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Can You Pray for Vocations for Just One Hour?



Brother Knights, Father Jim Lee has requested that the Knights of Columbus pray for religious vocations. Saturday & Sunday AM hours of 1AM, 2AM, or 3AM on January 0st, 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th are designated as our Knights of Columbus hours. The Adoration Chapel is open under COVID-19 restrictions. Please call Mona Bishop at St Mike's office (360) 292-7141 or email mbishop@saintmichaelparish.org to schedule an appointment. If you do not feel comfortable coming to the Adoration Chapel, please consider praying at home. Thank you and God bless you and your family.

Please Keep in Your Prayers

* Walt Dale

* Ed Sauley

* John Kramer

* Fr. Jim Lee

* Peggy Pursley

* Sam Pellegrino's Mother-In-Law

* Florante Jayme

* Mi-Young Gilman

* Elaine and Ron DeGroot

* Ray DeTerra Family

* Brenda and Joe Patnude



* Jim and Meg Pivec

* Dennis Perez

* Amanda Thomas

* Ray Grothe Family

* Tacie Adams

* Tom Mitchell's Mother

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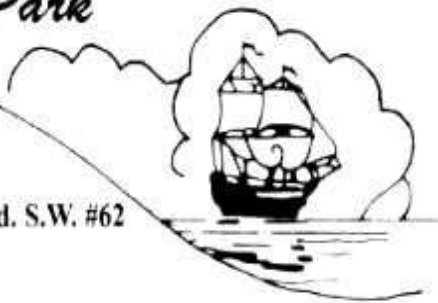
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OBITUARY FOR JOHN "JACK" KRAMER

John "Jack" Kramer, 89, Minot, ND, formerly of Olympia, WA, passed away Saturday, November 25, 2023, at Edgewood Vista Assisted Living Facility, Minot.

John "Jack" Henry Kramer was born January 2, 1934, the son of Fred and Cecilia (Kayser) Kramer, in the Kramer home on the family farm near Douglas. He loved to tell people that his birthday was 1-2-3-4. Jack was the oldest of four boys. He was raised on the family's grain and cattle farm. He graduated from Douglas High School in 1952.

Following graduation, Jack worked at Rensch's Garage in Makoti for a short while before moving to Minot and worked for Frosaker Chevrolet for several years as an auto mechanic. In the late 1960s, he moved to Olympia, WA and worked for Boeing Corporation installing instrument panels in 747s. Following his years with Boeing, he worked for B&E Auto Clinic until his retirement in 1989.

During his retirement, he was very active in St. Michael's Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus, the Holy Name Society, as well as the St. Vincent de Paul Society in Olympia. He spent countless hours volunteering in all these venues. Jack's faith in God was the most important thing in his life and influenced everything he did. He was a born mechanic and had an unbelievable talent for fixing almost anything. His tan El Camino was his prized possession and he had repaired everything there was to repair on it.

Jack was fortunate to have the beautiful friendship of Father Jim, Lou, and Bene while living in Olympia. In 2021, health issues made it necessary to sell his home in Washington and move into assisted living in Minot to be closer to family. He received excellent and loving care from the staff at Edgewood Vista and Caring Edge Hospice, to which his family is forever grateful.

Jack is survived by his brothers, David (Carol) Kramer, Minot; Stephen Kramer, Springfield, OR; 3 nephews, 2 nieces, and numerous great nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, his father and mother, his brother, Thomas, and his sister-in-law, June.

Mass of Christian Burial: Wednesday, November 29, 2023, at 10:30 a.m. at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, Minot.

Interment: Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery, Douglas, ND.

Visitation: Tuesday from 6 to 7 p.m. at Thompson-Larson Funeral Home, Minot.

Vigil Prayer Service: Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Thompson-Larson Funeral Home, Minot.

Memorials: are preferred in Jack's name to St. Vincent de Paul Society or Caring Edge Hospice.

Annual Veterans Appreciation Dinner Held November 11

The Knights of Columbus Assembly 1183 held its annual Veterans' Appreciation Dinner on November 11, 2023, at Sacred Heart Parish Hall. The guest speaker was CSM Sans Gilmore, U S Army Retired, who gave an outstanding presentation on the liveliness of being both a US Army reservist and a practicing attorney.

The Capitol Battalion, Sea Cadet Corps, provided ceremonial support and assisted with serving the meal. An excellent turkey dinner was prepared by Sam Pellegrino and his staff. Sam and his wife, Pam, provided the musical tribute to the services by the Knight's Schola Choir. Also thank you to Greg Steiert and Mike Colosi for their support in taking tickets and running the beverage station respectively.

Archpriest Lawrence Gosselin gave the invocation. There were 200 guests, of whom 100 were veterans. Special recognition is due Archpriest Lawrence Gosselin for preparing the event brochures, detailing the script for the evening's events, and delivering a notable benediction for the attendees. Also, credit is due to Sir Knight Thomas Pursley for an excellent tribute to prisoners of war and missing in action servicemembers.

Our thanks go out to Dr. Karl Hoffman who generously provided \$1500 to support the event. The evening was enjoyed by all attendees and we look forward to presenting these tributes in the future.



MEMORIAL MASS AND POTLUCK

6:00 PM THURSDAY NOVEMBER 16 AT COLUMBIAN HALL

Father Tim Ilgen, our Council Chaplain, and Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish celebrated this year's annual Memorial Mass at Columbian Hall on Thursday, November 16th at 6:00 PM, for recently deceased members, family members, and friends of the Knights over the past year.

Our Schola lead the singing.

32 attended the Mass while Chef Sam Pellegrino provided his famous meatballs and Italian sausage as the main dish while attendees donated a variety of salads, breads, and muffins as well as seasonal dessert and coffee after the mass.



2023 NECROLOGY LIST to be READ @ MEMORIAL MASS

No.	NAME	RELATIONSHIP TO NEXT OF KIN
1	Russell Pellegrino	Cousin of Sir Knight, Sam Pellegrino
2	Tiffany Dang	Daughter of Sir Knight, Charlie Dang
3	Homer Lee Thornton Jr.	Cousin of Sir Knight, Corbett Thornton
4	Joan Barber	Mother of Sir Knight, Deacon Terry Barber
5	Nannette Tyler	Sister of Sir Knight, Corbett Thornton
6	PGK, Bill Hiblar	Br. Knight William, "Bill," Hiblar
7	Dennis Clayville	Brother-in-law of Sir Knight, Fred Weisdepp
8	Fr. Paul Kaech	Pastor, St. Edward Parish, Shelton, WA
9	Ruben Magdaleno	Father of Sir Knight, Ronald A. Magdaleno





**Knights of Columbus Food for Families
Canned Food Drive Held Nov 18, 2023
Raises \$1,245 and 1,226 lbs. of Food & Hygiene Products**

A Canned Food Drive was held by Council 1643 on Saturday November 18, 2023. Many Knights and Parishioners generously donated items to benefit the Sacred Heart Food Pantry with its mission to help the needy in our community.

Over 1,200 pounds of canned food and hygiene products were donated along with cash and checks totaling \$1,245. A very special thanks to Bob and Sue Jenner and Bill Jensen from the Sacred Heart Food Pantry who provided on-site support by weighing, recording, and storing the donated items.

Father Clement Piruwa, Parochial Vicar at Sacred Heart Parish, visited the team providing his encouragement and support for this effort.

Knights supporting this service project were Larry Weinger, Ron DeGroot, Don Spiels, Ric Ordos, Tom Pursley, and Tom Mitchell. Special thanks to John Zyrkowski for reaching out to our Council through emails and making announcements in our newsletter and webpage.

Our next drive will be held at Sacred Heart on Saturday, February 17th, 2024.



Council/Assembly Christmas Party – December 14th



Our Annual Council/Assembly Christmas Party will take place on Thursday, December 14, 2023, beginning at 6pm at Columbian Hall. A potluck buffet augmented by a main dish (donation bucket provided) will be served. This is a **family event**. Please join us for food and fellowship. Food and beverages will be available at 6pm. Please arrive early to properly place your food contribution on the buffet tables. The KC Schola will lead a Yuletide sing-along promptly at 7pm, followed by presentation of gifts to several needy military families who will be our guests that evening. This event is scheduled to wrap up at 8pm so that your Christmas elves can return to their holiday tasks.



PROVIDED MAIN DISH – PINEAPPLE AND CHERRY GLAZED HAM

Pot Luck Suggestions – Last Name Begins with:

- A-E Dessert, i.e. pies, cakes, bars, cookies, candy, etc.
- F-J Veggie Side Dish i.e. green bean casserole, buttered corn
- K-O Starchy Side Dish, i.e. scalloped potatoes, candied yams
- P-Q Dinner Rolls and Butter
- R-Z Salads, i.e. tossed green salad with dressing, fresh fruit

Please bring enough for 15-20 people. Please remember that we could be feeding as many as 30+ invited guests who will not be contributing to the stocking of the buffet. Kindly RSVP to John Zyrkowski, jztecpan@aol.com, as to how many in your party and what you will be bringing. Thank you!

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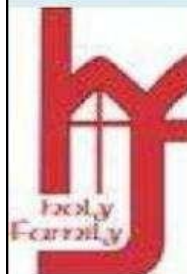
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Calendar

December 2023

- Mon 4 Council Officer's Meeting 6-7:15
- Thu 7 Council Social, Rosary, & Business Meeting
- Fri 8 Columbian Hall Board Function - Detail
- Sat 9 Knights before Christmas Tree Delivery
- Sun 10 Donut Sales After the Sacred Heart masses
- Tue 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast
- Wed 13 Drexel House Dinner
- Thu 14 Council and Assembly Christmas Party
- Thu 14 4th Degree Officers Meeting
- Thu 28 4th Degree Assembly Social, Rosary & Meeting
- Sun 31 Donut Sales After the St. Mikes masses

January, 2024

- Tue 2 Council Officer's Meeting 6-7:15
- Thu 4 Council Social, Rosary, & Business Meeting
- Thu 11 4th Degree Officers Meeting
- Thu 25 4th Degree Assembly Social, Rosary & Meeting
- Sun 28 Donut Sales After the St. Mikes masses
- Mon 29 March For Life/Mass for Life
- Mon 29 Council Officer's Meeting 6-7:15

For up-to-date event information, please visit our website at

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