



3<sup>rd</sup> Degree

# NEWSLETTER

## Knights of Columbus

### Council #7014 Rockdale, Texas

## JUNE 2025



4<sup>th</sup> Degree

Council Meeting w/supper 2nd Tuesday @7pm,

Officers & Chairmen Mtg. (see Calendar)

### 2024-2025 COUNCIL OFFICERS

Chaplain.....Fr. John Boiko  
Grand Knight..... Kenny Svrcek  
Dep. GK.....Chad Ehler  
Chancellor..... Phil Konarik  
Recorder..... Robert Zapata  
Warden..... Charlie Watson  
Treasurer.....Tom Alejandro  
Financial Sec.....Craig Snow  
Advocate.....David Ehler  
Lecturer.....Dwayne David  
Inside Guard.....Charles Ehler  
Outside Guard.....Jason Ehler  
Trustee 1 Year.....Nick Guzman  
Trustee 2 Year.....Marty Elman  
Trustee 3 Year.....Bernie Doud  
Newsletter.....Phil Konarik  
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### FISH FRY WORKERS APPRECIATION DINNER

The Council's annual Lenten Fish Fry project was held on six Fridays in March and April. Prior to the actual Fish Fry, there were weeks of planning, advertising, out of town trips to purchase supplies and more. We'd done it all before and while we are good at it by now (17 years), it is still a lot of work. The Council recognizes and appreciates the effort our KC members and Ladies Society members have made. The monumental project is done. Let's celebrate its success by getting together to relax and enjoy a catered steak dinner as we thank those who planned the menu, made slaw, cooked, cleaned, served plates, tea, sold tickets, donated, baked and cut cakes & other desserts, ran the bar and more.



Come Join us on Friday,  
June 13, 2025, KC Hall,  
doors open at 5:30 pm,  
meal at 6:30 pm. Call or  
text to RSVP & reserve  
your steak by Sunday.  
June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, to:

David Ehler 512-446-1087 or  
Dwayne David 512-760-8449

### VOLUNTEER HOURS MAY:

**CHARITABLE PROJ:** 34 HRS  
**HALL MAINT. PROJ:** 34 HRS  
**COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:** 104 HRS



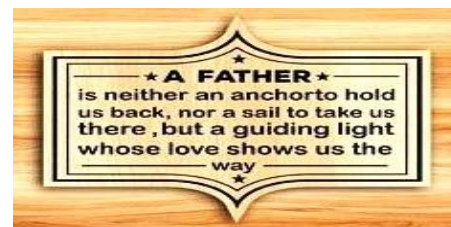
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Robert Francis Prevost, 69, from Chicago was elected the 267<sup>th</sup> Pope on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, and chose the name Pope Leo XIV. He is the first Pope from the U.S.

Pope Leo speaks multiple languages including English, Spanish, Italian, French and Portuguese. He has a BS degree in Mathematics, a Master of Divinity, a Doctorate in Canon Law. He spent much of his career in Peru, South America. He succeeds Pope Francis who died on April 26, 2025.

### HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!



**From the May Council Meeting:** GK Kenny Svrcek and members enjoyed pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, hashbrown potatoes, by Lecturer Dwayne David, Marty Elman and Rodney Barcak. For dessert: Chocolate chip pan cookies and chocolate, peanut butter rice crispy squares by Debbie Konarik. GK Kenny reviewed the calendar for the remainder of May including the Rockdale Food Pantry delivery on the 16<sup>th</sup>, two Quinceaneras booked: May 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. The June calendar has the annual Rockdale Homecoming on June 8<sup>th</sup>, and (possibly) a Red Cross Blood Drive. Also, discussion on KC Hall liability insurance policies. There was a change to idea of sidewalks between the BBQ House and a storage building (see "workday" below). Discussion regarding RSID proposal to allow parking at the KC Hall with shuttle busses to and from Tiger Stadium for football games – need more details. There is a request by BNSF Railroad to use the KC Hall parking lot for their employees to meet and park their cars (no heavy equip.) as they do maintenance on local RR tracks for several weeks. More details needed before agreement. Council voted to hold an appreciation dinner for all who helped with the six weeks of Friday Lenten Fish Fry fundraiser in March and April. This catered dinner is set for Friday, 13 June. On Saturday, June 14 there will be a KC Hall workday for maintenance, cleaning and moving the storage building (see "workday" below). The June Council meeting election of officers on the Tuesday the 10<sup>th</sup>.

- **COUNCIL 7014 EXPENSES** for May include TXU outside (parking lot) security lighting \$84.10, Electric bill: APG&E \$778.95, SWMWSC water \$132.00, Dillo Disposal \$200.38, CPA \$75.00, Texas Propane \$64.95, Donations: St. Joseph's Church monthly tithe \$200, Rockdale Athletic Booster Club Golf Tournament \$300.
- **FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS** for the May 16<sup>th</sup>, 4800# delivery were Jim Andrews, Tom Alejandro, Thomas Andrews, Bernie Doud and Phil Konarik. Reminder calls by Charlie Watson. Thanks guys, for taking time out of your day to help with this project assisting the needy in our town.
- **KC WORKDAY PLANS** – instead of the original idea of sidewalks at the BBQ House, further discussion led to the idea of a rectangular concrete slab to be poured between the BBQ House and the storage building. At the workday on June 14<sup>th</sup> the (portable) storage building will be slid to the south to be aligned with the BBQ House. Later the concrete slab will be formed and poured by a contractor. There are other maintenance items planned as well all starting at 8:00am.
- **KC 4<sup>th</sup> DEGREE ASSEMBLY #2587 \$500 RAFFLE WINNERS** were Brad Tifton, Leslie Smith, Tina Varna and James Smellar. There were only 300 tickets sold and there were four winners. Drawing was Monday, May 12, 2025, at the Rockdale KC Hall. Thank you to all who purchased tickets!