

## KNIGHTS CORNER

December 17, 2023



### St. Charles Council #2084

Coming off the Thanksgiving holiday and moving into Advent, where we think about the greatest gift we've ever received, hopefully we're thinking more of what really matters and spending more time thinking about all the "gifts" we have to be grateful for.

In that vein the Knights have a tradition of picking both a Knight of the Month and a Family of the Month as a way of showing our appreciation for all the hard work and dedication members of our parish put into our community. It's no secret that it takes a lot of work and people to do all the amazing work, programs, and initiatives that we should be so very proud of. While the Knight of the month by definition is a brother Knight, the family of the month, like many of the things we do, is open to the parish at large.

Now I'll be the first to admit, chasing folks down to give them their awards has taken me a little longer in some cases than I've liked, so please forgive me if your family wins and you get surprised a month or two later. The reason I'm proud of this program and wanted to bring it up is that there are so many great families that deserve this award. There are a lot of people who put countless hours and effort in and would never ask for a thank you or for praise. But even the best of us can start to get burnt out, especially when we know the need's not going away anytime soon. Personal recognition, a thank you, a "we see you" is the least we can do to let a family know their effort is inspiring and appreciated more than they can possibly know.

I know all the kind words folks share with me these days mean a lot to me. Thank you.

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