



THE KNIGHTLY NEWS

--A Newsletter for Brother Knights and Parishioners--

SARAH POST RECEIVES --FR. MARK T. GALLIPEAU MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



The first recipient of our Fr. Mark T. Gallipeau Memorial Scholarship is Sarah Elizabeth Post. Sarah is an active member of Holy Rosary parish. She is the daughter of Jerome and Lori Post, one of five siblings. A graduate of Lewis County High School, Sarah is a member of the National Honor Society, a 4-sport athlete, chanticleer choir member and St Peter Chanel [Marist missionary]

award winner. She is an alter server, greeter, and assists at parish activities. The Fr. Mark scholarship recognizes Sarah's strong faith in action, academic achievement and Catholic charity. Fr. Joe expressed his support for her, recognizing the practice of her Catholic faith in the willingness to assist in parish and family life. She will be attending Fairmont State University, majoring in Business Administration. The Knights are pleased to present this four-year scholarship to Sarah, and wish her our best in her educational pursuit. We, also, wish the other applicants well, and thank them for their submittals. The scholarship is awarded in memory of our twelfth Pastor Fr. Mark T. Gallipeau. Sarah and her family thanked the Knights for the scholarship.



Scholarship winner Sarah Post with her parents, Jerome and Lori, Fr. Joe and Brother Knights Mike Ashley, John Fitzsimmons, and Mike Gasper

Knights Join Parish in Congratulating CONFIRMATION CLASS



Bishop Michael J. Bransfield confirmed the thirty-five youth in the 2018 confirmation class at St. Brendan's in mid-May. An honor guard of Sir Knights led the Bishop and confirmands into church. The Knights also joined the parish in presenting the youth with several gifts, including a handcraft bowl made by Brother Patsy Ricottelli. The Knights congratulated them as they strengthened their faith with



Sir Knights and Bishop Bransfield (above) Council Commander Sir Larry Pnakovich with Sir Knights John Vallelonga, Tyke Kyle Jim Leombruno, Bob Hammer, Jim Guire and Neil Williams (below)

gift of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation.

COUNCIL SUPPORTS/REMEMBERS MOTHERS ON THEIR DAY

The Knights honored all Mothers, our wives, grandmothers, and women of our parishes by presenting them with a carnation as a symbol of our appreciation. The Knights also helped and contributed to a Mother's Day breakfast at Holy Rosary and St. Patrick parishes. Fr. Joe presented the carnations at Holy Rosary, Deacon Raymond at St. Anne's Mission in Webster Springs and Brother Knights presented them at St. Brendan.



"HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY"

"Let us entrust ourselves to Mary (Our Mother) so that she may teach us to have the same maternal spirit toward our brethren, with a sincere capacity to accept, forgive, give strength and infuse trust and hope." --Pope Francis

MEMORIAL DAY FLAGS—REMEMBERING OUR VETERANS



Memorial Day gives us all a chance to remember those who served our country. Sir Knights of the Our Lady of the Mountains assembly placed American flags at the gravesites of these veterans in the St. Brendan and Kingsville cemeteries.



The flags remained in place for a fortnight. As the Sir Knights walked between the gravestones, they remembered friends and family members, and the wars in which they served. From WWI to Korea, Viet Nam and others, veterans served around the world for our freedom. Memorial Day began after the Civil War, and flags are placed on graves from Gettysburg, Flander's Field, Arlington and other National Cemeteries to cemeteries like ours throughout the world. Let us take the chance to say a prayer for those who made the ultimate sacrifice and to thank a veteran for their service.

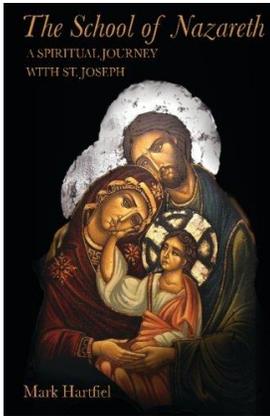
FAITH IN ACTION—FAITH, FAMILY, COMMUNITY & LIFE

—A NEW MODEL for a NEW AGE

The Knights "Surge with Service" program has served the Order well for nearly 50 years. This coming year, a new program model will take effect. All of our activities will be conducted in FOUR program areas, **FAITH, FAMILY, COMMUNITY and LIFE** under the umbrella of "Faith in Action". They will be intergrated into the "Building the Domistic Church" initiative, and make them the foundation of our Council life. For Supreme recognition of the Columbian Award, the Council will need to complete four activities in each of the four categories. There will be nine new programs introduced to better intergrate Council, Parish, and Family activities, so as to strenthen our parishes. The **NEW PROGRAMS**: Spiritual Reflections, Sacramental Gifts, Holy Hour, Family Prayer Night, Good Friday promotion, Helping Hands, Novena for Life, Pregnancy Center support and Mass for People with Special Needs.

THE SCHOOL OF NAZARETH

SPIRITUAL JOURNEY WITH SAINT JOSEPH



During the past year a group of Knights and parishioners of Holy Rosary gathered weekly to discuss their role as fathers and Catholic men. They started with "That Man Is You", a program challenging them to become a man after God's own heart. They continued with a Lenten journey, and now, the group identified the book,

"**The School of Nazareth**", a reflection of St. Joseph and his role as the step-father of Jesus and husband of Mary. St. Joseph lived on earth for about thirty years, In this book, we join St. Joseph in a thirty day spiritual journey to assist our growth as a Catholic man, husband and father. St. John Paul II said "The Holy Family is the beginning of countless other holy families", This summer the group plans to review and discuss this book, and continuing their journey to become a man after God's own heart. They will be meeting on Saturdays at 9:00 at Holy Rosary, and the Knights hope to expand these and other spiritual reflection to others.

KUDOS...

- ◆**Brother Sean Kelly**: for helping in the cleaning of the St. Brendan baptismal font.
- ◆**Allyson Strothers, Erin Collins and Chloe Helzer**: for having their Substance Abuse posters forwarded by the State Council to Supreme for International competition.
- ◆**Brother Mike Ashley** for chairing the Tootsie Roll drive in Buckhannon, assisted by **Brothers Mike Gasper and Jim Shimbo**
- ◆**Brothers Bob Hammer, Joe Super, Larry Pnakovich, Mike Kerns and George Hudak with Rick Holcome and Mary Hederman** for mowing the cemetery for Memorial Day.

BROTHER KNIGHTS CONSTRUCT RAILING SECTION



Brothers Tom Staud and Ken Hanscom built and installed two sections of lattice railings at St. Brendan. The Council helped by purchasing the material for the two new sections. And Brothers Tom and Ken took it from there, to construct and install them.

May is the month of Mary...

“MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH”



Earlier this month, Pope Francis announced a new feast day of MARY, “Mary Mother of the Church”. In his decree, he said, this title of Our Lady, has its origins with the early Church Fathers: St. Ambrose in the 4th century, whose Mariology Fr. Hugo Rahner rediscovered and brought it to light; St. Augustine, “who said, that Mary is the mother of the members of Christ, because with charity she cooperated in the rebirth of the faithful into the Church; and Pope St. Leo the Great said, “that the birth of the Head is also the birth of the body, thus indicating that Mary is at once Mother of Christ, the Son of God, and mother of the members of his Mystical Body, which is the Church”. The Knights have long honored Mary and incorporated her message and prayed to her in many of our programs, including our Marian Icon program and the “Running of the Silver Rose” (Our



Lady of Guadalupe). Both of which the Council will carry-out later this summer. The Icon program began in 1979, and have had 17 images of Mary through the years, including “Our Lady of Guadalupe”, patroness of the Americas thrice and the Holy

Family twice. The recent image of the Holy Family by Giovanni Balestra highlights our prayer program for families. *“Mary, Mother of the Church & Queen of Knights, Pray for us.”*

UPCOMING ACTIVITES:

- ▶ **Council #603 Monthly Meeting:** Tuesday June 12th, at 6:30 in the St. Brendan parish hall
- ▶ **Admissions Degree (1st):** Sunday June 9th or 24th in Weston, details to be announced
- ▶ **Our Lady of the Mountains, Assembly #3159:** No July Meeting, August, Tuesday the 7th at 6:30PM in the St. Brendan parish hall.

LOOK AHEAD:

- ▶ **Knights Family Week:** August 12-19th
- ▶ **Father McGivney Anniversary:** Born August 12, 1852—Died August 14, 1890
- ▶ **Silver Rose Run:** in mid-August, details later
- ▶ **Officer Installation:** TBS

WVU-SEASON TICKET CHANCES AVAILABLE--“ASK ANY KNIGHT”

The Knights are offering everyone opportunity to purchase a chance to win a pair of season tickets to this fall’s WVU-football games.

For a \$5.00 donation the purchaser has a chance to win a pair of season tickets, and a second prize of another pair of season tickets. The drawing will be held two-weeks before the first home game. Brother John Vallelonga will be selling tickets after the Saturday mass, and brother Roger Ware or another Knight will be selling after the Sunday Mass. The profits will help the State Council with their programs, and the Elkins Council will receive a share for their charitable activities.



MEMBERSHIP IN KNIGHTS...

“JOIN TODAY” Recruit a new member today or ask about membership. **WHY?** To **Deepen your faith:** with access to a wealth of spiritual resources to become a better Catholic man, husband and father, with membership you get access to knight.net and receive the Columbian magazine. To **Protect your family:** with exclusive access to our top-quality portfolio of financial products, a dedicated Brother Knight field agent and eligibility to K of C life insurance, disability income and long-term care insurance, and family fraternal benefits. To **Serve others:** make an impact, support or participate in charitable programs by putting coats on kids, giving food to families and helping in disaster relief. To **Defend your values:** standing-up for the unborn and the dignity of human life, the support your church and fighting for religious freedom. Consider yourself ASKED, contact a Knight today, or join online at KofC.org/JoinUs. *“You are born a man, you become a Knight”.*

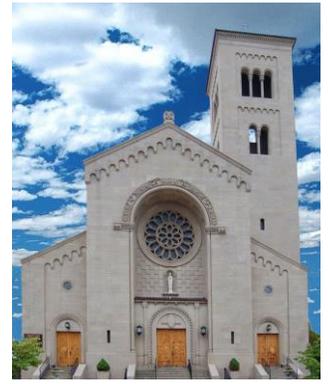
COUNCIL & ASSEMBLY

ELECTIONS IN JUNE

The Council and Assembly will begin a new fraternal year in July. As the current year, concludes, our Grand Knight presented a report of our accomplishments at the WV-State Convention. Our new officers will be highlighted in our next issue, along with a reflection of the past year’s accomplishments. Appointments of Program Chairmen will be made in July, we will be looking for a few good men.

ELKINS COUNCIL JOINS OTTHERS AT THE... 116th WV-STATE COUNCIL CONVENTION IN CLARKSBURG

The West Virginia Knights of Columbus' annual State convention was hosted by the Clarksburg Council. The weekend began with a registration reception on Friday evening at their Council home. That evening, the Columbian Mentally Handicapped Foundation and the West Virginia's State Knights of Columbus Scholarship committee held their meeting. On Saturday morning, Worthy State Deputy Scott Nale called the convention business meeting to order with a prayer lead by State Church Chairman Helgi Nelson and the pledge allegiance to the flag. The roll call of Councils, Chairman and Officers was conducted by the State Secretary with Grand Knight John Meader and Brothers Frank Koenig, Mark Joseph and Tom Coffman (DD-4) representing the Elkins Council. State Chaplain Fr. John Rice gave his report via skype, discussing Pentecost Sunday and the works of mercy of the Knights. The State Deputy showed a welcoming video of Supreme Knight Carl Anderson opening remarks to the delegates. He highlighted our record year of charitable giving and membership and insurance growth. He discussed the new programs, 4th Degree regalia and younger membership. Supreme Representative Robert Ennis, Canadian Membership/Program Director emphasized the strengthen and growth of WV charitable programs, highlight the new service programs. State Program Director, Brother Mike McDougle, PSD, presented a power point on the new programs of Faith, Family, Community and Life as part of Building the Domestic Church. Councils need to complete four activities in each of these four program areas with two required activities. He added that a new SP-7 Columbian Award for will be available. Brother Ned Sawyer of the Kingwood Council gave an overview of our Cross Catholic, Food for Families' project, which took place at Camp Dawson. Carmen Romano gave the report of the MHF, encouraging participation by all Councils, and announced the grant winners of which the WV-Autism center in Elkins was one. State Scholarship Chairman, Anthony Paletta report on the State Scholarships and announce the 2018 winner, Brother Dylan McCullough of Clarksburg, who will be attending WVU. Brother Mike Sarcopski reported on our membership status, needing 29 new members to reach goal and the new Online Membership, which will be available for all West Virginia Catholic men to join later this month. Our General Agent Brother Mike Burkitt introduced the Field Agents and expressed the importance of meeting with their agent and that all officers should set the example by being an Insurance member. State Treasurer Frank Koenig presented the 2018-2019 State budget, stressing the importance of all Council participating in the State raffles for vocations, Football Frenzy for Catholic Schools and the WVU season ticket raffle for operating costs. State Advocate Mike Stanger reminded everyone to keep the Safe Environment training current, and State Warden Dave Torlone handed out the WVU raffle tickets, reminding everyone of the proper process to submit funds and tickets. The business session was closed for the day with prayer, as delegates headed to Immaculate Conception church for the Rosary prior to the 4:30 Mass. Each State Officer and their wife lead a decade preceded by a reading on Our Lady of Guadalupe. Fr Casey celebrated the mass. The convention attendees then returned to the ballroom for the annual banquet and award ceremony. State Deputy presented the State Awards, which was live streamed through facebook. The six Council program awards were present, as were DD of year-Sam Gross, District-2; Family of the Year-Doug and Teresa White, Clarksburg, and Knight of Year-Sande "Bear" Genung, Beckley. The Sunday morning business meeting was opened with the rosary, and the reading into the record of the awards and the necrology. Resolutions and by-laws were updated and approved. All State Office were re-elected to their respective positions and delegates elected to the Supreme Convention in Baltimore in August. The delegates included SD-Scott Nale, IPSD Jerry Somazze, Clarksburg Grand Knight Doug White and Brother Jack Walsh. After reports of the appreciation, budget, good of the order committee, and past state deputies, the meeting was closed with prayer. The 2019 WV-State Council Convention will be in Morgantown, hosted by Council #8288 St. John University.



Immaculate Conception Church, 4th Degree Honor Guard Sir Knights Gross and Lamb (l), Brother Frank and Joann (r) , Fathers Casey and Rice.