Campus Cleanup – On October 25th the knights raked leaves, trimmed bushes, pulled weeds, and maintained the



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parish grounds as part of our twice-yearly campus cleanup tradition!



Knights working together during the parish campus cleanup.



Encounter Hope – Serving Our Community

On December 6, members of the Good Shepherd Knights of Columbus served lunch at the Encounter Hope event held at Memorial High School. Knights prepared, served, and cleaned up meals while offering hospitality and support to participants.





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The council also approved funding to help offset meal costs, combining financial support with hands-on service. Events like Encounter Hope reflect the Knights' mission to serve with charity, presence, and compassion.



A huge thank you to David Swartz and Alex Knies for organizing the crew, preparing the menu, ordering the food, and showing up early the morning of the event to prep and cook!

Also on December 6th, the knights assisted with parish renovations by removing cabinets from the Reconciliation Room and transporting to the parish hall to prepare for new flooring. The cabinets were very, very well-built by John Greenwell. It took some effort, but we eventually were able to take them apart.



Kent asked us not to let Mrs. Kleiman know that he knows how to run a vacuum.



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Faith in Action

From Habitat for Humanity to St. Vincent de Paul, Bingo, Fall Festival, and vocations events, Council 14673 continues to serve our parish and community with charity and fraternity. The editor of the Knightly News knows there are pictures from these various events, but they were lost somewhere on the editing room floor!

There was a lot of hard work put in by the council this quarter, and the staff of the Knightly News would like to thank all our volunteers for giving their time, treasure, and talents toward each one of these events!

Mass of Remembrance

On November 9, the Knights and Columbiettes participated in a Mass of Remembrance during the 10:30 a.m. Mass to honor deceased members of the council. Knights gathered in prayer, giving thanks for the lives and service of their brothers and entrusting them to God's mercy. This annual Mass reflects the Knights of Columbus'

commitment to fraternity and the spiritual work of mercy of praying for the faithful departed.

Knights of Columbus on the National Stage at Annual Army-Navy Football Game

Did you know members of the Knights of Columbus led the Second Annual Rosary at halftime of the 126th Army-Navy Football Game? As thousands gathered to witness one of college football's most historic rivalries, Knights from across the Order, led by Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and Archbishop William E. Lori, joined in prayer for members of the armed forces, their families, and peace throughout the world.

The Rosary served as a public witness to faith and patriotism, highlighting the Knights' longstanding commitment to supporting those who serve our nation. Building upon the inaugural event, this year's Rosary reflected the growing role of the Knights in bringing prayer into prominent national moments.



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Here is a link to the video showing highlights of the event, as shared by the Knights of Colubumbus national facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=1635220814515396>

Current Activities

We are currently holding a drive for Birthright of Evansville. See the graphic for suggested items to donate and where you can drop them off.



Bingo – heading into the new year we are continuing our monthly bingo together with the Columbiettes. If your not on a crew or on the sub list, please consider adding your name to

help with this important fundraiser, as it provides the means for our council to support the organizations and causes that come to us for aid.

Here is a link to the google sheet for crew members and subs:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1GvfdBVSSKwF2GkmZ2t-hGyODUnlO457fjbJ3gl3sG_s/edit?gid=1337851663#gid=1337851663



**From the entire staff of the
Knightly News to all our
brother knights: We wish
you all a Blessed and
Happy New Year!**