



March 2016

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!

Our lives as men in Christ in the Parish and the Knights has entered into a busy time of fish fry's, shamrock shave, breakfast with the Easter bunny, free throw contest, and so many other wonderful events...but, we must

remember to keep a focus on Lent in our lives, especially on the mercy and love of God and charity for one another.

"Believing in charity calls forth charity. We have come to know and to believe in the love God has for us" (1 Jn 4:16)

The Lenten season asks us to pause our busy lives...To seek His mercy and forgiveness as sinners and reflect how we can improve our relationship with God. Each and every one of us are sinners in our lives and in this year of Mercy we are called to seek the forgiveness of God. As it states when we recite the Our Father Prayer, we ask for forgiveness on our trespasses and to forgive others of their trespasses against us. It feels sometimes so difficult to seek and give forgiveness for ourselves and others, but God calls us each of us to walk this narrow path as Men in Christ. This message of Gods eternal desire of mercy, love and forgiveness was readily apparent in the parable of the barren fig tree in this past weekend's gospel...and that God never gives up on us.

There once was a person who had a fig tree planted in his orchard, and when he came in search of fruit on it but found none, he said to the gardener, "For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. So cut it down. Why should it exhaust the soil?" He said to him in reply, "Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not, you can cut it down." Luke 13:6-9

During this past week in the RE class that I teach, we were talking about the upcoming reconciliation service. I made the analogy of the sacrament is like a cut on your body. An injury that separates our body from itself and requires help of another like a parent. This is much like our sin that separates us from God and the parental/Fatherly help is that

of the sacrament of reconciliation that repairs our relationship between ourselves and God. The process is like a band aid for our souls. A good reconciliation can be a healing process and bring us closer in our relationship with the Father. The scar tissue that forms in that wound can be some of the strongest tissues in our bodies, much like our faith that is strengthened in this gift of mercy from our God and Savior.

During this past month...I would like to thank everyone that has helped assist in our events. First, we held our district free throw contest and our first wonderful Fish Fry. Additionally, we had a new member's social, thanks to all that attended to share how the Knights have and can impact the lives of you and your families. I can personally state with certainly the impact that it has made in my life and that of my family

This coming month...Brothers we have a busy month. We have the second Fish Fry this Friday March 4th, followed by the Shamrock Shave on March 5th. Ken, I and the crew could use any and all the help that can come our way this weekend. Following that, we have the Bunny Breakfast on March 13th, and our third Fish Fry on March 18th. It is the Knights version of March Madness! So much to be involved within this month. Please come join us.

Also consider hearing about God's Mercy in our Parish Lenten Mission which is coming up this next week on Monday March 7th and Tuesday March 8th.

Be sure to hold the date for **April 2, 2016** for our **23rd Anniversary Dinner**. This as a night where we get together with our wives/dates to celebrate our successes over the past year. If you have any pictures of council events over the past year, forward them to Dan Kotleba so he can upload them to Shutterfly and so we can use them in the multimedia show during the evening.

May God bless you and your families.

Bob Armstrong, Past Grand Knight

Thank-you Bob for helping me get through tax season by writing this month's article for me.

Dan Perna, Grand Knight

Notice of Upcoming Vote

The Youth Ministry Steubenville Trip is planned for July 8th – 10th. Approximately 75 youth will be attending. Our council has sponsored this event in the past by financial contribution. This year we are requesting \$3,000, the same amount that was donated last year. We will be voting on this at the March general meeting.

Council 11091 23rd Annual Anniversary Dinner

Our council is celebrating its 23rd year on Saturday, April 2 at the Golf Club of Illinois starting at 6:00pm. If you have never been, you **MUST** join us for our annual evening of festivities, fellowship, dinner, year in review, awards and more. The cost is \$40 per person (2 drink tickets included) Please **RSVP by March 28** to Scott Nejman. (DeputyGrandKnight@KofC11091.org) You can bring payment to the March general or officers' meetings, or pay at the door.

4th Degree News from our Bishop O'Neill Assembly

Congratulations and welcome to our newest
Sir Knight Warren Coler!



Sir Knight Warren Coler
and wife, Regina.



Mark Halper and Kevin Wright
in regalia for Warren!

Upcoming events and activities are as follows:

- Saturday March 12th – East Dundee St. Patrick's Day parade – meet at Barrington & River Streets

in East Dundee SUT 10:00 a.m., parade starts at 11:00 a.m.

- Tuesday March 22nd – monthly assembly meeting at the Elgin council hall 10 Villa Street at 8:00 p.m.
- Thursday March 24th – Holy Thursday Mass St. Thomas More Parish 215 Thomas More Drive in Elgin SUT 6:30 p.m. Mass begins at 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday April 2nd – Confirmation with Bishop Malloy – St. Margaret Mary Algonquin 10:00 a.m. Mass SUT 9:30 a.m.
- Saturday April 9th – Confirmation with Bishop Malloy – St. Monica Carpentersville 10:00 a.m. Mass SUT 9:30 a.m.
- Saturday April 16th – 4th degree exemplification Hilton-Chicago Indian Lakes Resort Bloomington, IL. MONIES AND FORMS ARE DUE BY TUESDAY MARCH 22ND. Please refer to the packet in the newsletter for further details.
- Saturday October 29th – 4th degree exemplification Rockford Radisson

Be on the lookout for emails on upcoming activities and also be sure to visit the Bishop O'Neill Assembly website 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 for information on upcoming exemplifications, etc. If you do not receive these emails please let Mark Halper know. See the April 4th Degree Exemplification sign-up form in this newsletter.

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, 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. 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 does. If you need a list of members who have regalia please contact Mark Halper.

Feed My Starving Children

Success after Success! Feeding starving children never gets old ... and it is an ongoing concern! Come join us again on **FRIDAY, April 1, 2016**. **Put it on your calendar** and talk to John Barrett for details. (847) 658-4688.

Men's House Retreat

Yes, it is already time to begin planning for the Men's House Retreat. The Men's House Retreat for 2016 is Thursday, **September 22th through Sunday 25th**. We will be going to Deer Lake Lodge in Winchester Wis. No charity event to work on this trip. Just hiking, fishing, eating, cards, gun range, or just lounging around with a good book or movie. We have a Rosary around the fire Friday night and attend mass Saturday night. We have the complete private run of a 1,100-acre property. The lodge itself is over 8,000 square feet with enough beds to sleep 25 comfortably. It has 7 bathrooms, several fireplaces, Wi-Fi, dish TV, pool table, foosball, electronic games and a hot tub. It overlooks a private lake and view is spectacular. Check out the property at www.deerlake.biz.

Cost for the full weekend retreat is typically under \$250, **which includes:** transportation, all food, lodging and a guaranteed great time. Starting at the March General meeting we will begin accepting \$100 deposits to lock in your spot to attend this year's retreat. The maximum number of participant's is 25.

Please contact Stu with any questions at kuczynski8875@sbcglobal.net.

Friday Knight Fish Fry

Lenten is fast approaching, along with being a special spiritual season, it also means Spring is near and it is time for our annual Lenten Fish Fry's. We have 2 more this year. **SAVE** these Friday's; **March 4th and March 18th**. The event will be held at SMM McDonnell Hall between the hours of 5:00pm -8:30pm. Prep begins at 11:00am.

To make this a success, we'll need lots of help during the day and lots of hungry customers, so please consider lending a hand and spreading the word to prospect customers. Customers can start off with a Shrimp cocktail appetizer, then move on to a choice of baked or fried fish, shrimp and pasta, our renowned salad bar and soups, and all the traditional sides. Then finish it off with an ice cream sundae or some homemade desserts.

We'll be in need of volunteers to help set up, decorate, kitchen help, food line servers and of course clean up! Have an questions, comments or want to volunteer please contact Ken Prigge at ken.prigge@coriant.com or call [630-730-2754](tel:630-730-2754).



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. In a 2014 survey conducted in the Springfield IL Diocese it was 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 recently 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. The Spring sessions begin Tuesday April 5 at 7:30PM in the Ministry Center.

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

Forward this link to someone you know and invite them home today!

<http://www.saintmargaretmary.org/church/inactive.html>

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

Culture of Life

From an Article in the National Catholic Reporter which is now supported by EWTN.

There was to be a showdown on requirements to protect the health of a woman undergoing abortion. Texas among other states proposed that Abortion Centers are required to have admitting privileges to hospitals within 30 miles from abortuaries the same as other standalone surgical centers and to meet ambulatory surgical center standards governing operating protocols, the physical plant itself, and general safety. The showdown was because these requirements were due to be argued by the Supreme Court shortly. Due to the death of Justice Scalia, and depending on Justice Anthony there may be a 4-4 tie and the various state statutes would stand. this would be a preferred outcome.

(The Rockford area abortuary was shutdown because it could not meet these requirements.) Women who experienced medical problems were just ushered out the door and told to go to the nearest Hospital Emergency Room without any medical records of what was done to them. Since abortion centers have no requirements to provide or keep medical information, these women were on their own and some died.

Suppose you had an operation, but during your recovery, you started to bleed pretty bad, but the hospital said - Hey I can't help you but there is a Hospital Emergency room about 40 miles away but you'll have to get your own transportation and I won't be able to get you any paperwork on what I did. Hey Doc, I thought you had my back!

NEXT, the **Pro Life committee** would like to borrow a used bassinet or small crib for baby care donations of useful items to the Crisis Pregnancy Center in South Elgin. This effort has been recommended by the

Knights of Columbus Illinois State Chairman. Thank you all for your help. Further details to follow.

George Jost gjost2002@yahoo.com

LAST CHANCE for Hoops Mania

Hoops Mania, the "March Madness" college basketball playoff game is being sponsored by our council. As soon as the round of 64 begins, you can make it more exciting by cheering for the teams on your tickets! Tickets are \$20 each. \$14 of every ticket goes directly to our council. See Kevin Wright for paper tickets. The completed stubs and money must be returned before the playoffs begin on March 14. You can also purchase or have someone purchase e-tickets online at: <http://www.charitymania.com/give/Y600F>

Adopt-a-Highway is back!

Perhaps you have seen our newly hung Adopt-a-Highway signage. Our responsibility will be to keep Rte. 62 from Hubbard Street to Rte. 25, looking clean. I am looking for many volunteers to come out and enjoy the fresh air and fellowship as possible. Many hands make light work! We will be tidying our area 3-4 times a year. I would like to have our first clean-up day, weather permitting, April 30th. I will have a sign-up sheet at our next Council meeting. Thank you for your time and talents in making our world a cleaner place.

Steve Wilson, Adopt-a-Highway Chairman
[847 612-0667](tel:8476120667)



Knights of Columbus
Fourth Degree-Illinois District One of Marquette Province

Jack McCarthy
 Master
 184 E. Timberlane Drive
 Palatine, IL 60067

4th Degree Exemplification
April 16, 2016
Hilton Chicago-Indian Lakes Resort
Bloomington, IL 60025

ASSEMBLY NO. _____ COUNCIL NO. _____

Worthy Master-Please make reservations for the following:

Candidate (Initiation Fee)	\$70.00 (includes Banquet Ticket)	\$ _____
Priests Only (Initiation Fee)	\$50.00 (includes Banquet Ticket)	\$ _____
Guest/ Sir Knight	\$45.00 (banquet)	\$ _____
Ladies(Banquet)	\$45.00	\$ _____
Ladies Luncheon	\$20.00	\$ _____

CHECK NUMBER _____ **Total Amount** \$ _____

Name _____ **email address** _____
 (Please Print) (Please Print)

Address _____

City/ State/ Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____

Ladies Name _____

Menu-
Sliced Tenderloin of Beef _____ **Chicken Marsala** _____
 (Please indicate Dinner choice with a number)

ALL RESERVATIONS, ALONG WITH CANDIDATE FORM 4, MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A CHECK, PAYABLE TO: JACK McCARTHY, MASTER

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS APRIL 1, 2016 NO CANCELLATIONS AFTER APRIL 8 , 2016

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Membership Promotions	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599

Program Director – Scott Nejman

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Christmas Church Lights	Mark Ostrowski	(847) 778-4269
Parish Picnic	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
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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	Ed Henning	(847) 658-8652
Nativity Magnets/Decals	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Community Nativity Sets	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Adopt-a-Highway	Steve Wilson	
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
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Christmas Tree Lot	Rene Mendez	(224) 402-5071
Co-Chair	Open	
Breakfast Team	Chris Hubbuch	(224) 241-8214
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Fish Fry	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
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Christmas Party	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
State Kamporee	Scott Nejman	(847) 687-2278
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Family Picnic	Open	
Feed My Starving Children	John Barrett	(847) 658-4688

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Free Throw Contest	Nick Wake	(847) 854-6279
Spelling Bee	Bob Armstrong	(847) 658-9942
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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

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Pro-Life Arms across USA	George Jost	(847) 658-8379

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Please email your articles and photos(*with comments*) to:

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 7:30p-9:30p General Meeting (McDonnell Hall)	4 Fish Fry at SMM (SMM)	5 12p-1:30p FreeThrow Competition Regional at St. Thomas Moore (St. Thomas Moore) 5:30p-8:30p Shamrock Shave (St. Margaret Mary Education Center Gymnasium)
6 7:30a-8a Rosary after 7am Mass	7 7:30p-8p Prayers for Families in Need (Ministry Center)	8 International Women's Day	9	10	11	12
13 Daylight Saving Time Begins Breakfast with Easter Bunny	14	15	16	17 7:30p-8:30p Officers' Meeting	18 Fish Fry at SMM (SMM)	19
20 Spring Begins 7a-1p Blood Drive (McDonnell Hall)	21	22 8p-9:30p Assembly Meeting (Bishop O'Neal Assembly) (10 Villa St, Elgin, IL 60120, USA)	23	24	25 Good Friday	26 Knights News DEADLINE for Articles
27 Easter	28	29	30	31		

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					1 7:30p-9p Feed My Starving Children	2 Council Anniversary Dinner at GCI (Golf Club of Illinois), 1575 Edgewood Dr, Algonquin, IL 60102,)
3 7:30a-8a Rosary after 7am Mass	4 7:30p-8p Prayers for Families in Need (Ministry Center)	5	6	7 World Health Day 7:30p-9:30p General Meeting (McDonnell Hall)	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 Tax Day (Taxes Due)	16 All Night Bingo at Marion Central High School (Marion Central School District, 4034 Warner Rd, Marion, NY 1450)
17	18	19	20	21 6:30p-7:30p Officers' Meeting (early) (McDonnell Hall) 8p-9p 1st Degree	22 Earth Day	23 Knights News DEADLINE for Articles
24	25	26 8p-9:30p Assembly Meeting (Bishop O'Neal Assembly) (Saint Monica Roman Catholic Church), 90 JF.Kennedy Dr, Carpenters)	27 Administrative Professionals Day	28	29 Arbor Day	30

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