



The Knight's Shield



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

July 2012

Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism

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A word from: Grand Knight-Karl Sziisz

2012 STATE CONVENTION

My wife Joanne and I along with Bruce Arnold and his wife Claudia wish to thank the members of our council for supporting our trip to this year's convention held May 24, 25, and 26 on Mackinaw Island. Those three days were extremely busy for Bruce and me with prayers, masses, roll calls, meetings and caucuses. There were presentations by Right to Life, St. Louis Center, Special Olympics and Holy Cross Children's Services. We had an awards ceremony, the living rosary performed by the Colored Guard and election of state officers. Richard F. McCloy Jr. is our newly elected state warden (an excellent choice).

A very informative State Banquet was held honoring our outgoing State Deputy, Thomas A. Marcetti Sr. with many dignitaries and speeches. Our council's hard work, dedication and many charitable works were rewarded with five awards.

- State Council
- Father McGivney Award
- Founders Award
- Michigan Achievement Award
- I was quite surprised by an award from Brother Francis of Holy Cross Children's Services (only eight councils in the state received this award) for outstanding service to the Holy Cross Children's Services throughout the year.

Brother Knights, members of St. Paul of Tarsus' Council 11689, you can be very proud of your councils presence at the 2012 Convention. Your church and councils name mention, posted and printed many times during this convention. Thank you for all your hard work, dedication and especially your enthusiasm and support of our church and council.

A special thanks to our District Deputy Jeff Gapczynski for his outstanding job of directing his full delegation (four councils, eight of us) in all aspects of the convention. He kept us on time and informed as to the when, where, and why as meeting and caucuses progressed. We can be proud, Jeff is a member and charter Grand Knight of our council.

District Corporate Communion

Our District Corporate Communion was very successful with over 50 Knights and family members walking into church together. Thank you Color Guard, you are always available when needed and thank you Father Ron for your kind works and support of our council. Everyone who attended the breakfast after mass was very pleased to have you join us. What a wonderful Father's Day gift.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Icon Mass

The Icon Mass which was celebrated on Tuesday, June 5th at St. Paul of Tarsus was well attended by almost 200 people. Thank you Father Ron, Deacon Tom, our Color Guard and all who attended. I feel certain Our Lady of Guadalupe was well please with this K of C celebration of.

*Vivat Jesus,
Karl Sziisz*

Calendar of Events

July, 2012

- July 9 General Membership Meeting, 6:30 p.m. @ John F. Kennedy.
July 18 Fourth Degree Meeting, 7:30 p.m. @ St. Lawrence 7:30 p.m.
July 26 Officers Meeting, 7:30 p.m. @ St. Paul of Tarsus, Meeting Room #1

August, 2012

- August 13 General Membership Meeting, 6:30 p.m. @ St. Paul of Tarsus, Parrish Hall
August 15 Fourth Degree Meeting, 7:30 p.m. @ St. Lawrence 7:30 p.m.
August 23 Officers Meeting, 7:30 p.m. @ St. Paul of Tarsus, Meeting Room #1
August 25 Knight of Columbus, Council #11689 Picnic. @ Kurt & Jane Buhlinger's

September, 2012

- September 9 Vocations Golf Outing, @ Cracklewood G.C., \$75.00 each, Contact: Joe Phillips
September 10 General Membership Meeting, 6:30 p.m. @ St. Paul of Tarsus, Parrish Hall
September 11-14 Texas Hold'em @ Snooker's Help Needed, Contact: Bruce Arnold
September 16 Corporate Communion @ St. Paul of Tarsus, Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass
September 19 Fourth Degree Meeting, 7:30 p.m. @ St. Lawrence 7:30 p.m.
September 27 Officers Meeting, 7:30 p.m. @ St. Paul of Tarsus, Meeting Room #1
September 29-30 Pancake Breakfast @ St. Paul of Tarsus ,Help Needed, Contact: Phil Kwasny

October, 2012

- October 5-7 Manresa Retreat Weekend, Contact: Steve Kargenian
October 8 General Membership Meeting, 6:30 p.m. @ St. Paul of Tarsus, Parrish Hall
October 17 Fourth Degree Meeting, 7:30 p.m. @ St. Lawrence 7:30 p.m.
October 25 Officers Meeting, 7:30 p.m. @ St. Paul of Tarsus, Meeting Room #1

November, 2012

- November 12 General Membership Meeting, 6:30 p.m. @ St. Paul of Tarsus, Parrish Hall
November 18-21 Texas Hold'em @ Snooker's Help Needed, Contact: Bruce Arnold
November 25 Corporate Communion @ St. Paul of Tarsus , 11:30 a.m. Mass, Assemble at 11:15 a.m.

Our Council newsletter is now available online at the St. Paul of Tarsus Parish website, www.stpauloftarsus.com.
Anyone who wishes to receive their newsletter via email, instead of by snail mail, should contact John Sweeney at (586) 215-8296 or at spotknights11689@gmail.com Doing so would save our council a great deal of money for printing and postage.

Please remember our deceased brothers in your prayers.

Carl A. Owen	John P. Banas	John Billotti
Frank C. Kave	Catan W. Bernardo	Morris Demetsenare
Chester E. Raszkowski	Robert W. Majkowski	Conrad Leder
Robert A. Post	Alfonso Carvajal	Joseph T. Frontera
Martin W. Rosenau	Brian R. McGinnis	Gary Golec
Julius T. Abraham	Arthur J. Hug	Walter Baumgart
Clemente Truden	James Bischoff	Thomas Saura
Walter F. Kawka	Russell J. Licovoli	Guy Serafino
James P. Koss	Donald Lynch	Robert Serafino
Dominic Morello	Joseph Anthonucci	

For the Good of the Order:

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

Joann Ales	Janet Herrmann	Addison Puma
Jackie Backes	Bernard Hoste	Kathryn Ricard
Sandy Backes	Sharon Hoste	Joe Ricard *
Diane Bezzi	Tillie Hoste	Fr. Cliff Ruskowski
Denise Borycki	Paul Hubbard	Mary Ryan
Michelle Boyd	Joe Infante *	Steve Sadowski
Gail Clisby	Fr. Art Jacoby	Veronica Salvatore
Ralph Colosimo *	Ken Kargenian	John Schisler
Rudy Cuffar	Linda Koss	Baby Kylie Schmidt
Claudia Dombrowski	Caroline Krmel	Michael Sera
Ken Dombrowski *	Pat Labadie	Bonnie Slaughter
Thomas Dombroski	Ralph Labadie *	Todd Stanisky
Allan Dzwonkowski	Mark LeFlere	Dolores Steinberger
Sue Dzwonkowski	Cecelia Lewinski	Mike Stetser
Leon Eggers*	Kurt Levillier	William Stickney
Richard Emmers *	Ken Loewen	Chuck Stork
Barbara Fairhurst	Mike Lomasney	Nancy Supanich
Brandon Farmer	Ron Lomasney	Michael Supanich
Douglas Field	Tony Mangiapane	Mildred Tarbuck
Rick Fields	Ed Marcinkowski *	Fr. Drew Tomasko
Jake Fix	Jim Marheineke	Megan Wiley
Dave Gadzinski	Dolores Marotta	Charlene Wojtaszek
Art Gapczynaki	John Marotta *	Dean Douglas Wojtaszek
Jill Gapczynski	Debbie Mazzonie	David Wozniak
Renie Giezyng	Vincent McInnis *	Leslie Young
Kathleen Girten	Brian McLaughlin	John Young
Joseph Godell	Jane Medlewski	
Pam Golobach	John Mero	
Fr. Lou Grandpre	Delores Moquin	
Betty Gutkowski	Un-Named (Special Intention)	
Paul Gutkowski	Leonora Obrecht	
Michelle Gutoroski	Richard Olejniczak	
Pat Guzzardo	James Petoskey *	
Vito Guzzardo*	Bob Pickett	
Cindy Hasser	Janet Pieske	
Emrie Herrmann	Paul Plum	

NOTE: Underlined names will be removed, next month unless we hear from you, an asterisk (*) represents a: "Brother Knight."

St. Paul of Tarsus Annual K of C Council Picnic

Date: Saturday, August 25, 2012

Time: 2:00 pm till ???

Place: Kurt & Jane Buhlinger's Farm – 8101 Morrow Rd. Clay Twp.

Phone: 810-794-0833

The council will supply: Hot dogs, Sausage, some of Kurt's famous ribs, Pop, Beer, Wine coolers and Very Good FRIENDS! Kurt will have the horse shoes and Bocce Ball ready to go. There is more than enough room to play ball, if anyone wants to. Also, if any of the hunters want to bring their shotguns and a skeet launcher, they are welcome to hone and show off their skills. It is safe and legal in Clay Twp.

BON FIRE at dusk – roast hot dogs, marshmallows and s'mores

******* Please bring a dish to pass and your own lawn chair *******

Driving Directions: **East I-94 to Richmond/New Haven** exit #247
turn **RIGHT** on to **New Haven Rd** – New Haven Rd becomes Washington St – go 1.2 miles
turn **LEFT** on **M-29 (Green St.)** - go 6.0 miles
turn **LEFT** on **Palms Rd** – go 0.4 miles
turn **RIGHT** on **Shea Rd** – go 2.6 miles
turn **RIGHT** on **Starville Rd.** - go 1.2 miles
follow curve to the **LEFT** on to **Swartout** – go 0.5 miles
turn **LEFT** on **Morrow Rd** – first driveway on the right

or

Hall Rd. to Jefferson
Jefferson to 23 Mile. (23 Mile changes names a couple of times but just continue on to Palms)
Palms Rd turn **LEFT** – go 0.4 miles
turn **RIGHT** on **Shea Rd.** - go 2.6 miles
turn **RIGHT** on **Starville Rd.** - go 1.2 miles
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Please say a prayer for good weather

There will be a sign up sheet at both the July and August general membership meetings.

If you can not attend either meeting but wish to attend the picnic, please give Bruce Arnold a call at 586-808-6557

2011-2012 OFFICERS

District Deputy	Jeff Gapczynski	586-263-5942
Grand Knight	Karl Sziisz	586-286-5238
Deputy G. Knight	Bruce Arnold	586-566-0628
Chancellor	PGK George Loewen	586-731-5299
Financial Secretary	Ray Ignatowski	586-946-0129
Recorder	Bill Giezyng	586-566-0575
Treasurer	Ray Coughlin	586-412-7178
Warden	John Sweeney	586-215-8296
Trustee (1-year)	Tom Pardo	586-263-7285
Trustee (2-year)	PGK Ken Grobbel	586-412-9466
Trustee (3-year)	PGK Jerry Hund	586-286-6516
Inside Guard	Joe Bono	586-263-4306
Outside Guard	Gary Gozdzinski	586-263-5359
Advocate	Steve Kargenian	586-746-9073

Committee, Chairman & Directors

Program Director	Henry Leflere	586-468-1595
Church Director	Angelo Garavaglia	586-412-3327
Community Director	Vacant	586-468-1595
Council Director	PGK George Mejaly	586-263-9291
Family Director	Ralph Pulis	586-332-4017
Communications	Phil Kwasny	586-286-1414
Youth Director	Ken Krause	586-263-7115
Membership Director	Gino Gattari	586-263-9253
Field Agent	Ted Czarny	586-286-6026
Vocations Director	PCGK J. Gapczynski	586-263-5942
Pro-Life Couple	Sal & Joanne Ales	586-263-3483



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OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Knight of the Month & 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 April: **"Tim Treloar."**

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 April: **"Vito Guzzardo Family."**

In recognition of their out-standing service to the Council.

Birthday Wishes to:

Al Obrecht	July-3
Gerald Grzech	July-7
Jerome Hund	July-10
Richard Miller	July-11
Henry Kwiatkowski	July-18
Carol Serafino	July-18
Kenneth Dombrowski	July-19
Leonard Gutkowski	July-20
John Filipkowski	July-23
Joanne Sziisz	July-25
Del DiFalco	July-29

Anniversary Wishes to:

Jeffrey & Traci Czarny	July-5
Jeffrey & Chris Gapczynski	July-20
Leon & Lorryne Eggers	July-22

"May God Grant to these couples many more years of Health and Happiness!"

Congratulations from the Council. We would like to include all our wedding anniversary dates in our newsletters. Please email our editor and he will compile the dates for publishing John Sweeney at spotknights11689@gmail.com

Monthly Prayer Intentions for July:

"That everyone may have work in safe and secure conditions."

If you'd like to see your birthday posted, please send an email to John Sweeney at spotknights11689@gmail.com

Deputy Grand Knights Report

Here are some facts that you might find interesting:

- There are 418 councils in the State of Michigan with an average membership of 170 Knights
- There are 142 councils in the Detroit Dioceses with an average membership of 206 Knights
- St Paul of Tarsus, council 11689, currently has 195 members.

Below is a list of the awards earned by Michigan councils in the last Fraternal year:

- 56 councils received the Fr. McGivney Award (obtaining at least 100% of membership quota)
- 43 councils received the Founders Award (obtaining at least 100% of insurance quota)
- 16 councils received the Supreme Star Council Award (obtaining at least 100% of membership and insurance quota combined)
- 66 councils received the Michigan Achievement Award (meeting all of the requirements for each of the following categories; Church, Community, Family, Youth, Council, and Pro Life. Also have completed all necessary forms and leadership activities by their due date).

This council should take great pride in knowing that we received every one of these awards. We should also receive the Columbian Award from the Supreme Council. Lastly, Our Grand knight, Karl Sziisz, received an award from Brother Francis Boylan for our councils generous support to Holy Cross Children's Services.

When my wife and I attended our first Knights of Columbus Michigan State Convention, we were a little unsure of what to expect. We both came away from that experience totally impressed. For me the two things that were the most impressive were the opening mass and the living rosary. The opening mass was delivered by the Archbishop of Detroit, Allen H. Vigneron. Imagine a mass that has 6 Bishops, over 100 Priest, more than 50 members of the Forth Degree Color Corps, and all of the State Officers with their wives. WOW! The living rosary was preformed on the front lawn of the Grand Hotel. Over 60 members of the Color Corp formed the actual rosary and each decade of the rosary was prayed by the family of each of the state officers. It was truly a very moving experience.

Reflecting back, my overall impression is that of a large group of men that truly want the Knights of Columbus in Michigan to continue to fulfill the works of the order and to carry out the wishes of our founder, Fr. Michael McGivney, almost 120 years ago.

Bruce Arnold / DGK

Elections Results 2012/2013 Fraternal Year

Grand Knight: Karl Sziisz

Warden: David Asaro

Deputy Grand Knight: Bruce Arnold

Inside Guard: Joe Bono

Chancellor: Tom Pardo

Outside Guard: Tom Gray

Recorder: Bill Giezyng

3-Year Trustee: Chuck Lowen

Treasurer: Ray Coughlin

Advocate: Ken Krouse

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.spauloftarsus.com

Quick Notes

- If you move or have change phone numbers, notify Financial Secretary, Ray Ignatowski @ 586-946-0129.
- Please visit our sick and shut in Brothers, if you are unable to visit, send a card with a note. You would be surprised how much it means, to them!