



# 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, it finally starts to look like winter. We are in a quiet time of our year, but that would not stand. We have added a pasta dinner for February 11th. Keep an eye on email for additional information and how to help. There is also a fourth degree exemplification on February 11<sup>th</sup>. In the nearer term, we have a blood drive scheduled for this Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>. Give 'til it hurts, so to speak. It really doesn't hurt, except the band aid on my hairy arm.

In the near future, the series of fish fry events come up. These events are a great opportunity for recruiting as well as brotherhood within the council. Please consider participating in our food events. They are great family friendly days for the entire family. I look forward to an abundance of manpower.

Let's remember though, the most important time of the year is

coming, Lent. Mardi Gras, Shrove Tuesday is February 21. Enjoy a Pączki before the penance of Lent. This is the most rewarding time in the church. I love it. It may be too soon but Lent culminating in Holy Week is such a celebration. Let's not forget, we will be into MLB spring training by then too.

Also, in all of this, let's not forget to celebrate Valentine's Day. Our wives are our greatest cheerleaders and best supporters. Make sure that they know we support, love and cheerlead for them as well.

I hope to see you all at the general meeting Thursday. Come out, help out and speak out. We have a great council and participation is the key to our success...

Vivat Jesus,

Kevin Fitzgerald

# Look what we've been doing ...

## 2023 Free Throw Participants (1/21/23)



## 2022 NISRA (ID Drive) Check given to Jim Wiseman, Executive Director and Renee Erling, Finance Manager



# JUST THE DETAILS

## ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY

It's time once again, to clean up our act. Saturday February 11, 2022. We'll meet at McGivney at 9 AM for Coffee and doughnuts. For More Info: Steve Wilson (847) 612-0667

## PASTA DINNER

We will be hosting a Pasta Dinner on Saturday February 11<sup>th</sup>. Please consider helping out, either by volunteering some time to help in the many set-up and serving tasks or bring the family and friends for a scrumptious Pasta dinner. See our Flyer ([Click Here](#))

## CLERGY APPRECIATION

Looking way ahead, our 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Bishop O'Neill Assembly will host a Clergy Appreciation Dinner on Friday, May 19. This event is held to honor our Priests, Deacons, and Sisters from Elgin, Carpentersville, Dundee, Algonquin, Huntley and Hampshire. The event will be held at St. Mary Parish Center 10307 Dundee Road in Huntley. You do NOT have to be a 4th degree to attend and show your appreciation to our clergy. It is a wonderful dinner with our priests and deacons and a chance to share some great fellowship with them. Watch for more details.

## KNIGHTS' FALL RETREAT 2023

AND farther ahead, the 2023 Knights Fall Retreat is set for September 27<sup>th</sup> to October 1<sup>st</sup>. We will be returning a second year to the luxurious lodge at Long Lake Wisconsin. Check out all the pictures from our 2022 retreat at our Knights Sutterfly account: <https://kofc11091.shutterfly.com>. An outstanding time was had by all! You all need to treat yourself to a get away like this.

Cost for the 5-day retreat including transportation, food and lodging is around \$520. Not many places you can go to for less than \$105 per day, particularly one as spectacular as this.

In April, I'll start taking reservations with a \$200 deposit. The number of participants will be limited to the first 25. Deposit is non-refundable if you cancel after August 1<sup>st</sup> and the participant count is less than 25 and your spot is not backfilled. If we have over 25 committed participants, then you can cancel with a refund up to the event.

Please feel free to reach out to me for some details or Fall Retreat stories.

Ken Prigge Cell: 630.730.2754 Email: [kprigge@infinera.com](mailto:kprigge@infinera.com)

# CALENDAR THESE



February 5 (Sunday)

Blood Drive in McDonnell Hall



February 11 (Saturday)

Adopt-A-Highway



Pasta Dinner in McDonnell Hall

[Go To Flyer](#)



February 24 (Friday)

First Fish Fry of Lent

## ROSARY

COME JOIN US - The first Sunday of every Month; next one is Sunday, Feb 5th after 7 am mass.

Next outdoor Rosary at McGivney Feb 12th 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.

# 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.

## 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

### Paul Evans

Steve Wilson (847) 612-0667  
Greg Haluczak (847) 757-7245  
Marv Basch (847) 612-8443  
Rene Mendez (224) 402-5071  
Chris Burns (847) 528-9452  
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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  
Youth Ministry Support

### John Schneider

Bob Armstrong (847) 658-9942  
Mark Ostrowski (847) 778-4269  
Ken Prigge (630) 730-2754  
Deacon Maher (847) 658-5788  
Stuart Kuczynski (847) 987-6391  
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## Family

### Director

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

### OPEN

Tom McCabe (847) 658-3372  
John Schneider (312) 953-8754  
Mark Ostrowski (847) 658-8001  
Marv Basch (847) 612-8443  
Larry O'Brien (847) 962-7464  
Jerry Ahler (847) 658-1568  
Dave Campbell (815) 382-8181  
John Schneider (312) 953-8754

### Father's Day Mass

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

John Barrett (224) 209-8923  
Ken Prigge (630) 730-2754  
Ed Henning (847) 458-9077  
Dan Limbach (224) 829-1914  
Greg Haluczak (847) 571-7830  
Mark Ostrowski (847) 778-4269  
Kevin Fitzgerald (847) 658-6305  
Nick Wake (847) 854-6279

## Life

### Director

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

### George Jost

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## Service Programs

### Director

Degree Team  
Membership Development  
Membership Promotions

### Rick Limbach

Tom McCabe (847) 658-3372  
Rick Limbach (847) 269-4195  
Kevin Wright (224) 699-0599

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## Vocations

### Director

Seminarian Support  
Vocational Raffle

### Marv Basch

Rick Orabutt (224) 678-9260  
Gene Gonzales (630) 660-5925

### (847) 612-8443

## 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	Kevin Wright	(224) 699-0599
Online Calendar		
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	Kevin Fitzgerald	(847) 658-6305
Deputy Grand Knight	Mike Kouvelis	(312) 550-2627
Chaplain	Fr. Witold Adamczyk	
Chancellor	Steve Wilson	(847) 612-0667
Warden	Karl Grey	
Financial Secretary	Greg Freund	(847) 907-0330
Advocate	Kyle Nejman	
Treasurer	Rob Pascolini	(847) 894-2583
Recorder	Jerry Gard	(847) 854-7430
Inside Guard	Tim Wuerger	(847) 757-7245
Outside Guard	Brendan Driscoll	
Trustee 3 Year	Dave Campbell	(815)382-8181
Trustee 2 Year	David Frendreiss	(847) 809-6891
Trustee 1 Year	Chris Burns	(847) 528-9452
Lecturer	Sal Corona	(773) 307-0594
District Deputy	Phil Weiss	(630) 715-7527
Field Agent	Tom Varkados	(847) 951-3663

### \*\*\* Newsletter Submissions by 4<sup>th</sup> Sat of month \*\*\*

*Please email your articles and photos(with comments) to:*

KevinWarrenWright@gmail.com

*Put, "Newsletter" in the Subject Line*

*and give captions for photos*

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~ February 2023 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Groundhog Day 7:30p-9p General Meeting	3	4 5:30p-11p StMM Parish School Poker Tournament
5 Super Bowl 7a-3p Blood Drive (In McDonnell Hall in Ministry Center StMM campus map: <a href="https://driv">https://driv</a> ) 8a-8:30a Rosary after 7am Mass (in the church)	6	7	8	9	10	11 Fourth Degree Exemplification (Sheraton Lisle Naperville Hotel) 9a-11a Adopt-A-Highway 5p-8p K of C Pasta Dinner
12 10a-10:30a Knights Rosary (in the church)	13 Presidents Day	14 Valentine's Day	15	16 7:30p-8:30p Officers Meeting	17	18
19	20 7p-7:30p Outdoor Rosary	21	22 6p-9p Feed My Starving Children (Feed My Starving Children, 740 Wiley Farm Ct, Schaumburg, IL 60)	23	24	25 Knighthly News DEADLINE for Articles
26	27	28 7:30p-9p Assembly Meeting (Bishop O'Neal Assembly) (10 Villa St, Elgin, IL 60120, USA)				

~ March 2023 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 7:30p-9p General Meeting	3	4
5 8a-8:30a Rosary after 7am Mass (in the church)	6	7	8 Intl. Women's Day	9	10 Shamrock Shave - Food Prep Day (TBD)	11 Shamrock Shave (TBD)
12 Daylight Saving Begins 10a-10:30a Knights Rosary (in the church)	13	14	15	16 7:30p-8:30p Officers Meeting	17 Saint Patrick's Day	18
19	20 Spring Begins (Northern Hemisphere) 7p-7:30p Outdoor Rosary	21	22	23	24 World Tuberculosis Day	25 Knighthly News DEADLINE for Articles
26 6a-1:30p Breakfast with Easter Bunny	27	28 7:30p-9p Assembly Meeting (Bishop O'Neal Assembly) (St. Mary Catholic Church), 10307 Dundee-Huntley Rd, Huntley, IL)	29	30	31	