

## **Knights of Columbus**

### **Incarnation Council 6364**

**Mission:** The Knights of Columbus is a Fraternal Organization whose mission is to provide service to the church and community.

**History:** Incarnation was a growing parish during the early 1970's when Louis Hannum, our first District Deputy, recognized a need for a Knights of Columbus Council. He approached the Pastor, Father Kernan, and requested to establish a council. Father Kernan supported Hannum's idea and gave him permission to proceed with this ambitious plan. Presentations were made at all the Masses, more detailed information was published in the Church bulletin, preliminary meetings were held in the Church basement, and over a period of several months, forty-two strong and willing men worked to establish our council. A request was submitted to the Supreme Council for a charter. The dream of Louis Hannum came true when, on April 18, 1972, a charter was issued. The names of these men appear on the original charter along with Vincent J. Mack, our first Grand Knight.

**Programs:** Our council sponsors many events throughout the year. We host a breakfast on the first Sunday of each month, an Annual Blood drive, a Chicken Barbeque, a St. Patrick's Day Social, a Comedy Night, and we offer two scholarships to children within the parish.

**Membership:** Council 6364 currently has 139 members. Of those members 53 are insured members. Insurance in the Knights of Columbus is optional; however, the insurance program is worth investigating. To get additional information about the insurance program and the benefits afforded to you as a member contact our insurance agent Robert Smith at 609-561-5793.

**Degrees:** The Knights of Columbus have four degrees that all members are encouraged to attain. The degrees are Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. Those attaining fourth degree status also have the option of joining the color corps.

**Meetings:** Our Council meets on the first and third Tuesdays of the month. The business meeting starts at 7:30 with the regular meeting beginning at 8:00. Light refreshments are served after the meeting with time to socialize.

**The Knights of Columbus** has been called "the strong right arm of the Church," and has been praised by popes, presidents and other world leaders for its support of the Church, programs of evangelization, civic involvement and aid to those in need.