

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.

The next meeting will be Thursday, July 18, 2024.

Deceased Knights upcoming Masses
John Mahoney—July 18th
Gordon Colton—August 8th
Fred Colton—September 12th
Squeakie Mitchell—October 10th



Happy birthday to these Knights born in June! Ronald Daniel Rouse, Bill Dooley, Dave Gobel, Francis Fiebiger, Mike Klingler, Frank Rasmussen, Rev. Richard R.

Saksons, Ron Edge, Dave Davis, Larry Mack, Scott Shively, Tom Fisk, Rowdy Keller.



As you know, we have been asking for parishioners to consider helping out with our Laity duties. I am in dire need for all of the positions. Please pray and consider if you would be willing to sign up for any of the

following:

Lector— Proclaims the word of God. If you can read, you can do this!

Server—Can be any age after receiving First Communion, male or female, adults are welcome.

Sacristan—Can be any age after 18, male, female or couples. It involves setting up the Mass for Father and putting things away following Mass.

Usher—Can be any age, male or female. It involves selecting the individuals to collect the offertory and the family to offer the gifts to Father.

Extra-ordinary Ministers—Can be anyone from 18 years up who has received First Communion and been Confirmed. I am very short on ministers willing to serve on Saturdays.

Giving to the Lord is not just giving money, it is giving of oneself and serving the Lord. Please consider helping out in these beautiful ministries. Many blessing are received when serving the Lord.

Coffee Hour Schedule

July 7—Steve & Connie Bogart July 14—Jennifer Godwin & Ronelle Mello

**If you would like to help with social hour, please contact the office. Thank you!

Happy 150th birthday to us!

This year we will be celebrating Baker City's 150 birthday. The Catholic Church namely St. Francis de Sales parish, has played a major role in Baker City's history.

The city was platted in 1865 and a post office was established in 1866 and by 1900 Baker City was the largest city between Portland and Salt Lake City.

Fr. Mesplie and Fr. Dielman began visiting the area and saying Mass as early as 1862. In 1867, Fr. Dielman was assigned to Baker City and in 1873 he was replaced by Fr. Peter DeRoo services were held at the home of D. Mooney. It was soon determined that a structure was needed and Dr. J.M. Boyd donated a tract of land (1 city block) and J.W. Virtue, J.J. Dooley and I.B. Bowen made liberal cash donations for the building of a church and W.H. Packwood and John J. Dooley built the first structure. As Baker City grew so did the Catholic population and in 1903 the original church was moved and construction began on the Cathedral. The completed Cathedral was dedicated on April 9, 1908.

In April of 1875, Fr. DeRoo obtained four sisters of the Holy Name of Jesus and Mary and opened a school. After four years, the sister of the Holy Name of Jesus and Mary left and were replace by the sisters of St. Francis and they opened the first hospital and started St. Francis Academy in 1885 which opened its doors with 60 students 3 of whom were boarders. By 1905, the enrollment reached 300, of whom 60 were borders. The opening of the Academy brought music and the arts to Baker City.

As Baker City was beginning to grow, a need for a suitable hospital was felt and in 1897 the building that was originally the academy was remodeled and became St. Elizabeth Hospital. As well as manning the hospital the sisters went out to the mines to care for the sick. The miners were charged \$1.00 a month for their medical care. In 1912, a lecture course for a Nurses Training School was formally opened by Bishop O'Reilly. A new hospital was built and dedicated on February 7th 1915.



The Baker School District trapshooting team won the Oregon Stat Clay Target League Class 2A state championship congratulations to **Conner Norton**, **Alex Jaca** and **Dakota Robertson**.