



The Knight's Shield



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

May 2012

Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism

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A word from: Grand Knight-Karl Sziisz

Brothers we had another successful M.I. Drive. Our drive was successful because of all the Brother Knights who volunteered (many first time volunteers) working our authorized locations.

A special thank you to Cheryl Ignatowski and Sue Hund who worked all three days to feed and “care for” our Brother Knights. Also thank you to all the ladies who brought food, goodies and hot soup and also helped out in the kitchen. Without you wonderful ladies we could not and would not exist.

April's general meeting and pot luck dinner was truly a delight. Somewhere between 80 and 90 people were in attendance. What an array of delicious food and desserts brought by a beautiful group of ladies. It was a special evening with awards given out to so many deserving knights and ladies. The evening ended with an enlightening talk by Brother Francis, a very remarkable man. A check for \$500.00 was donated to Holy Cross Children's Services.

A special thank you to Pat and Vito Guzzardo for setting up for the pot luck and to John Sweeney for all his work in the kitchen. WHAT AN ENJOYABLE EVENING!

At our next general membership meeting on Monday, May 14th we will have officer nominations. This is a great opportunity for any Third Degree member to step up and take a more active role within our council. Remember, it is very acceptable to self nominate for a office position that you may wish to run for.

Please mark your calendars for Tuesday, June 5th. St. Paul of Tarsus will be hosting a district event. The Our lady of Gaudalupe Icon Mass will be held at our church with a rosary beginning at 5:30 pm and a Mass to follow at 6:00 pm.

On a sad note I'm sorry to report the passing of Brother Knight, Tom Saura on April 3, 2012. Tommy was a member of the Knights of Columbus for more than 50 years. He was also an usher at the 7:45 Mass before his illness. A rosary was held honoring Tommy at Resurrection Funeral Home with 30 Brother Knights in attendance, a wonderful tribute to a fallen Knight.

Vivat Jesus,

*Karl Sziisz
Grand Knight*

Calendar of Events

May, 2012

- May 8 SPECIAL OLYMPICS at Macomb County Community College
- South Campus -Tuesday May 8th Check in is at 8:30 in the Field House
- May 10-13 Texas Hold'em—Snookers—Volunteer's Needed!
- May 14 Council Meeting @ John F. Kennedy 's Council 7:30 p.m.
- May 24 Fourth Degree Meeting at St. Lawrence 7:30 p.m.
- May 24-26 State Convention, Mackinac Island

June, 2012

- June 5 ICON, Hosted by St. Paul of Tarsus, 5:30 p.m. Rosary followed by Mass at 6:00 p.m.
- June 17 Corporate Communion St. Paul of Tarsus — 7:45 a.m.

August, 2012

- August 25 Knight of Columbus, Council #11689 Picnic

September, 2012

- September Corporate Communion at St. Paul of Tarsus, Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass
- September 29-30 Pancake Breakfast

October, 2012

- October 5-7 Manresa Retreat Weekend

November, 2012

- November 25 Corporate Communion St. Paul of Tarsus — 11:30 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. Thank you in advance.

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	Paul Gutkowski	James Petoskey
David Asaro	Michelle Gutoroski	Bob Pickett
Jackie Backes	Pat Guzzardo	Janet Pieske
Sandy Backes	Janet Herrmann	Paul Plum
Diane Bezzi	Bernard Hoste	Addison Puma
Denise Borycki	Sharon Hoste	Kathryn Ricard
Michelle Boyd	Tillie Hoste	Joe Ricard
Joy Chaney	Joe Infante	Joe Roehrig
Gail Clisby	Fr. Art Jacoby	Mary Ruggioli
Ralph Colosimo	Larry Jackson	Fr. Cliff Ruskowski
Gloria Cuffar	Linda Koss	Mary Ryan
Rudy Cuffar	Caroline Krmel	Steve Sadowski
Claudia Dombrowski	Pat Labadie	Veronica Salvatore
Ken Dombrowski	Ralph Labadie	Baby Kylie Schmidt
Allan Dzwonkowski	Mark LeFlere	Michael Sera
Sue Dzwonkowski	Cecelia Lewinski	Bonnie Slaughter
Leon Eggers	Kurt Levillier	Todd Stanisky
Rich Emmers	Ron Lomasney	Dolores Steinberger
Barbara Fairhurst	Tony Mangiapane	William Stickney
Douglas Field	Ed Marcinkowski	Chuck Stork
Rick Fields	Jim Marheineke	Nancy Supanich
Jake Fix	Dolores Marotta	Michael Supanich
Dave Gadzinski	John Marotta	Mildred Tarbuck
Tom Galli	Debbie Mazzone	Fr. Drew Tomasko
Art Gapczynaki	Vincent McInnis	John Young
Jill Gapczynski	Brian McLaughlin	Megan Wiley
Bev Gattari	Jane Medlewski	Charlene Wojtaszek
Renie Giezyng	George Mejaly	Dean Douglas Wojtaszek
Kathleen Girten	Lucille Mejaly	David Wozniak
Joseph Godell	John Mero	NOTE: <u>Underlined names</u> will be removed,
Pam Golobach	Delores Moquin	next month unless we hear from you.
Fr. Lou Grandpre	Leonora Obrecht	
Betty Gutkowski	Richard Olejniczak	

Birthday Wishes to:

Kathryn Ricard	May 2
Mike Wojtaszek	May 4
Donald Rybski	May 9
Joe Roehrig	May 11
Helen Candela	May 12
Owen Dueweke	May 14
John Sweeney	May 14
Charles LeMoine	May 15
Marlene Kropidowski	May 16
Mary Ann Topolewski	May 17
William Gunkelman	May 18
June Marheineke	May 18

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

Anniversary Wishes to:

John & Christine Sweeney	May 11– 27 Years
George & Ellen Francis	May 13– 52 years
Giovan & Helen Candela	May 15-58 Years
Kenneth & Christine Krause	May 25

“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

Texas Hold'em

I want to thank everyone that volunteered to help with the Texas Hold'em in May. I will have a full report on how we did at the May 14th general membership meeting.

As you may know, we do not schedule any Texas Hold'em fund raising dates during the summer months. Our next set of dates is not until September. I will have a sign up sheet available at our July and August meetings. I have also contact Sue, Don's wife that does the scheduling, to see about moving next years May dates so that they don't fall on Mothers Day

Bruce Arnold, DGK

A Special Thank You!

Brother Knights, My sincere appreciation for the many cards, calls, and prayers during my recent illness. A special thank you for those who came to visit, plus the delicious food brought in for us to enjoy.

We are forever grateful,
Joe Marheineke

Memorial Day



Fading light dims the sight,
And a star gems the sky, gleaming bright.
From afar drawing nigh – Falls the night.

Day is done, gone the sun,
From the lake, from the hills, from the sky;
All is well, safely rest, God is nigh.

Then good night, peaceful night,
Till the light of dawn shineth bright;
God is near, do not fear – Friend, good night.

Monthly Prayer Intentions:

For the Family

That initiatives which defend and uphold the role of the family, especially those done by the Knights of Columbus, may be promoted within society.

A Prayers for our Mothers

God, thank you for the love of the mothers you have given us, a love so precious that it can never be measured, whose patience seems to have no end. May we see your loving hand guiding them. We ask you to bless them on this day and always.

Amen.

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Committee, Chairman & Directors

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Family Director	Ralph Pulis	586-332-4017
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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: **"George Mejaly."**
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: **"James Hubbard Family."**
In recognition of their out-standing service to the Council.

Thank You

On April 4th, CURVES (A Ladies Exercise Spa) donated approximately, 1500-pounds of food to the Food Pantry at St. Paul of Tarsus.

I want to thank the following Knights for helping, to pick-up, deliver, unload, sort and stock the shelves with all the bags and boxes of donated food items:

Mike Lombardo
Leno DeFalco
Ralph Pullis
David Asaro

Way to go, Ladies of Curves & Brother Knights!
Thank You,

Phil Kwasny

From the Family of the Year

To Grand Knight Karl Sziisz, the Officers and Brother Knights of the Saint Paul of Tarsus Council 11689:

Thank you for bestowing on the Krause Family the honor of "Family of the Year" 2011/2012. Speaking for myself and my family we are truly humbled.

Our family has been blessed in many ways and to be recognized by your Brother Knights for this special award is very gratifying.

The Krause Family
Ken, Christine, Nathan and Ryan

Deputy Grand Knights Report

I would like to thank our Grand Knight, Karl Sziisz, and all of the other people that helped, for the work they put into the April pot luck open meeting. It was made even more special by having Brother Francis Moylan in attendance. My congratulations to everyone that received an award or special recognition on that evening.

My wife and I are really looking forward to attending our first State Convention this year. I am very thankful for the councils support and proud that I can attend as our councils second delegate. From everything we have heard, from others that have attended in the past, I am sure that we will be totally impressed with everything the convention has to offer.

For any First Degree member that would be interested in obtaining their Second & Third Degrees there will be a Major Degree Ceremony on June 9th at St Jane Frances de Chantal in Sterling Heights. The First Degree is scheduled for 9:00 am and the Second & Third Degrees scheduled for 10:00 am. For more information please contact District Deputy, Larry Frontera at 586-306-3450.

For any current Third Degree members wishing to become a member of the Fourth Degree (Patriotism) there will be a Fourth Degree Exemplification on September 15th at Decal's Banquet Center in Warren. More details will be available within the next couple of months.

Bruce Arnold / DGK

Important Websites

K of C Supreme: www.kofc.org
Michigan District #1: www.michigandistrict1.com

K of C Michigan State Council: www.mikofc.org
St. Paul of Tarsus: www.spauloftarsus.com

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Macomb County Community College
- South Campus -
Tuesday May 8th
Check in is at 8:30 in the Field House

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

I will be getting there at about 8:00. We usually meet at Andreas Restaurant on 12 mile and Bunert at about 7:45 for breakfast. As always we can use as many people as we can get (wives and children are welcome) and I apologize for the late notice. If you can make it please call me at:

[\(586\) 286-8497](tel:5862868497) and let me know ASAP.

Thanks in advance for your support,

Joe Phillips
[\(586\) 286-8497](tel:5862868497)

Quick Notes:

- May's Officer Meeting Cancelled.
- If you move or have change phone numbers
Please notify Financial Secretary, Ray Ignatowski
at 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.
- Mothers Day is May 13th.
- Sunday, May 20 is "The Ascension of the Lord" A Holy Day of Obligation.
- Pentecost Sunday is May 27th.
- Memorial Day is May 28th.