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Grand Knight's Letter by GK Sean Gammon



Hello All!

Just in case you missed the picnic, we had some awards handed out. One of them was awarded to us at the State Convention. It is the State Faith award for our pilgrimage last year! We are currently in the running for this award at the Supreme Level!

We just got word in this week, between the activities we do as a council and our recruitment, we have made Star Council! The state has also made Circle of Honor, which is at least 59 councils that made Star Council!

Looking forward, we will be having donut Sunday and a spaghetti dinner this month. Please help with that! Remember, our next few donut Sundays will be to fund our coats for kids. To meet the State and Supreme quota, it is close to two thousand dollars. And this helps give coats to our local communities (Bellbrook, Sugarcreek township, Centerville, Springboro, Kettering, etc.).

We have also been asked to help with the Parish picnic on August 24th alongside our other brother council at Incarnation. Please mark your calendars!

We will be also presenting the 2025-2026 budget out this month with a vote at our August meeting. The officers will be finalizing it this Tuesday with a presentation to the council at the July business meeting.

I will be asking at the next business meeting for a small donation for the Christmas in July tree for the Elizabeth New life center. It is a tree with certain baby items (e.g. strollers, diapers, toys, car seats, etc.) for new mothers in need. This donation I would like to help share the cost of what gifts are left over at the end of the event. Please also consider donating to this.

One last thing I would like to touch on. Our parish has added a Sunday evening mass at the St. Francis campus at 5:30pm starting July 12th. While I agree this is a great move for the parish (as some of us work Sundays and it is hard to find a Sunday evening mass if we cannot make Saturday evening masses), the parish will need more help with ushers, lecturers, and Eucharistic ministers with the additional mass. As faithful Catholic men, I ask all of you to consider taking up extra roles during mass.

Vivat Jesus!

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Council 14504—St Francis of Assisi