



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

The K of C's will meet the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Rectory All Knights, past Knights or men interested in becoming a Knight are encouraged to attend.

\*\*\*Next meeting will be February 15, 2024\*\*\*

7PM in the Parish Hall

## Deceased Knights upcoming Masses

Bob Ciesel—Feb 9 ~ Joe O'Connor—Mar 7



Happy birthday to these Knights born in February! Art Kreger, Don Fischer, Francis Mohr, Bob Chouinard, Duncan Mackenzie, Mark Arcidiacono, Eddy Jaca, Don Tholen, John Ackerman, Ray Cox, Paul Haytas, Roy Hutchings, Bob Colton, Charles Caughlin, Niels Rasmussen



Feb 16, 2023  
Compliments of St. Francis Altar Society, Jody Colton and Vickie Cunningham!

## COME JOIN

The Cathedral Choir Practices  
Tuesdays 7 PM in the Choir Loft  
For more information please contact Angela at (503) 504-7966 or Silvia at (541) 403-0238.



The Knights of Columbus will be offering two fish fries this coming lent. The first will be February 23, 2024 and the second will be March 22nd. Tickets will be available from any Knight and at the office.

## UP COMING EVENTS

Idaho Catholic Youth Conference  
March 8-10, 2024

Register by February 9, 2024

The Mission of Men (Spanish)  
February 24, 2024 10:00am-5:00pm  
St. Peter's Catholic Church, The Dalles

The Mission of Men (English)  
March 16, 2024 9:00am to 4:00pm  
St. Thomas Catholic Church, Redmond, OR



## Coffee Hour January 28, 2024

Feb 11—Knights of Columbus Breakfast  
Feb 18—Mike & Laurie Carnahan  
Feb 25—Jill Myatt & Virginia Babski

\*\*If you would like to help with social hour, please contact Laura Bates at 541-212-5792. Thanks!

# Religious Education



On Wednesday February 14 (Ash Wednesday) we begin the 40 days of Lent. Why do we begin Lent with Ashes? The liturgical use of ashes originates in the time of the Old Testament. The use of sackcloth and ashes was a form of repentance, In the middle ages those who were about to die would be laid on sackcloth and sprinkled with ashes and

blessed with holy water, the priest would then say, "Remember thou art dust and to dust thou shalt return". The priest would then ask if they were content with sackcloth and ashes as penance for their sins, they would then reply I am content.

Pope St. Leo established Lent as 40 consecutive days before Easter and in the sixth century Pope Gregory the Great added the dispensing of ashes on Ash Wednesday.

Lent is a time of preparing for Easter and the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. This is a time to withdraw from our usual routine and reflect on our spiritual being and make God the focal point of our lives. It also reminds us of the 40 days and nights Jesus spent in the desert preparing himself for what was to come. It is also a time to read the Old Testament events leading up to Christ's suffering and death.

You will notice that the priest wears purple vestments during Lent this is to remind us that Jesus was dressed in purple to mock him when he was referred to as "King of the Jews". Purple also reminds us that Lent is a time of repentance and atonement. The church has rules that we are to follow during Lent:

- Those 14 and up are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent.
- Those 18-59 are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. You can eat one full meal with additional meal not to exceed you one full meal.

The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent is known as Laetare Sunday (means rejoice) and the priest will wear rose colored vestments. This is a day to rejoice and rest and prepare ourselves to complete our journey with Jesus to Calvary.

What to do for Lent? I invite you to do "33 Days to Eucharistic Glory", a journey toward our eternal home with God. For more information please call the office.

## St. Francis De Sales Fundraiser

\$20 each

"Pot of Gold"  
80/20 Raffle

Tickets available from  
January 27th thru March 14th

Purchase tickets from:

Parish Office, 2235 1st St.

Hal Huntington 623-203-5526

TEC Copier Systems, 2019 Main St. Ste. B  
Mission Churches in North Powder and Halfway

Sponsored by: Knights of Columbus Council 849

Drawing: Sunday, March 17th  
(do not need to be present to win)

Thank you for your support!

ONLY 300  
Tickets available

Fundraiser will help defray the cost of liturgical supplies (Missiles, Candles, Hosts, Wine and Word's Among Us Monthly Publication)

