



The Knightly News

Knights of Columbus St. Margaret Mary Council 11091

District # 47

www.kofc11091.org

From the Grand Knight's Desk:

Brothers,

The Bishop changed the CV guidance in late January and you guys stepped up your game another notch in February. We did in-person general and officer meetings, an in-person degree with all 3 priests moving up to the 3rd degree and 3 new Knights added to our council, a blood drive, another outdoor rosary, and started our fish fry season. Also, we continue to sell magnets, help those in need, raise money via poker and sports mania, hold dine-and-shares, develop new fundraising methods including helping you get your wife and/or mother a Mother's Day gift, support our seminarians, advance Brothers to the Fourth Degree (Saturday, 3/6 is the next one), and support Pro-Life efforts.

We have more things in the works including starting the nativity expansion project now that the weather is breaking and the temperature in McGivney is acceptable for work, working on plans for an anniversary dinner in April (Saturday, 4/24 – save the date), plans for new grilling techniques for summer tailgates, and plans for the fall retreat. All of this is going on while we Catholics are rededicating ourselves to our Faith during the season of Lent.

I would like to make a personal appeal to you all to help at our fish fries this month. The public has spoken and came out in droves for our first ever takeout fish fry event. We were overwhelmed with the support, but we need to do better on the execution. The committee has identified the issues in the process and have plans in place to eliminate the delays BUT we need to your help to execute on it.

Supreme has provided new guidance on streamlining our meeting. I have been delinquent in incorporating that into our meetings recently but will be starting this with the March general meeting this week.

Lastly, click here to pay your dues
– <https://kofc11091.square.site/>

Vivat Jesus!
Dave Frendreiss
GK Council 11091



(4th) degree news

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

Exemplification 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.

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



Degree 02/28/21

Patriotic (4th) degree news

"And He said, 'Amen, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own native place.'"-Luke 4:24

"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude and insult you, and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of Man."-Luke 6:22

Upcoming events and activities are as follows:

- Tuesday, March 23rd - next general meeting at 7:30 p.m. Location TBD, may be held VIRTUALLY or HYBRID (both in-person and virtual) further details to follow closer to the date depending on what guidelines will allow at that time. 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 May 15th - 4th degree exemplification, location TBD, may be virtual, may be in-person, may be hybrid depending on what state and Diocesan guidelines will allow at that time. 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 come, for now please plan and budget accordingly.

We are in very challenging times, but we all need to do our part to continue to move forward, only through everyone's efforts can we grow our membership. THE CHURCH NEEDS US! THE CHURCH NEEDS THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS! THE CHURCH NEEDS THE FOURTH DEGREE!

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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 is 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.



Exemplification 02/20/21

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.

Signage Guy

PGK Patrick Colcernian has overseen signage for the council for many years and has done a tremendous job with it. He is moved to Colorado though. We are looking for someone to take over this activity. Contact Patrick (pcmgr@gmail.com) or GK Dave to hear more about what this job would entail.

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.



The Clean Team

Brothers,

In an effort to make some room we are going to spin off some equipment that is no longer being utilized. Agreeing that those in the Council should have exclusive first crack at it for 30 days, the following is available:

Kegeator – Like New and Ready to Chill - Valued to \$400 – **11091 Donation - \$250 obo**



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Office of the Bishop

October 22, 2020

Dear Brother Knights of Columbus,

Our calling to be a member of the Knights of Columbus is an element of our spiritual lives. It is a help for us to live as a Catholic man in the company of other men committed to the practice of our faith, in its belief and charity.

This month, we have the special joy that the long prayed for beatification of our founder, Father Michael McGivney, will take place on Saturday, October 31 at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford, Connecticut. We are honored that the Mass will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Joseph Tobin of Newark.

This ceremony, a recognition by the Church of the sanctity of Father McGivney, should touch each of us personally. Father McGivney founded the Knights on February 6, 1882. He did so to keep Catholic men in their faith and to provide a means for providing the charity of financial protection for families of deceased members. He also stressed a life of service by each member, contributing to his parish, his community and his family. Our Order likewise emphasizes our fraternal support for each other and our patriotic attachment to our country.

Each of us, then, at whatever degree we might be enrolled, is an heir to this living and on-going legacy of Father McGivney. The Beatification of our founder is not simply a moment to rally around the beginning of our history. It is also an opportunity for each of us to reflect on how blessed we are to be Knights, and to review our spiritual commitment to the task Father McGivney began.

The Beatification also reminds us that we long to be part of the Communion of Saints. We honor those who have gone before for their example and teaching of sanctity. Each Blessed and every canonized saint is a unique example of drawing close to Christ and to the Church. We also recognize in the Communion of Saints, intercessors who long for us to join them before the Lord.

In a special way, as Knights of Columbus we can and should call upon Father McGivney in prayer that he might place our personal spiritual needs and petitions before our Heavenly Father.

Brothers, as we approach this wonderful day of recognition of our founder, may God grant all of us the grace and resolve to live our Catholic faith fully as worthy Knights of the Order founded by Father McGivney.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ *David J. Malloy*

Most Reverend David J. Malloy
Bishop of Rockford
State Chaplain, Illinois Knights of Columbus

Father McGivney Guild

The Father McGivney Guild was established to promote the cause for the canonization of our founder, Father Michael J. McGivney. Membership in the Guild is open to anyone (you do not necessarily need to be a member of the Knights of Columbus) who wishes to share in this mission of making known the life and work of Father McGivney and of encouraging devotion to his memory. The goal is to spread the story about his holiness of life, and seek his intercession before the throne of God. THERE IS NO COST TO BE A GUILD MEMBER. The guild serves as a clearing house for information about Father McGivney, his virtuous life and works, plus the guild is an outward sign of support showing our interest in having this priest canonized. As a member of the Guild you will receive a newsletter and periodic updates on the progress of this cause for canonization. Membership in the Knights of Columbus DOES NOT automatically enroll you in the Guild. Not only because Father McGivney is the founder of the Knights of Columbus, but also because in solidarity with our Bishops and Priests, we want to honor them by bringing about sainthood to the first native born Catholic Parish Priest in the United States. Please visit the Guild website at <http://www.fathermcgivney.org> or complete the attached included with the newsletter to become a Guild member.

Father McGivney is now that much closer to becoming a saint, let us all do our part to help get him closer to the sainthood finish line! Thank you for your support.



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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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Community Nativity Sets	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Founders' Days	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
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Man Power Events	John Schneider	(312) 954-8754
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Oktoberfest	Chris Hubbuch	(224) 410-8176
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Scholarship Essay	Dan Perna	(847) 658-6975
Sports Mania	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599
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First Sunday Rosary	Rob Beyer	(224) 333-0592
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Youth Ministry Support	Bob Armstrong	(847) 658-9942

Family

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Adopt-A-Sailor	Tom McCabe	(847) 658-3372
Altar Server Appreciation	John Schneider	(312) 953-8754
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Breakfasts	Marv Basch	(847) 612-8443
Christmas Party	Larry O'Brien	(847) 658-1364
Clay Pigeon Shoot	Jerry Ahler	(847) 658-1568
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	John Schneider	(312) 953-8754
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Fish Fry	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Flag Football	Ed Henning	(847) 458-9077
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Summer Basketball Camps	Nick Wake	(847) 854-6279

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Bereavement	Deacon Miller	(847) 915-8474
Hospital Visitation	Deacon Miller	(847) 915-8474
Inkjet/toner recycling	Dan Perna	(847) 658-6975
Life Chain	George Jost	(847) 658-8379
Mass for Deceased Brothers	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6505
Pro-Life Mass	George Jost	(847) 658-8379
Special Olympics	Larry O'Brien	(847) 658-1364

Service Programs

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Membership Development	Rick Limbach	(847) 269-4195
Membership Promotions	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599

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Newsletter	Bill Hice	(312) 843-2562
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Outside Guard	Bob Dubiel	(434) 546-0542
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