

## 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 Mike Hartel

Well the COVID-19 pandemic has captured the attention of the whole world. In this unprecedented time, many of our scheduled meetings and events have been cancelled for the safety of our members and families. The latest event is our annual MI (Tootsie Roll) Drive which is being rescheduled to the fall. This is a very fluid situation. Please note that due to the Governor's Stay-at- Home Order, effective through April 13<sup>th</sup>, our General Meeting on 4/13 at JFK is effectively cancelled. However, there is a possibility we may try to hold an online meeting instead. We will reschedule or cancel additional events and meetings as needed when they get closer on the calendar. That being said, don't panic but remain vigilant and safe.

Easter will still arrive on April 12! This year will be a much more private event with your Lord and Savior. Wishing each of you a Happy Easter.

FYI, Church announced that they will be streaming a Mass online. The church will be open daily Monday through Thursday from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm for personal prayer. The parish office is closed. See the church website for more information. Since the office is closed, no hard copies of this newsletter will be mailed.

Next time you visit church, you will see that the construction has continued. The interior finish work is well under way. The main entrance canopy copper roof and fascia is just about complete. However, much work remains. Once the new areas are ready, the pantry will begin to move out of the social hall and into the new space. Until then, the use of our church social hall will not be available. We are

currently estimating we will not be able to have any events in our social hall until after Memorial Day. So as a reminder, our next scheduled General Meeting is May 11 at the JFK Council Hall located on 33320 Kelly Road. Our Planning Meeting will remain in the conference room at SPOT. As noted above, we may hold meetings online instead.

Wanted to let everyone know that our council has contacted all of our senior Knights and widows who are at least 80 years young to check how they are doing. Fortunately, all were doing well and were having their needs being taken care of.

Thank you to Tom Gray, Ken Krause, Kevin Kennedy, Art Krygowski, Ron Marrese, Hank Leflere, Phil Kwasny, and Rob Tusset who helped move our K of C storage cabinets on Saturday 3/21 so the contractor can epoxy the old pantry floor. We will need to move the cabinets again, once it is determined where they can be placed after construction winds down.

Hopefully, many of you were able to attend at least one of the Parish Mission talks held at SPOT. Father Alex was a very good speaker. Was a good way to help begin our 2020 Lenten season. Thank you to Paul Parker, Stan Labuda, Hank Leflere, Vince Cusumano and Ron Marrese for the Statue of Mary procession which the Knights did each evening!

Please provide your support for our new Financial Secretary, George Sakorafos! Thank you to our outgoing FS Ray Ignatowski for your 12 years of service! It is not too soon to begin planning for our spring officer elections. Please contact the DGK or GK to discuss your interests, and we can also advise on some of the opportunities for leadership with YOUR council.

In regards to the spring officer election, here is an outline of the basic officer election process.

These are the officers we nominate and then elect: Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Chancellor, Recorder, Treasurer, Warden, Inside Guard, Outside Guard, Advocate and Trustee.

In April we simply collect nominations for each officer position. An officer position nomination must be a Third Degree Knight. A Knight can be nominated for more than one position. However, a Knight can only hold one elected officer position at one time. A Knight can self-nominate. You do not need to attend a meeting to nominate. A member can submit a nomination by phone or email to any current officer or director. The officer/director should advise the GK of the nomination received. Nominations received by April 13 will be listed in the May Knights Shield. Nominations can also be made prior to the May meeting as noted above and of course at the May meeting until nominations are closed on the floor and the officer is elected.

As a reminder, we only elect officers. Directors are appointed.

Please see the new exemplification degree program article in the newsletter. If we have 4pm Mass on Saturday 4/18 we plan to still have the exemplification.

Do not forget to sell your K of C 2020 State Raffle Tickets. For every one you sell, \$1 comes back to our council! Good luck to all. FYI, the raffle still will take place. However, the raffle party has been cancelled.

At this time, we still have scheduled Road Clean-up on Saturday 5/2, 8am and Special Olympics on Wednesday 5/13, 8am at Andreas for breakfast. See articles for more information.

Faith In Action (Columbian Award) Update:

- 12 Programs submitted to date. Many of our activities and donations we participate in throughout the year are part of this FIA program.
- We have 3 Programs remaining for this calendar year: RSVP or Vocations/Food for Families/

Special Olympics.

• If we meet our membership and insurance goals we will also receive Star council which is an annual goal for all councils nationwide.

We are returning to Lakeport State Park this summer for our third annual council camping trip. You can make your reservations now! The park campsites are filling up! Non-campers are also welcome to our pot luck dinner. See the article for more information.

Once we resume Masses at church, please consider signing up to receive the Holy Family Statue at Mass in support of Vocations. The list is very short. We need some more families to sign up. Most importantly, our prayers are needed to support vocations! Please note that this is open to all families of the parish. Mention that to the people you sit next to at church. The binder is located in the church gathering space. Thank you!

Thank you to all of you who have been at the meetings regularly. Please consider calling someone you haven't seen for a while and ask how they're doing. See if they're in need of a ride or friendly reminder when the next meeting takes place.

Vivat Jesus,

Mike Hartel



#### **Protecting God's Children**

As has been mentioned numerous times at Council meetings 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.

April 25 (Sat) St. Patrick Parish (White Lake) 9:00am

May 16 (Sat) St. Blaise Parish (Sterling Heights) 9:00am

May 21 (Thurs) St. Peter Parish (Mt. Clemens) 6:00 pm

#### **Monthly Prayer Intention**



#### Freedom From Addiction

That those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.

#### **Quick Notes**

If you move or have a change in phone number, please notify Financial Secretary, George Sakorafos at 586-610-3576.

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.

#### The Lighter Side



#### Has God talked to you recently?

A grade school boy named Billy was outside playing during recess at school. Billy was bigger than a lot of the other kids and he was known to be a little bit of a bully. It was just during one of those moments when he was called in to the school office.

A very stern look was on the counselors face. He looked at the young boy and asked in an important tone: Billy, has God talked to you recently?

Silence from Billy. He did not know what to say. The counselor asked again: Billy when was the last time God talked to you?

Again, silence from the young boy.
The counselor asked a third time: When was the last time God has spoken to you?

By this time Billy was getting scared. What was the counselor asking him this for? Finally, the counselor gave up and let Billy out of the office.

By this time the bell rang and school was finished for the day. Billy ran straight home and caught up with his neighbor who wanted to know what Billy had gotten in trouble for this time.

Billy replied, I don't know, but God is missing and they think we may have something to do with it!



**Our State Membership Motto for 2019:** 

"Our Growth Starts with One Member Per Council, Per Month"

#### **History of our Grand Knights**

## Jeff Gapczynski January 1996 to Our nex

June 1999

Leonard Schwartz July 1999 to June 2001 July 2001 to June 2003 Stanley Singer George Mejaly July 2003 to June 2005 George Loewen July 2005 to June 2007 Ken Grobbel July 2007 to June 2009 Jerome Hund July 2009 to June 2011 July 2011 to June 2013 Karl Sziisz Bruce Arnold July 2013 to June 2016 Arthur Krygowski July 2016 to June 2018 Michael Hartel July 2018 to Present

**Charter Grand Knight** 



## 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 you 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 Community Director, Knights of Columbus

## Corporate Communion Masses



Our next Corporate Communion will be held on Sunday, June 28 at the 7:45 am Mass.

Lectors: George Loewen

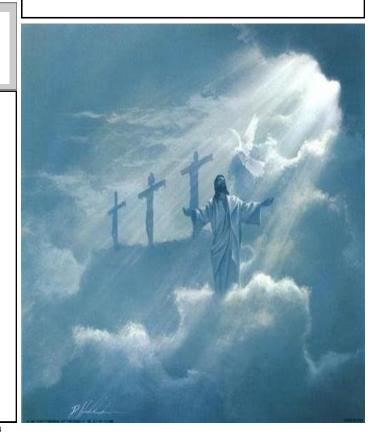
**Craig Thomson** 

Acolytes Gary Skarb

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

#### **Motions Passed**

Steve Kargenian made a motion and Joe Munn seconded to pay the bills. The motion passed.



#### **Ask Another Brother**

All of us as members of the Knights of Columbus are united in the brotherhood of Charity and Fraternity. We often get bogged down by life's pressing events and find ourselves lost in a seemingly never ending battle of making simple tasks more complicate then they need to be.

Sometimes we forget about brothers we haven't seen in a while and then when we think about them we wonder where they are. However, life goes on, we get busy and we soon forget and that fleeting thought becomes a distant memory.

Do we let that memory fade maybe or do we reach out and make a difference. We could reach out and "Ask Another Brother." HOW:

- Call or visit another brother who you have not seen in a while
- Ask them how they are and how their families are doing
- Make the conversation about them
- Ask them to attend a meeting with you
- Ask them to help you on a charitable event
- Share the joy of brotherhood
- Be that person that changes someone's life forever

## 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 March: <u>Tom Murray</u>
The **Family of the Month** is selected by the Board of Officers as a Family who exemplifies the principles of the Catholic Family Life and who contributes to the success of our Council, Church and Community.

The Family of the Month for March: <u>"Don and Marianne"</u>

<u>Szlezyngier Family."</u> In recognition of their outstanding service to the Parish.

#### **Spring Cleaning!!**



#### Gentlemen:

I have been doing some Spring Cleaning of ordered shirts that have not been picked up. Here are the shirts:

Larry Young (Long Sleeve black polo) Al Gullick (Short Sleeve black polo) Rory Gullick (Short Sleeve black polo) Paul Parker (gray sweatshirt-paid)

I have shirts for

Greg? (Short Sleeve black polo)

Rick? (Long Sleeve black polo)

Greg ? (black sweatshirt)

Leon (gray sweatshirt)

PLEASE CONTACT ME: thomson819@comast.net or 586 -457-2350.

Can you please help me out? Craig Thomson

## Special Olympics Summer Games

#### **Brothers:**

Please consider volunteering at the Macomb Special Olympics Summer Games held at Macomb County Community College South Campus. The date is May 13, 2020. We normally meet at Andreas Restaurant on 12 Mile Road and Bunnert in Warren between 7:30 and 8:00 for breakfast. The games take place across the street at Macomb Community College Field House in the rear of the college. If you can't meet for breakfast, just join us at the college field house. It is a very special event for these special athletes, and no experience is necessary. We are normally done by 12:00 pm, so it is a short day for us. If you can make it, please give me a call at 586-871-8450 and let me know you are coming.

**Brother Joe Phillips** 

## Laws and Rules Of the Order

The laws and rules of our Order, as well as state laws, specify that the Knights of Columbus may accept insurance applications only from Knights of Columbus members. As a member, you may apply for insurance on yourself, your wife, and your dependent minor children.

The Order's Board of Directors has taken action, though, to assure that a brother Knight's widow maintains the right to purchase additional insurance for a limited time. This can be of great benefit and comfort to those we leave behind.

This "right to apply" is available only to the widows of <u>insured members</u>. If a member has not availed himself of our top-rated life insurance program, or purchased an annuity or long-term care policy, or Disability Insurance; this benefit is not available to his widow.

But if the member was an insured member, his widow has the right to apply for additional insurance on her life and on the lives of the member's minor children. This right can be exercised for up to one year following the Order's receipt of proof of the insured's death.

Know two things:

First, I'll assist your widow and children in any way possible if you should die, both with your Knights of Columbus insurance and any other life insurance you may have.

Second, I'll provide them my best professional advice and service, to assure that they continue to have adequate insurance protection.

As a professional agent and a brother Knight, I have no greater responsibility.

\*Receive a complete Family Needs Analysis at my expense.

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#### One New Knight a Year

Our Supreme membership director suggested that to grow our councils, all it takes is one new knight a year. I agree and you are the key to that new knight. You all know one person that could become a knight. It's the one who sits near you in church, at work, or in your social circle. That person is waiting to be asked. All you have to do is ask them and hand them a form 100. Be their sponsor. If every one of us recruits one new knight a year our council would grow by 40 to 50 members each year. You are the key. You can make a difference in people's lives and in this council's future. In these times when our Catholic Christian faith is being attacked and demeaned at every level and political correctness is running rampant, WE NEED YOU. We need you to recruit one new member a year. You are the difference and there is strength in numbers so let's grow our numbers one Knight a year.

Phil

#### **The Apostles Creed**

I, your name, Believe in,

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- 1. God
- 2. The Father Almighty
- 3. Creator of Heaven and Earth
- 4. And in Jesus Christ
- 5. His only Son, Our Lord
- 6. Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
- 7. Born of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 8. Suffered under Pontus Pilate
- 9. Was Crucified
- 10. Died
- 11. And was buried
- 12. He descended into Hell
- 13. And on the third day He rose again
- 14. He ascended into Heaven
- 15. And is seated at the right hand of the Father
- 16. From where He will come again to judge the living and the dead
- 17. I believe in the Holy Spirit
- 18. The Holy Catholic Church
- 19. The communion of Saints
- 20. The forgiveness of sins
- 21. The resurrection of the dead
- 22. And life everlasting AMEN!!!!!!

#### **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.

I you have furniture that you wish to donate, they will come to your house for pick-up. The direct number for pick-up is 586-285-5606. 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



#### Why Become a Knight?

We become Knights:

To promote <u>Service</u> to <u>Church</u> and help our parish grow in faith, to promote <u>Community</u> by getting to know our fellow parishioners and help with the charitable projects, to promote <u>Family</u> to enjoy family events and promote family prayer, and to promote <u>Pro-Life</u> programs and <u>Youth</u> programs that promote health lifestyles.

#### To Show Support for the Catholic Church

Composed a fraternity of 1.8 million Catholic men. The Knights have been a foundation of support by performing various projects for the Universal Church as well as working with Bishops of various churches in the United States.

#### The Knights of Columbus are Pro-Family

Since the traditional family is composed of husband, wife and children, the Knights see them as the core,

foundation, and fabric for all society.

#### The Knights are Pro-Life

They believe life begins at conception and ends at natural death, and always seek the intercession of the Holy Family when it comes to family life.

#### The Knights of Columbus are Faithful to the Catholic

<u>Church</u> by being obedient to and promoting the teachings of the Church, it's Bishops and Priests and showing fidelity to the Sea of Peter.

#### **The 24-Hour Knight**

You can become an Active and Involved Knight by committing just 24 hours a year.

- **4 hours a year** Attend Council Corporate Communions, Prayer Services or Praying the Rosary.
- **4 hours a year** Attend at least two Council Meetings a year.
- **2 hours a year** Help at Church and Community functions such as: Working in the Parish Food Bank, or the Adopt a Road Program, Donate Blood or Walk in Right to Life Parade.
- 2 hours a year Help with the Annual MI Drive
- **2 hours a year** Help at a Youth Activity such as: Free Throw Context, Poster Contest, Children's Christmas Party, Easter Egg Hunt, etc.
- **4 hours a year** Help at Council Fundraisers such as: Pancake Breakfast, Lenten Fish Fries, Texas Holdem events, etc.
- **2 hours a year** Read Council, State and Supreme Publications.
- **4 hours a year** Enjoy Council Social Activities such as: Dinners, Council Picnics, Ice cream Social, Tiger Knight at Comerica Park, etc.

Make a stand, and you can discover how easy it is to make a difference in your life and that of others.

May God Bless You and your Families with His Joy and Peace.

Please pass this on to Catholic gentlemen that you may know.

Thank you... Phil Mularski

## The Patriotic Degree You Are Invited to Join



"Ask not what your country can do for you. Ask what you can do for your country." - John F. Kennedy, fellow Catholic, brother Knight, past U S President

This quote sums up the aims of the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus, the Patriotic degree. Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus seek to embody the Order's core principle of patriotism and exemplify true Catholic citizenship. St John Neumann Fourth Degree Assembly 478 accomplishes this ideal through their programs and activities that serve our nation, military members, veterans and our communities.

The Assembly has donated funds in support of Wreaths Across America, the Archdiocese for Military Services USA, the Vets Returning Home shelter and for several veterans' monuments at local cemeteries. They have also donated to assist the family of a veteran suffering from PTSD. In addition, as Knights, they likewise contribute to such groups as Guest House, Holy Cross Services, Abigayle Ministries and the Detroit Archdiocese Vocations League (DAVL).

Other programs of the St John Neumann Assembly include memorializing its deceased members with a chalice bearing their name and sent to priests in impoverished parts of the world for their use in Mass. They also provide a Color Corps to stand casket watch for its deceased members. Our Color Corpsmen also march in Memorial Day Parades, place wreathes on the graves of veterans, attend the Corporate Communions of various K of C councils, participate in Special Olympics ceremonies and serve wherever requested to enhance the visibility of the Order.

You are invited to join this group of patriotic Knights. If you are over 18 years of age, a citizen of the United States, a practical Catholic in union with the Holy Sea, and you are a Third Degree member in good standing, it's time to consider joining the ranks of the Fourth Degree. To learn more about the Patriotic Degree and how to join its ranks, or to obtain an application, please contact a Fourth Degree member in your council (especially your Fourth Degree liaison), or email Faithful Comptroller Ron Koscierzynski at drkosc47@hotmail.com.

#### MI "Tootsie Roll" Drive 2020

The Annual Tootsie Roll Drive scheduled for April 3, 4 and 5, 2020 has been postponed due to the Coronavirus outbreak.

It will be rescheduled for October — dates TBD.

Look for more information as it is received.

#### Pope Francis' Prayer During Coronavirus

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross, you participated in Jesus' pain with steadfast faith.

You, Salvation of the People, know what we need.
We are certain that you will provide so that as you
did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might
return after this moment of trial.
Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
To conform ourselves to the Father's will
And to do what Jesus tells us.

He who took our sufferings upon Himself,
And bore our sorrows to bring us,
Through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection.
Amen

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.

Do not despise our pleas — we who are put to the test — and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

#### **Calendar of Events**

April 12		Easter Sunday	
April 13	6:30 pm	General Meeting at JFK canceled (TBD, May have an online meeting)	
April 18	After 4:00 pm Mass	Exemplification Ceremony (Will be held only if there is Mass)	
April 23	7:00 pm Start	Council Planning Meeting	
May 2	8:00 am	Road Clean up	
May 11	6:30 pm Start	General Membership Meeting (at JFK)	
May 13	8:00 am Breakfast	Special Olympics Summer Games, MCC South Campus	
	At Andreas		
May 21 to 23		State Convention	
June 4	7:00 pm Start	Council Planning Meeting	
June 7	Cocktails at 3:00 pm	DAVL Dinner at DeCarlo's	
	Dinner at 4:00 pm		
June 8	6:30 pm Start	General Membership Meeting/Pot Luck	
June 25	7:00 pm Start	Council Planning Meeting	
June 28	7:45 am Mass	Corporate Communion	
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#### **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. See the new Supreme Council website for career opportunity: <a href="http://kofc.org/careers">http://kofc.org/careers</a> . For more information, please contact, Don M. Wesley FICF, General Agent, at 888-393-7539, or don.wesley@kofc.org

#### **Happy Birthday!!**



Raymond Ignatowski	April 1
Conrad Bagans	April 1
James Carnaghi	April 2
Nancy Czarny	April 3
Michael Mitrowski	April 6
Gary Skarb	April 6
Jeanette Badowski	April 6
Janet Valentine	April 7
Jeffrey Gapczynski	April 9
Valerie Cosgrove	April 9
Ronald Perfetto	April 11
Albert Valenti	April 12
Michael Finn	April 16
Jerome Garrisi	April 17
Albert Watanabe	April 20
Mary Riera	April 21
Donald Seidl	April 23
Thomas Blake	April 27

If you'd like to see your birthday posted, please send an e-mail to Chris Gapczynski at <a href="mailto:spotknights11689@gmail.com">spotknights11689@gmail.com</a>, or call at 586-263-5942.

### **Happy Anniversary!!**



Greg & Barb Csernai April 6
Georgios & Kathleen Sakorafos April 9
Phillip & Pat Bonnette April 11
Karl & Joanne Sziisz April 14

If you'd like to see your anniversary posted, please send an e-mail to Chris Gapczynski at <a href="mailto:spotknights11689@gmail.com">spotknights11689@gmail.com</a>, or call at 586-263-5942.

## For the Good of the Order

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

Ronald McGraw
SK John Minicuci
Lady Josephine Minicuci
Fred Neumann
Alton Obrecht
Patricia Okerhjelm
BK Rick Okerhjelm
Nick Oliveri
Elizabeth Parker
Katherine Parker
Carl Pilarski
Kathy Pitcole
Esther Robidou
Larry Rosso
Mary Rosso
Jean Steele
Dolores Sequin
Joanne Smail
Connie Sonnenburger
Joanne Sziisz
PGK SK Karl Sziisz
Gary Tarbuck
Mildred Tarbuck
Bob Tusset
Bob Williams
Lynn Williams
Deacon SK Ed Wilson

Sandra Worth

Leanne Mackay

#### Please Remember our Beloved Deceased Brother Knights



Carl A. Owen Frank C. Kava Chester E. Raszkowski **Robert A Post** Martin W. Rosenau Julius T. Abraham **Clemente Truden** Walter W. Kawka James P. Koss **Dominic Morello** John P. Banas Catan W. Bernardo Robert W. Majkowski Alfonso Carvaial Brian R. McGinnis Arthur J. Hug James Bischoff Russell J. Licovoli **Donald Lynch** Joseph Anthonucci John Billotti **Morris Demetsenare Conrad Leder** Joseph T. Frontera **Gary Golec Walter Baumgart Robert Serafino Guy Serafino Thomas Saura** Frank Gaal William Carron **Gregory Kropidlowski** Vincent McInnes Joseph Ricard **Albert Johnson** Joseph Godell **Raymond Dawson** Michael J. Francis **Donald Duff Harold Patterson** William Galbraith **Donald Badowski** Fr. Louis Grandpre John Marotta Ralph Labadie Reginald Topolewski James Kaza John Russo Ed Marcinkowski Ross Vizzaccerro Joseph Bono **Bruno Belline** James Lisuzzo

**Harry Motta** 

Carl R. Maron

Ken Dombrowski

William F. Gowland

March 5, 1997 October 3, 1998 August 8, 2000 August 1, 2001 September 24, 2001 October 8, 2001 December 7, 2001 December 25, 2002 May 4, 2003 March 12, 2005 April 16, 2005 June 13, 2006 June 28, 2006 March 11, 2007 October 24, 2007 January 17, 2008 February 11, 2008 April 2, 2008 May 1, 2008 November 18, 2008 May 20, 2009 July 9, 2009 September 5, 2009 September 7, 2009 April 4, 2010 August 15, 2010 January 16, 2012 March 7, 2012 April 3, 2012 January 12, 2012 July 8, 2012 May 11, 2014 August 16, 2014 September 22, 2014 January 22, 2015 February 5, 2015 February 25, 2015 February 28, 2015 July 30, 2015 October 20, 2015 November 22, 2015 March 16, 2016 February 20, 2016 March 26, 2016 March 27, 2016 June 28, 2016 September 26, 2016 March 15, 2017 August 30, 2017 September 6, 2017 September 28, 2017 January 28, 2018 February 1, 2018 February 26, 2018 May 9, 2018 June 8, 2018 August 31, 2018

**Thomas Hayes** September 9, 2018 **Anthony Valentine September 16, 2018 Lawrence Novak** November 19, 2018 Joseph Roehrig January 8, 2019 Joseph Marheineke January 10, 2019 Giuseppe Riera January 21, 2019 Clarence Gajewski February 3, 2019 Paul Ross May 25, 2019 **George Trapp II** July 14, 2019 **Neil Norat** November 25, 2019 **Ben Candela** December 27, 2019

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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 at spot knights11689@gmail.com

Articles for the May newsletter must be submitted by no later than **April 22, 2019.** 

K of Supreme: www.kofc.org

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

Michigan District #1: www.michigan district1.com

St. Paul of Tarsus: www.stpauloftarsus.com

SPOT Knights: www.spotknights.com

Our Council newsletter is now available on-line on the St. Paul of Tarsus Parish website, <a href="https://www.stpauloftarsus.com">www.stpauloftarsus.com</a>.

Anyone who wishes to receive their newsletter via the Internet instead of by regular mail should contact Chris Gapczynski at 586-263-5942 or at spot-knights11689@gmail.com. Doing so would save our Council a great deal of money for printing and postage.



## EXEMPLIFICATION DEGREE PROGRAM FOR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS A NEW INDUCTION CEREMONY FOR A NEW ERA

St. Paul of Tarsus Parishioners,

Your Knights of Columbus Council is very excited to announce some very important changes regarding membership in the Knights of Columbus.

The Knights of Columbus organization has combined the first, second and third degree ceremonies for joining the Knights into one exemplification ceremony that is only 30 minutes long.

The ceremony is open to anyone interested in joining the Knights who have completed a Membership Application, and all current Knights who have not yet attained the third degree.

The ceremony is also open to the public and especially to friends and family members of prospective Knights.

The ceremony is a solemn and spiritual event and is designed to be held in our church after the 4:00 pm and 11:30 am mass.

The next exemplification will be Saturday, April 18 after the 4:00 pm mass.

All new candidates and current Knights who have not yet attained the third degree are encouraged to attend one of these beautiful ceremonies with their family and friends.

Thirty minutes with family and friends is a wonderful way to fully participate in this new exemplification ceremony into the Knights of Columbus.

Please contact the following people should you have any questions.

Vivat Jesus,

Mike Hartel Grand Knight p: (586)263-0544

e: mhartel5054@wowway.com

Phil Mularski Membership Director Ph: 586-876-9060 e: lorrinphil@aol.com

## **Knights of Columbus Third Annual Camping Trip**

This summer we will camp along the shore of beautiful Lake Huron at Lakeport State Park for the weekend of Friday July 31 and Saturday August 1.

All campers will need to reserve their own site. Go to: www.michigan.gov/dnr

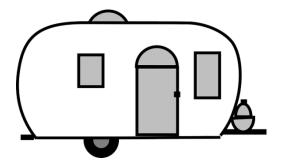
We are suggesting, for the majority of our council campers, to try and select a site in the Northern end of the North Loop.

The sooner your reservation is made, the more choices you will have for sites.

We will have a pot luck dinner on Saturday evening around 7PM.

Even if not camping, you are welcome to stop by and visit. Especially plan to join us for the pot luck! Due to limited parking at the campsites, guests will need to park in the Day Use area. If necessary, we can come and pick you up there.

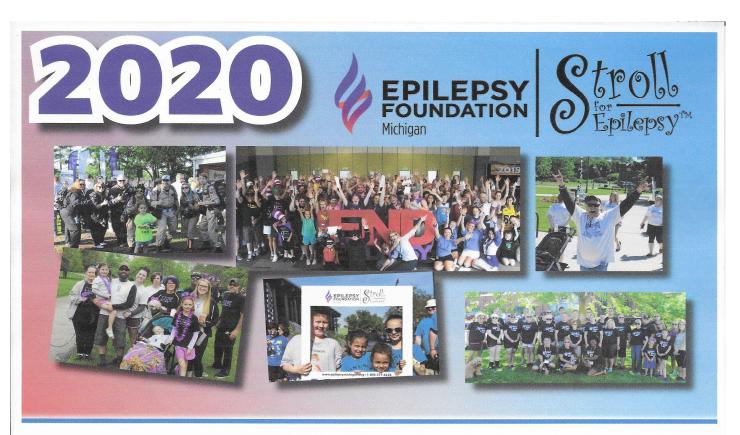
This is a great opportunity to get to know your Brother Knights and their families!





If you have any questions, please contact Mike Hartel or Ken Krause.

Please send Mike Hartel (mhartel 5054@wowway.com) an email after you make your reservation or let Mike or Ken know if you plan to attend the pot luck so you can be updated on the event.



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