



October 2020

The Knightly News

Knights of Columbus St. Margaret Mary Council 11091

District # 47

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From the Grand Knight's Desk:



Brothers,

I got to meet with our new pastor and council Chaplain (pending Bishop Malloy's approval of our requested change), Father Witold, concerning the parish and the Knights last week. He is looking forward to his role in the council and wants to do a good job for the parish and the council. He is very busy getting acclimated to the new job. I asked Father to confirm with the diocese that we could have our Christmas tree lot and sell trees and wreaths to the public. I don't think that there is a problem with selling Christmas trees outside. I'm looking for approval since I don't want to make any assumption considering the sizable investment that we have with the trees. I assumed that the tailgate events that we hosted earlier in the summer weren't any problem, but then we found out in August that they were not acceptable according to the diocese. I don't want to have all of the trees delivered only to be told that we can't have such an event. It would go down as the biggest and most expensive bonfire in the history of Algonquin.

Our Christmas tree lot committee met this month and is putting together plans for a safe Christmas tree lot experience for our customers, similar to what all of the businesses and stores have had to do. They have lots of good ideas and are working on implementing all the safety measures. We will even have a QR code for our customers to scan or take a picture of to pay for their touchless purchase.

Kevin and Julie Fitzgerald did a fantastic job putting on the Hammer Open in the middle of a pandemic. When the numbers weren't looking good right before the outing, they hunkered down and got the golfers to sign up. At the end of the day, there were 60 golfers, tremendous weather, a fantastic dinner, and money raised for charities who need us more than ever before.

John Frazier led the council in collecting way more money during a pandemic than last year. We collected about 72% more than last year despite having new pandemic protocols, terrible Saturday morning weather, and being double-booked with the Hammer Open on the Sunday. That's not even it. We are going to have a collection at the church one weekend after each mass to pile on to our total. Great job John!

Steve Wilson, the self-proclaimed Trash Man, gathered a group of masked Catholic gentlemen and cleaned up Algonquin Road one Saturday this month. They do the dirty work for the council and we all appreciate it.

Our sports mania chairman, Kevin Wright, managed to squeak out a good profit from the sales of our 2020 Football Mania tickets. Thanks go out to everyone who bought or sold tickets.

Our council has 2 more Deacons! Chris Nocchi and Tim Pignatari (our council's Charter Treasurer) were both ordained on Saturday, September 26th. Please join me in congratulating them on this wonderful step in the journey of their faith and welcoming them to their new important role in the parish. I understand both of them will serve in their first masses as Deacons the weekend of October 3rd/4th.

October is usually a quieter month for us, but we do have things to do:

- The Life Chain is going to be held on Sunday, October 4th from 2:30-3:30. The 2 locations nearby are on Highway 14 next to the Hobby Lobby parking lot and at St. Catherine of Sienna on Highway 72 near Highway 31.

- We have a degree on Saturday, October 10th at 4:00 at McDonnell Hall. This is the new ceremony and open to new Knights as well as First Degree Knights who want to progress in the order to the Third Degree.

- We checked again with the parish office on hosting blood drives and the diocese confirmed for us that we could do them again, *so we back in the blood collection business*. The next blood drive will be on Sunday, October 18th.

- We hope to clean up some more at McGivney this month. The date and time are TBD.

Lastly, in my meeting with Father Witold, we also talked about replacing the doors on the church. They've needed to be replaced for a few years now. They are costing us money every day in escaping heated or cooled air and some of them present a security risk for the church because of the size of the gaps present. The diocese has currently put a hold on all capital expenditures for all parishes until June 2021. However, Father is going to check with them whether our parish can do the doors if they have a donation from the Knights and would hold a drive for the parishioners to donate the rest to this cause. I'm proposing a donation of half of the amount up to \$20k for this. I'll publish this proposal in the November newsletter as well and will entertain a motion in the November meeting for a vote on this. We can discuss this in the October meeting to see how out the council feels about this and whether we need any further information before the vote in November.

Vivat Jesus!
Dave Frendreiss
GK Council 11091

General Meetings

Due to the Pandemic, we started holding our meetings *Virtually*. Now that the restrictions have eased a bit, we are holding them LIVE and VIRTUALLY and we will continue that format for the near future. Please feel free to attend LIVE if you are comfortable. McDonnell Hall is plenty big and we were able to space everyone out. Everyone is required to wear a mask to attend.

Instructions for attending *Virtually* will be sent out in a separate email from the Grand Knight.

Fallen Brother



John Konitzer, a long time parishioner (60 years) and brother Knight, died September 23. Always a friendly face at our meetings and events, he will be sorely missed. Our prayers go out for him and his family.



Patriotic (4th) degree news

“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:

- Tuesday, October 27th - next general meeting at 7:00 p.m., meeting will be held VIRTUALLY. Be on the lookout for emails with the link. This is a great opportunity to learn about upcoming 4th degree activities and learn about the different programs the local councils in the area are doing.
- Saturday November 7th - VIRTUAL 4th degree exemplification. 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 4th degree members to attend and support the new candidates as well as refresh your memories on the lessons taught in this degree. Further details to follow, for now plan and budget accordingly. Deadline for forms and monies is BEFORE OCTOBER 24TH.

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 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. 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 (4th) 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 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.

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



**Knights of Columbus
Northern Illinois District – Marquette Province**



**Virtual Exemplification of the Fourth Degree
Saturday, November 7, 2020**

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August 16, 2020

To: Faithful Navigators and Comptrollers
Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries

SUBJECT: VIRTUAL FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION ON NOVEMBER 7, 2020

As Master of the Northern Illinois District, I am proud to announce a Virtual Fourth Degree Exemplification on **Saturday, November 7, 2020 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 noon**. Because of the current coronavirus pandemic, we are advised by the Supreme Council and the State Governor to **NOT** hold public group events, therefore we will be conducting a “virtual” Fourth Degree Exemplification.

The Host Assembly is Andrew D Mitchell Assembly #215, Kirk Reinhart, Navigator and Co-host Assembly is Father Mazzuchelli Assembly #192, Thomas Willison Navigator.

All Assemblies in the Northern Illinois District are invited to participate in this Exemplification.

Enclosed you will find the instructions on how to complete and process a Form 4 for each candidate (if one has not already been processed) and instructions on what to do on the day of the exemplification, including how to access the video/phone conference.

Please forward this information to every member of your Council and Assembly. It is recommended that small groups of fourth degree members and candidates gather in a council or parish hall that has a good internet or WIFI system and project the video conference on a large screen or TV.

At the conclusion of the exemplification, the Faithful Navigator of each new Fourth Degree member will be mailed the social baldric, Fourth degree lapel pin, a new member certificate and holder. Per the enclosed instructions, the Faithful Navigator will be authorized to Knight the new member at such time that it is safe to gather.

We are in very challenging times, but we all need to do our part to continue to move forward. Only through the efforts of each assembly in the District, can we grow our membership and make this Exemplification a great success. Let us set a record for Sir Knights joining our ranks and help a brother Knight complete the process. **“NOW IS THE TIME FOR THE FOURTH DEGREE”**.

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.



ID Drive Chairman Our current ID Drive Chairman, John Frazer, is retiring, and we need a Brother to lead the Council in the Knights of Columbus signature charitable fundraiser for neighbors with Intellectual Disabilities. While the event doesn't take place until Football starts again, there is some prep work involved in getting venues lined up to host our collection activities. Plenty of Brothers are willing to help - just waiting for you to put on the cap.



Manpower Projects Director We are looking for a PGK or other experienced Knight to head up our Manpower Projects. The idea is that once per month we'd like to help a Knight, a widow, a parishioner, or clergy by using our Manpower to knock something out for them. Duties would include helping to choose which projects are worthy of our time and talent, and organizing the Manpower *and* materials for such projects. Remember, Directors should also recruit their own Assistant Directors, so you should not be in this alone. Examples of such projects could involve sending 5-20 Knights over to a house, business or the church to tear down a fence, empty a basement, remove a fallen tree, etc. Knights shirts would be worn for visibility. We are doing a great service to someone who either can't do the project or can't afford to have it done. Maybe the neighbors or even the press will hear about our good deeds. Let us know if you want to take this on.



Council Videographer Make videos at our events and edit them to make appealing ads about our council. If you have an interest in this type of thing, this will give you a perfect opportunity to experiment with this type of work. You'd be encouraged to add sound to these videos and messages about joining us. Getting some drone footage at some of our outdoor events would be a very cool touch. We'd like to get this Knight in place before the next tailgate in late July.

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Knightly News Editor Sincerest thanks and congratulations are due to Kevin Wright for being the editor and producer of our Knightly News for the past five years. With the exception of *Tallest Knight in the Council*, few positions are held for Life. Kevin would like to pass this duty to someone this year. The position requires an attention to detail in laying out the newsletter each month, editing the submitted articles from the GK, Officers, and members of the Council. We promise you won't be thrown into the deep end with a bowling ball. Kevin and others will be here to advise and mentor you. Please consider helping the Council stay in touch with all we do and lending your flair to the newsletter at the same time. Experience with MS Word is important, otherwise, your talent and expression (and a couple of hours each month) are all that we need.

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.

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 _____

City/State/Country _____ City/State/Country _____

MONTHLY MASS FOR GUILD MEMBERS

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

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

If you wish to make a tax-deductible contribution to support the mission of the Guild, checks should be made payable to The Father McGivney Guild, 1 Columbus Plaza, New Haven, CT 06510-3326.

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Christmas Tree Lot	Rene Mendez	(224) 402-5071
Co-Chair	Chris Burns	(847) 528-9452
Co-Chair	Dave Frendreiss	(847) 809-6891
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)	John Frazier	(847) 910-5031
Military Support	Joe Uehlein	(847) 331-1801
Nativity Set Construction	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Oktoberfest	Chris Hubbuch	(248) 798-7014
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	Phil Minarik	
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) 658-1568
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
Special Olympics	Larry O'Brien	(847) 658-1364
Mass for Deceased Brothers	Dave Campbell	(815) 382-8181
Bereavement	Deacon Miller	(847) 915-8474
Hospital Visitation	Deacon Miller	(847) 915-8474
Inkjet/toner recycling	Dan Perna	(847) 658-6975
Pro-Life Mass	George Jost	(847) 658-8379
Life Chain	George Jost	(847) 658-8379
9 Days for Life Novena	George Jost	(847) 658-8379

Service Programs

Director	Rick Limbach	(847) 269-4195
Degree Team*	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
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	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599
Online Calendar	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599
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Signage	Patrick Colcernian	(847) 854-6051
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Web Site	Joe Bongiovanni	(847) 254-0837

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Inside Guard	Tim Wuenger	
Outside Guard	Bob Dubiel	
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Trustee 2 Year	Dan Kotleba	(815) 451-6171
Trustee 1 Year	Chris Hubbuch	(248) 798-7014
Lecturer	Sal Corona	(773) 307-0594
District Deputy	Phil Weiss	(630) 715-7527
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Kevin Wright (KevinWarrenWright@gmail.com)

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*Note: Our calendar is constantly changing. Please check on-line at our [website calendar](#) as dates draw near.

~ October 2020 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 7:30p-9:30p General Meeting (McDonnell Hall & Zoom Meeting On-Line)	2	3
4 7:30a-8a Rosary after 7am Mass	5 7:30p-8p Prayers for Families in Need (Ministry Center)	6	7	8	9	10 4p-5:30p Degree Ceremony (St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, 111 S Hubbard St, Algonquin,)
11	12 Columbus Day	13	14	15 7:30p-8:30p Officers' Meeting (early) (ZOOM Meeting On-line)	16	17
18 Blood Drive	19	20	21	22	23	24 Knightly News DEADLINE for Articles
25	26	27 7:30p-9p Assembly Meeting (Bishop O'Neal Assembly) (Meeting On-Line - See Newsletter for details on how to join)	28	29	30	31 Halloween

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Daylight Saving Time Ends 7:30a-8a Rosary after 7am Mass 4:30p-6p Mass for Deceased Brothers	2 7:30p-8p Prayers for Families in Need (Ministry Center)	3 Election Day	4	5 7:30p-9:30p General Meeting (McDonnell Hall & Zoom Meeting On-Line)	6	7 10a-12p Exemplification of 4th Degree
8	9	10	11 Veterans' Day	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 Great American Smokeout 7:30p-8:30p Officers' Meeting	20	21
22	23	24 7:30p-9p Assembly Meeting (Bishop O'Neal Assembly) (Meeting On-Line - See Newsletter for details on how to join)	25	26 Thanksgiving Day	27	28 Knightly News DEADLINE for Articles
29	30					