

# The Knight's Shield



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

October 2022

Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism

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### A Word from Gray Grand Knight Tom Gray

Happy October everyone! I for one am looking forward to that cooler fall air.

We had our Corporate Communion at 9:30 mass on September 18th. There was a pretty good turnout and it was very enjoyable attending mass with my brother Knights. Also on September 18th we helped host a new parishioner welcome lunch. Rick Okerhjelm, Craig Thomson, Ted Czarny helped me with the food and cleaning up afterwards. It was lightly attended but the new parishioners seemed to enjoy it. Also the church was appreciative of us helping out.

Coming up we have our semi-annual road cleanup on October 1st. We will meet in the North parking lot at 8am. The fall one is usually a little easier and if we get a good turnout we can wrap it up pretty quickly. So come on out and help keep our corner of Clinton Township a little cleaner. Some good conversation is had and it is kind of fun with some of the interesting things we find.

October 15th we are hosting a Rosary Rally at noon on the church grounds. Tom Pardo is chairing this event. If you would like to attend or help please contact him for any further information.

Also on October 15th the St. Joseph Pilgrim Icon will arrive at the parish. It is coming after St. Thecla's Saturday mass. It will be displayed on Sunday the 16th at all masses and Saturday the 22nd.

October 16th will be our first pancake breakfast in a few years. Our council has decided to support MCREST at St. John Anglican church with the proceeds. Please plan on helping out with this. These events are really fun to work and it is a good opportunity to show the parish what we do.

On October 23rd we are having the Trunk or Treat again. This is also a really good event that is alot of fun. The kids really enjoy this one so come on out and decorate your trunk and have some fun with them.

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. As Knights we promised to pray the Rosary as often as we can and carry it with us always. Let us not forget that promise and try to pray it a little more often this month. Please enjoy the below thought from Sister Lucia of Fatima.

"The Most Holy Virgin in these last times in which we live has given a new efficacy to the recitation of the Rosary to such an extent that there is no problem, no matter how difficult it is, whether temporal or above all spiritual, in the personal life of each one of us, of our families...that cannot be solved by the Rosary. There is no problem, I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot resolve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary."

Vivat Jesus!

Tom Gray



### **Monthly Prayer Intention**



#### Intention for a Church open to everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel. May the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

### **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.

### **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 Community Director, Knights of Columbus

## IN A WORLD WHERE YOU CAN BE ANYTHING

**BE KIND** 

### Corporate Communion Masses



**TBD** 

### The Lighter Side



Little Johnny is in Catholic School

The nun teaching the class asks, "Where do you sense Jesus in your life?"

Little Susie, being a good girl says, "I see Jesus when I pray."

Little Timmy says, "I can feel Jesus' presence during Mass."

Little Johnny, with his hand waving eagerly in the air, is finally called on. Johnny says, "Jesus is in my bathroom every morning."

The nun, obviously confused, asks why Johnny thinks this.

Little Johnny answers saying, "Each morning that my Father is late to work, he pounds on the bathroom door saying, 'JESUS CHRIST, ARE YOU STILL IN THERE?"



### 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 Months for September: **Rick Okerhjelm."** 

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 September: <u>"Joe & Joanne Phillips Family."</u> In recognition of their outstanding service to the Parish.

#### **Motions Passed**

Motions passed at the September Meeting

Proceeds from the pancake breakfast to benefit MCREST at St. John Anglican Church .



Our State Motto for 2022/2023

"Faith and Family First"

### **Knight's Clothing**



Gentlemen:

If you need any Knights' clothing — polos, sweatshirts, tees and/or caps — please contact me at 2kish@comcast.net or 586-466-4812.

Joe Kish

### A Prayer For Our Country

O Most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Mercy, at this most critical time, we entrust the United States of America to your loving care.

Most Holy Mother, we beg you to reclaim this land for the glory of your Son. Overwhelmed with the burden of the sins of our nation, we cry to you from the depths of our hearts and seek refuge in your motherly protection.

Look down with mercy upon us and touch the hearts of our people. Open our minds to the great worth of human life and to the responsibilities that accompany human freedom.

Free us from the falsehoods that lead to the evil of abortion and threaten the sanctity of family life. Grant our country the wisdom to proclaim that God's law is the foundation on which this nation was founded, and that He alone is the True Source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

O Merciful Mother, give us the courage to reject the culture of death and the strength to build a new Culture of Life. AMEN



### Have You Insured Your Most Valuable Asset?

Is your income protected if you become sick or injured and cannot work? Your ability to work and earn an income is your most valuable asset. Yet a disability could prevent you from earning that income. Just one year of a disability could eliminate your savings.

Income Armor, an individual disability income insurance product from the Knights of Columbus, should be a key part of your overall financial plan and family's protection.

If you are ill or injured, Income Armor provides taxfree monthly benefits to help you meet living expenses and maintain you and your family's standard of living. Your monthly benefits help you pay your mortgage and other monthly bills, while your savings and retirement assets remain intact.

In short, if you have a job and don't have a way to protect that paycheck, you should seriously consider Income Armor today. I look forward to meeting with you.

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### **The Apostles Creed**

MY 22

I, your name, Believe in,

. 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**



Vets Retuning Home will open a Resale store by June 1, 2022. They will accept clean clothing of all kinds (including children's clothing), furniture, housewares, kitchenware, bathroom accessories and large appliances. Appliance donations will be reviewed for need.

The Resale Store is located at 29523 Gratiot in Roseville about a mile north of their office location. Their telephone number is 586-285-5606, and their office location is 17955 E Eleven Mile (on the corner of Gratiot next to COSTCO).

Thanks,

Phil Kwasny

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

St Mary Parish (Port Huron) Wednesday, October 5, 2022 5:30 pm

St James Parish (Novi) Wednesday, October 5, 2022 6:00 pm

Gesu Parish (Detroit) Wednesday, October 5, 2022 6:00 pm

St Paul on the Lake Parish (Grosse Pointe Farms) Thursday, October 6, 2022 6:00 pm

Guardian Angels Parish (Clawson) Saturday, October 8, 2022 9:00 am

Online Webinar Monday, October 17, 2022 5:00 pm

St Valentine Parish (Redford) Thursday, October 20, 2022 6:00 pm

Online Webinar Monday, October 24, 2022 5:00 PM

St John Vianney Parish (Shelby Twp) Saturday, October 29, 2022 9:00 am

St James Parish (Novi) Wednesday, November 2, 2022 6:00 pm

St Paul of Tarsus Parish (Clinton Township) Thursday, November 3, 2022 6:00 pm

Christ the Redeemer Parish (Lake Orion) Saturday, November 19, 2022 9:00 am



### Fall Road Clean-up

Meet by 8:00am Saturday October 1st in the North parking lot at church for our Fall Road Clean-up.

We will split up into groups and pick up the trash along Canal Road between Romeo Plank and Garfield Roads.

Only takes an hour to an hour and a half of your time to complete (Depending on how many people show up).

This is your chance to make a difference and help keep the community looking nice!

No protecting God's Children classes required for this this event.

See you there!







### **Calendar of Events**

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October 1	8:00 am	Road cleanup
13	6:30 pm Meal 7:30 pm Meeting	General Membership Meeting
15	12:00 pm	Rosary Rally
15	Set-up after 4:00 pm Mass	Pancake Breakfast
16	After 7:45 and 9:30 am Masses	Pancake Breakfast
16-22		Icon at our parish
23	Set-up after 11:30 am Mass 1:00 pm Start	Trunk or Treat
27	7:00 pm Start	Council Planning Meeting



#### **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!!**



William Rochefort	October 3
Gregory Schofield	October 3
Richard Olejniczak	October 4
Catherine Finn	October 4
Michael DiGivionni	October 4
Lawrence Kitka	October 5
Janice Krygowski	October 6
Ray Coughlin	October 7
Chuck Loewen	October 11
Brandon Lewandowski	October 11
Charles Twigg	October 17
Joseph Novak	October 17
Karla Hartel	October 18
Eugene Kapala	October 21
James Petoskey	October 23
Brian McCarty	October 25
Elaine Kwasny	October 26
Gino Gattari	October 28
Edmund Nowak	October 30
Joseph Matranga	October 30
Greg Csernai	October 31

If you'd like to see your birthday posted, please send an e-mail to Chris Gapczynski at <a href="mailtospotknights11689@gmail.com">spotknights11689@gmail.com</a>, or call at 586-263-5942.

### **Happy Anniversary!!**



Phil & Elaine Kwasny	October 1	
Charles & Joann Twigg	October 3	
George & Lucille Mejaly	October 6	
Jim & Kim Murphy	October 7	
Norm & Joan Pfaff	October 24	
Dave & Michelle Wisnewski	October 26	

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# For the Good of the Order

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

Carol Alexander Patricia Labadie Scott Allen SK Henry Leflere BK Dr Rob Amsler Peggy Lewis Kevin Bondra **BK Chuck Loewen** Janice Burda SK Chuck Luce Stanley Chmiela Diana MacArthur Connie Colosimo Leanne Mackay BK Ralph Colosimo BK John Minicuci **Grant Crater** Patty Morgan Barbara Csernai **BK Edmund Nowak** Jim Daniel Christopher Okerhjelm DeClerca Daniel Okerhielm **BK Paul Demetsenare** Patricia Okerhjelm Micheal Denomme Mike Parker Del Difalco **BK Bob Pastrick** Claudia Dombrowski Maryann Pearson Rose Donofrio **Ed Peoples** Christine Gapczynski Judy Perreau Jill Gapczynski BK Geno Pirrami SK Angelo Garavaglia Justin Pletsch Janet Gennani Esther Robidou Renee Grav Larry Rosso Sandy Grobbel MaryRosso Christopher Hageman Joanne Smail **Brandon Hale PGK Karl Sziisz** Kevin Heatwole William Szypa **BK Mike Hoste Gary Tarbuck** Beth Hund Jim Tarbuck Sue Hund Laura Thomson Dan Jacks **Bob Williams** Kevin Kehoe Lynn Williams SK Kevin Kennedy Deacon Ed Wilson Nancy Koldenkamp BK Dave Wisneski Ron Krawkowski **Barney Young** Janice Krygowski **BK Perry Young** 



### 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

**Thomas Hayes Anthony Valentine Lawrence Novak** Joseph Roehrig Joseph Marheineke Giuseppe Riera Clarence Gajewski Paul Ross **George Trapp II Neil Norat Ben Candela** Robert C. (Chuck) Lomasney **Alton Obrecht** Joseph Hopersberger **Leon Eggers Guido Fracassa Ronald Serefino** Donald Szlezyngier **George Francis** Natalino DiFalco

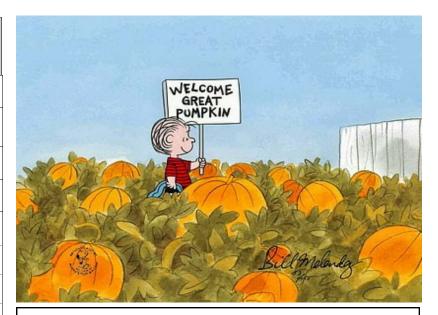
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June 8, 2018

August 31, 2018

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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 <a href="mailto:spot-knights11689@gmail.com">spot-knights11689@gmail.com</a>

Articles for the October newsletter must be submitted by no later than **September 22, 2022.** 

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