



# Knights of Columbus Fr. William A. Foster Council No. 9518

*Catholic family, fraternal, service organization.*

*St. Gerald Catholic Church*

*August 2018*

*Ralston, Nebraska*

## *Message from the Grand Knight*

**Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism**

Brother Knights,

With August upon us, our activities for the 2018-19 get underway. This should be an exciting time for our council as we usher in new programs and opportunities to serve both our families and community. I would personally like to thank brother Knights Ken True (Faith), Tom Stanton (Family), Brian Munchrath (Life) and Mike Meyer (community) for accepting roles as program directors. Most of our programs and events that we have held in past still qualify for the Columbian Award and Star Council, they just need to be tweaked a bit, please be open to help with the projects as we move forward.

We are considering holding a Coats for Kids event this Fall. Pat Garnatz has agreed to spearhead this event. If approved at the meeting this month, we will hold a fundraiser at Masses for the purchase of coats. Pending your approval, the council will also donate money to the cause. These coats will be distributed to children that need coats in our community, starting at St. Gerald, then moving to the Ralston Public Schools. The simple gift of a coat can make all the difference in the world to a child growing up in a home struggling to make ends meet. And yes, we do have those families attending school at St. Gerald. Personally, I am very supportive of this program and encourage your input. Again, this will be voted on by the council, please attend the meeting, ask questions, give input and vote on this important agenda item.

Speaking of agenda, our agenda has changed to reflect the changes made by Supreme. We have whittled down from Church, Community, Council, Family and Youth to Faith, Family, Life and Community. The change simply reflects the changes in program categories directed by Supreme in the new Faith in Action program model. Many and most of our current activities remain unchanged, but I think it is important to be consistent with Supreme and get people accustomed to the Faith in Action Program model. It's just a little thing, I just wanted to mention it should anyone be confused or have questions about this minor change in our agenda format.

Another reminder, if you have any new business, we would love to have it presented at the meeting. I do ask that any new business that you may have be discussed with Deputy Grand

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Knight Dan Bourne or myself prior to the start of the meeting. This is simply to streamline the meetings, keep them in order and avoid surprises. No new business will be denied. Thank you.

I am still looking for four guys with writing skills that could help publicize our activities and programs. This won't be that difficult, we simply need a few guys to post updates in the bulletin and Spirit Link, maybe a writeup or two in the Catholic Voice or one of the K of C publications. Again, if there are four guys, that is only one writeup in the bulletin a month, no big deal, we just need the help! Please, if have writing skills, consider this. Thank you. Lastly, did I mention hotdogs? I should have! If coming to the meeting and be an active participant aren't enough incentive to show up Thursday, hotdogs should do the trick! Lector Brian Munchrath will be cooking up hot dogs for Good of the Order, please donate to the good of the order, have a hotdog, soda or beer, talk with your fellow Knights and have a good time. I look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting. Again, thank you all for everything you all do to make 9518 what I believe to be the best K of C council in the state!

God Bless,  
Dave Fowler, Grand Knight

## **Knights of Columbus Back to School Breakfast**

Sunday, August 26, 7:30am-Noon

Fr. Larry Dorsey Fellowship Hall, 96th & Q.



Menu includes waffle with syrup, whip cream & fruit toppings, sausage, orange juice and coffee.

Cereal is available for kids.

There will be a free will offering

Everyone is welcome!!



★ **HAPPY** ★  
**BIRTHDAY!**

### *August Birthdays*

**Peter Henning**

**Patrick Myers**

**Reese Blount**

**Michael Krejci**

**Raymond Cernik**

**Thomas Kerkman, Jr.**

**Kenneth Renkenberger**

**James Dillon**

**Deacon Wayne Reed**

**Timothy Leuschen**

**John Hobza**

**Daniel Bourne**

**Sean Sheridan**

**Stephen Wallace**

**Robert Neville**

**Stephen Frankenfield**

**Thomas Jorgensen**

**Andrew Kohel**

**James Masteller**

**Rev William Fitzgerald**

**Gerald Krause**

**Verl Squire**

**Victor Stannish**

**Gilbert Bruening**

**Joseph Prochaska**

**Curt Wees**

**Bradley Ryan**