



# St. Paul VI Holy Name Society

40 E. Burlington St., Riverside, IL 60546

March 2023

## February Smoker Recap

After a three year absence we held the "Smoker" on February 10th in lieu of the monthly meeting. There were over 160 men in attendance. Special thanks to all the HNS members, and raffle donors for stepping up and making the evening a success. Please attend the March meeting to hear the final numbers and preliminary plans for next year's event!

Smoker Big Winner - \$1,000 – Jeff Kosobucki, he donated \$200 back to HNS.  
\$300 – Tom Carlson, he donated \$150 back to HNS.

Thank you to these two fine gentlemen for both your generous donation! God Bless you both!

Thanks to Matt Radek and his team for an excellent, well organized, and successful event!

## Membership Recap

Dave Tomalis Spoke with attendees at the "Smoker" and a few might be joining HNS in the future.

Our current HNS Banner is with Watra Church Supply Co. Their design team is evaluating our banner and will be submitting a proposal with fabric samples along with a rendering for our approval. Hopefully, we will have our new banner in time for the annual HNS Spiritual Assembly.

Additional HNS swag (wind shirt, polo, long sleeve t-shirt) has been ordered.

February HNS Mass- 21 members participated, and we had (27) parishioners attended the hospitality afterwards. Thank you to Girl Scout Troop # 47360 for the delicious Girl Scout cookies... the S'more's were a big hit! Thank you – Andy, Steve, and Phil for your help!

## March Meeting

Our next Holy Name Meeting will be held on **Friday, March 10th, 2023**. The doors open at 7:00 PM and the meeting starts at **7:30 PM**. A Lenten meal of meatless pizza will be served. Stay tuned for information about the speaker

## Monthly Mass

Our March Holy Name Mass will be celebrated on **Sunday, March 12th, 2023, at 11:00 AM** at the Mater Christi Campus. **Please note the change in time** as we need to be present at other Masses to promote the HNS. Hospitality will be provided following the Mass, including Girl Scout cookies for treats. Please wear your HNS apparel, if not, a sports coat will do.

## Sick and Vigil

A Get-Well card was sent to Al Cimino, he underwent a couple of surgeries.

## Retreat

On February 18th we held our annual retreat at Our Lady of the Angles Retreat Center in Lemont. The retreat was led by Deacon Dave Brencic and attended by 23 men. The group included Holy Name Members, Knights, Parishioners, and a non-parishioner. We received the answer to the question "Who is Christ?". Deacon Dave used the words of John. Each time John used the word of Christ to say "I Am". The Deacon painted a vivid picture of one of the dimensions of Christ. Combined, we were left with a vivid and meaningful understanding of Jesus Christ. A great day!

St Paul IV will be holding mission sessions throughout Lent. See the following:

### **LENTEN MISSION: ENCOUNTER HIM**

Each evening we will introduce you to a different way to talk and listen to Christ

**St Mary Church**- coffee and conversation to follow in Oak Room

Monday, February 27 at 7:00 PM Fr Ed Shea, OFM- Encountering Christ through Scripture

Tuesday, March 7 at 7:00 PM Fr Brian Taber, SJ- Encountering Christ through Ignatian Meditation

**Mater Christi Church**- coffee and conversation to follow in Marian Room Thursday,

March 16 at 7:00 PM Br Charles Burris, OPraem- Encountering Christ through Visio and Lectio Divina

Thursday, March 23 at 7:00 PM Guest Presenters- Encountering Christ through Pilgrimage, Adoration and the Divine Office

Wednesday, March 29 at 7:00 PM Timothy Johnston- Encountering Christ through Music

## Easter Basket Raffle and Split the Pot

For the third time we will have our Eater Basket Raffle and Split-The Pot on **April 2, 2023**, Palm Sunday. We will be raffling off 35 Eater baskets once again. Each basket will be overflowing with Easter goodies, such as: A Spiral Cut Ham, Smoked Sausage, Rye Bread, Butter Lamb, 1 dozen Eggs, Egg Coloring Kit, Easter Lamb Cake, 1LB solid Milk Chocolate Bunny, Jellybeans, Peeps, Eater Lily, and a bottle of Wine, Yes, All that in each basket! As if that was not enough, there will also be a split-the-pot. Last year we paid winners, \$2500, \$1500, and \$500, that's a total of \$4500! That will buy you a few dozen eggs for Eater and beyond. Entries are \$5 each with two ticket bonus with each \$20 purchase. That goes for both events. Tell you family, relatives, neighbors, friends, and foes. Your generous participation would be greatly appreciated. Maybe we can move money needle with any outpouring of support. Come on Guys!!

Any questions or comments can be directed to Stephen Piszczor at 708-602-1927.

## Blood Drive

A Blood Drive will be held on **Saturday March 11th from 9 AM to 1 PM** in the Marian Room at Mater Christi Church. Please donate as you are able. See the bulletin for information on how to sign up for the blood drive.

Sincerely, Eddie Marquez. Secretary, St. Paul VI HNS [eddie.marquez@hotmail.com](mailto:eddie.marquez@hotmail.com)