



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
COUNCIL 8157

# General Membership Virtual Meeting

Tuesday, May 5th, 2020



## Council Officers

Chaplain	Fr Joe Lee
Grand Knight	Tom Greco
Deputy Grand Knight	Jorge Ruiz
Chancellor	Eric Conner
Financial Secretary	Peter Perta
Treasurer	James Smith
Recorder	Mike Fitzgerald
Advocate	Russell Gully, PGK
Warden	Doug Maddox
Inside Guard	John Espree
Outside Guard	Jeff Traub
Lecturer	Wendell Jeanpierre
<b>Board of Trustees</b>	Jim Richardson, PGK Chris Kubin, PGK Chris Edwards, PGK

## Committee Directors

Awareness	Jorge Ruiz
Church	James Smith
Community	Dan Murphy, PGK
Concessions	Allen Reitmeier
Council Activities	
Degree Team	Tom Greco, GK
Disaster Preparedness	Wendell Jeanpierre
Family Activities	Jeff Miller
Health Activities	Lou Lemons
Knight Hands	Allen Reitmeier
Membership	
Pro Life	Mike Moloughney
Retention	
Sacramental Gifts	Keith Archer
Safe Environment	Jorge Ruiz
Youth Activities	Mike Moloughney

# General Membership Virtual Meeting

## Agenda for May 5th, 2020

- Call to Order - Prayer
- Grand Knight's Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Financial Secretary Report
- Committee Reports (see below)
- Old Business
- New Business
- Fourth Degree Report
- District Deputy Report
- Prayer & Adjournment

# GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT – Tom Greco

***No Neighbor Left Behind*** - Council 8157 has begun to address this initiative.

- Helped record Mass and Stations of the Cross for parishioners to watch on YouTube (Jorge Ruiz, Dan Murphy).
- Prepared food for front-line employees at Methodist Charlton Medical Center (Dan Murphy), was featured in the Texas Catholic publication and website.
- Donated \$499 to Duncanville Outreach Ministry, a non-profit organization working to alleviate hunger and support those in need in the City of Duncanville (Dan Murphy).



# GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT – continued

## *No Neighbor Left Behind –*

- Offered financial aid to members in need during this difficult time. To date we've provided a \$499 aid grant to two brothers of our council (Jorge Ruiz).
- Jeff Miller has been looking after brother Charles Turner, taking him to medical appointments, grocery shopping and visiting him. He's having a long slow recovery from leg and back surgery, then several weeks ago suffered a heart attack. Allen Reitmeier has been helping with this as well.

# TREASURER'S REPORT – James Smith



# FINANCIAL SECRETARY – Peter Perta

- Membership count report
- Membership Dues collection report
- Dues can be paid online via Credit Card (Square) in our website  
<https://kofc8157.org/store/membership/membership-dues/>

# Committee Reports

- Awareness Committee
- Budget Committee
- Church Activities
- Concessions
- Community Activities
- Council Activities
- Degree Team
- Disaster Preparedness
- Family Activities
- Health Activities
- Knight Hands
- Nomination Committee
- Membership
- Pro Life
- Retention
- Sacramental Gifts
- Safe Environment
- Youth Activities



# AWARENESS – Jorge Ruiz

- Website has been updated; Newsletter has been published.
- The Texas Catholic Newspaper featured our council in service to the EMTs at MCMC. More about this later from Dan Murphy.
- The story and video were shared to the DDC website, the DDC & the Texas State Council Facebook pages and to Supreme's website.
- Recorded Fr Eugene's Mass in Chapel with help from Dan Murphy.
- Produced Stations of the Cross video with help from videographer Diana Rizo, Dan Murphy, Al Evans, and Donzella Hines.



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# **2020 – 2021 BUDGET PROPOSAL**

**Budget Committee: Dan Murphy, Peter Perta, Mike Fitzgerald.**

- 1) This is a proposed budget to monitor our spending and provide a guideline during the Council's calendar year of July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 through June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
- 2) Last year we did not have Sacramental Gifts in the budget, and we spent \$4,300.
- 3) At this point we do not know when/if Cedar Hill Baseball Association will start.
- 4) Depending how everything unfolds, we can make changes to some of the categories if we have no income this year from our concession activities (we do not have football concessions).



# Motion to Approve Budget

Motion made by:

Seconded by:

**Votes In Favor**

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**Votes Against**

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# CHURCH ACTIVITIES – James Smith

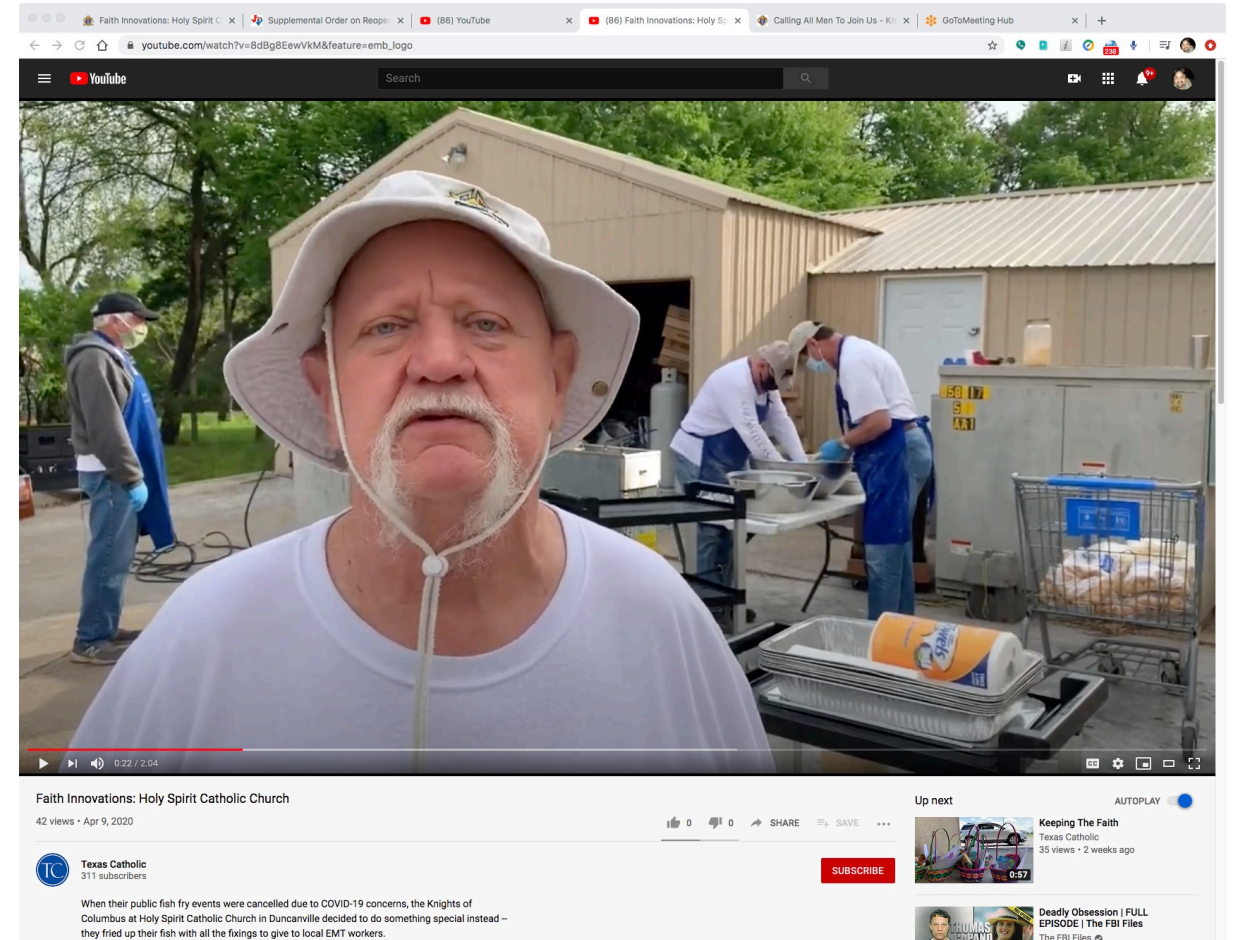
- Church has been shut down during pandemic.

# CONCESSIONS – Allen Reitmeier

- Baseball concessions canceled through April 30<sup>th</sup> and maybe longer.
- Dot Thomas concession stand remodeled.
- Football concession stand shut down. Equipment moved out and stored; some donated to HSCC.

# COMMUNITY – Dan Murphy

- Fish fry for EMTs at MCMC on 4/2. [The Texas Catholic](#) Newspaper sent reporter and videographer to cover the story.
- Breakfast Tacos for EMTs at MCMC on 4/9/2020 (Holy Thursday).
- Burgers/Hot Dogs for EMTs 4/23
- Donated \$500 to Duncanville Outreach Ministry 4/30/2020
- St Joseph's Cookout update (scheduled for May 9).



# COUNCIL ACTIVITIES – Jorge Ruiz (Vacant)

- Fiscal Year ends June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- New Slate of Officers will be presented by Nominating Committee.
- Elections are usually held in June. We will follow Supreme guidelines for electronic voting if necessary:  
[Fraternal Operations During COVID-19](#)
- Combine Appreciation Dinner & Installation of Officers Ceremony? (usually held in July)
- Corporate Communion dates to be determined



# DEGREE TEAM – Tom Greco

- The new ceremonial script took effect March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Team met in February and parts were assigned to members.
- Eventually each team member will learn two parts.
- Video link:  
<https://youtu.be/-FjLa1tKNuo>



# DISASTER PREPAREDNESS – Wendell Jeanpierre

We are calling on all our brother Knights to prepare to lend a hand if/when needed for such activities as:

- delivering food and supplies to the needy
- minor home repairs
- yard work
- transportation to and from appointments
- shopping for others
- help with technical problems with internet or phones
- call a Brother Knight and check on him and his family
- call a widow or someone who is suffering or maybe a shut-in from our church
- stock the food pantry at church for those needing food

# FAMILY ACTIVITIES – (Vacant)

- Knight of the Month - April 2020 – **Jorge Ruiz**
- Family of the Month - April 2020 – **James Smith**
- Knight of the Month - May 2020 – **David Ybarra**
- Family of the Month - May 2020 – **Dan Murphy**

# HEALTH ACTIVITIES – Lou Lemons

- [Centers for Disease Control & Prevention](#) (CDC)
- [City of Duncanville COVID-19 Updates](#)
- Blood Drive coming up?

# KNIGHT HANDS – Allen Reitmeier

- Recent projects updates
- PIP Days City of Duncanville - update



# NOMINATION COMMITTEE – FY 2020-21

Russell Gully, Jack Ramsden, Mike Fitzgerald

Officer Role	Current	Nomination
Grand Knight	Tom Greco	Jorge Ruiz
Deputy GK	Jorge Ruiz	Eric Conner
Chancellor	Eric Conner	Jim Russell
Advocate	Russell Gully	Russell Gully
Treasurer	James Smith	James Smith
Recorder	Mike Fitzgerald	Mike Fitzgerald
Warden	Doug Maddox	Doug Maddox
Inside Guard	John Espree	John Espree
Outside Guard	Jeff Traub	Steve Reid

Officer Role	Current	Nomination
Trustee 1 Year	Chris Edwards	Tom Greco
Trustee 2 Year	Jim Richardson	Allen Reitmeier
Trustee 3 Year	Chris Kubin	Jim Richardson
Financial Secretary*	Peter Perta	Appointed by Supreme
Lecturer*	Wendell Jeanpierre	Appointed by Grand Knight

\*Financial Secretary is appointed by Supreme.

\*Lecturer is appointed by the Grand Knight.

[Guidelines for Electronic Voting](#)

# MEMBERSHIP – Tom Greco (Vacant)

- Have Form 100 for Rigoberto Ramirez, proposed by Gamaliel Hernandez
- DDC Membership Recruiting Drive  
<https://www.kofcdallas.org/calling-all-men-to-join-us/>



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**DALLAS  
MEMBERSHIP  
RECRUITING  
DRIVE**

## **CALLING ALL MEN**

### **To Come Join The Knights**

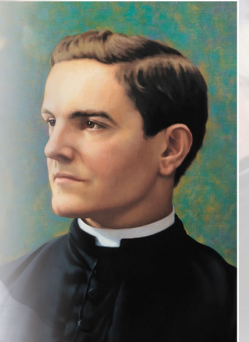
#### **The Dallas Diocese Chapter Membership Recruiting Drive**

Starting retroactive to April 1 to June 30,  
we will have a Dallas Membership Recruiting Drive,  
culminating in 5 drawings for \$100 each for councils.

#### **THE RULES**

Each council that recruits 15% of its membership goal between April 1 to June 30, gets one chance for each new member. If you recruit more than the 15%, you get two chances per each additional new member.

- The 15% goal is rounded up, e.g. the membership goal is 16 @ 15% equals 2.4 new members; rounded up, the goal is 3.
- A council recruits 5 members in this case, gets 3 chances for the 3 members, and 4 more chances for the additional 2, for a total of 7 chances.
- Each of the 5 drawings are separate. Which means one council could win all \$500, if they had 5 or more chances.
- The drawings will be held at the Dallas Organizational Meeting, tentatively scheduled for July 25th, 2020.



Father McGivney's  
vision was that  
every Catholic  
Gentleman  
become a member  
of the Knights of  
Columbus,  
to be in Solidarity  
with our Bishops  
& Priests in the  
much needed  
support of the  
church.

# PRO LIFE – Mike Moloughney

- The Bishop's Annual Pro-Life Dinner was a virtual event this year on April 18th. Council sent \$500 donation.
- [Virtual Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner](#)
- Alex Sabo took donation of \$150.00 towards raffle tickets.  
(Peter Perta has already given Alex Sabo checks totaling \$625)

# SACRAMENTAL GIFTS – Keith Archer

- All the KofC Sacramental Gifts are ready and will be delivered to the individuals in charge of the First Communion, Confirmation and RCIA groups, prior to their ceremonial Mass.

OLD BUSINESS – Tom Greco, GK



NEW BUSINESS – Tom Greco, GK

# FOURTH DEGREE – Jim Russell

- Held Virtual Meeting Thursday Apr 14<sup>th</sup>

DISTRICT DEPUTY – Bill Dover

# LECTURER – Wendell Jeanpierre

- Healing The Body, Saving The Soul
- <https://kofc8157.org/lectures/healing-the-body-saving-the-soul/>



Prayer and Adjournment.



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