KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The K of C's will meet the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall All Knights, past Knights or men interested in becoming a Knight are encouraged to attend.

Next Knight's meeting will be January 15, 2026

Deceased Knights Memorial Masses

January 8—Elvyn Bell

Happy birthday to these Knights born in December! Reno Hammond, vade Keithley, Duncan MacKenzie Jr. Al McCauley, Joe Shaffer, Mike Skidmore, Mike Upmeyer Jr. JR Vela

DAUGHTERS OF ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 14, 2026 - 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall.

Pat Culley is turning 100! Please join us at the Community Connections on January 3rd at 1:00 PM to celebrate this Centurion.

Closing of the Jubilee Year 2025.

Today, Bishop Hennen will close the Holy Doors of the Jubilee year. Since the first one was opened by Pope Francis on December 24, 2024, nearly 30 million pilgrims have crossed their thresholds — seeking mercy, healing, and renewal. So what do you do with this moment? You pause. You give thanks. And most importantly, you carry it forward. Because while the doors may close, the grace they represent doesn't disappear.

This Jubilee has been a year of extraordinary mercy, of reconciliation, of millions returning to the sacraments and rediscovering hope. And that kind of spiritual movement doesn't end with a ceremony. It continues in your heart — if you dare to let it stay open. And if the Jubilee has taught you anything, it's that the greatest openings don't happen in basilicas, but in souls. And that hope, when rooted in faith, is never dependent on dates or doors.

So yes, the Holy Doors will soon be sealed. But the legacy of this Jubilee year — the confessions you've made, the prayers you offered, the steps you walked, even if just in spirit — remains. And if you choose to live with that same spirit of welcome, mercy, and trust, then you carry the Jubilee with you. In your home, your parish, your ordinary daily life. Every act of forgiveness, every decision to begin again, becomes its own open door. Do not let anyone steal your hope! *Taken from Aleteia.org*

Religious Education

RE Schedule: RE will resume on January 4th, 2026.

January 4th, 2026 marks the Epiphany of the Lord and we celebrate this time by performing a traditional home blessing. This Blessing is a centuries old tradition that you as a family can do on the feast of the Epiphany. The blessing has biblical roots tied to the Passover in the book of Exodus 12:1-13. It takes place on the Epiphany marking the visitation of the Magi to the Christ Child and the revelation that Jesus is the son of God. It serves as a symbol of hope and a visible reminder of faith and will be a strong reminder of how important God is to us and what an important factor Jesus is in our daily lives.

Instruction for Blessing the Home: Using the blessed chalk (you may get at the office) mark the lintel of your front door as follows: 20 + C + M + B + 26 saying: *The three Wise Men, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar followed the star of God's Son who became human two thousand and 21 years ago. May Christ bless our home and remain with us throughout the new year.*

Then say the following prayer: *Visit, O blessed Lord, this home with the gladness of your presence. Bless all who live or visit here with the gift of your love; and grant that we may manifest your love to each other and to all whose lives we touch. May we grow in grace and in the knowledge and love of you; guide, comfort, and strengthen us in peace, O Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen*

The letters have two meanings: First, they represent the initials of the Magi – Caspar, Malchior, and Balthazar – who come to visit Jesus in His first home. They also abbreviate the Latin phrase, Christus mansionem benedicat: "May Christ bless the house." The + signs represent the cross, and the "20" at the beginning and the "26" at the end mark the year.

Taken together, this inscription is performed as a request for Christ to bless those homes so marked and that He stay with those who dwell therein throughout the entire year.

Coffee Hour Schedule

Dec 28—Jill Myatt, Virginia Babski
Jan 4—Cole & Brenda Orszulak
Jan 11—Knights Breakfast

Church Greeters Schedule

Dec 28—Matt & Gail Armstrong
Jan 4—The Marvin Family
Jan 11—The Swart & DeChant Families

***If you would like to help with social hour, please contact the office. Thank you!*