



# Council 3832

Serving....Our Lady of Fatima

## Knights of Columbus

### January/February, 2008 Newsletter

#### Word From the Grand Knight by Tom Witt



Brother Knights,

Please join me in wishing Father Vann God speed and blessings in his new assignment. It has been a great joy working with him during the past 8 months. A priest of great vision and humility and a wonderful chaplain. We will miss him, but our vision has not changed.

2007 was a great success thanks to all your efforts. I am blessed with a great group of officers and trustees. Financially, we finished the year in good shape. We volunteered a total of 6670 hours last year, an increase of over 50% from the prior year. What a increase-thank you all! Our round table effort at St. Francis are slowly proceeding with 2 transfers and 2 new brothers, but there is still more work to be completed. Father John has been a great help in getting this effort off the ground.

A special thanks to Frank Carballo for leading the logistics on the Lenten fish fries and to Tom Backscheider for organizing all the teams to make it happen. This is another way for us to assist our parish in a very meaningful way.

Vivat Jesus!



Rev. Vann Jaberian

#### Father Vann to become Bishop

Council 3832 shares in the joy of the recent announcement that Father Vann will become the sixth Bishop of the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau, MO. He will be ordained on March 31, 2008.

The Knights have grown to love Father Vann in his short tenure at Our Lady of Fatima and will greatly miss his inspiring leadership and guidance. Father Vann and the knights quickly formed a "mutual admiration society" and the knights selfishly want him to stay. However, God wants us to share him with our fellow Catholics in Springfield, MO.

May God bless him with good health and good fortune all the days of his life.



February 6, 2008

Dear Brother,

I am sure you have learned by now that our pastor and the council's chaplain, Fr. Vann Johnston has been named bishop of the Springfield, MO, diocese. His installation will take place on March 31st in Springfield. We all have mixed emotions over this event.

OLOF and Council 3832 have lost a very talented and religious leader. But, on the other hand, the Springfield diocese is getting a deeply religious and multi-talented leader. During Fr. Vann's short time with us, he has accomplished a great deal and we are very grateful. Our parish has been revitalized and is moving in a new direction with Mass attendance up, collections up, ministries growing and much more. At our monthly meeting on February 5th a motion was passed that we honor Bishop-Elect Johnston with a gift of \$500 from the council. Additionally, I was directed to ask all brothers for additional monetary gifts which would be presented to Bishop-Elect Johnston before he departs for Springfield. State Deputy, Bill Wicke announced the State would match our gifts up to \$1500. What a great opportunity we have before us!

The new bishop requires many new vestments, miters, a staff, etc. all of which cost money. Our gifts would be used to purchase some of these items.

As a token of the generosity of Council 3832, I am asking all brothers to give consideration to donating an additional monetary gift towards this very special event. I have appointed Frank Pietrick, our financial secretary, to collect and account for the gifts received. Your gift would be confidential. If you are writing a check, please make it payable to OLOF. This will insure you of a tax deduction. If you want to give cash, please give it to Frank or myself. We would like to have all the monies in hand by **Feb. 23rd**. I will be presenting a gift card check to Bishop-Elect Vann the weekend of **Feb. 26-27** at all Masses. I am planning on surprising him with this additional gift from his brother knights during this presentation.

If you would like, place your check/cash in an envelope mark it for Frank Pietrick and place it in the knight's mail slot in the Fatima Center. This is a great opportunity to assist our pastor and brother knight. Please give this some serious consideration and do the best you can. I am sure Father McGivney is looking down and smiling.

Vivat Jesus!

TomWitt  
Grand Knight 3832

**Coming Events:**

**Lenten Meals**

Spend the six Friday's of Lent with us! The Knights working with the various ministries in the church will be serving Fried Fish, baked fish, Fries, Hushpuppies, Slaw, Macaroni and Cheese and Fruit Cups. See your church bulletin for details.

**CYO Auction and Spaghetti Dinner**

The Knights of Columbus and the CCW will be conducting the annual spaghetti dinner on Saturday, March 29, 2008 after the 5 pm mass. See the bulletin for details.

**Knight of the Month — January**

**Carleton Bryant** is a tremendous asset to Council 3832. He is a leader in the "Altar Server" ministry. "**Butch**" as he is known, plays the role of Grand Knight in our ceremonials. He is also an altar server, extraordinary minister and reader for Our Lady of Fatima Church. Carleton also teaches a CCD class.

The Knights of Columbus appreciate his contribution to the image of our council and we are proud of members like **Carleton**.

**Family of the Month — January**

**Tom and Mary Anne Backscheider** are some of the "glue" that keeps the Knights of Columbus together. Tom keeps all members of the organization aware of what is going on and he schedules the members for the many activities during the entire year. Mary Anne and Tom are also Extraordinary Ministers. Mary Anne is also an active member of the CCW and the ministry that visits and entertains the elderly the Maryville Rehabilitation Center.

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: Note! Due to our many activities the next social will be held on May 30 :  
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**Welcome to new brother knights who made their first degree**  
**February 5, 2008:**

**Ryan Myers, Todd Schrebe, and David Anderson**

**We thank them for their prompt response in volunteering for duty for our upcoming events.**

**In solidarity with our Priests and Deacon:**



**Rev. Vann Johnston**  
Fr. Vann Johnston



**Rev. Patrick Resen.**  
Fr. Patrick Resen



**Rev. John O'Neill**  
Fr. John O'Neill



**Rev. Mr. W. Joseph Armento**  
Deacon Joe Armento

## Fourth Degree Exemplification

### March 15, 2008

Location: Shea Room, Sacred Heart Cathedral, Knoxville

Cost: \$70.00 for candidates. Includes Degree, Pin, Social Baldric, and candidates banquet meal.  
 \$15.00 for candidates dues for balance of 2008 (assembly 1083 or assembly 2920)  
 \$30.00 for banquet meal for candidates spouse or other guest's)

Candidates need to have a standard black 2 or 3 button tuxedo, white gloves, a standard white tuxedo shirt  
**( NO wing tip collars are allowed; candidates or observers with wing tip collars will not be allowed to participate in the exemplification).**

Tentative Schedule:	2:00 PM	Candidates arrive at Sacred Heart Cathedral
	1:45 PM	Sir Knights report to the Shea Room
	3:00 PM	Exemplification
	4:30-5:30 PM	Soft Drinks and Hors D'oeuvres (candidates, observers and guests)
	6:00 PM	Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral
	7:30 PM	Social (Cash Bar) at Sacred Heart Cathedral School Gym
	8:00 PM	Banquet

### The Fourth Degree

**The Fourth Degree is the Order's highest degree. It is the visible arm of the Knights of Columbus. It promotes patriotism and responsible citizenship through our Catholic Heritage. More than 250,000 Knights belong to over 2,200 assemblies across the country. Sir Knights assume membership in assemblies which include Knights from a number of Councils in a designated area.**

**The Monsignor O'Grady Assembly ( Assembly 2920) includes Knights from councils affiliated with parishes in Knoxville (Council 5207) Seymour (Holy family church) Council 3832 (Our Lady of Fatima Church in Alcoa) and**

**The assembly meets the second Sunday of each month except May (Mothers Day). Meetings are held at one of the member councils and are followed by a social gathering and dinner for Sir Knights and their spouses or guests.**

### The Good of the Order

Please remember in your daily prayers those Knights and ladies who are ill or in distress:

Louise Miller, Tommy Clemmons, George Lopata, Ken Webb, Joe Dutkosky, Don Cook, Jim Meadowcroft, Jack Henson, Phil Malach, John McManus, and Ed McNealy

## Youth Activities

**Paul Haug** is the youth director for our council and through his energetic input we had our most successful Free Throw Contest.” This years winners in their respective categories: **13-year olds, Kathryn Pepperman and Jonathan Leonard; 12-year olds, Lauren Leonard and Mitchell Beaudin, 11-year olds, Drew Paszek, and 10-year-olds, Mary Pepperman**

These winners will advance to the district contest at St. Mary’s in Oak Ridge, which will be held on Feb. 20. Congratulations and good luck in the district.

Thank you for all you do **Paul**

### **KOC Youth project...Paul Haug, Director**

#### **District Free Throw Winners:**

##### **Boys**

<b>14 years</b>	Tyler Cooksey	<b>Council 3175</b>
<b>13 years</b>	Jonathan Leonard	<b>Council 3832</b>
<b>12 years</b>	Tommy Owen	<b>Council 8781</b>
<b>11 years</b>	Blake Chapman	<b>Council 8781</b>
<b>10 years</b>	Nicholas Waraksa	<b>Council 3175</b>

##### **Girls**

<b>13 years</b>	Kathryn Pepperman	<b>Council 3832</b>
<b>12 years</b>	Lauren Leonard	<b>Council 3832</b>
<b>10 years</b>	Ella Monarch	<b>Council 8781</b>