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

The next monthly meeting for the St. Thomas Knights of Columbus Council #2149 will be Tuesday, May 14th at 7:30 pm. The Rosary will be prayed at 7:15 pm.

Dear Brother Knights and Catholic Community–Welcome to May, the month of Mary! Let's honor our Lady by doing something extra this month – say an extra rosary, pray Cardinal Burke's novena to our lady, make sure to get your children to church each weekend, go to confession. Whatever you do, offer it up to our Lady and ask for her help to bring you closer to her son. Jesus gave us his mother while he was dying for our sins on the cross. Embrace her as your spiritual mother.

<u>April meeting</u> - A meeting of the St. Thomas Knights of Columbus Council #2149 was held on April 9th. **Donnie Otto** was drawn for the attendance prize but was not present so the pot will go to \$20. **Bill Lueckenhoff** was drawn for the 50/50 prize of a KofC t-shirt.

<u>Condolences to the Simon (Sam) Suthoff Family</u> – our condolences to the family of Brother Knight Sam Suthoff on his passing. Prayers for the repose of his soul and for the family.

<u>Congratulations to Kora Luebbering</u> – Kora took 1st place in the 7th Grade Division of the 2024 Missouri State Council Knights of Columbus Essay Contest. The topic this year was "Why do I love the Eucharist". Kora is the daughter of Myron and Lindsay Luebbering. Myron is a Brother Knight and Lindsay is a member of our Ladies Auxiliary.

<u>Congratulations to Ava Morris</u> – Ava is a senior at Helias Catholic High School and was recently named the recipient of the 2024 Missouri State Council Knights of Columbus Scholarship. Ava is a member of the St. Thomas Council #2149 Ladies Auxiliary and the granddaughter of Brother Knight Bill Lueckenhoff and his wife Diane, who is also a member of the Ladies Auxiliary. Ava plans to attend the University of Central Missouri this fall. Congratulations Ava!!

<u>St. Thomas Knights of Columbus Council #2149 Golf Tournament – June 1st</u> – Contact Craig Buechter to get your team registered. Contact Craig Buechter or Jeff Cassmeyer if you can assist as a worker that day on the course.

<u>Highway Trash Pickup</u> – Thanks to the following brothers for picking up trash: Bill Lueckenhoff, Jason Lueckenhoff, Jim Lueckenhoff, Brendan Stumpe, Mike Luebbering, Stefan Cassmeyer, Kellen Cassmeyer and Jeff Cassmeyer.

<u>"Heart of a Hero" Men's Conference in Jefferson City</u> – The conference was a great success. All the speakers were very inspirational as was the mass and homily from Fr. Joseph. Please mark your calendar for next year's conference which is scheduled for April 25-26th.

<u>Missouri Knights of Columbus State Convention</u> – Jeff Cassmeyer and Jason Buschjost attended the convention as well as Bill and Diane Lueckenhoff. The Council and Ladies Auxiliary received their RIB Awards. Jeff and Jason displayed the Remember the Unborn signs on Friday night and hope to have spread the word about them.

<u>Mid West March for Life</u> – The March was a great success with a very large crowd. Brother Knight Bob Schellman and DD Richard Wieberg represented our council while leading the March as the 4^{th} Degree Honor Guard.

<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.

<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 contact Jeff Cassmeyer or Glenn Prenger or go to <u>www.kofc.org</u>.

<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, and Bill Kaiser.

<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> – the next gathering is May 15th at Helias Catholic High School. This month the group will have adoration and benediction and the opportunity for confession. The rosary starts at 6:00 pm followed by Mass and then fraternity afterwards. More info can be found at: <u>https://www.menofsignumcrucis.com/post/may-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."

"As mariners are guided into port by the shining of a star, so Christians are guided to heaven by Mary." Saint Thomas Aquinas

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