



Grand Knight's Letter – August 2025

Let Love Always Triumph!

Dear Brother Knights,

July has come and gone, and we are in the Dog Days of summer. We had a few events that I'd like to highlight:

- **4th of July Parade – Downtown RR (July 4):** Our 4th degree assembly 2245 participated in the Independence Day march down Mays St. Despite the light rain, we all felt proud to be an American. We were also awarded the Stars and Stripes Award for Patriotism. Thank you, Mariano, for leading!
- **Highway Cleanup (July 12):** Once again, we cleaned our little stretch of A.W. Grimes Street. After enjoying tacos, donuts and coffee, we quickly took care of business.
- **Welcome Sunday (July 27):** We conducted another successful Welcome Sunday. We collected 11 names of potential new Knights. Please look for, and welcome, each new Knight as they join our council.

This month, in place of the Grand Knight's letter, we have a guest writer. Please enjoy the following from Jeff Power.

FLYING THE COLORS PROUDLY

America's pastime is a great place to fly the colors of the United States of America. The Knights of Columbus were recently given the honor of presenting the colors at a Round Rock Express home baseball game at Dell Diamond. Seven of us proudly wore our newest Knights of Columbus regalia as we flew the flags of the United States of America, the Lone Star Flag and the Papal Flag also known as the flag of the Vatican City. Marching onto the grass playing surface with the smell of hot dogs and popcorn in the humid summer air was refreshing.

A gentle drizzle began moments before we would raise our flags for all to see. The Star Bangled Banner never sounded so good as we raised the American Flag high above the attendees. The Rocket's Red Glare was highlighted with fireworks and later the crack of the bat would soon follow.

America is indeed beautiful and its people proud, especially Knights of Columbus members representing several councils in the greater Austin area of Williamson and Travis Counties.

In a time when our country's future seems so uncertain, the red, white, and blue, plus yellow Papal flag flew proudly in the gusty wind on a Tuesday summer night in Round Rock. This moment gave proof that our flags were not only still there flying but were flying proudly over the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Written by 4th Degree Knight

Jeff Power

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Faith Reflection

"The journey of faith is a daily process of conversion, transforming believers and allowing the light of the Gospel to grow."

—Pope Leo XIV

Looking Ahead

10 days until: **Casino Night on August 16th.** This is our biggest fundraiser and fellowship event of the summer, and your help is essential to its success. My request. Support this event by working it or attending it.

Thank you for your continued prayers, support, and brotherhood.



Vivat Jesus!

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Upcoming Events:

- Wednesday, August 6th
 - Business Meeting
 - 7 pm in the Pavilion (6:30pm Rosary)
- Monday, August 11th
 - Casino Night planning mtg.
 - 7pm in St. Francis rm
- Wednesday, August 13th
 - EIM Training
 - 6pm in St. William, PEC Auditorium
- Saturday, August 16th
 - Casino Night Party
 - PEC 5 – 10:30pm
- Wednesday, August 20th
 - Officer's Meeting
 - 6:30 pm in the Pavilion
- Tuesday, August 26th
 - 3rd Degree Exemplification
- Wednesday, Sept 3rd
 - Business Meeting
 - 7 pm in the Pavilion (6:30pm Rosary)
- Saturday, Sept 6th
 - 1st Friday adoration
 - 4am in the Chapel

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Knights Colors:



4th of July Parade:



