



The Knightly News

Knights of Columbus St. Margaret Mary Council 11091

District #47

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From the Grand Knight



Worthy Brothers:

As I write this, we have just **returned from the men's weekend**

(retreat is a strong word). While it was not a strictly spiritual

experience, it is a wonderful time to spend in fellowship with brother Knights. We connect more with those we know and get to know brothers that may have been previously acquaintances. Many of our brothers work countless hour at events and this is a great opportunity to recharge. A beautiful byproduct of the weekend is the return home. As the saying goes, absence makes the heart grow fonder. I would urge all to consider this trip in the future.

We have a strong council. Our participation lately has been light. Certain days of Founders could have used more help. Octoberfest had very light participation, to the point some were there for twelve or more hours without a real break. This was above and beyond the call. I cannot put a finer point on it; we need everyone to participate in order to be a successful council.

That said, the Christmas tree lot is our next major event. We will need the help of all to make the event a success. If we cannot fill the shifts, we will not be able to remain open on all days. I hope you can make the time to participate in one of our biggest events.

We are excited for the next couple of events

too. The council has permission to take up to 40 sailors at Thanksgiving, although that number can greatly vary. December brings breakfast with Santa. Both events will need plenty of help. On a solemn note, the annual deceased brothers Mass is coming in November as well. Please participate in these worthy causes.

My previous comments on passion stand. We need the entire council to be passionate about our works. Bear in mind, with very few exceptions, Knights events are family events. All are welcome. Together we can maintain and further grow our council and good works. I look forward to the next few months and some great events. Please watch for emails regarding individual events.

Vivat Jesus

Kevin Fitzgerald

Look what we've been doing ...



ID Drive in September at Dunkin' Donuts in Algonquin
Mark Halper and his Tootsie Rolls stayed dry this year!



Fr. Zbigniew Zajchowski (Fr. ZB) installed as our Pastor on 9/27/22



2022 Round Table Dinner
attended by Mark Halper
and Rick O'Connor

Fall Retreat

New Lodge and surroundings, New Church, New Activities and Fun



FOOTBALL MANIA

No winners yet through Week 4, but many of you are getting close! As a recap of our event, **we sold a total of 41 tickets ... 12 E-tickets** and 29 (of our 100) paper tickets. This brought us a total profit for the event of \$574.00 for our council. Thank you for your participation and continued GOOD LUCK throughout the season.

ROSARY

COME JOIN US - The first Sunday of every Month; next one is Sunday, July 3rd after 7 am mass.

Next outdoor Rosary at McGivney July 18th at 7 PM

Everyone is invited and it's a great way to start the month. Ro-

sary prayer pamphlets will be provided.

Signage Guy

PGK Patrick Colcernian oversaw signage for the council for many years and did 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 Kevin to hear more about what this job would entail.



Patriotic (4th) Degree news

Upcoming events and activities are as follows:

Tuesday, October 25th – next general meeting at 7:30 p.m. Location is HYBRID (both in-person and virtual) at St. Catherine of Sienna, West Dundee, IL. This is a great opportunity to hear about upcoming patriotic degree programs, learn about upcoming programs at some of the other local councils, and interact with some of your peers from some of the other local Knights of Columbus councils.

Saturday February 11th - 4th degree exemplification at the Sheraton Lisle. 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.

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!**

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.

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 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

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.

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.

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.

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. The October meeting is Wednesday Oct 26th and the location is HYBRID, physical location TBD.

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 Wednesday September 28th** at Holy Family Catholic Church 4401 Highcrest Rd., Rockford. **This year's honorees are Joe Scherb, Bob Tetzloff, and Msgr. Thomas Dempsey.**

In addition, the Chapter hosts an annual bowling tournament, where the winners advance to a state competition. Last year our council put together a team which took first place at the Diocese level, advanced to State and won second place at the state level! 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. (i.e. sharing best practices)

Community

Director

Adopt-a-Highway
Alternative Fundraising
Blood Drive
Christmas Tree Lot
Co-Chair
Community Nativity Sets
Founders' Days
Founders' Days Parade
Free Throw Contest
Hammer Open
ID Drive (Tootsie Rolls)
Man Power Events
Military Support
Nativity Set Construction
Oktoberfest
Poker
Recycling & Wheelchair
Scholarship Essay
Sports Mania
Summer Tailgating

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Faith

Director

Bibles for RE
Christmas Church Lights
Church/School Painting
Eucharistic Adoration
Fall Retreat
First Sunday Rosary
Marytown Ministry
Prison Ministry
St. Vincent DePaul
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Family

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Adopt-A-Sailor
Altar Server Appreciation
Back to School Grilling
Breakfasts
Christmas Party
Clay Pigeon Shoot
Family Picnic

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Father's Day Mass

Feed My Starving Children
Fish Fry
Flag Football
Nativity Magnets/Decals
Pasta Dinner
Perfect Attendance
State Kamporee
Summer Basketball Camps

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Director

9 Days for Life Novena
Bereavement
Hospital Visitation
Inkjet/toner recycling
Life Chain
Mass for Deceased Brothers
Pro-Life Mass
Special Olympics

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Knights Retreat (Washburn County), WI, USA)
2 Knights Retreat (Washburn County), WI, USA) 8a-8:30a Rosary after 7am Mass (in the church)	3	4 7p-9p Nativity Set Construction	5 7p-8p Prayers for Vocations (in the church)	6 7:30p-9p General Meeting	7	8
9 10a-10:30a Knights Rosary (in the church)	10 Columbus Day	11 7p-9p Nativity Set Construction	12 7p-9p Feed My Starving Children (Feed My Starving Children)\n740 Wiley Farm Ct, Schaumburg, IL 60)	13	14	15 10p-11p Tree / Brush Trimming (St Margaret Mary Church)\n111 S Hubbard St, Algonquin, IL 60102)
16	17 7p-7:30p Outdoor Rosary	18 7p-9p Nativity Set Construction	19	20 7:30p-8:30p Officers Meeting	21	22 Knights News DEADLINE for Articles
23	24	25 7p-9p Nativity Set Construction 7:30p-9p Assembly Meeting (Bishop O'Neal Assembly) (St. Catherine of Siena, 845 W Main St, West Dundee, IL 60118,)	26 7:30p-9p Rockford Chapter meeting (TBD)	27	28	29
30	31 Halloween					

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6 Daylight Saving Time Ends 8a-8:30a Rosary after 7am Mass (in the church)	7	8 Election Day 7p-9p Nativity Set Construction	9	10	11 Veterans' Day	12 Christmas Tree Lot Setup
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