



The Knightly News

Knights of Columbus St. Margaret Mary Council 11091

District #47

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From the Grand Knight



Worthy Brothers:

By the time we meet we will have just passed the holiest of days, Easter. I pray that all have had a fulfilling Lent and celebration of Easter. He Is Risen.

I was out of town but, of course, the council carries on. I have heard that we had a great breakfast with the Easter Bunny. By all reports, my replacements at the beverage station were able to make the coffee and serve the drinks. Thanks to all who worked to make this a success. The same can be said for the fish fry crew. Despite a power outage during clean up the event was a success. The threat of storms kept the numbers down a bit but a light fish fry is still great for the council.

Following quickly after our meeting, we will have our 30th anniversary dinner. I look forward to seeing many of you there to celebrate this milestone year. It is a fun event where we do not do the work. Shortly after the Anniversary dinner, Michael and I head to Springfield for the State Convention. I look forward to spending time with our fellow leaders in the state and, hopefully, bringing home some award or another.

Keep an eye out for communications regarding other events. We have plans for feed my starving Children and a blood drive in the next few weeks. This Columbian year,

my grand knight year, has been flying by. I am awed by the activity and commitment of this council. The membership makes it all work. Please help finish out the year strong. Before you know it, we will be setting up for founders days.

Thank you all for all that you do.

Vivat Jesus,

GK Kevin Fitzgerald

THANK YOU to all the Knights and their families who made our 2023 Breakfast with the Easter Bunny a great success. Not only did we make some money for charity...

More importantly we were able to bring our community together to share a meal and create memories for the kids like free pictures with the Easter Bunny.

Please support our sponsors

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1501 E Algonquin Rd, Algonquin

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 April meeting is Wednesday April 26th and the location is HYBRID (virtual and physical), physical location is at the Church of Holy Apostles in McHenry.

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 27th at Holy Family Catholic Church 4401 Highcrest Rd., Rockford.

In addition, the Chapter hosts an annual bowling tournament, where the winners advance to the state competition. For the past two years our council put together a team which took first place at the Diocese level and advanced to State! Last year our council won second place at the state level! In addition, our very own Michael Barrett took first place individually with Kevin Wright taking second place individually (John Barrett won the "booby" prize with the lowest score)! The team will compete at the State Finals Saturday March 25th at Landmark Lanes in Peoria. 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 participating, sharing knowledge, and also receiving knowledge (i.e., sharing best practices).

Look what we've been doing ...



Holy Thursday with Fr. ZB!



Breakfast with the Easter Bunny! Thank You

JUST THE DETAILS

REQUIRED NOTICE

Brothers, at the February General meeting, we discussed providing support for our Brother Knight, Connor Orabutt, who is currently a Transitional Deacon and will be fully ordained a priest on Saturday, June 3, 2023. We will be looking to help defray the costs of Connor's reception after Ordination. In addition, Connor will be celebrating his first Mass as priest on Sunday, June 4, 2023 at St. Margaret Mary. Similar to when he became a Transitional Deacon, the Knights would like to sponsor a continental breakfast for all St. Margaret Mary parishioners after all of the Sunday Masses on June 4th.

Per our by-laws, we are sending an email to all Knights and publishing this in the March newsletter. We will be looking to discuss and vote on a budget of \$4,000 in our March general meeting. Please contact Andre Manois or Deacon Bob Armstrong if you have any questions regarding this proposal.

CLERGY APPRECIATION

Looking ahead, our 4th 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 27th to October 1st. 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 1st 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



We are hosting a blood drive on Sunday, April, 30th from 8:00 AM until 2:00 PM in McDonnell Hall. Please consider giving if you can and please tell one other person about our drive. There will be additional Vitalant staff on hand this time. Thank you in advance for supporting this program.

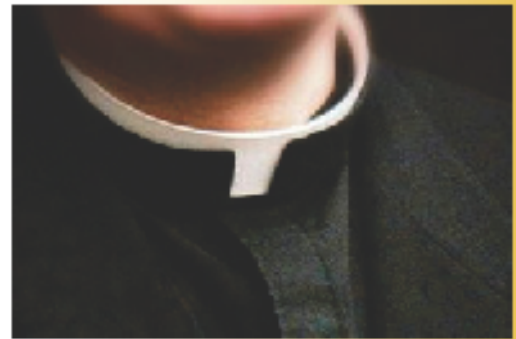
Vitalant is the nation's largest and independent, **non-profit** organizations focused exclusively on providing lifesaving blood services. Please consider making an appointment thru Vitalant.org, so we know you are coming and can reserve a spot for you.

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 and snacks will be served.

Some pointers to consider: In the days before the drive please make sure to get a healthy amount of iron from food. Meat and seafood, as well as vegetables like spinach and sweet potatoes, are good sources of iron. Certain breads, fruits, and other foods like beans and even tofu can be good. The day of the blood drive, prepare yourself by drinking plenty of fluids and wearing comfortable clothes with sleeves that you can easily roll up above your elbow.

Please make arrangements to join us for this event and give the gift of life. If you have any questions, you can contact us at marvinbasch@gmail.com.

CLERGY APPRECIATION DINNER



HONORING OUR PRIESTS, DEACONS & SISTERS

Every year we look for ways to show our appreciation to the clergy of our parishes. If you've never been, the Food and Drink are always excellent! Don't miss it this year!

Tickets are LIMITED!

FRIDAY, May 19, 2023

6:00PM

St. Mary Catholic Church Parish Hall

10307 Dundee Rd, Huntley

Deadline for tickets will be May 14th & May 10th for well wishers.



Presented by
Knights of Columbus



For more information contact Knights of Columbus Assembly #2381 at
clergydinner@kofc2381.org

CALENDAR THESE

April 15 (Saturday)	Council 11091 30th Anniversary Dinner
April 30 (Sunday)	BLOOD DRIVE (McDonnel Hall)
May19 (Friday)	Clergy Appreciation Dinner

ROSARY



COME JOIN US - The 1st Sunday of the month, May 7th after the 7 am mass, and the 2nd Sunday May 14 after 9 am mass. Next outdoor Rosary behind McGivney April 17 at 7 PM Everyone is invited. Rosary prayer pamphlets will be provided.

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

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Faith

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Bibles for RE
Christmas Church Lights
Church/School Painting
Eucharistic Adoration
Fall Retreat
First Sunday Rosary
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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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Life

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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Put, "Newsletter" in the Subject Line

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 8a-8:30a Rosary after 7am Mass (in the church)	3	4	5	6	7 Good Friday	8
9 Easter 10a-10:30a Knights Rosary (in the church)	10	11 7p-9p Nativity Set Construction - Tentative startup date	12 6p-9p Feed My Starving Children (Feed My Starving Children), 740 Wiley Farm Ct, Schaumburg, IL 60)	13 7p-8p Importance of Whole Life as part of Retirement Plan 7:30p-9p General Meeting	14	15 6p-9p Council 30th Anniversary Dinner (Golf Club of Illinois, 1575 Edgewood Dr, Algonquin, IL 60102,)
16	17 Tax Day (Taxes Due) 7p-7:30p Outdoor Rosary	18 7p-9p Nativity Set Construction	19	20 6:30p-7:30p Officers Meeting 7:30p-8:30p Degree	21 State Convention (Wyndham Springfield City Centre, 700 E Adams St, Springfield, IL)	22 Earth Day Knights News DEADLINE for Articles State Convention (Wyndham Springfield City Centre, 700 E Adams St, Springfield, IL)
23 World Immunization Week State Convention (Wyndham Springfield City Centre, 700 E Adams St, Springfield, IL)	24	25 World Malaria Day 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 Administrative Professionals 7:30p-9p Rockford Chapter meeting (TBD)	27	28 Arbor Day	29
30 7a-3p Blood Drive (In McDonnell Hall in Ministry Center SMM campus map: https://driv) 2:30p-5p Scholar Bowl (McDonnell Hall)						

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	1	2 7p-9p Nativity Set Construction	3	4 7:30p-9p General Meeting	5 Cinco De Mayo	6
7 8a-8:30a Rosary after 7am Mass (in the church)	8	9 7p-9p Nativity Set Construction	10	11	12	13 8a-8:30a Deceased Brother Memorial Mass (St. Catherine of Siena, 845 W Main St, West Dundee, IL 60118,)
14 Mother's Day 10a-10:30a Knights Rosary (in the church)	15 7p-7:30p Outdoor Rosary	16 7p-9p Nativity Set Construction	17	18 7:30p-8:30p Officers Meeting	19 Clergy Appreciation Dinner (St. Mary Catholic Church in 10307 Dundee Rd, Huntley, IL 60142,)	20 Armed Forces Day Fourth Degree Exemplification (St Daniel the Prophet Church, 5300 S Natoma Ave, Chicago, IL 60)
21	22	23 7p-9p Nativity Set Construction 7p-8p Who Wants to be a Millionaire 7:30p-9p Assembly Meeting (Bishop O'Neal Assembly) (St. Marqaret Mary Catholic Church, 111 S Hubbard St, Algonquin,)	24	25	26	27 Knighly News DEADLINE for Articles
28	29 Memorial Day	30 7p-9p Nativity Set Construction	31			