



November 2017

# The Knightly News

Knights of Columbus St. Margaret Mary Council 11091

District # 45

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## From the Grand Knight's Desk:



As a teenager, I thought that I was above reciting the phrase "It is right to give Him thanks and praise." Why I thought, doesn't God know that I am the one responsible for my success and good fortune. Doesn't He know who I am? How silly, right?

Maybe, but do we all do this to some extent as adults? Are we giving thanks to God for all the good things in our life, or just the major ones? That promotion at work, was it really all you? Getting to and from the store safely, was it really your great driving skill? Is your good health really because of your diet and exercise regime? It goes on and on and we need to remember that God is watching over us in every aspect of our lives and we need to loudly proclaim and give Him thanks and praise every day.

Although October may not have been our busiest of months we still had many successful events. Thank you to Warren and Regina Coler and Mark Halper for the efforts in organizing and running the major degree. We even had a guest from Supreme who gave our own degree team kudos for the great job they did.

Thank you to Dan Kotleba and Kevin Fitzgerald for speaking to the Gather families as we continue to recruit new members for our council. We still have one more degree this year and we need to grow our ranks so please reach out and bring a recruit.

Lastly, thank you to Scott Shepherd and his committee who put on another successful blood drive. These are a lot of work and a lot of hours but so important and their efforts are very much appreciated.

We had a couple of Knights meet with immovable objects this past month and they have the injuries to

prove it. Please keep John and Wayne in your prayers as they mend.

On November 5, we have two big events. First after each morning Mass we will participate in the church's ministry fair. We could use some help manning the table and speaking to prospective new Knights. Please let me know if you could take an hour and help.

Later that day is one of our most important events, the Deceased Brothers Mass. Once again, we will celebrate with the parish at 4:30 and then have our ceremony. We will complete the event with a dinner open to all Knights and their families. Please reach out to Chris Burns if you can attend and help.

Once again, we are planning to host the Navy for Adopt a Sailor on Thanksgiving. To take care of the cadets requires a lot of help before and during the event. Please consider getting involved as a Knight and with your family to plan, cook, serve, clean and just be with these cadets and celebrate with them. Please contact Tom McCabe or Chris Hubbuch if you can help.

SK Warren Coler received a well-deserved promotion at work and although great for his family it means he must step down as our membership director. Anyone interested in this role please reach out to me.

Go forth and give thanks and praise to God.

YBIC

Vivat Jesus

Christopher Hubbuch



## 4th Degree Activities

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

Upcoming events and activities are as follows:

- Saturday November 11<sup>th</sup> – Veterans Appreciation Dinner at St. Mary 10307 Dundee Road in Huntley. The program begins at 6:00 p.m., and a color guard has been requested for the opening festivities. SUT 5:30 p.m.
- Sunday November 12<sup>th</sup> – Annual Memorial Mass for deceased Assembly brothers, 11:30 a.m. Mass at St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church in West Dundee. All are welcome, brother Sir Knights are encouraged to wear their tuxedos and social baldrics.
- Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> - General meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary 10307 Dundee Road in Huntley. This is a great opportunity to interact with your Knights of Columbus peers at some of the local parishes as well as learn about some of the other activities the local councils are doing.

Please also be on the lookout for emails about upcoming activities, especially wakes 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. 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.

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 [mnmhalper@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mnmhalper@sbcglobal.net)

## Clergy Appreciation Dinner

Great turnout for the Clergy Appreciation Dinner (the hall the booked solid). More than 18 of our Sir Knights participated in Full Regalia and additionally provided Honor Guard during the Fatima prayer and meditation.



## **ID Drive Results**

Thank you to all of our Knights and their families who volunteered to collect for annual Tootsie Roll ID Drive on September 15, 16 and 17.

We collected \$1133.26 for our local charities. This year we split the collections and sent \$566.63 to the Northern Illinois Special Recreation Association (NISRA) and the Family Ideas Network For Downs Syndrome, both in Crystal Lake. You can read more about these worthy organizations and the services they provide

at [www.nisra.org](http://www.nisra.org) and [www.findsdownsyndrome.com](http://www.findsdownsyndrome.com).

Thank you so much for volunteering and collecting much needed funds for these local charities. The recipients are very grateful for our contributions and the support of the Knights and their families.

John Frazier  
ID Chair

## **Blood Drive**

The Vampires were out early before Halloween!



Thanks to all who contributed and helped!



## 2017 Christmas Tree Lot

Brothers, if you ask any of the Knights in our council why they joined the Knights of Columbus, the first answer is usually “Charity.” If you ask some of us what it is the Knights do, our answer sometimes is (only half-jokingly) “we write a lot of checks.” Part of our pride is the hundreds of thousands of dollars our council has given to worthy causes. In order to do this, we happily give of our own time, talent and treasure. The “force multiplier” lies in our time and talents which we lend to our fund-raising activities.

This year we’re behind in some of our fund-raising. One of our bigger events – Founder’s Days – reliably adds \$4,000-\$5,000 to our kitty. As you know, the event was flooded out this year. At the re-scheduled event, even though the Knights did our usual outstanding job of feeding the festival crowd, well, we’ll be lucky to break even. This makes it even more important to make our next event a big success!

Our biggest event every year is our **Christmas Tree Lot**. We need your time and talents beginning the **Saturday before Thanksgiving, Nov 18th**. This is the morning where we call for “**All Hands On Deck**.” We move all our materials from McGivney to the lot behind the Ministry Center and assemble the lot – lights, racks, fencing – before the 400 trees arrive sometime after noon. Then we unload the truck and fill the racks. Needless to say, many hands make light work, especially when unloading the trees.

Of course, then we need to “Man the Lot”. Our tree lot has always been open every day *from the day after Thanksgiving to the week before Christmas*. For the past few years two of our Brothers have been there almost every day as the core of our staffing – almost 400 man-hours between them. They won’t be able to duplicate that amazing feat again this year, and we need to ask other Knights to commit some time this year. If we don’t step up, we may have to limit the days the lot is open (i.e. not being open Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings). *We sell trees every day, and we can’t afford to lose our happy customers to other lots.*

Please consider, seriously, committing an evening or two this year to your Council 11091’s tree lot. “For my yoke is easy and my burden is light” – sales in the lot is easy, people are happy, and the fellowship is wonderful! You may find this is the most enjoyable part of the Christmas season!

# Directors & Chairmen

## Chancellor Report:

<b>Vocations*</b>	<b>Chris Burns</b>	<b>(847) 528-9452</b>
Sunday Rosary	Rob Beyer	(224) 333-0592
Vocational Raffle	Gene Gonzales	
Seminarian Support	Rick Orabutt	(224) 678-9260

## Service Programs:

<b>Membership*</b>	<b>Open</b>	
Degree Team*	Chris Gonzales	(847) 658-3871
Membership Promotions	Open	

## Program Director – Dan Kotleba (815) 451-6171

<b>Church*</b>	<b>Open</b>	
Eucharistic Congress	Open	
Eucharistic Adoration	Deacon Maher	(847) 658-5788
Easter Eucharist	Chris Burns	(847) 528-9452
Church/School Painting	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Bibles for RE	Bob Armstrong	(847) 658-9942
Marytown Ministry	Deacon Maher	(847) 658-5788
Christmas Church Lights	Mark Ostrowski	(847) 778-4269
Parish Picnic	Rene Mendez	(224) 402-5071
Mass for Deceased Brothers	Chris Burns	(847) 528-9452
Bereavement	Deacon Don Miller	(847) 915-8474
St. Vincent DePaul	Dean Duley	(630) 669-4495
Youth Ministry Support	Bob Armstrong	(847) 658-9942
Father's Day Mass	Warren Coler	(847) 854-8007

## 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	Kyle Nejman	(847) 802-0535
Co-Chair	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Co-Chair	Chris Hubbuch	(224) 241-8214
Founders' Days Parade	Michael Kouvelis	
ID Drive (Tootsie Rolls)	John Frazier	(847) 910-5031
Pig Roast	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Nativity Set Construction	Ed Henning	(847) 658-8652
Nativity Magnets/Decals	Dan Limbach	(224) 829-1914
Co-Chair	Tom McCabe	(847) 658-3372
Community Nativity Sets	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Adopt-a-Highway	Steve Wilson	(847) 612-0667
Special Olympics	Larry O'Brien	(847) 658-1364
Hospital Visitation	Deacon Don Miller	(847) 915-8474
Thanksgiving Baskets	George Jost	(847) 658-8379
Parish Summer Festival	Rene Mendez	(224) 402-5071
Co-Chair	Dave Frendreiss	(847) 809-6891
Charity Softball	Mark Ostrowski	(847) 658-8001
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	Chris Burns	(847) 528-9452
Co-Chair	Dave Frendreiss	(847) 809-6891
Breakfast Team	Dave Frendreiss	(847) 809-6891
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
Poker	Dave Frendreiss	(847) 809-6891
Adopt-A-Sailor	Tom McCabe	(847) 658-3372

## Family\* John Barrett (847) 658-4688

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	Rene Mendez	(224) 402-5071
Co-Chair	Dave Frendreiss	(847) 809-6891
Feed My Starving Children	John Barrett	(847) 658-4688
Back to School Grilling	Mark Ostrowski	(847) 658-8001

## 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

## Charitable Contributions Tom Lambert (847) 354-5964

## Standing Committees:

Public Relations*	Joe Bongiovanni	(847) 254-0837
Newsletter*	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599
Email List*	Dan Limbach	(224) 829-1914
Social Media	Joe Bongiovanni	
Multimedia Show	Dan Limbach	(224) 829-1914
Anniversary Dinner	Dan Kotleba	(815) 451-6171
Web Site*	Joe Bongiovanni	
Signage*	Patrick Colcernian	(847) 854-6051
Online Calendar	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599

## Officers:

Grand Knight*	Chris Hubbuch	(224) 241-8214
Deputy Grand Knight*	Dan Kotleba	(815) 451-6171
Chaplain*	Fr. Peter Sarnicki	
Chancellor*	Chris Burns	(847) 528-9452
Warden*	Keith Einecker	(224) 848-2283
Financial Secretary*	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Advocate*	Tom Lambert	(847) 354-5964
Treasurer*	Greg Freund	(847) 907-0330
Recorder*	Dave Frendreiss	(847) 809-6891
Inside Guard*	Jerry Gard	(847) 854-7430
Outside Guard*	Rick Limbach	(847) 269-4195
Trustee 3 Year*	Scott Nejman	(847) 687-2278
Trustee 2 Year*	Dan Perna	(847) 658-6975
Trustee 1 Year*	Dan Limbach	(224) 829-1914
Lecturer*	Stuart Kuczynski	(847) 987-6391
District Deputy*	Steve Zalas	(815) 575-2933
Field Agent	Christopher Hamelly	(847) 757-5733

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## \*\*\* Newsletter Submissions by 4<sup>th</sup> Sat of month \*\*\*

Please email your articles and photos (*with comments*) to:  
 Kevin Wright ([KevinWarrenWright@gmail.com](mailto:KevinWarrenWright@gmail.com))  
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Calendar of Events Council 11091 (See the full on-line calendar for changes -> [GMAIL Calendar](#))

~ November 2017 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b> All Saints Day	<b>2</b> 7:30p-9:30p General Meeting (McDonnell Hall)	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> Daylight Saving Time Ends Ministry Fair in McDonnell Hall (McDonnell Hall) 7:30a-8a Rosary after 7am Mass 4:30p-6p Mass for Deceased Brothers	<b>6</b> 7:30p-8p Prayers for Families in Need (Ministry Center)	<b>7</b> Election Day	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Veterans' Day
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Great American Smokeout 7:30p-8:30p Officers' Meeting	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Thanksgiving Day Adopt-A-Sailor	<b>24</b> 8a-2p NATIVITY SETUP	<b>25</b> Knightly News DEADLINE for Articles
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>Notes:</b>	

~ December 2017 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b> World AIDS Day	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> Advent begins 7:30a-8a Rosary after 7am Mass	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 7:30p-9:30p General Meeting (McDonnell Hall)	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 5p-6:30p KNIGHTS CHRISTMAS PARTY
<b>10</b> Human Rights Day Breakfast with Santa	<b>11</b> 7:30p-8p Prayers for Families in Need (Ministry Center)	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> Blood Drive	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Winter Solstice (Northern) 6:30p-7:30p Officers' Meeting (early) (McDonnell Hall) 8p-9p 1st Degree	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Knights News DEADLINE for Articles
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Christmas	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b>	<b>Notes:</b>					

~ January 2018 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> New Year's Day	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 7:30p-9:30p General Meeting (McDonnell Hall)	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Epiphany
<b>7</b> 7:30a-8a Rosary after 7am Mass	<b>8</b> 7:30p-8p Prayers for Families in Need (Ministry Center)	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Human Trafficking Awareness	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Martin Luther King	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 7:30p-8:30p Officers' Meeting	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 7:30p-9p Assembly Meeting (Bishop O'Neal Assembly) (St. Mary's Catholic Church, Huntley, IL)	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Australia Day	<b>27</b> Knightly News DEADLINE for Articles
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>Notes:</b>		