



The Knightly News

Knights of Columbus St. Margaret Mary Council 11091

Brother Knights!

It's an exciting time of year, football is starting, baseball playoffs are starting, hockey preseason has begun, and our children are back to school! All of these activities use up our free time, while we watch our favorite player on TV, or go to a school event to watch our children grow up. I would like to start out with thanking all the parents for the sacrifices that they make for their children. I also want to thank all the Brother Knights that sacrifice some of their free time to make this council one of the best in the state! We have a busy October, and then the start of the pre-Christmas season, with Deceased brothers mass, tree lot, breakfast with Santa, a Knights Christmas party, a blood drive, nativity scene construction, and probably five or more that I cannot remember! We had two new members join since our last newsletter, I know some may say only two, why not more. I see the other side of the coin, I am ecstatic about the quality people we have in our council, and I would rather have quality over quantity any day of the week. I urge everyone to keep their eye on the prize, of recruiting new members, keeping members involved, and asking members that have been away for a while to come back. Thank you all for having the confidence in me to lead such an amazing group of people.

Vivat Jesus

David Campbell



BLOOD DRIVE OCTOBER 17, 2021

We are hosting a blood drive on Sunday the 17th from 7:00 AM until 1:00 PM in McDonnell Hall. At our last drive 15 Great Knights donated... Thank you. I would like to ask just 5 more Knights to come out to donate and maybe bring a family member or two.

If you cannot make this blood drive, please consider donating at the Vitalant Center in Crystal Lake, IL. Their phone number is 877-25-VITAL (84825) or go to www.vitalant.org Please tell the staff that the donation is to be made for U202 which is the code for St. Margaret Mary Knights of Columbus.



To give blood you must be 17 years old or older and in good health and bring a photo ID. You can also give blood if you are age 16 with the written consent of a parent. Refreshments will be served. Masks and social distancing are required.

Please make arrangements to join us for this event and give the gift of life. If you have any questions you can contact Marv Basch 847-612-8443 or marvinbasch@gmail.com



I would like to thank Greg Freund for all his work on getting our statues restored to their original luster. It was truly an honor to be surrounded by so many people that helped us return the statues back to where they belong! I would also like to thank Assembly 2381 for the Honor Guard for the installation of the statues.

Deceased Brother Mass

Please save the date November 7th, 2021 for the Deceased Brothers Mass.

The Mass will take place at 430pm with a reception dinner to follow in McDonnell Hall.

More details to follow as we get closer.....

Please hit me up with any ideas or questions anytime.

Thank you,
Marv Basch
Chancellor #11091



COME JOIN US - The first Sunday of every Month; next one is Sunday, Oct 3 (past), Nov 7 (next) following the 7:00am Mass, to say the Rosary.

Everyone is invited and it's a great way to start the month. Rosary prayer pamphlets will be provided.

Patriotic (4th) degree news

Saturday October 23rd - 4th degree exemplification at Faranda's Banquet Center 302 Grove Street in DeKalb. This is a great opportunity to learn the patriotic lessons of the Knights of Columbus and advance to full Knighthood. Then you will have the opportunities 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 refer to the information included for further details, monies and forms are due by the meeting on September 28th. Please contact Marv Basch at marv.wendy@sbcglobal.net for more info.

Help Wanted

Signage Guy

PGK Patrick Colcernian has overseen signage for the council for many years and has done a tremendous job, but he moved to Colorado. 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.

Retention

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.

PRO-LIFE CORNER

WHAT

Congress is trying to force Americans to pay for abortion.

HOW

The Hyde Amendment and similar laws have protected taxpayers from funding elective abortion for 45 years. Now, powerful members of Congress want to take away these laws that both Democrats and Republicans have supported for nearly half a century.

WHAT HAPPENS WITHOUT THESE PROTECTIONS?

Billions of taxpayer dollars could be used to pay for abortion.

TAKE ACTION

Sign the petition to Congress!

<https://www.notaxpayerabortion.com/>

George Jost

gjost2002@yahoo.com

Editor note: This bill is really about stopping insurance coverage for abortion and also limiting the autonomy of Washington DC of spending non-federal funds for abortions.

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> to become a Guild member.

Rockford Diocese Chapter

The Rockford Diocese Chapter was formed in 1989 by Bishop Arthur J. O'Neill and Past State Deputy and Former Vice Supreme Master Joseph Kaltwasser. The purpose of the Chapter is to unite the Knights of Columbus councils within the Diocese and provide a forum for councils to share knowledge and experiences, discuss methods, procedures, ideas, or practices, as well as resolve or obtain assistance in resolving issues or questions and assist each council by providing the tools needed to help achieve Council goals.

The Chapter meets once every three months, on the fourth Wednesday of January, April, July, and October. This is open to all members of the Knights of Columbus in good standing, and is a great opportunity to meet and interact with your Knights of Columbus peers from other Parishes in the Diocese.

Each year the Chapter hosts an annual roundtable dinner to honor a few men (both clergy and lay) for their contributions to the Knights of Columbus, the Catholic Church, and community. We have been blessed to have a few members of our council honored at this event in previous years. This year's event will take place on Wednesday, September 22nd at the United Auto Workers' (UAW) Hall in Belvidere. People are encouraged to attend and support the honorees.

In addition, the Chapter hosts an annual bowling tournament, where the winners advance to a state competition. Further details will be provided on this event when all is finalized.

As our council has become a leader in the Rockford Diocese, this is our opportunity to lead by example through participation, sharing knowledge, and also receiving knowledge.

Community

Director	Paul Evans	(847) 400-4298
Adopt-a-Highway	Steve Wilson	(847) 612-0667
Alternative Fundrasing	Greg Haluczak	(847) 757-7245
Blood Drive	Marv Basch	(847) 612-8443
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	(847) 400-4298
Man Power Events	John Schneider	(312) 954-8754
Military Support	Joe Uehlein	(847) 331-1801
Nativity Set Construction	Ken Prigge	(630) 730-2754
Oktoberfest	Chris Hubbuch	(224) 410-8176
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	John Schneider	(312) 953-8754
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	Greg Freund	(847) 907-0330
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
9 Days for Life Novena	George Jost	(847) 658-8379
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	Marv Basch	(847) 612-8443
Pro-Life Mass	George Jost	(847) 658-8379
Special Olympics	Larry O'Brien	(847) 658-1364

Service Programs

Director	Rick Limbach	(847) 269-4195
Degree Team	Tom McCabe	(847) 658-3372
Membership Development	Rick Limbach	(847) 269-4195
Membership Promotions	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599

Vocations

Director	Marv Basch	(847) 612-8443
Seminarian Support	Rick Orabutt	(224) 678-9260
Vocational Raffle	Gene Gonzales	(630) 660-5925

Standing Committees:

Anniversary Dinner	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
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)732-8767
Social Media	Joe Bongiovanni	(847) 254-0837
Web Site	Joe Bongiovanni	(847) 254-0837

Officers:

Grand Knight	Dave Campbell	(815)382-8181
Deputy Grand Knight	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Chaplain	Fr. Witold Adamczyk	
Chancellor	Marv Basch	(847) 612-8443
Warden	Paul Evans	(847) 400-4298
Financial Secretary	Greg Freund	(847) 907-0330
Advocate	Steve Wilson	(847) 612-0667
Treasurer	Rob Pascolini	(847) 894-2583
Recorder	Jerry Gard	(847) 854-7430
Inside Guard	Tim Wuerger	(847) 757-7245
Outside Guard	Mike Kouvelis	(312) 550-2627
Trustee 3 Year	David Frendreiss	(847) 809-6891
Trustee 2 Year	Chris Burns	(847) 528-9452
Trustee 1 Year	Dan Kotleba	(815) 451-6171
Lecturer	Sal Corona	(773) 307-0594
District Deputy	Phil Weiss	(630) 715-7527
Field Agent	Tom Varkados	(847) 951-3663

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September 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
		7pm - Nativity Set		7:30pm - General		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
7:30am - Rosary		7pm - Nativity Set			10 Drive	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Octoberfest		7pm - Nativity Set		Knights Retreat		Knights News
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
Knights Retreat		7pm - Nativity Set 7:30pm - Assembly				

October 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Knights Retreat		7pm - Nativity Set 7:30pm - Assembly				
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