



NEWSLETTER



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A Message from the Grand Knight:

With this writing we are squarely in the middle of our Lenten season. We thank Father Stephen Karani for making room in his busy schedule to distribute Ashes for our Council #207 family and appreciate his faithful words of support and encouragement.

It is easy to lose track of what Lent is, and can be, so we offer this as a wonderful reminder.

During the season of Lent in 1917, in the small village of Fatima, Portugal, a young girl named Jacinta Marto, just seven years old, experienced profound visions of the Virgin Mary alongside her brother Francisco and cousin Lucia. These apparitions called for prayer, penance, and conversion to bring peace to a world torn by war. Inspired by the messages, Jacinta embraced Lent-like sacrifices year-round, offering up her sufferings—including a painful illness from the Spanish flu—for the conversion of sinners and peace. Despite her youth and frailty, she prayed the Rosary daily, fasted, and even wore a rough rope around her waist as an act of mortification, all while radiating joy and love for God. Her unwavering faith transformed her short life into a beacon of hope, leading to her canonization as a saint in 2017. Jacinta's story reminds us that even small acts of devotion during Lent can foster immense spiritual growth and contribute to healing in the world.

While we may not all experience this level of conversion, let us all strive to be better Catholics, and in improving ourselves, also improve the lives of those we encounter daily.

Important Information: Insurance Matters – Field Agent Jerry Antosh

Brothers Knights: I am excited to share that the Knights of Columbus Insurance program began the year with a bang by increasing the dividend scale for its eligible participating policy holders. As a veteran benefits representative with the order, I have shared many ideas and strategies that have been helpful to Brother Knights and their families. The K of C offers life insurance, retirement, extended care and disability income programs. I offer a complimentary needs analysis which I recommend taking advantage of. If you are interested in seeing how I can add value to your programs, kindly contact me at 315-730-0811 or Jerry.Antosh@KofC.org

Sincerely and fraternally, Jerry Antosh



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Upcoming Events

- Saturday, February 28, 3pm Whiskey Raffle Drawing will be held at A T Walley. Proceeds benefit our joint K of C/AOH "United in Service" fundraiser for St. Alphonsus Food Pantry. Tickets are 1 for \$5 or 3 for \$10 and are available at Council.
- Monday, March 9, 6 pm Ladies Auxiliary Monthly Meeting.
- Thursday, March 26, 7 pm: Monthly Members Meeting (All members in good standing are welcome), preceded at 6:30 pm by Rosary service, ALL are welcome.
- Saturday, March 28, 2 pm - ? Joint Knights of Columbus Council #207/Ancient Order of Hibernians "United in Service" fundraiser for St. Alphonsus Food Pantry. Tickets are \$25. The event will start 2-5 pm at the Knights of Columbus where you will get a free drink (up to \$5), appetizers, and we will have basket raffles. We will then proceed to the AOH from 5 pm - ?, where you will get another free drink (up to \$5) AND a PRIME RIB DINNER! Basket raffles will be available, and live music will be keeping the party going. Each organization has 50 tickets, and they will definitely go fast, so get yours at Council chambers while they last.
- The Knights of Columbus 207 Ladies Auxiliary Scholarship, valued at \$500 each, will be awarded to two well-rounded high school seniors and/or continuing education adults who have consistently demonstrated a Christian attitude, through word and example, and are actively involved in their parish, school, and community. Interested individuals should contact their guidance counselor for an application. Deadline is April 24th.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally yours,
David Pappert
Grand Knight, Knights of Columbus – Council 207



Importance of Paying Annual Membership Dues

Our members are the backbone of our organization, and since 1897, have been a force for good in our community. Our 2026 Membership Dues bills are due, and we request that you mail or Venmo your dues as soon as possible. Council #207 pays Supreme & NY State dues for each of our members, so staying up to date matters! Any questions, please call Financial Secretary Paul Ringwood at (315) 246-6963.

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