



**Knights of Columbus
Chisholm Trail Council 9368
Round Rock Texas
Saint William Catholic Church
April 2020 News Letter
It's Hard to Find the Right Words**

Brother Knights,

Looking back to February 26th, Ash Wednesday.

My family was trying to figure out if we could attend Ash Wednesday Service together, finally had to accept that we'd have to go separately.

It seems so long ago, as Knights we were busy planning our first fish fry, making sure the food and supply order was placed and sending out the first help request.

A lot has changed in the last 35 days when we first started to hear about the Corona Virus. I'm guilty of not taking the subject seriously, making jokes that I didn't like that beer anyway.

This whole subject became serious fast, and for many, it's become fatal.

So many things are communicated through the news, internet new sites, social media, many of us are at the point that we listen for a short while in the morning and then try to tune it out as best as we can.

Somewhere along the way I heard a reaction of "I never thought I'd be having to give up church and receiving Communion for Lent".

Sadly, we are faced with the reality, many of us don't understand but are having to accept that we need to distance ourselves from each other for our safety and that of others, and for the time being have to view mass on our computers or on the television.

Several times we're asked to pray the rosary or novena's together at same times during the day, hoping that God will hear how many are praying and begging for his help. Please do so.

I've heard some say that God is not listening or God is punishing us for the many things that he see's as wrongs in the world.

My answer to them is God does not punish.

Please continue to pray to God for an end to this sickness.

Pray for those who have been affected and all that will be affected by this virus.

Pray for an end to all the negativity, pray for an end to all, that blame others for this illness, none of this helps.

Please ask God for help and for our Prayers to be answered.

Most importantly, please pray that we will be able to meet each other again soon, at mass and elsewhere, and for all of us to remain in good health and spirits.

All of this will be something that we'll never forget, I look forward to the many handshakes and hugs that we will all exchange and pray that soon we can all see each other as Knights, but mostly as a Parish Family.

“ Keep the Faith “

Thank You and God Bless,

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Meeting Notice 4/1/2020

There's a first for everything.

Our meeting this month and possibly next month will be virtual meetings.

Thanks to all of you that are way more technical than I am, a link has been set up so that we can participate from our homes.

<http://links.kofc9368.org/zoom>

This meeting will be important, we will discuss a donation to our church during this rough time.

This subject will be the main focus of the meeting as follows:

New Business:

Our Parish / St William needs our Council

2018 -2019 Donation \$10,694 for the wireless thermostats

2017 – 2018 Donation \$10,000 for parking lot speed bumps and road lights for the McNeil Entrance

2016-2017 Donation \$10,000 Holy Water Fonts

October 2019 budget presentation was to match or make greater that donation

Budget items not being used in this Fraternal Year:

Spring Fest Food Booth: \$1000

State Convention: \$850

The Officer Board held an emergency meeting to discuss several topics, the major was the annual donation.

Given the circumstances with the current state of the health crisis, we reached out to Father and asked what the needs were, a gift in kind or a financial donation.

Father conveyed a financial donation would help out the parish.

That being said, the council is requesting that a donation of \$20,000 be made to the parish, this donation will come from our working funds, the budgeted obligations for the rest of the fiscal year will still be met.

This will make the upcoming year tougher to develop a working budget, during these times though we need to remember our first order of Charity, and our parish is calling us for help, therefore I'll motion for \$20,000 to be donated to our home parish.

I look forward to this meeting, even if its looking into a computer screen, I pray for all that are able, to please join in and participate.

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