



# The Knightly News

Knights of Columbus St. Margaret Mary Council 11091

District # 47

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## From the Grand Knight's Desk:

Brothers,

The 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of the calendar year (or last quarter of the fraternal year) are usually somewhat quiet for us when compared to the Lenten and the Christmas seasons but that's just because you guys do so much during those other times. You still have done rosaries, dine and shares, cleaned up Algonquin Road, sold Mother's Day gifts, and built nativity sets for next season already. You are also going to do manpower events, host a fundraiser carryout / tailgate for a parish family, more rosaries, membership degree ceremony, attend the IL state convention, enjoy the state Kamporee, put on a blood drive, and initiate the new slate of officers for our council. That's a busy quarter.

The fundraiser carryout / tailgate is for the O'Hearn Family. Nick O'Hearn was the husband to our parish school principal Brenna O'Hearn's family. He sudden passed away last month. He was far too young. PGK Andre Manaois stepped up and proposed a fundraiser for the family. He put together a committee, picked a date, had a flyer put together, and it was full steam ahead from there. It is so gratifying to watch as our "men of action" continue to step up and follow the first tenet of the order – charity.

The PGK trustees and a few officers met last month to discuss the openings in our officer slate. We agreed upon asking 3 outstanding Catholic gentlemen to join the officer ranks and they all accepted. The full officer slate is published in this newsletter and I fully endorse the list from top to bottom. I expect these men will carry on the tradition of our order and our council wonderfully like our previous officers have for all of the years of our council.

Ty Simmons, the Illinois State New Council Development Director, visited us last month at our general meeting. He spoke about how we should make a push for finding new Knights to join our order for our next degree ceremony on Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. I believe that he made some excellent points to us that I agree with him wholeheartedly. He told us that:

- He was honored to visit our council. He appreciated our warm welcome and appreciates all of the wonderful work that we do for the Knights and for charity.
- We have been blessed to have a founding Knight, Tom McCabe, "who should be emulated. Not only did he start the council 28 years ago but today he remains an integral part of its success."
- We are blessed to have the full support of our clergy and specifically our Pastor.
- We should be proud of the wonderful work that has already been done since the council was started and the wonderful work that we are doing in the present. What he wanted us to avoid was having the council age out by not continuing to add new Knights to continue on our great work. It would be terrible to see the council disbanded years from now because we failed to recruit Knights who will one day become our council leadership.

Please join me in the few weeks and identify one Catholic gentleman who you think would make a good Knight. Tell him about the Knights and why you joined and why you are active in the council. Think about your story and why the Knights have been so good to you. Remember to tell him that we have no minimum time commitment. (One of our Knights asked me this before joining so other guys might think that there is.) Tell him to remember that his family, his job, and whatever else he chooses comes before the Knights. Tell him if we have an event and he can only help for part of it, we will thank him for coming for whatever amount of time that he came. Our council effort is the sum of all of our work. Invite him to come to the fundraiser that we are doing for the O'Hearn family on May 15<sup>th</sup>. Let him see our Knights in action.

Our anniversary dinner was postponed due to many conflicts for many Knights reducing the attendance well below the minimum for the event. Golf Club of Illinois reduced the minimum number for us below the original contract number and then graciously allowed us to postpone the event altogether when our costs were going to essentially be double. Try to patronize GCI if you have a chance and tell them that the Knights appreciate them. The dinner will be rescheduled in June or July. Maybe this will be a blessing in disguise and even more people will have the opportunity to attend.

You know that the pandemic is slowing down and the light at the end of the tunnel is becoming brighter and brighter when the underlying theme to the entire newsletter isn't all about the pandemic and the restrictions preventing us from doing our great work...

Links of interest:

<https://kofc11091.square.site/shop/carry-out-and-tailgate-family-fundraiser-saturday-may-15th/8> - O'Hearn Family

Fundraiser Carryout / Tailgate

<https://kofc11091.square.site/shop/membership-dues/2> - Pay your dues

Vivat Jesus!

Dave Frendreiss

GK Council 11091

## **Patriotic (4<sup>th</sup>) degree news**

*“And He said, ‘Amen, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own native place.’”-Luke 4:24*

*“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude and insult you, and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of Man.”-Luke 6:22*

Upcoming events and activities are as follows:

- Saturday May 15<sup>th</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> degree exemplification, VIRTUAL. This is a great opportunity to advance to full Knighthood, learning the Patriotic lessons of the Order so you have an opportunity to participate in wakes for fallen brothers, Confirmations and other special Masses, parades, and so on. This is also an opportunity for existing 4<sup>th</sup> degree members to attend and support the new candidates as well as refresh your memories on the lessons taught in this degree. Please refer to the information included for further details, monies and forms are due by the meeting on April 27<sup>th</sup>. In addition, McDonnell Hall has been secured for a small group (both candidates and observers) to observe for those who are comfortable doing so as this may be a more meaningful experience.

We are in very challenging times, but we all need to do our part to continue to move forward, only through everyone's efforts can we grow our membership. **THE CHURCH NEEDS US! THE CHURCH NEEDS THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS! THE CHURCH NEEDS THE FOURTH DEGREE!**

Please also be on the lookout for emails about upcoming activities, especially wakes (provided social distancing guidelines allow) as these typically do not have much advance lead time and is one of the highest honors we can provide to our fallen brothers and their families.

It is truly an honor to participate in 4<sup>th</sup> degree activities, perhaps the most visible degree of the order. Whether it be marching in a parade, participating in an honor guard for the Bishop, or serving as part of an honor guard at a fallen brother's wake is truly a humbling and honored experience. As a reminder there is **NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY** to participate in these honor or color guards and there are **NO LOCATION BOUNDARIES OR RESTRICTIONS** to participate in these functions in the area. Especially as all assemblies are working to rebuild their Color Corps, we need to step forward and help each other out which includes honor and color guard requests outside of our typical geographic area. If we want others to support us at our events, we need to reciprocate that is the brotherly and fraternal thing to do.

Just as it is important to grow membership in the Knights of Columbus so we can continue to do the good works that we do, it is equally important to advance members to the patriotic (4<sup>th</sup>) degree to ensure we have enough members to promote the visible degree of our order, serve at a wake, etc.

Be sure to visit the Bishop O'Neill Assembly website [www.kofc2381.org](http://www.kofc2381.org) to check out upcoming activities, etc. In addition please be sure to visit the fourth degree Master's website [www.4thdegreeillinoisdistrict1.com](http://www.4thdegreeillinoisdistrict1.com) for information on upcoming exemplifications, etc. If you do not receive these emails please let Mark Halper know.

Thank you for your support, we look forward to seeing you guys at upcoming events and activities. Any questions, etc. please contact Mark Halper at 773-771-1810 or [mmmhalper@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mmmhalper@sbcglobal.net)

### **From the Retention Committee:**

We have over three hundred members listed our council membership rolls - many of whom we haven't seen or heard from in some years. It is the sincere wish of the council to have as many active Brothers involved with our good works as possible.

As Knights, we're responsible not only to our council, but to our larger organization. Each year our Council is required to pay to Supreme the dues owed by every registered member, even if members do not pay their dues

themselves. Our Council has been doing this for years, whether our Brothers realize it or not. When we cover our Brother's unpaid dues, it comes from funds which would otherwise be used for our Charities. Our first and foremost goal is Charity, followed by Unity and Fraternity. In these unprecedented times, we need to take care of ourselves, and we're asking our Brothers to do the following:

- Talk to your Brother Knights, check in on them, ask them how they are doing.
- Attend monthly meetings, or check in via Zoom, if you have health issues.
- Update your email and phone numbers with any of our officers, any of us can get your information to the appropriate person. Add your work or wife's email to our list, in case you do not read your email from your primary address very often.
- Check your spam folder for Knights emails you might have missed.
- We will be starting a buddy system for dues payments, if someone can not pay their dues, we will have monies set aside from other members to pay those dues. If there are hardships, and the Lord knows there are many these days, we can help. I know we are all proud people, but tough times happen to all of us, we are here to help each other out! Just let us know.
- If you have moved away, or for any other reason no longer wish to be a member of our council, please let us know, so we can begin the process of removing you from the Council membership rolls. We cannot, and will not, remove you from our membership rolls without your express direction to us.

# Slate of Proposed Officers

Role	Current	Proposed
GK	Dave Frendreiss	Dave Campbell
DK	Dave Campbell	Kevin Fitzgerald
Chaplain	Fr. Witold Adamczyk	Fr. Witold Adamczyk
Chancellor	Kevin Fitzgerald	Marv Basch
Warden	Marv Basch	Paul Evans
Advocate	Paul Evans	Steve Wilson
FS	Greg Freund	Greg Freund
Treasurer	George Kurkowski	Rob Pascolini
Recorder	Jerry Gard	Jerry Gard
Inside Guard	Tim Weurger	Tim Weurger
Outside Guard	Bob Dubiel	Michael Kouvelis
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Trustee 1	Chris Hubbuch	Dan Kotleba
Lecturer	Sal Corona	Sal Corona

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MAY  
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# Help Wanted

We need **help** in our council in the following positions.  
Most positions involve little effort, while others require commitment.  
Please reflect on these and bring us your time and talent.

## Signage Guy

PGK Patrick Colcernian has overseen signage for the council for many years and has done a tremendous job with it. He is moved to Colorado though. We are looking for someone to take over this activity. Contact Patrick (pcmglr@gmail.com) or GK Dave to hear more about what this job would entail.

Welcome to our Help Wanted section! No more wondering what you can do to help. Here you can easily see where help is needed!  
Directors and Chairmen, you can post positions where you need help.  
Please submit the job description and contact information to the Editor before the monthly deadline.



Brothers,

In an effort to make some room we are going to spin off some equipment that is no longer being utilized. Agreeing that those in the Council should have exclusive first crack at it for 30 days, the following is available:

**Kegeerator** – Like New and Ready to Chill - Valued to \$400 – **11091 Donation - \$250 obo**



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Greg Haluczak

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Office of the Bishop

October 22, 2020

Dear Brother Knights of Columbus,

Our calling to be a member of the Knights of Columbus is an element of our spiritual lives. It is a help for us to live as a Catholic man in the company of other men committed to the practice of our faith, in its belief and charity.

This month, we have the special joy that the long prayed for beatification of our founder, Father Michael McGivney, will take place on Saturday, October 31 at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford, Connecticut. We are honored that the Mass will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Joseph Tobin of Newark.

This ceremony, a recognition by the Church of the sanctity of Father McGivney, should touch each of us personally. Father McGivney founded the Knights on February 6, 1882. He did so to keep Catholic men in their faith and to provide a means for providing the charity of financial protection for families of deceased members. He also stressed a life of service by each member, contributing to his parish, his community and his family. Our Order likewise emphasizes our fraternal support for each other and our patriotic attachment to our country.

Each of us, then, at whatever degree we might be enrolled, is an heir to this living and on-going legacy of Father McGivney. The Beatification of our founder is not simply a moment to rally around the beginning of our history. It is also an opportunity for each of us to reflect on how blessed we are to be Knights, and to review our spiritual commitment to the task Father McGivney began.

The Beatification also reminds us that we long to be part of the Communion of Saints. We honor those who have gone before for their example and teaching of sanctity. Each Blessed and every canonized saint is a unique example of drawing close to Christ and to the Church. We also recognize in the Communion of Saints, intercessors who long for us to join them before the Lord.

In a special way, as Knights of Columbus we can and should call upon Father McGivney in prayer that he might place our personal spiritual needs and petitions before our Heavenly Father.

Brothers, as we approach this wonderful day of recognition of our founder, may God grant all of us the grace and resolve to live our Catholic faith fully as worthy Knights of the Order founded by Father McGivney.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ *David J. Malloy*

Most Reverend David J. Malloy  
Bishop of Rockford  
State Chaplain, Illinois Knights of Columbus



## **Father McGivney Guild**

The Father McGivney Guild was established to promote the cause for the canonization of our founder, Father Michael J. McGivney. Membership in the Guild is open to anyone (you do not necessarily need to be a member of the Knights of Columbus) who wishes to share in this mission of making known the life and work of Father McGivney and of encouraging devotion to his memory. The goal is to spread the story about his holiness of life, and seek his intercession before the throne of God. THERE IS NO COST TO BE A GUILD MEMBER. The guild serves as a clearing house for information about Father McGivney, his virtuous life and works, plus the guild is an outward sign of support showing our interest in having this priest canonized. As a member of the Guild you will receive a newsletter and periodic updates on the progress of this cause for canonization. Membership in the Knights of Columbus DOES NOT automatically enroll you in the Guild. Not only because Father McGivney is the founder of the Knights of Columbus, but also because in solidarity with our Bishops and Priests, we want to honor them by bringing about sainthood to the first native born Catholic Parish Priest in the United States. Please visit the Guild website at <http://www.fathermcgivney.org> or complete the attached included with the newsletter to become a Guild member.

Father McGivney is now that much closer to becoming a saint, let us all do our part to help get him closer to the sainthood finish line! Thank you for your support.

# FATHER MICHAEL J. McGIVNEY GUILD

The Order of the Knights of Columbus has established The Father McGivney Guild to promote the cause for canonization of our founder, Father Michael J. McGivney. The goal of the Guild is to spread the good word about his holiness of life, to encourage devotion to his memory, and to seek his intercession before the throne of God. The Guild serves as a clearinghouse for information about Father McGivney, his life and works, and any favors attributed to his intercession. Father McGivney is a unique model for today's Catholic and today's Catholic priest because of his attention to the social ills and injustices of his day and his collaboration with the laity. He was zealous for the life of union with God through prayer and the sacraments, and he would have been right at home in today's world. He was then and would be today an eager apostle for the Gospel of life, and a determined foe of the culture of death.

Membership in the Guild is open to anyone who wishes to share in this mission of making known the life and work of Father McGivney and of encouraging devotion to his memory. All one need do is fill out the application below and mail it in to become enrolled. There is no charge to enroll, but donations are accepted.

The Guild is anxious to receive reports of favors received through Father McGivney's intercession. It is not only miracles that are required to move the cause forward, but witnesses to the power of the servant of God's prayers before the throne of God.

As a member of the Guild you will receive a newsletter and periodic updates on the progress of the cause for canonization. Welcome to the Guild. We ask your prayerful support that God's will be done and that the Spirit guide us at each step along the way.

Complete and return to The Father McGivney Guild, 1 Columbus Plaza, New Haven, CT 06510-3326.



**YES**  I wish to enroll in the Guild and to receive the newsletter.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Country \_\_\_\_\_

Please list below the names and addresses of any family or friends who might be interested in the Guild's work.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

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## MONTHLY MASS FOR GUILD MEMBERS

Please remember these specific intentions at the monthly Mass for Guild members.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

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Blood Drive	Marv Basch	(847) 612-8443
Christmas Tree Lot	Rene Mendez	(224) 402-5071
Co-Chair	Chris Burns	(847) 528-9452
Community Nativity Sets	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Founders' Days	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Founders' Days Parade	Michael Kouvelis	(312) 550-2627
Free Throw Contest	Paul Evans	(847) 400-4298
Hammer Open	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
ID Drive (Tootsie Rolls)	Paul Evans	(847) 400-4298
Man Power Events	John Schneider	(312) 954-8754
Military Support	Joe Uehlein	(847) 331-1801
Nativity Set Construction	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Oktoberfest	Chris Hubbuch	(224) 410-8176
Poker	Dave Frendreiss	(847) 809-6891
Recycling & Wheelchair	Tim O'Neill	(847) 658-5149
Scholarship Essay	Dan Perna	(847) 658-6975
Sports Mania	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599
Summer Tailgating	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754

## Faith

Director	Deacon Maher	(847) 658-5788
Bibles for RE	Bob Armstrong	(847) 658-9942
Christmas Church Lights	Mark Ostrowski	(847) 778-4269
Church/School Painting	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Eucharistic Adoration	Deacon Maher	(847) 658-5788
Fall Retreat	Stuart Kuczynski	(847) 987-6391
First Sunday Rosary	Rob Beyer	(224) 333-0592
Marytown Ministry	Deacon Maher	(847) 658-5788
Prison Ministry	Deacon Maher	(847) 658-5788
St. Vincent DePaul	Dean Duley	(630) 669-4495
Youth Ministry Support	Bob Armstrong	(847) 658-9942

## Family

Director	John Barrett	(847) 658-4688
Adopt-A-Sailor	Tom McCabe	(847) 658-3372
Altar Server Appreciation	John Schneider	(312) 953-8754
Back to School Grilling	Mark Ostrowski	(847) 658-8001
Breakfasts	Marv Basch	(847) 612-8443
Christmas Party	Larry O'Brien	(847) 658-1364
Clay Pigeon Shoot	Jerry Ahler	(847) 658-1568
Family Picnic	Dave Campbell	(815) 382-8181
	John Schneider	(312) 953-8754
Father's Day Mass	Warren Coler	(847) 854-8007
Feed My Starving Children	John Barrett	(847) 658-4688
Fish Fry	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Flag Football	Ed Henning	(847) 458-9077
Nativity Magnets/Decals	Dan Limbach	(224) 829-1914
Pasta Dinner	Greg Haluczak	(847) 571-7830
Perfect Attendance	Mark Ostrowski	(847) 778-4269
State Kamporee	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Summer Basketball Camps	Nick Wake	(847) 854-6279

## Life

Director	George Jost	(847) 658-8379
9 Days for Life Novena	George Jost	(847) 658-8379
Bereavement	Deacon Miller	(847) 915-8474
Hospital Visitation	Deacon Miller	(847) 915-8474
Inkjet/toner recycling	Dan Perna	(847) 658-6975
Life Chain	George Jost	(847) 658-8379
Mass for Deceased Brothers	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6505
Pro-Life Mass	George Jost	(847) 658-8379
Special Olympics	Larry O'Brien	(847) 658-1364

## Service Programs

Director	Rick Limbach	(847) 269-4195
Degree Team*	Tom McCabe	(847) 658-3372
Membership Development	Rick Limbach	(847) 269-4195
Membership Promotions	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599

## Vocations

Director - Chancellor	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Seminarian Support	Rick Orabutt	(224) 678-9260
Vocational Raffle	Gene Gonzales	(630) 660-5925

## Standing Committees:

Anniversary Dinner	Dave Campbell	(815) 382-8181
Charitable Contributions	Jeff Wuensch	(815) 529-8417
Email List	Dan Limbach	(224) 829-1914
Multimedia Show	Dan Limbach	(224) 829-1914
Newsletter	Bill Hice	(312) 843-2562
Online Calendar	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599
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Deputy Grand Knight	Dave Campbell	(815) 382-8181
Chaplain	Fr. Witold Adamczyk	
Chancellor	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Warden	Marv Basch	(847) 612-8443
Financial Secretary	Greg Freund	(847) 907-0330
Advocate	Paul Evans	(847) 400-4298
Treasurer	George Kurkowski	(312) 919-3564
Recorder	Jerry Gard	(847) 854-7430
Inside Guard	Tim Wuenger	(847) 757-7245
Outside Guard	Bob Dubiel	(434) 546-0542
Trustee 3 Year	Chris Burns	(847) 528-9452
Trustee 2 Year	Dan Kotleba	(815) 451-6171
Trustee 1 Year	Chris Hubbuch	(224) 410-8176
Lecturer	Sal Corona	(773) 307-0594
District Deputy	Phil Weiss	(630) 715-7527
Field Agent	Tom Varkados	(847) 951-3663

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
25	26 7pm - Outdoor	27 7:30pm -	28	29	30 Last Day Salon	1	
2 7:30am -	3	4 7pm - Nativity	5	6 7:30pm -	7	8 9am -	
9	10	11 7pm - Nativity	12	13	14	15 10am - 4th 3:30pm - 4pm - Take	
16	17 7pm - Outdoor	18 7pm - Nativity	19	20 Dinner and 7:30pm -	21 Knights News	22	
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