

The Knight's Shield

St. Paul of Tarsus - Knight's of Columbus Council #11689

November, 2016

Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism

Volume 21

A Word from Grand Knight Art Krygowski

In November, we celebrate Thanksgiving in commemoration of those early Americans who came together for a feast thanking God for their community and the land where they were beginning their new lives. In their giving thanks to God, they were thanking Him for the unity of their community. For me, I am also thankful for a sense of unity in my life, unity with my Brothers in the Knights of Columbus.

On Saturday October 8,th 19 brother Knights came to the Road clean up. Headed up by Brother Greg Csernai, it lasted about an hour. He sends his Thank you to all.

After the road clean up about 9 Brothers stayed for a fun filled morning of running a 2 man post hole digger with 5 men to install the receivers for our new Pancake Breakfast and Fish Fry signs. The ground as you may know here in Clinton Township is not only clay with a little dirt the deeper you go I believe there may have been some cement.

After that we stayed and planted the Fr. Lou tree. It is an Ivory Silk Lilac Tree. There will be a memorial plaque placed and a dedication service at a later date.

I would like to thank George Mejaly for setting up the distribution of flu shots at our last General Membership Meeting where 15 Flu shots were given. Also I would like to thank Rick Okerhjelm for heading up our dinner at this meeting, we had a nice meal and social time with Brother Knights and their wives.

On October 14,th the Knights of Columbus 2018 Installation of State Leadership Dinner presented by the "Come Walk With Me" Committee was held, and 11689 had a table representing our council. Tony

Vittorini personally thanked us all for our support.

The Basketball free-throw was held Saturday October 15,th and it was a very disappointing turn out. We had four students sign up, and the only one who showed up is actually 16 years old but is allowed to shoot in the District Competition. **Congratulations Ryan!** Next year we are changing the time to later in the morning and will attempt to broadcast this event better and to hopefully get more students involved.

Our last District Planning Meeting of 2016 was held on October 18th at St. Clement in Romeo. It was well attended by all four council's. We shared stories and new ideas for future growth in membership and activities. Thank you to all who attended.

20 Tickets for the 2016 Prep Bowl at Ford Field on October 22nd were given to the Youth group. It is a day-long football and entertainment experience for all to enjoy.

Our next Euchre Tournament is Saturday, November 5, 2016, 6:00pm, with set up at 5:00 pm. See Mike Hartel for details.



At the next General Membership Meeting November 14th we will be collecting donations for Christmas Gifts that will be given to **Holy Cross Children's Services.** Please read our Worthy DD's request:

Sweatshirt and Gift Cards for HCCS

- They need L, XL, XXL and XXXL sizes.
- Please place your sweatshirt in a gift box and mark gender and size.
- If you have many of one size, you can place them in one larger box and mark it with size and gender.
- Gift Cards.
- These are for individual students and should be purchased at Meijer, Target, Walmart or K-Mart.
- Purchase denominations of \$5 and \$10 only. Please do not provide anything larger than \$10.

These gifts are the only gifts these kids will be receiving. Your generosity will be appreciated.

Our 3rd annual Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 23rd continues to grow and was a success. With over 100 Trunk or Treaters, over 100 Helpers along with 20 vehicles handing out treats, the children had a fun time. There were games, food and prizes. I would like to thank all that Helped from the Groups here at St. Paul's to bring this event together.

Winners of the Costume Contest



The Winner of the Best Vehicle Costume is Ray and Lorri Coughlin



The Archdiocese of Detroit takes seriously every allegation of sexual abuse and exploitation. We are committed to protecting children and adults from harm. Our Safe Environment program is in place to help prevent sexual abuse within our community and to heal the wounds of past victims.

Protecting God's Children will be offered here at St. Paul's on Saturday, November 5, 2016, at 8:30am. And it's FREE!

Please go online to register at http://www.aod.org/our-archdiocese/protecting-children on the right side of the page is a link to register. At the time of the printing of this article, there are 45 out of 100 spots left.

The Holy Cross Children's Services Raffle Calendars are here! These calendars — which are perfect for home, office or as a gift — continue to be priced at only \$25 each with the proceeds going to support Brother Francis at HCCS. The calendar offers the possibility to win daily and monthly as well as the grand prize of \$5,000. Please contact me or see me at a meeting to acquire a calendar.

Vivat Jesus Art Krygowski Grand Knight

Monthly Prayer Intention



Thank You!!

Universal: Countries Receiving Refugees

That the countries which take in a great number of displaced persons and refugees may find support for their efforts which show solidarity

Evangelization: Collaboration of Priests and Laity

That within parishes, priests and lay people may collaborate in service to the community without giving in to the temptation of discouragement.

326 S. Washington Street Lafayette, Louisiana 70501

St. Paul Franciscan Friary

Annual Casino Trip

Please join us Martin Luther King weekend, January 14-15, 2017, for our annual casino trip.

Proceeds from this trip benefit the Casey The Bear program.

See attached flyer for details. If you have any questions, please contact me at 586-263-5942.

Jeff Gapczynski Trip Coordinator



21 September 2016 Feast of St. Matthew Grand Knight Art Krygowski Knights of Columbus Council 41300 Romeo Plank Road Clinton Township, MI 48038

Dear Grand Knight and Brother Knights:

Peace and All Good to all Knights and their families! Thank you for our kind concern and generous response to our recent destructive floods in Louisiana. Your donation of \$500 will help aid the Secular Franciscan Families affected by the floods.

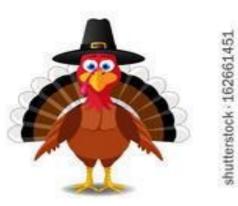
Last week, I met a Franciscan couple from Baton Rouge, Louisiana at our St. Paul Church in Lafayette. They shared with a heavy heart how constant and sudden the rains fell and how quickly the water rose first in their streets and then trapping them in their homes for 3 days with 3 feet of water until the waters resided and they were able to find a dry shelter and food.

This Franciscan family and other families are very strong and determined to recover and rebuild their homes and lives. There are so many families affected by the flooding but be assured that your donation makes this possible for our dear Franciscan families and they are grateful.

God bless St. Paul of Tarsus K of C Council,

Your brother knight,

Fr. Joe Hund,



Protecting God's Children / Background Check

As has been mentioned numerous times at council meeting and in this newsletter, you must have taken the Protecting God's Children class and have submitted your name to the church offices to have a criminal background check done in order to volunteer at any K of C event that takes place on the church property. Three upcoming Protecting God's Children classes in our area are:

November 5 St. Paul of Tarsus at 8:30 am.

Go to www.virtusonline.org to check for available classes and to register.

Corporate Communion Masses

Our Next Corporate Communion will be held on November 20, 2016 at the 11:30 am Mass.

Lectors: Phil Mularski

Richard Okerhjelm

Acolytes: Denny Kubczak

Leonard Gutkowski

We hope you will join us to show the importance of family praying together.



Knight of the Month and Family of the Month

The **Knight of the Month** is selected by the Board of Officers, as a Knight who exemplifies in his daily life the principles of Catholic Life, and is instrumental to the success of our Council, Church, and Community.

The Knight of the Month for October: <u>"Joe Phillips."</u> In recognition of his exemplary service to the Council.

The **Family of the Month** is selected by the Board of Officers as a Family who exemplifies in the principles of Catholic Family Life, and who contribute to the success of our Council, Church, and Community.

The Family of the Month for October: <u>"James Carnaghi Family."</u> In recognition of their out-standing service to the Council.

VETS Returning Home

I have had several inquiries about giving large appliances like stoves, refrigerators and freezers to the Vets Returning Home program. When these vets leave, they typically move into apartments which already have these appliances. Therefore, the Vets Returning Home organization cannot use these kinds of appliances.

If you have furniture that you wish to donate, they will come to your house for pick-up. The direct number for pick-up is 586-285-6506. When you call they will establish a scheduled time and date for pick-up.

If you have any questions, please call me at 586-469-1997.

Thanks,

Phil Kwasny



The Lighter Side



A photographer goes to a haunted castle determined to get a picture of a ghost on Halloween. The ghost he encounters turns out to be friendly and poses for a snapshot. The happy photographer later downloads his photos and finds that the photos are underexposed and completely blank.

Moral to the story: The spirit is willing, but the flash is weak.

Brother Knight: What is a million years like to you?

God: Like one second.

Brother Knight: What is a million dollars like to you?

God: Like one penny.

Brother Knight: Can I have a penny?

God: Just a second.

An elderly lady was well-known for her faith and for her boldness in expressing it. She would stand on her front porch and shout "PRAISE THE LORD!" Next door to her lived an atheist who would get so angry at her proclamations he would shout, "There ain't no Lord!!" Hard times set in on the elderly lady, and she prayed for GOD to send her some assistance. She stood on her porch and shouted "PRAISE THE LORD. GOD I NEED FOOD!! I AM HAVING A HARD TIME. PLEASE LORD, SEND ME SOME GROCER-IES!!"

The next morning the lady went out on her porch and noted a large bag of groceries and shouted, "PRAISE THE LORD." The neighbor jumped from behind a bush and said, "Aha! I told you there was no Lord. I bought those groceries, God didn't."

The lady started jumping up and down and clapping her hands and said, "PRAISE THE LORD. He not only sent me groceries, but He made the devil pay for them. "PRAISE THE LORD!



Motions Passed

The following motions were approved at the October general membership meeting:

Information Not Available

Our State Membership Motto for 2015:

Our Growth Starts With...

"One Member, Per Council, Per Month"

Quick Notes

If you move or have a change in phone number, please notify Financial Secretary, Ray Ignatowski at 586-946-0129.

Please visit our sick and shut-in Brothers. If you are unable to visit, please send a card with a note. It will be very much appreciated.

How to Prove Live Begins at Conception Part 4



Are the unborn organisms?

What do we mean when we say the unborn is an organism? According to the *Oxford English dictionary*, an organism is a collection of biological parts, or organs, that function together to sustain the existence of a whole being that possesses the qualities of life. I use the following simple test to show something is an organism and not just a clump of cells.

"If I can give this living thing time, nutrition, and a proper environment, and it is able to develop to develop toward becoming a mature member of its species, then it is an organism and not a mere body part." Body cells such as skin, sperm and egg---even given time, nutrition, and any environment---can never develop into an adult human, so they fail the organism test. You and I, however, are organisms, because if we are given time, food and the proper environment (i.e., not on the moon or at the bottom of the ocean), we will continue to develop into mature members of the human race.

<u>Likewise</u>, an unborn child, when given time, nutrition and a proper environment (i.e., not outside the uterus) will develop into a mature human being if he does not die prematurely. Embryologist E.I. Potter points out, "Every time a sperm cell and ovum unite, a new being is created which is alive and will continue to live unless it's death is brought about by some specific condition" (*Pathology of the Fetus and the Infant*, 3rd ed., vii).

From the moment they began to exist at conception, the unborn differ in kind from human tissue or body parts like sperm, egg or skin cells. Unborn humans are also not like cancerous tumors that can grow and even sprout body parts such as hair or teeth but lack the potential to develop into an adult human. The fact that some embryos and even other born children die before they become adult humans does not negate the fact that they are human beings, because they have the intrinsic capacity to develop into a mature member of the species—even if their development is tragically cut short.

Pro-choice bioethicist Peter Singer agrees. "[T]here is no doubt that from the first moments of its existence an embryo conceived from human sperm and egg is a human being," he writes, "and the same is true of the most profoundly and irreparably intellectually disabled human being, even if an anencephalic infant—that is an infant that, as a result of a defect in the formation of the neural tube, has no brain" (*Practical Ethics*, 3rd ed., 73).

November is Long Term Care Awareness Month

There are many financial consultants and retirement authorities who emphasize the need for a long-term care (LTC) product for estate preservation and family protection. While many commercial life insurance companies have gotten out of the long-term care business, the Knights of Columbus considers LTC a very important piece of the family protection puzzle. The Order has been actively offering our members this product for nearly 15 years without a premium increase on current policyholders. Members who wisely purchased an LTC plan from the Knights in 2000 are still paying the same premiums today. Even better, our LTC coverage is backed by the full strength of the Order, which remains rooted in our strong Catholic values. Talk about stability when it counts.

If we have not spoken about your need for LTC coverage in your family portfolio, please take some time out of your schedule to meet with me.

Remember, long-term care policies are underwritten based on your health, and you most likely will never be any healthier than you are today.

*Receive a complete Family Needs Analysis at my expense.

Ask about our GUARANTEED LIFE INSURANCE, ANNUITIES,

LONG TERM CARE & DISABILITY INSURANCE

In Christ,

Richard J. Miller -

Field Agent

Knights of Columbus Supreme Council Insurance 42992 Ian Ct

Clinton Township, MI 48038

Office: 586-610-1545

E-mail: Richard.Miller@KofC.org

Calendar of Events

November 5th 8:30am Protecting God's Children You must register at www.virtusonline.org/virtus

November 6th 10:00am K of C Memorial Mass at Sacred Heart Major Seminary at

November 10th 7:00pm First Degree at St. Isadore Registration

November 13th 7:45am and Pancake Breakfast after

9:30am Masses

November 14th 6:30pm K of C General Membership Meeting at

November 20th 11:30 Mass K of C Corporate Communion November 22nd 7:00pm K of C Officers Meeting at

December 3rd & 4th and K of C Ham & Kielbasa Orders being taken at all Masses

10th & 11th

December 21st 2:00:pm to K of C Ham & Kielbasa Pick Up

6:pm

January 14-15, 2017 Casino Trip



Holy Cross Children's Services Calendars

Holy Cross Children's Services 2017 calendars are now available and will be at the October 10th meeting. The cost of each calendar is \$25.00 and serve as a raffle ticket throughout all of 2017, with the proceeds going to support HCCS.

Brother Francis appreciates your participation in this important fundraiser.

E-Mail Communications



Brothers:

One of the methods we use to communicate various events for the Knights is an e-mail list. As coordinator for the list, I want to ask any of you that haven't been receiving these messages to send me an e-mail from your home account. This will give me the correct and current e-mail for you, and I will keep you on the list.

Fraternally,

George Loewen gjl047@gmail.com Membership Director, Knights of Columbus

Happy Birthday!!



Fr. Joseph Hund	November 1
Vito Guzzardo	November 1
Janet Loewen	November 1
Harry Motta	November 2
Scott Ignatowski	November 3
Paula Tusset	November 4
Bruce Arnold	November 5
Mitchell O'Connor	November 5
Henry Leflere	November 7
Norman Pfaff	November 10
Salvatore Ales	November 11
Guiseppe Riera	November 11
Leonard Sokolowski	November 11
Alan Giroux	November 12
Timothy Treloar	November 13
Connie Colosimo	November 17
Christine Krause	November 18
Leon Eggers	November 19
James Cosgrove	November 23
George Mejaly	November 24
Michael Currie	November 25
Michael William	November 25
Beverly Gattari	November 26
Mike Kramer	November 27
Joseph Hopersberger	November 27
Patricia Labadie	November 28
David Lagassa	November 28
Carol Garavaglia	November 29
Anthony Guido	November 29
Dennis Werth	November 30

If you'd like to see your birthday posted, please send an e-mail to Chris Gapczynski at spotknights11689@gmail.com, or call at (586) 263-5942.

Happy Anniversary!!



Dan & Catherine Finn November 9
Donald & Gayle Bieschke November 26
Gino & Beverly Gattari November 26
Richard & Patricia Okerhjelm November 26

If you'd like to see your anniversary posted, please send an e-mail to Chris Gapczynski at spot-knights11689@gmail.com, or call at (586) 263-5942.



Please Remember our Beloved Deceased Brother Knights

Carl A. Owen	March 5, 1997
Frank C. Kave	October 3, 1998
Chester E. Raszkowski	August 8, 2000
Robert A. Post	August 1, 2001
Martin W. Rosenau	September 24, 2001
Julius T. Abraham	October 8, 2001
Clemente Truden	December 7, 2001
Walter F. Kawka	December 25, 2002
James P. Koss	May 4, 2003
Dominic Morello	March 12, 2005
John P. Banas	April 16, 2005
Catan W. Bernardo	June 13, 2006
Robert W. Majkowski	June 28, 2006
Alfonso Carvajal	March 11, 2007
Brian R. McGinnis	October 24, 2007
Arthur J. Hug	January 17, 2008
James Bischoff	February 11, 2008
Russell J. Licovoli	April 2, 2008
Donald Lynch	May 1, 2008
Joseph Anthonucci	November 18, 2008
John Billotti	May 20, 2009
Morris Demetsenare	July 9, 2009
Conrad Leder	September 5, 2009
Joseph T. Frontera	September 7, 2009
Gary Golec	April 4, 2010
Walter Baumgart	August 15, 2010
Robert Serafino	January 16, 2012
Guy Serafino	March 7, 2012
Thomas Saura	April 3, 2012
Frank Gaal	January 12, 2012
William Carron	July 8, 2012
Gregory Kropidlowski	May 11, 2014
Vincent McInnes	August 16, 2014
Joseph Ricard	September 22, 2014
Albert Johnson	January 22, 2015
Joseph Godell	February 5, 2015
Raymond Dawson	February 25, 2015
Michael J. Francis	February 28, 2015
Donald Duff	July 30, 2015
Harold Patterson	October 20, 2015
William Galbraith	November 22, 2015
Donald Badowski	March 16, 2016
Fr. Louis Grandpre	February 20, 2016
John Marotta	March 26, 2016
Ralph Labadie	March 27, 2016
Reginald Topolewski	June 28, 2016



For the Good of the Order

Please keep the Knights, Relatives or Acquaintances of Knights below in your prayers.



SK-Dick Allore SK-Frank Burda Gail Clisby Larry Connell Jim Diehl

Mike Denomme B K-Clarence Gajewski

Elaine Hartel Ben Hoste BK-Mike Hoste PGK-Larry Houtha

Sue Hund Alan Johnson Daniel Latosz Melissa Latosz Fred Lewis Leanne Mackay Ken Lomasney
Tom Lomasney
Lucille Mejaly
Jill Nelson

Rick Okerhjelm
Millie Orley
Jim Overholt
SK-William Parus
Matt Rackley
Don Riekslander
Zack Saunders

Chip Storck

PGK-Karl & Joanne Sziisz Sandra Ventimiglia Kim Vestrand Liza Wilson

NOTE: BK = Brother Knight

SK = Sir Knight



McRest

We are once again participating in and supporting the MCREST week with the St. John Anglican Church, on Canal Rd.

MCREST is a rotating shelter program that provides emergency meals, transportation and other services to homeless individuals. St John Church will host 30 homeless men during the week of November 20 thru Nov 27, 2016. St John's needs assistance with this overnight program. We need drivers, overnight watchmen, meal preparation, clean up and other assistance. A signup sheet with the list of jobs and times will be available at the

November council meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting and want to sign up to work please call Ray Coughlin at 586-412-7178.

In addition to providing manpower to host this event, the Council has donated \$1,287 to the St. John MCREST for the purchase of transportation vouchers, food and other supplies.

Thank you for helping out with this worthwhile community

effort.

Ray Coughlin MCREST Coordinator

Officers of S.P.O.T. K of C Council #11689 District #24

District Deputy	Mike Mejia	586-948-3073				
District Warden	Gary Kopp	586-873-6906				
Grand Knight	Art Krygowski	586-469-2996				
Deputy Grand Knight	Mike Hartel	586-263-0544				
Chancellor	Ted Czarny	586-286-6026				
Financial	Ray Ignatowski	586-946-0129				
Recorder	Rob Tusset	586-477-0232				
Treasurer	Ray Coughlin	586-412-7178				
Warden	Tony Guido	586-201-4409				
Inside Guard	Joe Bono	586-263-4306				
Outside	Gerry Vento	586-231-5777				
1 Yr Trustee	Tom Gray	586-468-2165				
2 Yr Trustee	Steve Kargenian	586-746-9073				
3 Yr Trustee	PGK-Bruce Arnold	586-566-0628				
Advocate	Ken Krause	586-263-7115				
Lecturer	Jim Hubbard	586-286-1658				
Program	Henry Leflere	586-468-5122				
Church	Angelo Garavaglia	586-412-3327				
Community	George Loewen	586-731-5299				
Council	Gary Skarb	586-286-1040				
Family	Richard Okerhjelm	586-996-2221				
Youth	Art Krygowski	586-469-2996				
Membership	George Loewen	586-731-5299				
Field Agent	Richard Miller	586-610-1545				
Vocations Director	Jeff Gapczynski PCGK and FDD	586-263-5942				
Pro-Life Chairman	Sal Ales	586-263-3483				



We realize that when illness strikes, it may be difficult to attend our meetings. Please let any member know if another Brother Knight or his family should be added to our prayer list at each meeting.

To place articles in the newsletter contact: Chris Gapczynski at 586-263-5942 or spotknights11689@gmail.com

Articles for the October newsletter must be submitted by no later than <u>September 22, **2016**.</u>

Important Websites

K of C Supreme: www.kofc.org

K of C Michigan State Council: www.mikofc.org

Michigan District #1: www.michigandistrict1.com

St. Paul of Tarsus: www.stpaulof tarsus.com

Our Council newsletter is now available online at the St. Paul of Tarsus Parish website, www.stpauloftarsus.com.

Anyone who wishes to view our newsletter via the Internet instead of by regular mail, should contact Chris Gapczynski at 586-263-5942 or at spotknights11689@gmail.com. Doing so would save our Council a great deal of money for printing and postage.





S.P.O.T. K of C Annual Winter Get-Away Sunday-Monday January 15-16, 2017

\$115 per person

(Double Occupancy) for this exciting trip!! \$140 for Single. \$65 back from the Casinos in Free play and food!!





Contact Jeff Gapczynski at 586-263-5942.

Make out checks to: SPOT K of C 11689.

Mail checks to Jeff Gapczynski

41240 Scarborough Ct.

Clinton Twp., MI 48038

Advance reservations are required. Reservations and payment are due by no later than December 20, 2016.

Bus departs from the Kroger parking lot at Garfield and Canal Road at 7:00 a.m. sharp. Breakfast stop at McDonalds Birch Run.

Little River Casino Trip — S.P.O.T. K of C January 15-16, 2017 Contact Jeff Gapczynski at 586-263-5942

All Rooms are Non-Smoking

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