# The Cross and Compass

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## From The Grand Knight

My Brother Knights,

we are approaching the busiest time of our fraternal year. The Fish Fry's begin on Friday, March 7th. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year, and takes a tremendous amount of work each week. Mark your calendars now for the days that you can help. More details will be sent via email as we get closer to the start of Lent.

Once again, we will have an online auction this year. The auction will be in early May. For it to be a successful one, each member needs to procure an item or two. Procurement should start now. Reach out to local businesses, friends, and family for items that we can include in the auction. All items big and small are appreciated. The most popular items are experiences such as sporting event tickets, and group dinners. If you want to put on a dinner, but feel you cannot do it alone, ask

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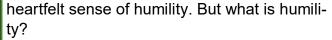
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#### From Your Lecturer

## Humility

The culture of our times can in one sense be termed as "Look at Me". I believe that at the heart of the many problems we face is because there is no



According to the Catholic Encyclopedia the word humility signifies lowliness or submissiveness and it is derived from the Latin humilitas or, as St. Thomas says, from humus, i.e. the earth which is beneath us. As applied to persons and things it means that which is abject, ignoble, or of poor condition, as we ordinarily say, not worth much.

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## **FS Notes**

Dear Brother Knights of St. Joseph Council #7528,

2025 Membership dues

Thank you to the many members that have paid their 2025

membership dues. You should have received your new 2025 membership traveling card from me.

Second notice letters were mailed Jan 21, 2025, to many members that had yet to submit their dues payment.

As a reminder here are two available options to submit your payment:

Mail your check as noted on the payment coupon attached to the invoice letter. This is the preferred payment method.

However, if you prefer paying with electronic

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a Brother Knight to join you. The other key to success is we need everyone to bid on the items. More details in the coming months.

Hopefully between these two fundraising events we can fund the many charities that we support. If we raise enough money, we can increase the number of coats given in the Coats for Kids campaign. Last year we gave out over 250 coats and we were asked if we could provide more to them.

If you missed the Philly Cheesesteak dinner, it was an amazing success. We filled 15 tables and some of the attendees had to stand around tables in the atrium. We hope to make this an annual event in January.

We still have a few t-shirts available for sale at \$25.00 each.

Our next General Meeting will on Tuesday, February 4th, with the rosary at 7:00 pm, meeting to follow at 7:30 pm.

Vivat Jesus, Vince

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methods, please pay using your credit card into the council's Square account. Use this link https://square.link/u/jEOruiKW to pay for the member dues (\$40.00) and for PFH (\$3.65).

Upon receipt of a payment, a 2025 membership traveling card will be mailed to the member.

Affiliate Member Initiative (AMI)

The Affiliate Member Initiative was developed by Supreme in the spring of 2022 to transfer members who had not paid their annual membership dues to the AMI roster. Transfer to the AMI roster will remove a member from the active council roster, and from the associated 4th degree roster, if applicable.

Members of St. Joseph Council #7528, who do not pay their 2025 membership dues by Feb 28, will be considered for assignment to the AMI during March by the Retention Committee. If a member, assigned to the AMI roster, later pays their dues, the financial secretary will reinstate the member to the active roster through Member Management.

Thank you for paying your annual membership dues.

Fraternally, Mike Fay, FS, PGK

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Thus we say that a man is of humble birth or that a house is a humble dwelling. As restricted to persons, humility is understood also in the sense of afflictions or miseries, which may be inflicted by external agents, as when a man humiliates another by causing him pain or suffering. It is in this sense that others may bring about humiliations and subject us to them. Humility in a higher and ethical sense is that by which a man has a modest estimate of his own worth, and submits himself to others. According to this meaning no man can humiliate another, but only himself, and this he can do properly only when aided by Divine grace. We are treating here of humility in this sense, that is, of the virtue of humility.

The virtue of humility may be defined: "A quality by which a person considering his own defects has a lowly opinion of himself and willingly submits himself to God and to others for God's sake." St. Bernard defines it: "A virtue by which a man knowing himself as he truly is, abases himself." These definitions coincide with that given by St. Thomas: "The virtue of humility", he says, "Consists in keeping oneself within one's own bounds, not reaching out to things above one, but submitting to one's superior".

But there is so much more to understanding how to become a humble person. I came across several quotes about humility, and want to share them with you. They were compiled by Chris Amissah.

Even though many people may think of humility as becoming weak, unworthy, and valueless, real humility is a powerful soul force, which when unleashed, can bring a person into a place of purpose, vision, power and wealth. Below are 24 insightful and inspiring quotes on humility, that will motivate you to stay humble.

"Pride makes us artificial and humility makes us real." -Thomas Merton

"Real genius is nothing else but the supernatural virtue of humility in the domain of thought." -Charles Caleb Colton

"Humility is really important because it keeps you fresh and new." -Steven Tyler

"It was pride that changed angels into devils; it is humility that makes men as angels." -Saint Augustine

"True humility is not an abject, groveling, self-despising spirit; it is but a right estimate of ourselves as God sees us." -Tryon Edwards

"Do you wish to rise? Begin by descending. You plan a tower that will pierce the clouds? Lay first the foundation of humility." -Saint Augustine

"The greatest friend of truth is Time, her greatest enemy is Prejudice, and her constant com-

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panion is Humility." -Charles Caleb Colton

"Humility is the ability to give up your pride and still retain your dignity." -Vanna Bonta

"Humility isn't denying your strengths; it's being honest about your weaknesses." -Rick Warren

"Humility is nothing else but a right judgment of ourselves" -William Law

"Self-confidence is very important. But without compassion and humility, it's just arrogance"-Anonymous

"I always say be humble but be firm. Humility and openness are the key to success without compromising your beliefs." -George Hickenlooper

"I claim to be a simple individual liable to err like any other fellow mortal. I own, however, that I have humility enough to confess my errors and to retrace my steps." -Mahatma Gandhi

"A sarcastic person has a superiority complex that can be cured only by the honesty of humility."

-Lawrence G. Lovasik

"True humility is being able to accept criticisms as graciously as we accept compliments." -Sabrina Newby

"All streams flow to the ocean because it is lower than they are. Humility gives it its power." - Lao Tzu

"To be a leader means to have humility, to have respect and to serve the people that we are leading. And that type of character, that type of integrity not only brings real fulfillment to our own hearts, but also has a great effect on the lives of all the people around us." -Radhanath Swami

"Ego kills knowledge, as knowledge requires learning, and learning requires humility." - Rolsey

"Being humble means recognizing that we are not on earth to see how important we can become, but to see how much difference we can make in the lives of others" -Gordon B. Hinckley

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"Pride is concerned with who is right. Humility is concerned with what is right." -Ezra T. Benson

"Humility is royalty without a crown." -Spencer W. Kimball

"There is nothing noble in being superior to your fellow man; true nobility is being superior to your former self." -Ernest Hemingway

"It is unwise to be too sure of one's own wisdom. It is healthy to be reminded that the strongest might weaken and the wisest might err." -Mahatma Gandhi

"To share your weakness is to make yourself vulnerable; to make yourself vulnerable is to show your strength." -Criss Jami

May we be aspire to be humble Knights of Columbus.

#### **KNIGHTS NIGHT 2025**

Brother Knights we are attempting to schedule a night at the Tacoma Rainiers game on Thursday June19th @ 7:00 PM. We would. This year we only have GA tickets, because the cost of a suite is VERY expensive.

The GA is \$15.50 & includes a hot dog, chips & a bottle of water.

Please contact me @253 735 6035 (this a an old fashion landline-no texts) or <a href="mailto:rhusky1@gmail.com">rhusky1@gmail.com</a>. With your interest ASAP as we need to make our reservations ASAP. If you write a check make it payable to Kof C 37528. Also let me know if you need handicap seating.

You may also contact Mike Fay with your reservations. Payment is due May 1.

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	Member Birthday		Member Birthday Cont.
3rd	Steven Drake	25th	Thomas Samstag
3rd	Robert Schade	25th	Tuan Nguyen
6th	Richard Coe	26th	James Yantzer
7th	Randall Jarrell		
8th	Gilbert Gruber		Anniversaries
9th	James Clevenger	1st	Wilson and Jennie Berano
12th	Bonaparte Pineda	6th	Derrick and Shannon Foeller
12th	Jose Panganiban	11th	John and Elizabeth Crowley
13th	Derek O Sullivan	14th	Robert and Sheri Bowell
15th	Bradley Kingry	15th	Leo and Lydia Satriawan
17th	George Rutland	23th	Michael and Cindy Mansanarez
18th	Richard Schumacher	27th	John and Mary Schuster
23th	Mark Moynihan		

#### Good of The Order

The following is a list of those Brother Knights or family members who are sick or in distress that we have been asked to pray for:

Pete Anderson, Dale Dietrich, Aurther DePalma father of Fr. John Patrick, Margie wife of Gary Fredrickson, Ray & Mary Garcia, Leo Herrera, Ralph & Peggy Horner, Kathy Koch wife of Departed Brother Jerry Koch, Bill Miller brother of Don Miller, Katherine Myers mother of Dave Myers, Larry and Ann Neville, Paul & Marianne Savino, Anita Spicer Mother of Frank Spicer, Jim Yokum

- Pray for all people that are victims of war and persecution throughout the world especially Israel, the middle east and Ukraine and pray for a peaceful resolution to the hostilities.
- Pray for our Brother Knights of Columbus, Church members and families that we remain strong in our faith and pray that the Holy Spirit guides and protects us during these troubling times.
- Pray for all priests and clergy that the Holy Spirit strengthen them and help them cope with all the changes as they minister to the faithful.
- Pray for Our Country and leaders that the Holy Spirit descend upon us and lead us back to One Nation Under God for without Him we will not survive as a nation.

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## Knight of the Month January

#### Mark Czawplewski

For all of his work with the St Vincent de Paul Society. Helping with the baskets and moving the food from the church to the garage.

## Family of the Month January

#### Mike and Maureen Fay

They were instrumental in the baskets for the St Vincent de Paul Society this year. Mike also helped on the breakfast that morning. Mike also coordinated the tree lighting again this year.

## Nativity House!

Come help feed the homeless Saturday February 15th. We now meet at Nativity House. 6:30 to cook (and can always use a second shift at 8 am to serve at 8:30) and we are generally cleaned and out the door by 10 am This is a great opportunity to help those in need!

Contact Ted Colby at <a href="mailto:nhb@kofc7528.org">nhb@kofc7528.org</a> for any additional information.

#### Pennies for Heaven

Our goal for this year, as always, is a penny a day for Vocations, \$3.65/yr. Please support our priests!

Contact FS Mike Fay

## **Upcoming Events!**

	February		March
1st	Respect Life Bigil	1st	Respect Life Bigil
4th	Council Rosary	4th	Council Rosary
4th	General Meeting	4th	General Meeting
8th	Spaghetti Dinner	8th	40 Days for Life (each Saturday)
15th	Nativity House	7th	1st Fish Fry
18th	Planning Meeting	15th	Nativity House
24th	Breakfast cancelled	14th	2nd Fish Fry
		18th	Planning Meeting
		21st	3rdd Fish Fry
		28th	4th Fish Fry

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