# *St. Gregory the Great* Knights of Columbus



Newsletter

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## A Message from your Grand Knight:



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#### Announcements:

The month of October is designated as **Respect Life Month** 

Religious Education Raffle tickets are still available for sale until October 10, Contact the Grand Knight to purchase

Dan Ackerman was last month's cash drawing winner for \$5. Dan was not present so next month's drawing will be for \$10 Dear Brother Knights,

#### Knights of Columbus Ski Trip 2025

Last winter's ski trip with Father Quentin was a great success, and we would like to plan another one this winter (late January). To give a brief overview what the trip looked like: Last year, we left on a Sunday after 10:30 am mass. We skied Monday and Tuesday, and drove home on Wednesday. Each day began with Mass with Fr. Quentin before breakfast, a full day of skiing and dinner/social (including faith conversation) each evening.

This is the time of year we purchase discounted lift tickets and reserve lodging. In order to stay on top of all the planning and booking, we will need to have a head count by early November. If you are interested, or for more information, please contact the Grand Knight.

Have a great upcoming month, and HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

God Bless! Rob Peschel, Grand Knight

## **Reminders:**

<u>Sept. 28 & 29:</u> Guest Deacon Tim Ruoff (Topeka) serving at all weekend masses

<u>Sept. 29:</u> Corporate Communion (7:00 am Mass followed by breakfast in the church hall)

<u>Sept. 29:</u> Daniel Oberreuter Mission Concert at VHHS - 7:00 pm (free will offering)

Oct. 3: K of C Monthly Meeting

Oct. 24: Columbus Day

Oct. 31: Halloween

Nov. 1: All Saints' Day

Nov. 2: All Souls' Day

Nov. 2: Black Squirrel Fest

Nov. 7: K of C Monthly Meeting

Nov. 9: K of C Pork Chop BBQ (serving from 6:00-8:00 pm)

#### **Meeting Photos**







#### Happy ALL HALLOWS' EVE (HALLOWEEN), ALL HALLOWS' (SAINTS') DAY, and ALL SOULS' DAY!

...A skeleton walks into a bar and orders a beer and a mop...

#### Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge

Each month, the Supreme Chaplain of K of C issues a challenge based on one of the Gospel readings of the month. The following comes from this month's challenge:

Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." (Gospel for Oct. 27, Mk 10:51). The blind man asked for healing, but this story is about something greater than physical sight. Once he receives his sight from Jesus, the man "followed him on his way". When someone encounters Christ and sees the truth of who he is, the only proper response is to follow that truth - to follow Christ on his way.

*The Challenge:* Find one way that you can help a family member, friend or coworker to more clearly see the truth of Christ and to follow him.

**Reflection:** Do you watch for opportunities to lead confused individuals to Christ? Do you have the courage to share the truth of Christ with others? Do you speak the truth gently and clearly, so that others are better able to see and understand your point?

## Knight of the Month

Jeff Keating

### **Family of the Month**

Dan and Kelsey Gleason

#### Get to know the Saints

Halloween, or All Hallows' Eve, is the night before All Saints' Day - a day dedicated to the saints of the Catholic Church.

Many Saints, such as the following, have extraordinary stories of life, death, and/or martyrdom. Take some time to look into their stories, along with any others you feel called to:

- St. Joan of Arc
- St. Lucian & St. Marcian
- St. Denis
- St. Christina the Astonishing
- St. Padre Pio

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"Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another." Proverbs 27:17