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## Grand Knight's Message Sean Olmstead, Grand Knight



Brother Knights and families,

Hopefully we have made it through the worst of our winter. I will appreciate the soup and grilled cheese Fridays during lent even more this year.

As I was looking for inspiration for this month's letter, there were articles by our Supreme Chaplain and our Supreme Knight that stuck with me.

Archbishop Lori's article in February's Chaplain's report, "Three Keys to Manhood"

stood out not only because of its title, but his reflection on St. Joseph, the husband of Mary. The keys were taken from an address by Pope Francis, he referred to St. Joseph as "an admirable model of those many virtues of quiet strength, integrity and fidelity which the Knights of Columbus are committed to preserving, cul-

tivating and passing on to future generations of Catholic men."

Supreme Knight Carl Anderson's article in February's Columbia magazine was, "A Personal Challenge." This article also had links to Pope Francis and made me reflect on what I need to do to make our council welcoming. The article closed by stating,

"It is also the responsibility of every Knight to deepen his fraternal communion with true charity and unity, so that who-

ever encounters the Knights of Columbus will encounter a community of brothers motivated by the joy of the Gospel."

As we carry our Rosaries and pray our Hail Marys during lent, let our intentions include asking St. Joseph for the grace to grow in these virtues of manhood and that through our charity and unity we continue to build a welcoming community of Knights.

I hope to see you all for soup and grilled cheese.

*May God continue to bless the Knights of Columbus.*

## Easter Ham Bingo is back

St. Vincent de Paul school along with the Knights of Columbus is bringing back Ham Bingo!

Mark your calendar for Saturday, April 12 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Plan on stopping by St. Vincent's gym after the 5 p.m. mass and try to win a ham for your Easter celebration. Sloppy joes, hot dogs, chips, soda, candy and coffee will be available for purchase. Ham Bingo will be hosted by St. Vincent student-athletes.

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Brent Otto

## From the Chaplain

Fr. Kevin Magner, Chaplain



Fellow Knights and families,  
**Ashes to Ashes**

As we begin this new month of March, we in the Church also begin a new liturgical season: Lent. Lent, as always, begins with the celebration of Ash Wednesday. It never fails to amaze me how many people turn out to attend Mass on Ash Wednesday, even though it isn't a holy day of obligation, although I think many people believe it is. But it is good to see so many people attend Mass on Ash Wednesday so that they can hear the call to repentance, which is what Lent is all about.

Lent begins with the practice of receiving ashes on our foreheads. This is meant to be a physical sign of doing penance and recalls the ancient practice of wearing sackcloth and ashes as a physical mortification in order to seek spiritual comfort and deliverance. We see this in the Old Testament examples of Job (Job 2:8), Mordecai (Esther 4:1-3), and the King of Nineveh (Jonah 3:6).

As we receive ashes we are told one of two admonitions: "Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel", or "Remember that you are dust, and unto dust you shall return." The former is the Lenten call to repentance and the latter is the older and more traditional phrase that reminds us of our human mortality. Ashes are a sign of death and deterioration. They are all that remain of palm branches that were once healthy and alive. We are each aware that we have a body that will one day die. As sinful people

facing the prospect of death, we ask, "What can we do?" The first admonition of Ash Wednesday gives us the answer: Repent. Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel.

When we repent of our sins we turn, of course, to God, the source of all mercy and compassion. We humbly admit that we have turned away from Him because of our own pride and we admit that we are nothing without Him. This is the central focus of Lent—to spend this 40-day period continually reminding ourselves of how much we need to depend on God to keep us on the path of holiness.

The mood of Lent is solemn. We begin with a reminder of our own mortality and sinfulness, the liturgical color of the season is a somber violet, and the church decorations are kept to a minimum. But in spite of the grave nature of the season there is still a sense of hope for us because we know that grimness of Lent will end with the glory of Easter. We receive ashes as a symbol of death but they are put on our foreheads in the shape of a cross. It is a wonderful paradox that these two symbols give us. Even though we are sinners facing death, we are redeemed sinners through the cross of Jesus Christ. Even though our bodies will one day turn to ash, our souls will live through our faith in Jesus our Lord.

My hope for us all is to enter into this Lent with a renewed sense of our need for repentance but also with a renewed faith of our redemption through Jesus Christ.

## Guest speaker

March 4 we'll have a guest speaker, her name is Jen Messing. She will tell us how to love God. Well . . . that's what I thought too. I've been loving God since I can remember, but she has a new concept about love. Jen was referred to me by Dustin Stebbins. Good referral Dustin. See you there.

Don Pfau

## Calendar of Events

Rosary every Sat. at 10 a.m. at the Robbinsdale Abortion Clinic, 3819 West Broadway, Robbinsdale.

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

March 4, Membership meet., 7 p.m.

March 5, Ash Wednesday

March 15, Major degree, No. St. Paul

March 21, Stations of the Cross

March 22, Regional FT contest

March 25, Planning meeting, 7 p.m.

March 28-29 & April 5-6, State

Bowling Tournament

March 29, State FT contest



## Looking for a tax deduction?

• Don't sell your car, DONATE IT!!  
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We even take vehicles with rust, oil leaks and dents no problem. Call Brother Knight Paul Greninger 763-425-7316 for details on how to donate. Thank you for those who have.

## Italian Dinner

Save the date of Saturday, March 29 for our fundraiser dinner for Women-Source and Feed My Starving Children. We will have an Italian themed evening with plenty of food. As of this printing the menu is being worked out with St. Vincent's catering service. Look for details in the St Vincent's bulletins leading up to that weekend.

To volunteer to help that night please call Robert Moreland (763-557-0874) or Tom Clifford (763-420-5224).

## Stations of the Cross

KC Council 9139 is leading the Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 21. Join us for St. Vincent's Lenten Supper in Regan Hall and then pray the Stations with us. If you haven't seen the way our council does the Stations make sure you join us that evening. If you would like to read a station or carry the cross at one of them give me a call at 763-425-2314.

Tom Heltemes

## State KC Bowling Tournament

The State Knights of Columbus Bowling Tournament will be held at the Apple Place Bowl, 14917 Garrett Ave. in Apple Valley. It will the weekends of March 29-30 and April 5-6. For more info call Tom Heltemes, 763-425-2314.

## Dues reminder!!

The 2014 annual dues billing second notice has been sent. If you haven't paid your dues yet, please do so now. Otherwise it will be necessary for a member of the retention committee to call. 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, Sean Olmstead, 712-5457.

If any Brother Knight is leaving town for a few months and would like to continue receiving the Leaflet or you have a change of address please e-mail me at: funkx012@umn.edu

Russ Funk, 420-5527



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Deadline for the newsletter is the 15th of each month. If any Brother Knight has any information to be published, please feel free to mail it to me at 9955 Pilgrim Way, Maple Grove or e-mail it to: tom@heltemes.com

**DIRECTORS** please get me an article before your event & following the event to keep all members informed.  
--Tom Heltemes, Editor--425-2314

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**Seminarians**  
*Jake Anderson*

Originally, I am from Baldwin Wisconsin (Packer fan!). Growing up, we (myself, 6 sisters and 3 brothers) lived and worked on the home business which was a large plant nursery operation owned by my dad. Following high school, and inspired to be an entrepreneur in business, I attended college for business administration and Economics in Florida before transferring to Franciscan University in Ohio.

Following graduation I took a job in Minneapolis with a management consulting firm for about 1.5 years. While living in St. Paul I experienced a conversion to the person of Jesus Christ (even though I had been raised Catholic) and the strong desire to live intentionally as a Christian in the world. This was due to a great number of factors but most especially Sacred Scripture.

While continuing to work in Minneapolis and growing in my faith I started to experience a draw to priestly ministry and was scared to death of such a thing. Gradually, the fear subsided and I was empowered to apply to the Seminary for the Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis in 2009. I am now in my 5th year here at Saint Paul Seminary and (God-willing as we are accustomed to saying around here) I will be ordained a deacon this May 3rd and a priest a year following this May.

Some folks humorously ask: "so what do you do when you're not praying?" To which I answer that I am an avid fly fisherman (since age 11), bow hunter (though I came up empty this year) and reader.

**Bryce Evans**

Bryce Evans (30) was raised in Corcoran, MN and graduated from Buffalo High School in 2002. After earning a degree in Theology from Marquette University in 2006, he proceeded to discern a vocation with Jesuits for three years, receiving formation in South Dakota, St. Paul and New York.

In 2010 he decided to part ways with the Jesuits and spent the following year volunteering with a Catholic youth and young adult ministry based in Appleton, Wisconsin, by the name of Catholic Youth Expeditions. After this experience, he decided to re-enter seminary formation, spending the next two years studying philosophy at Mundelein Seminary in Illinois.

In 2013, he was pleased to return to his home state to begin theological studies at St. Paul Seminary. He is on track to be ordained to the priesthood in the spring of 2017.



Front row: Ellie Schmidt, Dorothy Dueck, Lauren Miller Piper Otto, Maddie Schaefer, Mya Hanson. Back row: Sam Kliber, Jacob Welsh, Luke Schaefer, Carter Zehr, Bennett Otto, Zachary Collins.

**Free Throw Contest**

Twelve (12) boys and girls from the Osseo, Champlin, Maple Grove, Brooklyn Park and surrounding areas, ages 9-14, were named local champions of the 2013 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship and earned the right to compete at the district level. St. Vincent de Paul Council 9139 of Brooklyn Park sponsored the local competition at St. Vincent de Paul School. Two hundred eighteen (218) youngsters ages 9-14 participated.



**Aliceyn Remore**  
3rd place Poster Contest winner



**Jon C. Chase**  
Our newest council member.

- Boys**  
Age 9--Sam Kliber  
Age 10--Jacob Welsh  
Age 11--Luke Schaefer  
Age 12--Carter Zehr  
Age 13--Bennett Otto  
Age 14--Zach Collins
- Girls**  
Age 9--Ellie Schmidt  
Age 10--Dorothy Dueck  
Age 11--Lauren Miller  
Age 12--Piper Otto  
Age 13--Maddie Schaefer  
Age 14--Mya Hanson

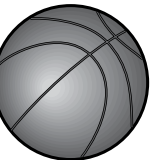
Each contestant was allowed 15 free throws in the contest. Tiebreakers were decided by the best of 5 additional free throws.

The winners competed in the district competition on Feb. 8th at St. Alphonsus Church gym, Brooklyn Center. District winners are:

- Boys**  
9 yr. old Ellie Schmidt  
10 yr. old Dorothy Dueck  
11 yr. old Lauren Miller  
13 yr. old Alani Brands
- Boys**  
10 yr. old Jacob Welsh  
11 yr. old Jacob Dugan  
12 yr. old Carter Zehr  
13 yr. old Bennett Otto  
14 yr. old Will Schmidt

They now move on to the regional competition March 22 at Holy Name of Jesus in Wayzata The state contest is March 29 at St. Cloud and international levels to follow. We wish them all good luck!!!

Tim Holtan, chairman



**KC vests**

Are there any brother Knights or family members who have a royal blue council 9139 vest and are no longer using it? Would you like to donate it to the council? The vests can be recycled. They are washed, the name removed and made available to another member at a reduced price. The profit goes into our council charity fund.

Bob Andrews, 763-425-2575