Knights of Columbus Blessed Trinity Parish St. Patrick's Council, No. 6463



## Newsletter September 2014

It is with a heavy heart that I start this newsletter to advise you of the passing of a former pastor and chaplain, Father Mike Richel. Father Richel left us on 24 August 2014, in the morning hours, after losing his battle with cancer. Father Richel's last parish assignment was St. Cecelia in Wisconsin Dells.

## **Old Business:**

On a lighter side the pot-luck picnic on 8 August went well. It would have been nice to have a larger crowd, but the folks that were there had a good time. After dinner, District Deputy Marshall Frey and District Warden Rick Raemisch conducted the installation of officers for Council 6463. All but three officers were present and those absent had work related commitments.

The money that the council collected from the Tootsie Roll program generated a \$897.89 check for the ARC in Portage, Wisconsin. It is nice to know that the money that was donated for this program stayed here in Columbia County. It is like we are helping our own.

## **New Business:**

Father Chad Droessler asked the council for help with three items.

- 1. Father Chad would like to a have a media kiosk in the parish hall. (A kiosk is a CD media center where a parishioner could take a CD home after depositing a free will offering, then bring the CD back after they are done with it).
- 2. Father Chad would like to get new cassocks for the servers to wear. Cassocks would be purchased for the male servers and albs for the female servers. The cassocks that the servers are using are rather old and showing wear.
- 3. Father Chad would like to have a few pair (6 or so) dress shoes for the servers to wear so they will not have to wear flip flops or neon colored shoes to serve Mass. Dress shoes would be in the sacristy for servers who need appropriate footwear. Bishop Moreno has a directive on this to eliminate the impression of the server drawing all the attention to themselves. (I have had people tell me they consider this a distraction.)

The next big item on the horizon is the parish fall festival on 28 September 2014. If you have any items that might generate some money on the silent auction, see Father Chad or Sharon Sellner.

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**Marian "Immaculate Conception Prayer Program":** The week of October 19-25, Blessed Trinity Parish will have a large framed image of Mary as the Immaculate Conception for 7 days. The state office has asked The Knights of Columbus councils to sponsor a prayer service. We will need a volunteer to have a prayer program chairman to coordinate planning of this program for our parish.

The council is considering a soup supper on 15 November 2014. (This is the Saturday before the gun/deer season.) Serving would begin after the 4:45 pm Mass.

The officers decided at the last officers' meeting to sell nuts as a fund raiser. In the past this has generated a lot of money for the council.

## Our next meeting is 9 September 2014 at 7:30 pm, Rosary at 7:00 pm.

Please keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers: Jim Roth, Thomas Grebe, Joe Rubesch, Dave L. Munz, Tubby Schroeder, Marie Ryan, Geraldine Pelanek, Arlene Michels, Helen Karl's son Tom and Amelda Lochner.

Continue to recruit new members.

The average age of KC members statewide is 67 years of age.

In solidarity with our priest;

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