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GRAND KNIGHT’S MESSAGE:

Good day brother knights!

The Lenten season has arrived! So many of us look for what to give up each year, but I tend to look for what I can add to my life. As we enter this most important time of the year, let us reflect upon our callings and what we can “add” to our communities, our families and to our fellow brothers. A great way to kick this off will be with our upcoming Lenten Fish Fry on Friday, March 11th at Our Lady of Grace school cafeteria. Like in years past, we are asking for as many brothers as possible to assist in prep/service and cleaning afterwards. Not only is this fish fry a service to our church family, but it is vital to our mission to support our seminarian brothers. Please make every effort to attend and share in the fellowship. I also ask that our brothers pray for the Christians effected by the brutality happening in the Ukraine, praying for an end to the senseless bloodshed.

May God continue to bless each and every one of you.

GK Josh Myers

THE GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT

Skeptics love to come into our lives and say things like “Hey, I love your vision and passion; they’re great. But why risk it? Some people aren’t going to like it. You’ll probably get some negative feedback. You might make some people outright angry. If you offend somebody, why do what you’re called to do by God?”

Why give half your money away to the poor, if your family says, “That’s a stupid thing to do”? Why go ahead and keep doing what God’s called you to do when you might provoke the wrath of the skeptics around you? Why?

Because you’re not called to please man. You are called to please God. We see in the Bible that “Peter and the apostles answered, ‘We must obey God rather than men’” (*Acts 5:29, ESV*). You’re not here to make everybody happy with your decisions. Children of God, you must be willing to make tough decisions that sometimes go against the current and are unpopular. When you make those choices, not everybody will go along with you.

Some people might say, "In this economy, you starting your own business is the most foolish thing!" If God has told you to start your own business, though, you don't look at the economy. You don't listen to the skeptics' voices around you. You don't look at anything else except Jesus and where he's calling you.

Now in this economy I'd ask God twice, but I would say, "God, oh God, oh God, take away from me any residue of that spirit to appease man. God, rend my heart of that attitude that says, 'I want to make sure everybody around me likes me. I want to make sure everybody pats me on the back all the time.'" It's time that we get some spiritual gumption and say, "I don't care what man says about me. I don't care what the world thinks about this ridiculous faith-effort that I'm moving into because I'm going to obey God and not man."

Fear disobedience and the disapproval of God more than you do the disapproval of man. I'm going to listen to his voice, and I want him to speak over me, "Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master" (*Matthew 25:23*).

February IN REVIEW:

The Council held an O&D meeting February 7th. The Council business meeting was held February 21st at OLG.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

March 6-9th- OLG's Lenten Mission- Each evening from 7-8PM @ OLG Church

March 7th- O&D Meeting, 7:00 pm, at PLC, 2nd floor, OLG.

March 11th- Council 939's Annual Lenten Fish Fry @ OLG from 4PM-7PM. Dine-in or take-out. Please RSVP via SignUpGenius, by buying tickets or contacting the Grand Knight.

March 21st- Council Business Meeting, 7:30 pm, at Parish Hall, St. Benedict's.

HAVE YOU RECENTLY RETIRED? OR ARE WORKING REMOTELY?

Are you bored being stuck in the house? Perhaps you are looking for some place to volunteer? Why not think about St. Francis Springs Prayer Center. Our Council has actively volunteered since the Prayer Center was built. We volunteer ONE DAY PER MONTH, the first Monday of each month. We start about 9 am and are normally done by 1 pm. We take a break with refreshments around 10:30 am, then you will be fed an amazing lunch at 12 Noon, prepared by a staff member,

We are looking for both men and women to volunteer.

Please consider volunteering with us. Any questions regarding this can be directed to PGK Marshall Perry (336) 676-3900 or to Cynthia Perry (336) 288-6091.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society is looking forward to resuming its Furniture Ministry which picks up gently used furniture and household items and delivers them to families in need here in Greensboro. The Society operates two (2) box trucks, both equipped with lift gates and hand trucks. We meet each Wednesday at St. Benedict's Church starting at 8:30 AM and finish in the early afternoon. Each truck normally has three (3) to four (4) volunteers to facilitate the move of furniture. We are also interested in drivers. For additional information or if you are interested in volunteering, please contact either Larry D'Amelio at 336-294-0351 or John Corcoran at 336-288-9371

COUNCIL WEBSITE:

www.koc939.com

DISTRICT DEPUTY INPUT:

How best to E-Communicate

We all get a lot of messages every day. They mostly all happen in our phones. They are phone calls, voicemails, emails, texts. The combinations are daunting, and often very confusing for our fast work focused world.

When we can't communicate face-to-face, when should we use each of these electronic tools: phone call, email, text, and social media?

Phone call. Is tone and context important? Then don't send an email or text! Use a phone call when how you say something is just as important as the content of the message. Remember many older people are not up to using E-Coms. They need phone calls. Additionally, phone calls are very proactive—the passing of clear information from you to someone else, and from them to you.

Email. This E-Com is reactive. You want a response from someone when you send an email. If they don't respond, then you must pick up the phone and call them.

Before sending an email consider these items:

- Use email when you have action items.
- Will the message be more than a paragraph? Then email may not be the best channel.
- Do you need documentation of communication? Then email is the best channel.
 - Don't use email to escalate an issue.
 - What happens if someone forwards the email to the rest of the world? • Bullet points are your friends in an email.

Text. Use a text to communicate quickly: "Call me in 10 minutes." If you need to send someone an action item, then use email, not a text. Texts can get lost easily. Most phones don't queue text messages like emails, and once read, it's easy to forget them. Texts are convenient but not professional.

Not all communication channels are created equal. They serve different purposes and have different levels of urgency. Most importantly, each person will receive messages differently. If something is really important, pick up the phone and make a phone call. Then you are certain your communication is complete.

DD John Joyce, 336-814-5005 & DD24@kofcnc.org

FIELD AGENT COMMENTS:

March arrives and Lent begins on the very next day, March 2. We all know that Lent is the time of preparation for Easter. It begins on Ash Wednesday and ends with Holy Thursday. In order to prepare to celebrate the Lord's resurrection we are to exercise self-control and self-denial by fasting. We are encouraged to encounter Christ in the reading of Scripture, and we are to serve others by the giving of alms.

When I was a kid, the "go to" self-denial was giving up chocolate...made those chocolate Easter bunnies most tasty! I think a lot of us are creatures of habit when it comes to self-denial. We continue the same path, "giving up" the same things each year. Although self-denial is important as a practice, I've gotten a little older and a bit more introspective. I try to think of positive things to do rather than what I want to give up. Here are some of the things on a personal level that I'm going to try: Devote some time each day to reading Scripture. I'm not going to read whole books or commit to something I can't achieve, but for 10 minutes each day I'm going to read the Good Book. I think reading scripture every day is good habit to nurture.

Rather than "giving up" I'm going to try to "give away." It doesn't help anyone...other than me...if I give up chocolate again this year. But if I give away to the poor, that can have a positive effect on me and on someone else. God has blessed me with so many material blessings I can afford to part with some. And that includes money. I'm determined to be more generous this Lent.

As men of faith let's take advantage of some of the many program offerings during Lent. Some of these programs are done diocesan-wide, some at the local parish level, and many councils have special programs for prayer and reflection. If you are able perhaps you can lead or help lead a program at your council. I know for me, being involved with other men of faith strengthens me.

As we prepare spiritually for this new liturgical season of Lent, don't forget the temporal. Tempus fugit, memento mori! I am honored to carry on our blessed founder's vision of protecting Catholic families.

Vivat Jesus!

Ray Eveland

RECRUITING OPPORTUNITIES:

Whenever and wherever a Knights of Columbus meets a practicing Catholic man, eighteen years of age or older, there is an opportunity for recruiting a new Knights of Columbus. Wear your K of C nametag proudly, never reluctantly, and advertise for the Council.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES:

Brother Knights Our council has open positions that need to be filled. Please investigate your hearts and ask the Lord if any of these opportunities would be right for you.

L.A.M.B: Piedmont Council 939 requires a volunteer to assume the mantle of Council LAMB Director. A complete LAMB Training Manual is available for the Brother who steps forward to take charge thereby providing the necessary leadership to get our Council program rolling again.

COMMUNITY DIRECTOR: Coordinates the "First Responders" Awards Presentation and Dinner program. Coordinates the management of the 3rd hole at the Wyndham Golf Championship. Along with other Community programs. Expert training will be available.

ADVOCATE: Become familiar with the councils by laws and keeps the council from going off script.

Please contact the GK.

For further information or to volunteer please contact me:

Grand Knight Josh Myers Joshuanmyers@gmail.com 336-698-5601

WIDOWS PROGRAM:

We do not forget the widows of our fallen Brother Knights. Widows are invited to Council 939 social events as our guests.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

IF YOU HAVE SPECIFIC PRAYER REQUESTS, PLEASE PASS PRAYER REQUESTS TO THE GRAND KNIGHT AT HIS NUMBERS BELOW. APOLOGIES TO ANYONE OVERLOOKED IN THIS COUNCIL 939 NEWSLETTER.

Please keep the following in your prayers

Roy Berninger	Kathy Chapman	Lura Lyle
Dominic Brunozzi	Dick Morrison	Lysiak Family
Dan & Nancy Camia	Jacki Standen	Coble Family
Fran Geoff	Bob Englert	Marsicano Family
Jack Kealey	Mike Kenney	Coyle Family
Kneidl Family	Kitty Heath	Edwards Family
Tom O'Hanlon	Betty D'Amello	Johnny Stuart
Ernie and Cynthia Pancsofar	Antionette Cerrito	Harrison Korzekwinski
Brian Dubicki	Marshall Perry's Father	Fr. David Hyman
Gary Chapman	Eastwood Family	Sylvia Byrd
Jerry Byrd	Brady Family	
Siepak Family	Carol Walton	

DECORUM:

Always wear your nametag and carry your rosary.

Always stand, if physically able, to be recognized by the grand Knight remembering to render the hand salute at the beginning and at the end of the exchange.

If a name tag is needed, contact the Financial Secretary, Brother Chris Frank, email: frankchrisj@aol.com.

VIVAT JESUS:

Josh Myers, GK

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Annual Lenten Fish Fry!

March 11, 2022
Our Lady of Grace Catholic School Cafeteria
4:00 – 7:00 PM



**Fried Fish, Hush Puppies, Baked Potato,
Green Beans, Slaw and Dessert**

Adult Plate: \$10.00 Child Plate: \$5.00
Dine-in or Take Out!



Reservations at Sign Up Genius:

**OR: K of C Members will have tickets available after Mass
services!**