

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 9139  
December, 2014



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Kevin Ahlers, Grand Knight



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## Grand Knight's Message Kevin Ahlers, Grand Knight



Brother Knights and families,

I hope each and everyone of you had a very Happy Thanksgiving and have a very safe and joyous holiday season. I am truly grateful for the dedication and hard work of this council.

Turkey Bingo has come and gone. Thanks to Jack Kirscher and all Brother Knights that helped make it a huge success. Thank you to all who participated in serving breakfast at Sharing and Caring Hands. Also, a special thank you to Dave Whatmuff and all who helped with our membership drive. I would like to welcome our new Brother Knights and their families to our council.

As Christmas approaches let us never forget the true "reason for the season" and that is Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. May the Grace and Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the

love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you and your families.

**Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas!**

## CHRISTMAS CARDS

Council 9139 has Christmas Cards for purchase. They will be available at all council events and in the gift shop. The prices range from \$6.00 for a box of 12 cards to \$12.00 for a box of 18 cards. We also have a few Christmas seals available for purchase. For further information or to place an order contact Jack Barr at 763.425.8065.

## Turkey Bingo

I wish to thank all my helpers for your great work in making Turkey Bingo the success we experienced. We showed a profit of over \$1800.

Thanks also to the food crew, we had a long line of people come over after the 5 p.m. mass. Food was very tasty. Without all of you we would not be the team we are and need.

Jack Kirscher, chairman



Pastoral Minister, Margaret Schauer holds a \$400 check for Thanksgiving baskets for St. Vincent's.

## Communion Breakfast



Brother Knights! Please plan on attending the Osseo/Maple Grove Knights of Columbus Communion Breakfast at St. Vincent de Paul's Regan Hall on Sun., Dec. 14 starting with the 9 a.m. Mass. A great menu of sausage, eggs, hashbrowns, waffles, fruit, coffee & juice or milk will be served.

You and your family are welcome. A free will offering will be accepted to defray the cost of the delicious food.

Please plan to attend the Mass and join us for breakfast. A section in the church will be reserved for members and their families, check with the ushers when you arrive at church.

Kevin Ahlers, Lee Bilbro chairmen

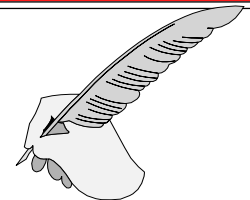


## "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster & coloring contest

We are in the midst of the "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster/coloring contest. Religious education and St. Vincent's school students grades K-6 are eligible.

Posters will be judged on Dec. 11th. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place will receive awards. The winning posters/colored pictures will be displayed in the church gathering area.

## From the Chaplain



Fr. Michael Barsness, Chaplain

Dear Brother Knights and families,

The Lord breaks across enemy lines this Christmas and we prepare the way in Advent! The reality of our life here on earth is both a pilgrimage and battle in a strange land. It is certainly an adventure where, while the Lord has won the battle, (the war) but not here in our hearts. We have to celebrate and prepare because in our own lives there is a battle being waged in our own souls.

The devil knew the Lord would destroy his plans and sought to kill Him from his first entry into this world of his reign. We need to prepare our hearts to receive the Christ child born to die to come into our very being. To allow his kingdom to conquer and reign, our baptism accomplished this and we need to root out sin where ever we see it. Sin is the enemy's greatest achievement as it separates us from our Lord and King. As I write this we approach the feast of Christ the King of the universe!

Yes, Jesus is such a King but let us think of ways or attitudes that might be blocking his reign in our families. Do we run our lives by the practice calendar, or the Church calendar, as it is one way Jesus tries to break into our lives guiding us to greater communion? This is one way of assessing whether Christ is truly King.

Do we listen to the media who (maybe unknowingly) is under the reign of Satan and his minions? We just considered the family and the media wanted us to think that the church had changed its mind on the Family and marriage. A beautiful example of how this is not true is the Humanum series put out by

the Vatican. Check it out and let it inspire you with the beauty of the family. The website is <http://humanum.it/en/videos/#marriage>.

God is King, let him reign!!  
To Jesus through Mary, Happy Advent and Merry Christmas!3

## Guest speaker

Kelly Hayes, will be our guest speaker following our Dec. 2 membership meeting. She is a parish member and Coordinator of Youth Ministry at St. Vincent de Paul. Kelly is a very busy lady as she does a local mission in our community like Sr. Laurice did. Kelly is a very good speaker with lots of charm and information, good photos too.

December is the Christmas season for treats, goodies and sandwiches at our December meeting.

Don Pfau, Lecturer

## Calendar of Events

Rosary every Tuesday evening in the Cry room at 6:30 p.m.

- Dec. 2, Membership meeting, 1st degree, 7 p.m.
- Dec. 8, Immaculate Conception
- Dec. 14, Communion Breakfast
- Dec. 23, Plan. meeting 7 p.m.
- Dec. 25, Merry christmas
- Jan. 4, Membership Dinner
- Jan. 11, Coffee & Co.



## 2014 dues billing

The dues billing for the 2015 council year will be in the mail in early December. The bills will again total \$32.00. Council dues remain at \$24.00 plus a requested donation of \$2.00 each for Pennies for Seminarians, the Jim Campbell Fund, Culture of Life and the Minnesota Student Loan Fund. Please pay your dues promptly. If you are not able to donate to these charities, please pay \$24 to maintain your membership.

Honorary members (age 65 and over with 25 years of continuous service) will be billed \$20.00. \$12.00 dues plus the \$8.00 for requested donations.

Honorary Life members (age 70 and over with 25 years of continuous service) will not receive a billing. We always welcome donations from Honorary and Honorary Life members for the worthy causes mentioned above. Your membership card will be included in the mailing with the Minnesota Knights raffle tickets, if you wish to purchase them.

If you are experiencing a financial hardship, please contact the Grand Knight to discuss deferring your dues for one year. Our council does have a financial hardship policy, but the member must make that request of the Grand Knight, Kevin Ahlers, 763-427-2330 or email: [kaahlers@comcast.net](mailto:kaahlers@comcast.net).

If you have any questions, please give me a call at 763-712-5457.

Sean Olmstead, FS

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**Seminarion reports**

**Deacon Jake Anderson**

This past May I was ordained a transitional Deacon at St. Mary's Basilica in Minneapolis and subsequently was given a summer deacon assignment at St. Stephen's in Anoka. During the 12 weeks I was there, I engaged in a fair amount of diverse work—preaching, teaching Bible studies, baptizing, assisting at Masses, burying the dead, being present with the youth etc. I can honestly say that it was a highlight of 5 years of seminary. I think this is a good sign!

I am now back at the seminary for my 6th and final year. The courses in this final year tend to be of a more practical nature, such as pastoral counseling, preaching, etc. I am gratefully taking it all in as I realize this is the one time in the my life to devote fully to the study of the faith. It really is a gift.

Again, I so appreciate you reaching out and offering assistance on behalf of the KC's. My seminary address is still the same:

*In Christ, Deacon Jake*

**Bryce Evans**

The year has gone well since we were last in touch. After finishing up the second semester of Theology I in the spring, I spent the summer volunteering with the chaplain's office at the VA medical center in Minneapolis. This was an incredibly rich and privileged experience, that offered plenty of opportunities for growth in the Lord's service. Unfortunately, it was cut short for me due to a recurrence of concussive symptoms that forced me to take some weeks of rest. With that rest, however, I was able to recover and am now enjoying the academic load of Theology II.

Any support your council can offer me would be most welcome, as we seminarians can always use assistance, especially after some medical bills. However, if you find another seminarian who is in greater need, that is fine too.

*Thanks & God Bless, Bryce Evans*

**"40 Days for Life"**

The Planned Parenthood Abortion facility where "40 Days for Life" got its start ten years ago closed last year! The building will now become the national headquarters for "40 Days for Life" going forward.

God works in amazing ways! Keep the prayers coming.

PS: for some of you this may be a duplicate note. Sorry.

Duane Crosland



Marty Carman presented Mary Jo Copeland from Sharing and Caring Hands a check for \$1000 from the proceeds of the breakfast on Sept. 28. Pictured are (left to right) Vicki Bilbro, Mary Jo, Marty, Kyleigh & Miranda Olmstead.

Below left to right, Judy Carman, Vicki, Lee and Rebecca Bilbro.



**Obituaries**

**Bernie Bartos**

Bernard Bartos, age 92, died Oct. 27, 2014. He was a member of St. Mary of the Lake and St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Churches and a member of Knights of Columbus Council 9139 and many other organizations. Bernie was also a Past Grand Knight of our council.

Memorial Mass was Monday, November 3, 11:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Parish Center, New Hope.

**Leroy LaVallee**

LeRoy Daniel LaVallee, age 82, died Oct. 20, 2014. LeRoy was a lifelong resident of Osseo. He was a member of the Osseo Lions, Knights of Columbus and St. Vincent de Paul.

Memorial Mass was 11 a.m. Friday, October 24, at The Church of St. Vincent de Paul, Brooklyn Park.



Dave Whatmuff (right) receives Past GK award from GK Kevin Ahlers.



Sean Olmstead (right) receives Past GK award from GK Kevin Ahlers.