



The Knightly News

Knights of Columbus St. Margaret Mary Council 11091

District # 43

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From the Grand Knight's Desk:



Worthy Brother Knights!

So there has been some excitement in the news that has even overshadowed 11091's activities! Yes, Pope Francis is visiting the US. It seems he is everywhere! He has

been at the White House, New York, the United Nations, and will visit Philadelphia. He is the first Pope to address a joint session of Congress and he has Canonized Blessed Fr. Junipero Serra. What is really unusual is the excitement among non-Catholics that has developed around him.

Meanwhile, back here in Algonquin, we have also been busy as usual. In September we held our 2nd annual Charity Softball Game for MDA. 11091's team defeated the Algonquin Fire Department's team 2 out of 3 games and took home the "Manly Cup"! Please take the time to admire it in our trophy case. The Knights operated a food and concession stand and donated all of the profits to MDA. On the same day we finally delivered all of the cans and other recyclables to a facility in Crystal Lake. It took several trips. There were over 1,100 pounds of aluminum alone and it raised over \$500! We also held a blood drive in September – thank you all who participate or volunteer. I wish there was a way to convince more Knights, families, and parishioners how valuable the gift of life is and how easy it is to do. We also conducted the annual ID (Tootsie Roll) drive and have been selling Vocations raffle tickets at Mass. If you haven't turned in your tickets yet, please get them in.

Recently Past Grand Knight of 11091 and Past District Deputy Mark Halper was honored at the Rockford Diocese Roundtable Dinner. Please congratulate him for jobs well done! Mark continues to work tirelessly for the Knights of Columbus - for

our Council, for the Assembly and for the Diocese as KC Academy faculty.

Also taking place at the end of September is the annual Men's Fall Retreat at Deer Lake in Northern Cheeseland. This is the first one I have not attended at that location and miss it already. I'm sure there will be many stories, but what happens at Deer Lake...., well you know.

We have some very important events taking place in October. On the 3rd is the 4th Degree Exemplification in Crystal Lake. TEN members of our Council will become Sir Knights. Our Assembly, Bishop O'Neill #2381, is hosting the event, and Council 11091 is taking the lead on a very important part of the day, the hospitality suite. October 23rd is the Clergy Appreciation Dinner at St. Mary's in Huntley. The reservation deadline has been moved back to October 9th. Our council will be hosting a Major Degree on October 25th in the Education Building. A Major Degree is an opportunity for all First Degree Knights to experience the Second and Third Degree of our order. It is also a way for all of our members to bring a new Knight to his First Degree and witness the first three degrees of the order. Please take the time to invite a Catholic gentleman to join our order and share in the experience of the first three degrees of our order.

St. Margaret Mary is celebrating the closing of its Jubilee Year with a mass on Sunday October 18th at noon to be celebrated with Bishop Malloy. There will be other events occurring throughout the weekend.

Again, thank you for all you have done for our parish and community over the past month. There are many, many acts of charity that are done on an almost daily basis by members of our council. Your dedication and humility is a blessing for us all.

Vivat Jesus!

Dan Perna, Grand Knight

Major Degree

Brothers, come join us on Sunday October 25th at the St. Margaret Mary Education Center for a **first, second, and third major degree**. Da Bears and the Packers are both on bye that week. If you know of a Catholic gentleman that would be interested in joining the Knights this day would be a good opportunity to do so. Or if you have not yet taken your second and third degree this is a great opportunity to advance further in our order. In addition if you already are a third degree member this will serve as a nice “refresher” on the lessons learned in that degree.

Set up will start at approximately 12 noon with the first degree starting at 1:00 p.m. and the second and third degree to follow. Dinner will be served after the third degree. This is an “all hands on deck” event, help will be needed throughout the day in various capacities including but not limited to observing the degrees. We want to show strong support for the candidates that day especially since there will likely be dignitaries attending that day. If you are not able to attend on October 25th however are still interested in advancing, there is another major degree opportunity the next week Sunday November 1st at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Crystal Lake.

If you have any questions or are interested in helping please let Dan Perna, Kevin Wright, or Mark Halper know.

Clergy Appreciation Dinner

The 4th degree Bishop O'Neill Assembly is hosting the annual Clergy Appreciation Dinner on Friday October 23, 2015. This annual event is held to honor our Priests, Deacons, and Sisters from Elgin, Carpentersville, Dundee, Algonquin, Huntley, and Hampshire.

The event will be held at **St. Mary Parish Center** 10307 Dundee Road in Huntley with fellowship beginning at 6:00 p.m. and dinner being served at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend, tickets are \$35 per person and must be purchased in advance - **Deadline extended to Oct 9**. For tickets please contact Mark Halper at (773) 771-1810 or mnmhalper@sbcglobal.net



It is estimated that over 32 million adults in the U.S. (one in 10 people) were raised Catholic and no longer identify themselves as members of the Church. Last year a survey conducted in the Springfield IL Diocese found that for Mass attending Catholics, parish community is the most important element of parish life. They concluded that if parishioners do not feel welcome, you can expect to have fewer parishioners soon.

So what can you do? Be aware of people you have not met and introduce yourself and your family and invite parishioners to join you at a KOC event!

Could there be a better place to feel welcome than the Knights of Columbus?

Each Fall and Spring our parish invites Catholics who have been away to attend our Catholics Returning Home sessions. Recently, one of the Catholics who attended these sessions had the following to say:

“When I think about my experience, the first word that comes to mind is “welcoming.” I was happy to meet people with such an interest in my experiences and an eagerness to offer the help I was looking for. It was an opportunity to learn more about my faith from Deacons and others, and to feel like a welcome part of the Church again”.

Through this 6 week program we hope to help participants feel welcome in our parish and ease back into the Church updating their knowledge about Church teachings.

Fall sessions begin:

Tuesday October 6 at 7:30PM
in the Ministry Center

Why not invite someone you know and consider coming with them to help them overcome their fears?

For more information pick up a brochure in the Church lobby, check our parish website or call your brother knight Dave Philipps at 815-347-6093.

4th Degree News from our Bishop O'Neill Assembly

ARE YOU A 4TH DEGREE? If so, you **MUST** read this!

It is truly an honor to participate in 4th degree activities, perhaps the most visible degree of the order! Whether it be marching in a parade as part of a color guard, participating in an honor guard for the Bishop or other special Mass, or serving as an honor guard at a fallen brother's wake it is truly a humbling and honored experience. We know that not everyone has their own regalia, if you are looking to participate in an activity but don't have regalia, reach out to a member who has regalia to see if they would let you borrow theirs. If you don't know who has regalia please contact Mark Halper and he will be happy to provide this list to you.

You don't need regalia to come to the 4th degree Assembly meetings. They are similar in scope to our Council meetings, but attending these meetings is a good way to hear what other councils are doing. They take place the 4th Tuesday of every month (skipping November and December) rotating locations. ***The next meeting will be Tuesday October 27th right here at St. Margaret Mary Algonquin.*** This is a nice opportunity to learn more about 4th degree related activities and interact with some of your peers from other councils in the area. If you have never participated in a 4th Degree activity, perhaps it is time to give it a try. 4th Degree activities are very **VISIBLE**, since "Regalia" is worn. Regalia includes your normal tux attire plus a cape, chapeau, sword, gloves and special baldric. We wear these things for special occasions that include Color Guards and Honor Guards (for the Bishop and other special Masses, and for fallen brother's wakes ... a truly humbling experience). Not everyone has their own regalia, so borrowing regalia is quite common. If you would like to try your hand at some of our best traditions, Mark Halper can get you suited up.

As a 4th Degree, you should be receiving emails regarding 4th degree activities. If you do not receive these please let Mark Halper know.

Please see the other articles in this newsletter about the upcoming Clergy Appreciation Dinner and 4th degree exemplification!

You can go to our Assembly 2381 website at <http://www.kofc2381.org> and you can see our Assembly calendar here: <http://www.kofc2381.org/activities.htm>

Thank you for your support. Any questions, etc. should be directed to Mark Halper at 773-771-1810 or mnmhalper@sbcglobal.net or Tim O'Neill at 847-494-5506 or timoplants@comcast.net

Fourth Degree Exemplification

The next **4th degree exemplification** to take place this coming Saturday October 3rd at the Crystal Lake Holiday Inn. **OUR ASSEMBLY IS THE HOST!** We have **10** (Ten) brother Knights who have applied to become 4th Degree Sir Knights. This will be a **BIG ONE!**

If you are already a 4th Degree, there is no cost to solely observe the degree, ***but we will need help throughout the day with various tasks, including but not limited to registration, hospitality suite, observing, etc.*** Please use the form later in this newsletter to put in your reservation to attend the ceremony and banquet. **DEADLINE** for reservations is September 23. We want to give our brother Knights support in their advancement to the Patriotic Degree! ***And yes, you have to wear your Tux!*** Also, please feel free to visit the fourth degree Master's website www.4thdegreeillinoisdistrict1.com as well as our very own Bishop O'Neill Assembly website at www.kofc2381.org for information about upcoming exemplifications, etc.

Thank you for your support, looking forward to seeing everyone on October 3rd!

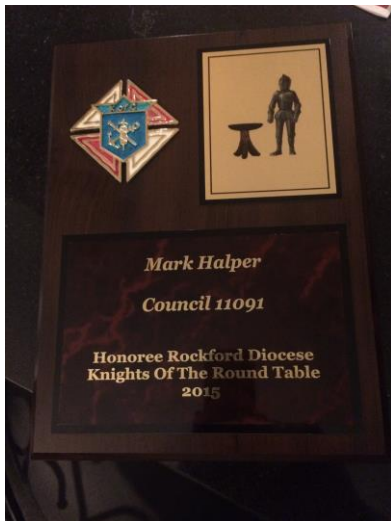
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Knights of the Roundtable Dinner



Our own Mark Halper, received the special 2015 Honoree Award at the annual Knights of the Roundtable dinner in Rockford.



We are lucky to have Mark in our Council.
Congratulations Mark!

Knights of Columbus Softball Tournament



With Mark Ostrowski's wizardry at coaching, the Fire Department never had a chance!



These are images from the Knights Softball Tournament held Saturday, Sep 12, at Silverstone Park in Carpentersville. The Knights were awarded the golden **Manly Cup** (really a golden fire extinguisher with a cup on top) in their 2 games to 1 victory over the Algonquin Lake-in-the-Hills Fire Department. A lot of burgers and dogs were served and we raised a lot of money for the MDA, which is the ALFD's chosen charity.

No injuries were reported, so the team is ready for all challengers!

Turn Aluminum Cans into Wheelchairs?

Of course you can, all you have to do is haul 1,000+ pounds of them to the recycle center in Crystal Lake! Well, somebody's garbage is someone else's new wheelchair (according to Tim). St Margaret Mary Council #11091 has been collecting aluminum cans for years to contribute to the Wheel Chairs Program the Knights of Columbus has sponsored. Starting out small this effort has grown over the years and they have expanded to collecting copper, brass, stainless steel, battery lead plus the aluminum from cans and foil. Our most recent run pictured here was the largest we have ever done with over 1134 lbs of material collected and re-cycled which is more than twice our previous best load.



This brought in over \$500, which gets 2 wheel chairs (and maybe an extra wheel too!)

All Night **Bingo** Breakfast

The next ANB Breakfast sponsored by the Marian Central Father's Club at Marian Central Catholic High School is on Saturday October 17th. They sponsor and run the event, but WE provide the food at midnight! We need a few good hands to help cook and serve. ***It is the easiest breakfast event that you will ever work.*** Very little prep, and not much cleanup. If you can boil water and can handle a slotted serving spoon, then you are qualified.

We will meet at the McGivney Center at 9:30 to carpool to Marian. Food prep begins at 10:00 PM, and breakfast service begins at 11:30 PM. Quick clean-up and we drive right back. (we don't go ALL NIGHT) Drop me an email at kotleba@sbcglobal.net if you plan to join us.

Thanks, Dan Kotelba.

Men's Fall Retreat

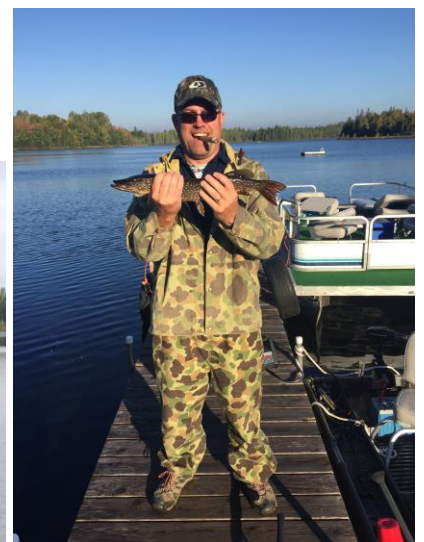
25 men from our council drove 5 ½ hours to Winchester, Wisconsin, seeking solitude and an opportunity to find inner peace ...



What they found instead ...



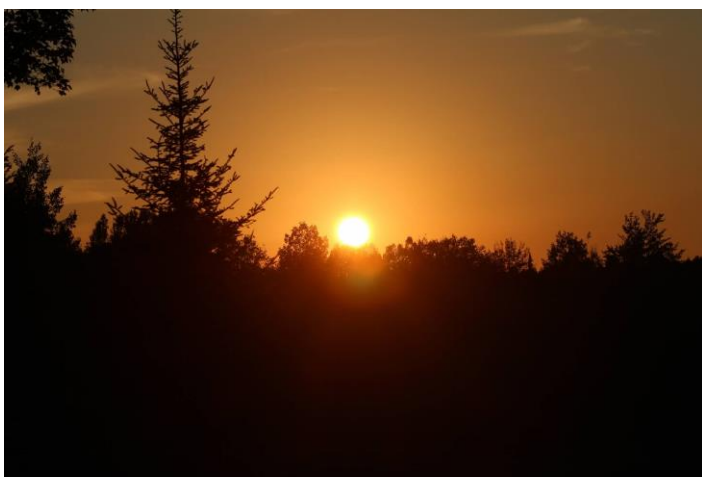
Activities and Food Galore!



Quit showing off, guys ... next year we're bringing scales!



Unbelievable Fellowship!



Unbelievable Sunsets ...



and unbelievable Moons!

Directors & Chairmen

Chancellor Report:

Vocations*	Chris Hubbuch	(224) 241-8214
Sunday Rosary	Rob Beyer	(224) 333-0592
Vocational Raffle	Gene Gonzales	
Seminarian Support	Rick Orabutt	(224) 678-9260

Service Programs:

Membership*	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599
Degree Team*	Chris Gonzales	(847) 658-3871
Membership Promotions	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599

Program Director – Scott Nejman

Church*	Jason Roggenbuck	
Eucharistic Congress	John Balmes	(847) 854-6440
Eucharistic Adoration	Deacon Maher	(847) 658-5788
Easter Eucharist	Chris Hubbuch	(224) 241-8214
Church/School Painting	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Bibles for RE	Deacon Maher	(847) 658-5788
Marytown Ministry	Deacon Maher	(847) 658-5788
Christmas Church Lights	Mark Ostrowski	(847) 778-4269
Parish Picnic	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Mass for Deceased Brothers	Chris Hubbuch	(224) 241-8214
Bereavement	Deacon Don Miller	(847) 915-8474
St. Vincent DePaul	Dean Duley	(630) 669-4495
Youth Ministry Support	Bob Armstrong	(847) 658-9942

Community*	Keith Einecker	(847) 658-9714
Blood Drive	Scott Shepard	(847) 344-4312
Prison Ministry	Deacon Maher	(847) 658-5788
Wheelchair Program	Tim O'Neill	(847) 658-5149
Founders' Days	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Co-Chair	Wayne Reed	(847) 836-7305
Co-Chair	Rene Mendez	(224) 402-5071
Founders' Days Parade	Open	
ID Drive (Tootsie Rolls)	Jason Bonnet	
Pig Roast	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Nativity Set Construction	Cliff Sherwin	(847) 658-6235
Nativity Magnets/Decals	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Adopt-a-Highway	Open	
Special Olympics	Larry O'Brien	(847) 658-1364
Hospital Visitation	Deacon Don Miller	(847) 915-8474
All Night Bingo	Dan Kotleba	(847) 854-1821
Parish Summer Festival	Rene Mendez	(224) 402-5071
Charity Softball	Ray Mueller	(847) 420-6804
Inkjet/toner recycling	Dan Perna	(847) 658-6975

Council*	Tom Lambert	(847) 354-5964
Downstate raffle	Domenic Perna	(847) 658-6975
Hammer Open*	Tom Walker	(630) 204-6139
Military Support	John Wolak	(224) 600-8604
Christmas Tree Lot	Rene Mendez	(224) 402-5071
Co-Chair	Open	
Breakfast Team	Chris Hubbuch	(224) 241-8214
Co-Chair	Rene Mendez	(224) 402-5071
Fish Fry	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Sports Mania	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599
Recycle Program	Tim O'Neill	(847) 658-5149
Clay Pigeon Shoot	Jerry Ahler	(847) 658-1568
Men's Fall Retreat	Stuart Kuczynski	(847) 987-6391
Flag Football	Ed Henning	(847) 458-9077
Paintball	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Adopt-A-Sailor	Ray Mueller	(847) 420-6804

Family*	Wayne Reed	(847) 836-7305
Hayride & Bonfire	Rich O'Boyle	(847) 924-4186
Christmas Party	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
State Kamporee	Scott Nejman	(847) 687-2278
Co-Chair	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Family Picnic	Open	
Feed My Starving Children	John Barrett	(847) 658-4688
Youth*	Mike Barrett	(847) 515-2369
Altar Server Appreciation	John Wolak	(224) 600-8604
Co-Chair	Rene Mendez	(224) 402-5071
Soccer Challenge	Matt Harman	(847) 323-6304
Drug Poster Contest	Bob Armstrong	(847) 658-9942
Free Throw Contest	Nick Wake	(847) 854-6279
Spelling Bee	Bob Armstrong	(847) 658-9942
Scholarship Essay	Dan Perna	(847) 658-6975
Cub, Boy, & Venture Scouts	Richard Orabutt	(224) 678-9260
Perfect Attendance	Tom McCabe	(847) 658-3372
KCIC Poster Contest	Open	
Summer Basketball Camps	Nick Wake	(847) 854-6279
Joseph Nava Bowl-a-thon	Gregg Parrish	(847) 854-4725

Culture of Life*	George Jost	(847) 658-8379
Pro-Life Mass	George Jost	(847) 658-8379
Pro-Life Arms across USA	George Jost	(847) 658-8379

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Outside Guard*	Rick Limbach	
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Trustee 2 Year*	Mark Ostrowski	(847) 658-8001
Trustee 1 Year*	Bob Armstrong	(847) 658-9942
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*** Newsletter Submissions by 4th Sat ***

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Calendar of Events

St. Margaret Mary Knights of Columbus Council 11091

~ October 2015 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 World Vegetarian Day 7:30p-9:30p General Meeting (McDonnell Hall)	2	3 4th Degree Exemplification (Holiday Inn Crystal Lake, 800 South Illinois Route 31, Crystal L)
4 7:30a-8a Rosary after 7am Mass	5 7:30p-8p Prayers for Families in Need (Ministry Center)	6 7:30p-9p Catholics Returning Home in Ministry Center (Ministry Center)	7	8	9	10
11	12 Columbus Day	13 7:30p-9p Catholics Returning Home in Ministry Center (Ministry Center)	14	15 6:30p-7:30p Officers' Meeting (early) (McDonnell Hall) 8p-9p 1st Degree	16	17 9:30p-11p ALL NIGHT BINGO (Marian Central Catholic High School, 1001 McHenry Avenue, Woodst)
18 12p-1p SMM Centennial Celebration Mass (SMM)	19	20 7:30p-9p Catholics Returning Home in Ministry Center (Ministry Center)	21	22	23 5:30p-7p Clergy Appreciation Dinner (St. Mary Catholic Church's, 10307 Dundee Road, Huntley, IL 6014)	24 United Nations Day Knights News DEADLINE for Articles
25 Major Degree at SMM (SMM)	26	27 7:30p-9p Catholics Returning Home in Ministry Center (Ministry Center) 8p-9:30p Assembly Meeting (Bishop O'Neal Assembly) (St Margaret Mary School, 119 South Hubbard Street, Algonquin, IL)	28	29	30	31 Halloween

See our complete events calendar on-line at our website's Events tab -> KofC11091.org

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