



# The Knightly News

## **Knights of Columbus St. Margaret Mary Council 11091**

District # 47 www.kofc11091.org

## From the Grand Knight's Desk:



Brothers,

"We live a world that has walls, and those walls have to be guarded by men with guns," said Colonel Jessup in the movie "A Few Good Men". While this is

a fictional movie, there is nothing fictional about the need for a strong military and for a nation to be thankful for the men and women who do this service. Our military is comprised of a volunteer force. On Memorial Day in May, we remember those who have died for this country. On November 11th, we recognize all our veterans and, I like to think, our currently serving Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, and Marines. We can also honor our military families because of their unseen sacrifices with their loved ones fighting in battle.

We have many veterans in our council as well as a few Knights who are currently serving in the military – Kevin Alher, Sean Burns, and Troy Minaglia. We also have sons of some of our Knights serving right now as well. I would like you to think of them all this month and be grateful that we have volunteers for this service.

The Christmas Tree Lot is always are biggest and longest event of the year. It takes on even most importance this year with the absence of some of our other major fundraisers. Bishop Malloy has provided all the Knights councils in the diocese with his blessing to proceed with Christmas tree sales while abiding by the latest Covid-19 guidelines. Rene Mendez and his committee has been hard at work developing a plan for making the Christmas tree lot experience a safe one for both the customer and our brother Knights. They will be holding another committee meeting in early November, have a Pre-Staging night ahead of the lot setup where the materials will be staged and fixed as needed, Setup day on Saturday, November 21st, and the lot opens for business on Friday, November 27th. We look forward to a safe and successful Christmas tree lot event and ask for your help in making it that.

In the October general meeting, I proposed that we donate up to \$20k for the cost of replacing the doors on the church and we had an official motion for this then. They are badly in need of replacement for a few years now. They cost us all year long leaking heated or cooled air depending on the season. They also propose a security risk for the church due to the gaps present and what a pry bar could do with them. While the diocese has currently put a hold on all capital expenditures for all parishes until June 2021, the plan is to have Father go to the parishioners with the promise of our \$20k matching donation and ask them for the rest. If he can raise the rest of the money needed, he would go to the diocese then and ask that we proceed with the project given that the money for the project has all been donated and is on hand. If they OK this immediately, then we'd cut the check at that point. They may still push us off until June 2021 or beyond so our \$20k may be delayed until the diocese approves the plan. The parish did get multiple quotes for the job at the time they had this quoted but would have the quotes refreshed prior to starting the job. We are also confirming that the job includes bringing them up to ADA requirements, as this would be required.

We have had some musical chairs going on this as month as some Knights have decided to take on some new roles for some of our other Knights have stepped down after years as the chair for certain events. We filled the following positions this month:

Faith Director – Deacon Pat Newsletter – Bill Hice ID Drive – Paul Evans Manpower events – John Schneider Blood Drive – Marv Basch Alt. Fundraising – Greg Haluczak I am still looking for new chairmen for Council videographer. The other roles filled up fast, if you are thinking about stepping up, let me know and I can help you with more information about these roles.

In this past month, we had our first and successful "during the pandemic" Blood Drive thanks to Shepard and his crew, we sold more magnets, we cleaned up McGivney, and the Deceased Brothers ceremony was held on Sunday, November 1st right around the release of the newsletter.

Also, we hosted a degree ceremony this past month and we'll be hosting our "Knight before Christmas" degree ceremony on Sunday, December 13th where new Knights can be initiated into the order and where 1st degree Knights can progress in the order to be 3rd degree Knights. We need candidates for both options of the degree, so you'll be hearing more about this soon. A virtual 4th degree exemplification will be held this Saturday, November 7th. Mark Halper is working on doing hosting this event at McDonnell Hall to make it even more special for those going to the 4th degree along with other brother Knights instead of taking it online and alone at home.

I talked in last month's meeting how the Grand Knight's job is made much easier by the incredible efforts of all of the Knights and how many of you are thinking all of the time about how to keep up our great works. PGK Chris Hubbuch stepped up and offered up an idea for a new carryout food event in accordance with our Bishop Malloy's most recent update to the Covid-19 guidelines. We got a blessing from Father Witold to pursue this and Chris is off running with this idea and hoping to have it this month.

Please keep doing all of the good things that you do!

#### 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 Brothers**



Mass was held this Sunday, November 1, 2020 for our fallen brothers.



## 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: Saturday November 7<sup>th</sup> - VIRTUAL 4<sup>th</sup> 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 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 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. 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".

#### 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's 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.

# **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.



<u>Council Videographer</u> 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.

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.

### Manpower at Work!





Stay tuned for more information



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Turkey Fryer



(2) Beer Pots

## 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.

YES Z I wish to enroll	in the Guild and to receive the newsletter.
Name	
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Please list below the names and addresses	s of any family or friends who might be interested in the Guild's work.
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Address	Address
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	MASS FOR GUILD MEMBERS
Please remember these specific intentions	s at the monthly Mass for Guild members.
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If you wish to make a tax-deductible contribute McGivney Guild, 1 Columbus Plaza, New Haves	ion to support the mission of the Guild, checks should be made payable to The Father

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## **Directors & Chairmen**

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Director	Paul Evans	(847) 400-4298
Adopt-a-Highway	Steve Wilson	(847) 612-0667
Blood Drive	Marv Basch	
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	
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
Alternative Fundrasing	Greg Haluczak	
Man Power Events	John Schneider	

#### **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	Mary 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		
<u> Director - Chancellor</u>	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-630 <u>5</u>
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
Public Relations	Joe Bongiovanni	(847) 254-0837
Shutterfly Photos	Dan Kotleba	(815) 451-6171
Signage	Patrick Colcernian	(847) 854-6051
Social Media	Joe Bongiovanni	(847) 254-0837
Web Site	Joe Bongiovanni	(847) 254-0837

#### Officers:

Officers.		
Grand Knight	Dave Frendreiss	(847) 809-6891
Deputy Grand Knight	Dave Campbell	(815) 382-8181
Chaplain	Fr. Witold	
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Chancellor	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Warden	Mary 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 Wuerger	
Outside Guard	Bob Dubiel	
Trustee 3 Year	Chris Burns	(847) 528-9452
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
Field Agent	Tom Varkados	(847) 951-3663

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\*Note: Our calendar is constantly changing. Please check on-line at our <u>website calendar</u> as dates draw near.

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SUNDAY  Nov 1  7:30am Rosary after 7am Mass  4:30pm Mass for	MONDAY  2  7:30 pm Prayers for Families in Need (Ministry Center)	TUESDAY 3	WEDNESDAY 4	THURSDAY  5  7:30pm General Meeting (McDonnell Hall & Zoom	FRIDAY 6	7 10:00am Exemplification of 4th Degree
Deceased Brothers	9	10	11	Meeting On-Line)	13	14
15	16	7:30pm Assembly Meeting (Bishop O'Neal Assembly) (Meeting On-Line - See Newsletter for	18	19 7:30pm Officers' Meeting	20	21 9:00 =m Christmas Tree Lot setup
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