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With Ash Wednesday on March 5th, we begin the 40 day journey to the cross and the empty tomb. Lent is a journey of faith. We pray and fast and engage in penance and sacrifice because of our faith. We have faith or we would not do what we do during Lent. The journey of faith is a time to allow that faith to grow and become stronger. Through his Holy Word, God will feed our faith and nurture it:

"The man who meditates day and night on the law of the Lord will yield fruit in due season." Psalm 1:2-3

> "Unload your burden onto the Lord, and he will support you." Psalm 54:23

"Teach us your ways, O Lord, and lead us in your paths." Psalm

"Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God." Matthew 4:4

Lent is also a journey of service. We know the Lord is the servant of servants. The Lord gave an example of service. He called the Apostles to be servants. The Lords call us to be servants:

"The Lord Jesus, when he had eaten with his disciples, poured water into a basin and began to wash their feet, saying: This example I leave you." John 13:4, 5, 15

"If I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, then surely you must wash one another's feet." John 13:14 "If there is this love among you, all will know you as my disciples." John 13:35

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Being a Knight of Columbus is also a journey of faith. KC masses, leading the rosary in your parish or at the wake of a Brother Knight, the Marian Hour of Prayer, and other devotions help deepen our faith and are expressions of our faith. Listening to talks by Pope Francis, our bishops, and our priests nurtures and deepens our faith. Retreats, especially KC retreats at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo, nurture and deepen our faith. (The next ones are scheduled for March 14-16, April 1-3, and April 16-19.) As Knights of Columbus, we are on a journey of faith that was established by Our Lord through Father Michael McGivney. KC's are men of faith, and we do what we do because of our faith.

Being a Knight of Columbus is also a journey of service. As the Lord gave us an example of service, so too our founder, Father McGivney, gave us an example of service to those in need. The journey of service has been a part of the legacy of our Order for a long time. Since the founding of our Brotherhood, we have been helping the poor with food, water, shelter, and clothing. Knights are there for people when there is disaster or tragedy.

Since 1973, we have continually worked at develop-ing a Culture of Life. First, we spoke out for the right to life of the unborn with protests at the State Capitals and our Nation's Capital; and still do so today. We have continually supported Birthright, MCCL, and Prolife Across America. More recently, our Ultrasound Initiative has saved thousands of babies throughout the country.

Since our founding, we have helped and supported widows and their families, the elderly, and the dis-abled. We support and volunteer at projects for Special Olympics and Habitat for Humanity. As Knights, we look to see how we can help out in our parishes and communities. Being a Knight is a journey of service.

Lent is a journey of faith and service.

Being a Knight of Columbus is a

journey of faith and service.

Let us journey with one another as

Christians through Lent.

Let us invite other men to go on the journey of faith and service as our Brother Knights.

Father Ken O'Hotto, State Chaplain

TOOTSIE CAMPAGIN SET FOR APRIL 25-26-27

Our Tootsie Rolls have been ordered for our annual Tootsie Roll Campaign for Developmentally Handicapped. We will again solicit donations at Silver Lake Shopping Center on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, April 25, 26, 27.

We did very well last year, and are hoping for another three days of good weather. Rumor has it that the State Council has made some kind of arrangement with the weather bureau, and they have assured us good weather! We will start by calling all you that have helped through the years. Please say yes.

Viva Jesu, John Hunt and John Spading Co-Directors



February Birthdays

FREDERICK BOUCSEIN	7
GERALD PIOTROWSKI	8
GERALD MC GUIRE	12
RICHARD HAMANN	29
TTMOTHY LESNITCK	31

Dates to Remember

Tuesday, March 11th, 7:00 pm Monthly Meeting in St. Clare Room Sunday, March 16th KC Deluxe Pancake Breakfast Tuesday, April 8th, 7:00 pm Monthly Meeting in St. Clare Room Tuesday, May 13th, 7:00 pm Monthly Meeting in St. Clare Room Sunday, May 18th KC Deluxe Pancake Breakfast