



# Newsletter May 2020

## Port Clinton Knights of Columbus Council 1750

### Message from the Grand Knight,

Brother Knights of Council #1750, Gentleman since this Corvid-19 has settled into our community, it has given us plenty to pray for. It has consumed almost every aspect in our daily lives and burden us with complex hurdles to overcome. I applaud everyone for their miraculous efforts to reach deep into their souls to make the sacrifices for their families and neighbors. You are all pillars of our church and this community. We must work thru this; it is too late to blame anyone. As we move forward to make some normalcy in our order. This month of May we will try to have a business meeting by the means of ZOOM (social networking and video app) . Another email will be sent out to all email addresses to give you a time to connect to the program. It is not hard, just have to be patient and follow the prompts. To make it easier download the app or program early, it is free.

Cash Bonanza raffle ticket sales are continuing. The message I have heard from Deputy Grand Knight Ed Verkin is very encouraging and great. I cannot wait to hear his report. There is still time to get in on the raffles. Second turn-in is at the end of May. Last report from the State office in regards to the actual drawings will be held in June, since the turn-ins are backed up at this time.

Our scholarship team has taken up the task once again of choosing candidates for our scholarship money to be handed out to two lucky Seniors of the class of 2020. The presentation will be held late May. A confirm Letter will be sent out to us that will confirm time and dates for presenting by Grand Knight and Deputy Grand Knight will be in attendance to present the scholarships.

Right now, we need to have nominations of officers this month and look to have elections in the month of June. I look for the input of our Trustees for guidance as we proceed in uncharted waters to accomplish this in a timely matter.

Any and all special committees please have reports ready for the May business meeting. I want everyone to have access to all information that you have, in a short period of time.

Brothers please keep yourselves safe and healthy. These are trying times for sure and difficult enough because of all the unknowns that are ahead of us. Every day changes are being made in hopes to avoid the virus. If anyone needs something please contact me or another Brother Knight for assistance. Don't feel you are alone. We are strong with our faith in Christ and the faith of each other as a Knight of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus

Paul Messerly Grand Knight #1750

### Calendar of Events

- May 5<sup>th</sup> – Business Meeting Teleconference 7:30 pm
- May 22<sup>th</sup> – Cash Bonanza tickets final turn-in

<b>May Birthdays</b>	
John MacDonald	5/3
James Wisler	5/4
Joe Brenner	5/5
Brandon Fitt	5/9
Tom Krupp	5/9
Dan Schade	5/14
Dave Johnson	5/22
Tom Mallory	5/29
Curtis Baxter	5/30

## ***The Chaplain's Corner***

Brother Knights,

Is it a blessing, or is it a curse? As the world remains in "lockdown", we ask, how could this happen? Is God chastising us? Are we reaping the fruit of sin? Is God really there?

The two disciples on the road to Emmaus certain asked themselves a similar question. They could not imagine that anything like that could possibly happen. The events surrounding the passion of Jesus were just too horrible for such a good man. Yet it was only out of the unjust conviction of Jesus, his terrible crucifixion, and death, that freedom was won.

It is a mystery and a paradox that evil, suffering, and injustice can bring about joy, happiness, and new life, even everlasting life.

Brothers, I submit to you that this coronavirus creates a golden moment for the Knights of Columbus. It has the potential to give us purpose. I submit to you that this is a blessing, not a curse. In the midst of this trial, we are the suffering servant, and Jesus is in our midst. Jesus promised at the last supper that he will never leave us desolate, nor will he during this coronavirus outbreak. We believe this as Knights, and we stand firm as men who trust in Jesus in all things.

As we commit ourselves to serve, won't our hearts burn within us, as it did for those two disciples who unknowingly ate and drank with Jesus himself? We stand firm as brothers, as Knights of Columbus, sons of the Father, sons of Mary, brothers of Jesus, and temples of the Holy Spirit.

God bless,

*Deacon Maury J. Hall*

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