



The Knight's Shield



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

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Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism

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A Word from Grand Knight Art Krygowski

Please keep Brother Angelo Garavaglia, his wife Carol and their families in your prayers as they are going through some difficult times in their lives. Knowing that prayers are directed their way will be a comfort to the family.

Please keep in your prayers Charter Member William R. Carroll who went home to the Lord June 17th. Please also pray for his family members so they have peace at this time in their lives.

It is with great pride that I am writing to you. Honored to be elected as the Grand Knight of St. Paul of Tarsus Council 11689, I look forward to a great 2017-2018 year. I have many goals, and with your help and support, we can have a year that all of us can be proud of. Brothers of St. Paul of Tarsus Council 11689 are men who represent and exhibit the passion and qualities that make us all Knights of Columbus.

As we begin this new fraternal year, I'd like each member to think back to when he made his First Degree. For some, it has only been a matter of months. For others, it's been over 40 years. But for each of us, there was something that attracted us to the Knights and made us want to be a Knight. Perhaps it was to grow closer to the Church. Maybe it was to give back to the community in the form of Charity and Good Works. Maybe it was the fellowship enjoyed by associating with a group of "like - minded" men and their families. Maybe it was the Insurance Benefits that our members are lucky to enjoy. Whatever it is that made you want to join the Knights, we are definitely glad you are a part of our family. One thing I would challenge you to do is to revisit those reasons for joining and rededicate yourself as a Knight. If there are activities you wanted to get involved in, contact the person heading up that activity. If there is something you'd like to see the Knights do, bring it to my attention and we'll do our best to make your plans happen. We have one of the most active councils in the area, and I think we should strive even higher. On behalf of the Officers for this Fraternal Year, we hope you will continue to make St. Paul of Tarsus Council 11689 the best in the State, and we look forward to a busy but fun year working with each of you.

The Men's Gathering with Bishop Hanchon and Peter Herbeck last month was an awesome success!! Over 110 men were in attendance to worship with Bishop Hanchon followed by a fabulous breakfast brought to us by the Knights of Columbus cooks. Then Peter Herbeck gave us a highly inspirational hour of soul searching and words to live by.

Fr. Enzo from St. Louis Center in Chelsea, MI was our guest speaker at the June General Membership Meeting. Fr. Enzo showed a video of the good works that are done at the center. St. Louis Center is a caring residential community grounded in compassion and the understanding that all people are equal in dignity, regardless of ability. The doors of St. Louis Center have been open since 1960. We presented him with a check from the proceeds from our May pancake breakfast. At St. Louis Center, they share many of life's milestones including celebrations, prayers, work, play, and meals as do families. This family atmosphere that they provide fosters security, independence, and healthy development.

St. Paul's hosted an admissions degree after our June meeting, welcoming a new brother Knight to the order. He is from St. Isidore Council 7200, Brother Ken Czarnecki. We had two stand-ins, Steve Kargenian and Ron Marrese, who went through the ceremony so the new brother did not feel as an outcast.

The 2017 Michigan Knights of Columbus Day is scheduled for Saturday, August 12, against the Central Division rivals the Minnesota Twins. First pitch is at 6:10 pm. This year, once again, we will have tickets in the baseline box seat area along the right field line and in the mezzanine area. The Lower Baseline Box Seats are \$46 each, and the Mezzanine Seats are \$28 each. The price of the tickets to you are the same as the State Council pays the Tigers. Since there are no fireworks scheduled after the game, tickets are priced slightly less this year. We currently have 200 box seats & 200 Mezzanine seats for sale to our brother Knights for this Saturday evening game.

We have a Web-site under construction:
www.spotknights.com and we need pictures to add to our site. Please send me any pictures you have taken at any event from the past years so we can grow our website,
gk11689@mikofc.org.

Vivat Jesus
Art Krygowski
Grand Knight

Career Opportunity

The Knights of Columbus is seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. They offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus.

For more information, please contact, Don M. Wesley FICF, General Agent, at 888-393-7539, or don.wesley@kofc.org

Thank You!!

To Gerry Vento and all who helped at the breakfast for Bishop Hanchon and Peter Herbeck last month.

To Rick Okerhjelm, Phil Bonnette and all that helped set up our dinner and the chamber for the Admissions Degree at last month's meeting.

To Steve Kargenian and Ron Marrese for standing in as two admission degree candidates.

Without help from the brothers we have here at 11689, events like this would not be possible.



thank you!

The Lighter Side



Not so very long ago, an old German man was feeling guilty about something he had done, so he decided to go to Confession. He said, "Bless me, Father, for I have sinned. I feel terrible because during World War II, I hid a refugee in my attic." The priest said, "But that's not a sin! I wouldn't feel bad about that if I were you!" "But I made him agree to pay me 50 Marks for every week he stayed." The priest said, "Well, I admit that certainly wasn't the most noble thing to do, charging the man to save his life - but you did save his life, after all, and that is a good thing. Don't worry about it too much; God forgives." The man said, "Oh thank you, Father that eases my mind. I have only one more question to ask you -- Do I have to tell him the war is over?"

One day a Catholic, an Anglican and a Methodist decided to go fishing. They got in their boat and rowed their way over to the middle of the lake. The Catholic remarked, 'I've forgotten my hat, so he got up, got out of the boat and walked across the water. He returned and the Anglican said, 'I've forgotten the fishing bait,' so he got up, climbed out of the boat and walked across the water. He came back and the Methodist murmured, 'I've forgotten the beer.' He got up, jumped out of the boat and was standing on the water...then he sank. The Anglican turned to the Catholic and asked, 'Do you think we ought to tell him where the stepping stones are?'

An elderly couple goes to Burger King, where they carefully split a burger and fries. A trucker takes pity on them and offers to buy the wife her own meal. 'It's all right,' says the husband. 'We share everything. A few minutes later, the trucker notices that the wife hasn't taken a bite. 'I really wouldn't mind buying your wife her own meal,' he insists. 'She'll eat,' the husband assures him. 'We share everything. Unconvinced, the trucker implores the wife, 'Why aren't you eating?' The wife snaps, 'Because I'm waiting for the teeth!'

Motions Passed

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

Motion was made by Steve Kargenian and seconded by Tony Guido to donate \$250 to support the Holy Land, requested by State Chaplin Rev. William Turner. The motion passed without discussion.

Motion was made by Bruce Arnold and seconded by Steve Kargenian to donate up to \$400 to purchase T-shirts for Summer VBE. The motion passed without discussion.

Motion was made by Henry Leflere and seconded by Bruce Arnold to purchase a table of 6 at \$200 for District 21 Steak Out. The motion passed without discussion.



Our State Membership Motto for 2017:

Our Growth Starts With...

“One Member, Per Council, Per Month”

Monthly Prayer Intention



Lapsed Christians

That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.

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

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.

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.

St. Lawrence, Utica, MI
August 8, 2017 at 6:00 pm

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

Corporate Communion Masses

Our Next Corporate Communion will be held on September 17, 2017, at the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

Lectors: George Loewen
Phil Mularski

Acolytes: Leonard Gutkowski
Denny Kubczak

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 June : **Phil Bonnette**.

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 June: **"Hank Leflere Family."** 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



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Do you know anyone whose life or career has drastically changed during these years of economic downturn? It’s very likely that someone in your immediate or extended family or group of friends is facing financial uncertainty. Maybe there’s a possibility that you (or your spouse) could change employers, or even lose your job.

Too many people have often relied on group term life insurance as their only safety net. Often, this insurance is an employee benefit provided at low or no cost. The existence of this coverage might convince someone that personally-owned life insurance is not necessary. But only having “through work” insurance can leave you and your family vulnerable. Most group life insurance policies are limited in amount, which may be tied to salary or some other benchmark. These numbers are often capped, and this cap may be dangerously low when compared to your family’s actual needs. In fact, a detailed needs analysis that evaluates your specific situation, will likely show that any employer-provided coverage falls short.

In addition, the amount of group insurance offered is almost always reduced, sometimes dramatically, when you retire. You could one day find yourself without coverage, and if your health has changed (which it will as you age), you might also find yourself unable to secure individual protection. At the very least, it will definitely be more expensive.

While group life insurance can help, it does not replace the need for individually owned life insurance. I’ll be happy to meet with you and provide a no-cost needs analysis, so you’ll know exactly where you stand.

***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 – *Knights of Columbus*
Supreme Council Insurance - Field Agent
Office: 586-610-1545
E-mail: Richard.Miller@KofC.org

Support for the Holy Land

At the request of the State Chaplain and with the Support of the State Council and following the direction of the Supreme Knight who asks the Knights of Columbus Councils to support Christians of the Middle East:

The State Chaplain is asking all Councils to make one emergency check of support as their basic project in support of Our Brothers and Sisters. These funds, which will receive receipts from the receiving agents will support the following initiatives:

- 1) St. Joseph Patriarchal School in Bethlehem: The upper school has no furnace, cooling or proper fire protection. The Sisters of St Joseph there ask our help in funding replacement furnaces and safety devices.
- 2) Summer Programs for the children, who in these months are caught in conflicts between protests, the Israeli protection forces and retaliation for violence. The parishes provide summer programs for the children at the churches. One specific initiative has a traveling troop from parish to parish to provide for them half days much like our own Vacation Bible School Programs.

These projects are time sensitive and I am asking Grand Knights to bring the support request to their councils immediately. Please send your checks, which should not exceed the amount that you are allowed to process that night from your Council funds.

There are two ways that you can handle your checks:

A. Make your check payable to the Michigan State Council Knights of Columbus, memo line "Holy Land Initiative:

B. If private donors such as companies etc. would like to make a donation to this initiative they can make the check payable to: Michigan Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc. a 501C3, memo line "Holy Land Initiative"

Mail all checks to:

Michigan State Council
6025 Wall Street
Sterling Heights, MI 48312

Vivat Jesus,
V. Rev. William J. Turner
State Chaplain

Calendar of Events

July 4 th		Independence Day
July 8 th	5:00 pm	Sandwich Saturday
July 10 th	6:30 pm	General Membership Meeting
July 27 th	7:00 pm	Officers meeting
July 28 th	6:00 pm	Put up tent for Ice Cream Social
July 29 th		Ice Cream Social (after Mass)
July 30 th		Ice Cream Social (after all Masses)



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Thanks,
Art

Happy Birthday!!



Bob Pastrick	July 2
Al Obrecht	July 3
Robert Tusset	July 4
Thomas Jarfas	July 5
Ronald Marrese	July 6
Gerald Grzech	July 7
Jerome Hund	July 10
Thomas Pardo	July 10
Richard Miller	July 11
Justin Cabe	July 12
Joseph Shalla	July 13
Mary Russo	July 17
Joseph Mejaly	July 17
Robet Tette	July 17
Henry Kwiatkowski	July 18
Carol Serafino	July 18
Jeffrey Daris	July 18
Phil Mularski	July 18
Kenneth Dombrowski	July 19
Leonard Gutkowski	July 20
Richard Emmers	July 20
Dominic Carrafelli	July 22
John Filipkowski	July 23
Timothy Burtka	July 24
Rosemary Schulte	July 25
Joanne Sziisz	July 25
Thomas Ratusznik	July 26
Michael Olejniczak	July 26
Daniel Steele	July 28
Paul DeMetsenare	July 29

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!!



Jeff & Chris Gapczynski	July 20
August & Michelle Oliveri, Jr.	July 21
Leon & Lorryayne Eggers	July 22

If you'd like to see your anniversary posted, please send an e-mail to Chris Gapczynski at spotknights11689@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
James Kaza	September 26, 2016
John Russo	March 15, 2017
William R. Carroll	June 17, 2017

For the Good of the Order

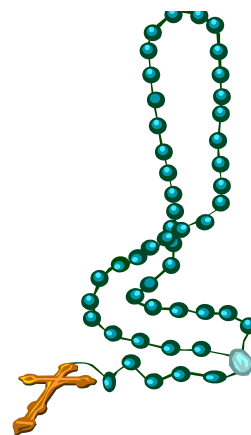
**Please keep the Knights, Relatives or Acquaintances of Knights
below in your prayers.**



Carol Alexander
Ashley??
Joyce Aufmuth
Melvin Aufmuth
Norm Baueden
Kevin Bondra
BK-Ralph Colosimo
Larry Connell
Sherri Czarny
Micheal Denomme
James Diehl
Mike DiGiovanni
Fr. Ron Essman
BK-Guido Fracassa
Lou Gaimtetrone
BK-Clarence Gajewski
John Gambano
SK-Angelo & Carol Garavaglia
Sandy Grobbel
Robert Gutkowski
BK-Mike Hoste
Barbara Hubbard
Sue Hund
Ken Kargenan
Felicia Krause
Carol Krmel
Jennifer Loewen
Ken Lomasney

Tom Lomasney
Mike Lombard
Leanne Mackay
Jill Gapczynski-Nelson
Monica Noch
Brother Scott Obrecht
BK-Richard & Patricia Okerhjelm
Helen O'Shea
William Parus
Vince Peraino
BK-Jim & Barbara Petoskey
Ed Rawan
Don Riekslander
Lisa Sapienza
Jerry Savel
Zachary Shevsky
Dan Skarb
Chip Storck
PGK-Karl & Joanne Sziisz
Mildred Tarbuck
BK-Matthew Thomas
Dick Tschirhart
Bob Williams
Lynn Williams
BK-Deacon Ed Wilson
Liza Wilson
Vi Wilson

NOTE: BK = Brother Knight
SK = Sir Knight



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



District Deputy	Gary Kopp	586-873-6906
District Warden	TBD	
Grand Knight	Art Krygowski	586-298-8398
Deputy Grand Knight	Mike Hartel	586-263-0544
Chancellor	Tom Gray	586-468-2165
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	586-822-6657
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	Dan Steele	586-286-8712
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	George Sakorafos	586-610-3576
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 July newsletter must be submitted by no later than July 19, 2017.

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.stpauloftarsus.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.



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IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.