



# Knight Lines

What's Happening with Your Knights of Columbus  
St. Mother Theodore Guerin Council #541

July - September, 2017

## From the Grand Knight....

Brother Knights, it is with great pride that we re-introduce a newsletter to help keep you better informed about what's going on with your Knights of Columbus St. Mother Theodore Guerin Council #541.

This council has a long and storied history of serving those in need in the Terre Haute area. Did you know your council was formed way back in 1903? That's 114 years of service to our local community! That's a lot of fish fries and help to those in need.

But our council is so much more than a few fish fries every year. As your new Grand Knight I'd like to encourage all of you to get as involved as your time and talents will allow in the activities of the council. You don't have to do it all – just do what you can. Maybe pick one “pet” project you'd like to take the lead on for the Knights.

So that we can spend our Council monies most wisely we will primarily be distributing this newsletter via email. When a new issue is available we'll send you an email with a link to where you can read the latest issue. If you don't have email capabilities just let us know and we can mail you a physical copy of the newsletter.

I'm looking so forward to the coming year for our Council. We have so many outstanding Knights who give so much in service to our community. I thank you for being a member of the Knights and look forward to working side by side with you in the coming years.

Vivat Jesus!

*Bret Ridgway*



## A Little Bit More About Your Grand Knight...

Having only been a Knight myself for a little less than 4 years I recognize there are many of you that I haven't had the privilege to meet yet and who know nothing about me. So here we go...

My name is Bret Ridgway and I have been a resident of Terre Haute since 1966, having moved here from Columbus, Ohio when my father took a job with Columbia Records here in town. I grew up on the north side of town in Terre Town and graduated from Terre Haute North way back in 1976.

I began attending St. Joseph University Parish in 1983 with my soon to be wife Karen Ridgway and we will celebrate our 33<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary this year. I am a Catholic convert, having officially joined the church in 2005. We still attend St. Joseph University Parish and have been blessed with three outstanding children.

Karen, is a Physical Therapist Assistant who works with VNA/Hospice of the Wabash Valley. Our daughter, Christina, is 29 and a professional stagehand in Indianapolis. Our sons, Jacob, 27 and Mitchell, 23 are both finishing up degrees at Indiana State University. Jacob is a business major and has already accepted a position with Allied Solutions, an insurance services provider in Carmel and Mitchell is a music education major

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seeking his first teaching position in elementary music.

I personally consider myself primarily a marketing guy. I'm co-founder of a local company called Speaker Fulfillment Services. We provide product duplication and fulfillment services for authors, speakers and information marketers. I've authored or co-authored six books aimed at the niches we serve.

In addition to my work with the Knights I am also a member of the Ryves Community Optimist Club and active with various ministries for my parish.

Since I don't know many of you personally if we happen to cross paths please introduce yourself to me. Thank you and God Bless.



**4<sup>th</sup> Degree Color Guard for the Recent Confirmation Ceremony  
St. Joseph University Parish**

From L-R – Terrell Butler, Ken Nordmeyer, Bret Ridgway, Mike Brown and Color Guard Commander David Winters

**Your 2017 – 2018 St. Mother Theodore Guerin Council #541 Officers**



Grand Knight  
Bret Ridgway



Deputy Grand Knight  
David Gorrell



Treasurer  
Terrell Butler



Financial Secretary  
Ryan Loftus



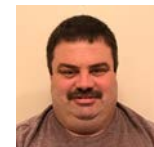
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Sean Cramer



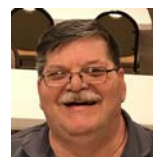
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Mark Monahan



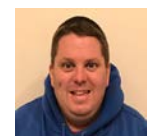
Warden  
Chuck Mitchell



Inside Guard  
Phil Brown



Trustee – 1<sup>st</sup> Year  
Mike Blanc



Outside Guard  
Mike Brown



Trustee – 2<sup>nd</sup> Year  
Bob Flott



Trustee – 3<sup>rd</sup> Year  
Tony Peterson



Advocate  
Andy Pfister



Lecturer  
Bill McCarthy

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2017 Calendar of Events

## July 2017

						<b>1</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Business Meeting	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Soup Kitchen 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Soup Kitchen	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Social Gathering	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Soup Kitchen	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>23/30</b>	<b>24/31</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Soup Kitchen	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>

## August 2017

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## September 2017

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**Be Sure to Check our Online Calendar of Events for More Details on  
Anything Listed on this Calendar**

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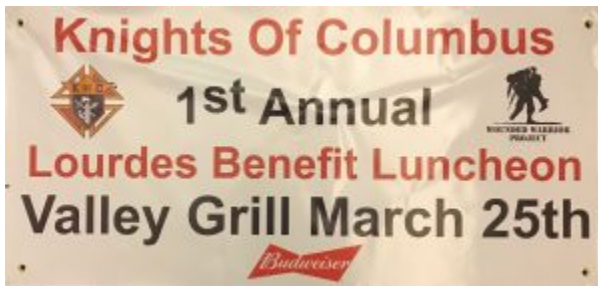
# Some Recent Happenings



Our council was recognized by Gibault Children's Services with a Challenge Coin and Certificate on March 20, 2017



4<sup>th</sup> Degree Color Guard Members Bret Ridgway, Ken Nordmeyer and Ron Fouts Get Prepared to Lead the St. Patrick's Day Parade



The 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Held Their 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Warrior to Lourdes Fundraiser in March



Knight Vince Pfister is Presented a Plaque and Challenge Coin by Patty Steiglbauer of Gibault



Knights Mark Monahan and Tony Peterson Helped Slice Bread at the Catholic Charities Soup Bowl Benefit



Winners of the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition at Ryves Hall