

State Council Program Award

Winners

DATE: 4/27/22

STATE DEPUTY: Walter K. Wible, Jr. JURISDICTION: Michigan
(Signature)

In connection with the International Program Awards Contest sponsored by the Supreme Council office, the following state council winners have been named in my jurisdiction:

FAITH PROGRAM:



Council Number: 4090
Grand Knight to be recognized: Ted Miles Email: tedmiles123@gmail.com
Project Name: Seminarian Dinner Fundraiser

FAMILY PROGRAM:



Council Number: 3774
Grand Knight to be recognized: Donald Siegel Email: gk3774@mikofc.org
Project Name: Fundraiser for Baby Elliott

COMMUNITY PROGRAM:



Council Number: 695
Grand Knight to be recognized: Michael McCarthy Email: gk695@mikofc.org
Project Name: Covid Recovery - Welcome Back Mass/Cookout

LIFE PROGRAM:



Council Number: 11658
Grand Knight to be recognized: Ron Rabine Email: gk11658@mikofc.org
Project Name: Team J-Rex Crushing Hydrocephalus

This reporting form must be completed by the state deputy and forwarded to the Supreme Council office immediately following the state convention. Individual award entries must be forwarded to the Supreme Council office by June 1.

Knights of Columbus
Fraternal Mission Department
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New Haven, CT 06510-3326
fraternalmission@kofc.org



State Council Program Awards

Entry Form

THIS REPORTING FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BY EACH COUNCIL AND FORWARDED TO THE STATE COUNCIL.
(A separate reporting form should be completed for each program category.)

CATEGORY (MARK ONE): Faith Family Community Life



COUNCIL INFORMATION:

1 Council Number: 4090 Total Council Members: 350
Grand Knight: Ted Miles E-Mail: tedmiles123@gmail.com

PROGRAM INFORMATION (complete all sections):

2 Program Title: Seminarian Dinner Fundraiser Program Date: February 3, 2022
Participation: $\frac{64}{\text{Members}} + \frac{260}{\text{Non Members}} = \frac{324}{\text{Total Participants}}$ $\frac{324}{\text{Total Participants}} \times \frac{.4938}{\text{Hours}} = \frac{160^*}{\text{Total Volunteer Hours}}$
Program Planning: $\frac{121.92}{\text{Costs}}$ & $\frac{47}{\text{Time}}$ Members Recruited: 0 Donations: 50,670.00
Local Currency

3 Describe program in detail. Use additional paper if necessary. Supplementary material may be submitted along with the nomination. Accompanying materials can include letters, testimonials, news clippings, photographs, pamphlets, etc. Do not submit tapes, videocassettes, DVD's, display materials, films, etc., as they will not be considered in judging the nomination.

3a) In the space provided below, briefly describe the purpose and goals of this program. This section must be completed.

The purpose of this program is to continue a string of annual events from the past 37 years that have provided community support of Lansing Diocese seminarians both financially and prayerfully. The contributions from the annual dinner fundraiser have grown in each of the last several years. From \$1,000 in 2009, \$5,000-2010 and 2011, \$6,627-2012, \$7,500-2012, \$9,769-2014, \$12,873-2015, \$15,491-2016, \$17,508-2017, \$19,960-2018, \$22,241-2019, \$28,727-2020, \$49,193-2021. In the first 37 years the dinner has raised \$ 268,660! A commitment to the goal of exceeding the 2021 event was made to Fr. John Whitlock, Director of Vocations - Lansing Diocese, in June of 2021 despite the uncertainty of a very real possibility that for a second year in a row the actual dinner might be cancelled due to the covid pandemic.

DO NOT SUBMIT THIS REPORT FORM TO SUPREME COUNCIL

**ENTRY MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE STATE COUNCIL
TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE COMPETITION**

MAIL ORIGINAL TO: State Deputy or State Program Director

COPY TO: Council File

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3b) Whom does this program benefit?

This year the project directly benefits 30 seminarians of the Lansing Diocese. Seminaran education can cost in excess of \$55,000 annually. Seminaran students work summer jobs and they and their families take out loans. The monies from this event aid the seminarians in multipel ways. The seminarians are able to use the funds for personal expenses: travel, book and sudden emergencies. Eash year the council receives letters of gratitude from the seminarians. They express thankfulness not only for the money but for the community support. Samples of thank you notes from a previous year's event will be included as part of this award application. It will not be timely to have received letters from this years' contributions. Usually we receive letters form 100% of the seminarians.

3c) What problem or need did this program resolve?

This project relieves some of the financial burden/costs to the seminarians. With current and projected shortages of priests we need to support our seminarians both financially and prayerfully. Among comments by Bishop Earl Boyea in a virtual address as part of our 2021 event which we made available again this year the bishop stated; "... your support for this event is so important. Your generosity allows our seminarians to apply themselves completely to their studies and works of the apostolate. And still be able to afford the incidentals that arise in the course of their education." As the pandemic first broke out in Italy one seminarinan who at first declined our support had a sudden need for an emergency flight home. At the last minute we reconfigured our totals to each seminarian and re-wrote all the checks to include him also. Our support brought him home!

3d) Why did the council select this program?

This project is an annual commitment to carry on a tradition of seminarian support first begun as a dessert meal by the Coughlin family in support of their then seminarian son, Fr. Kenneth Coughlin, now pastor of St. Charles, and Helena in Clio, MI. Mary and Charles Coughlin first had multiple dinners in their home and then Mary asked Charles to get help from his brother knights. Mary told Charles: "if you don't ask them for help I'll go see them and ask." Charles asked; And here we are! Our dinner has become an honor in their memory as well as a commitment to our seminarians.

3e) Describe the success of the program:

This project is a succeses not only for the monitary supprt it provides but also for the awarness it creates in the parishes of our seminarians. And for the prayerful support that was emphasized at presentations requesting sponsorships at each of six parish communities that we worked with. We also made availble the virtual presentation from our 2021 event that among other things broadcast our prayer for vocations. The goal of the project was to exceed the 2021 contribution of \$ 49,193.28. And we did it! The total contribution this year is \$50,670.00. 30 checks for \$1,689.00 each were delivered to Fr. John Whitlock, director of vocations for the Lansing Diocese on Wednesday, March 16, 2022 by co-chairs Mark Corcoran, Carl Knieper and Grand Knight Ted Miles and Faithful Navigator Gary Lehr. In 38 years Bishop Joseph H. Albers Council 4090 - Davison, MI has provided \$ 319.330.00 for our seminarians!

Attest:


State Deputy

Signed:

Ted Miles
Grand Knight

3/12/22
Date



KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

Bishop Joseph H. Albers Council 4090

38th Annual
Seminarian Fundraiser Dinner



Join us in support of seminarians
Keynote Speaker Bishop Boyea

Thursday, February 3rd 6:00 Social Hour / 6:30 Dinner
450 Building / St. Davison Evangelist Parish Campus

404 North Davison St. Davison, MI 48423

THE DINNER PORTION OF THE FUNDRAISER
IS
CANCELLED DUE TO THE COVID DANGER

Individual Tickets: \$15.00

Sponsorships

Personal or Corporate

Fishes & Loaves Level: \$ 50.00

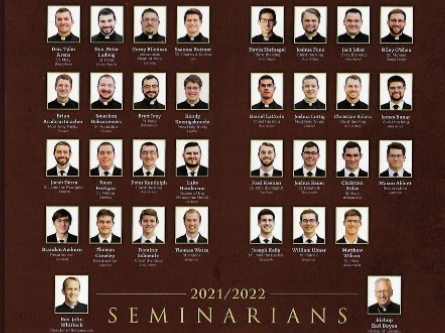
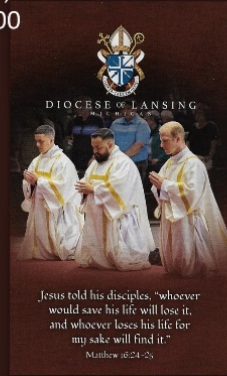
St. Paul Level: \$100.00

St. Peter Level: \$ 200.00

Blessed Michael McGivney Level: \$500.00

Holy Spirit Level: **The Sky's The Limit!!!**

Drop off sponsorships to the parish office,
give to a Knight or mail to KofC 4090 PO
Box 22, Davison, MI 48423 (use form at right)



KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS
Bishop Joseph H. Albers Council 4090
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Holy Spirit Level: The Sky's The Limit!!!
Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____
State: _____
Zip: _____
Phone: _____
E-mail: _____
Amount: \$ _____
By Name: _____
Date: _____
Notes: _____
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Questions: Call Carl Knieper/653-6738 Mark Corcoran 471-7256


KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

Bishop Joseph H. Albers Council 4090

Seminarian Dinner Fundraiser

Grand Knight - Ted Miles
Co-Chairmen
Carl Knieper pgk, pfn
Mark F. Corcoran pgk



 **KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS** **MI 4090**
Bishop Joseph H. Albers Council 4090
Davison, MI **Date** *March 16, 2022*

PAY TO ORDER OF *Lansing Diocese Seminarians* **\$ 50,670.00**

Fifty thousand, six hundred, seventy⁰⁰ DOLLARS

MEMO *28th Annual Seminarian Fundraiser Brothers in Christ*
RSVP AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

Letter of Introduction:

Knights of Columbus
Bishop Joseph H. Albers Council 4090
PO Box 22
Davison, MI 48423

March 2022

Worthy,

In this presentation you'll see a brief history of 38 annual seminarian fundraisers. As you read through it, you'll see the event started with humble beginnings in the home of one seminarian. At the urging of his wife brother knight Charles Coughlin asked his council for help to raise funds to send his seminarian son Kenneth to Israel.

And then you'll see a summary of the most current event.

Our council has carried on an event that has become an honor in the names of Mary and Charles Coughlin that continues a tradition that they began. The event began in small ways at their home and continued humbly and prayerfully in support of our seminarians as a KofC project. For many years the council supported one or two seminarians.

Most years from 2009 to present the event has grown each year. And we've been able to support multiple seminarians. This year the council has written checks to thirty seminarians for \$ 1,689.00 each for a total of \$50,670.00.

We encourage our brother knights to support our seminarians. They are a such a huge part in the future of our church. We welcome inquires if any brother knight has questions about running their own seminarian fundraiser.

Contact us at: KofC 4090, P.O. Box 22, Davison, MI 48423.

Sincerely,

Ted Miles
Grand Knight

Carl Knieper pgk, pfn
Co-Chairman

Mark F. Corcoran pgk
Co Chairman

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 - 2nd Front Cover: A photo of the check presentation to Fr. John Whitlock, Director of Vocations Lansing Diocese and Denise Dell’Aqua Administrator of Vocations. With red coats left to right Mark Corcoran pgk project co-chair, Gary Lehr fn assembly 0523, Ted Miles gk council 4090 and Carl Knieper pgk pfn -project co-chair.
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Section 1

Project History / Overview

Mary and Charles Coughlin began a fundraising dinner at their home to raise money for their then seminarian son Ken Coughlin. Now Rev. Fr. Coughlin pastor at St. Charles and Helena parish in Clio, MI. The purpose was to raise funds to send their son to the Holy Land. One dinner wasn't enough. One dinner turned into several. But that wasn't enough either. Mary convinced Charles to ask his brother knights for help; "If you don't ask them for help I'll go myself and do so." Charlie asked his brother knights; and here we are thirty-eight years later! At the beginning and for many years we called our dinner a dessert meal.

For many years the dinner consisted of an \$8.00 ticket per person and a 50-50 raffle. It hasn't been unusual to fill our hall with up to 500 people. For many years council 4090 would be able to support one or two seminarians with \$500 each and Assembly 523 would sponsor one or two seminarians with a matching \$ 500. Since the early days the dinner has evolved into a fundraiser for general seminarian support instead of a dessert meal. In recent years Council 4090 has sponsored all but two seminarians from the proceeds of the dinner auction and Assembly 0523 matches the per seminarian amount for the two remaining seminarians. The fund-raiser dinner has always been hosted, conducted and organized from beginning to end by Bishop Joseph H. Albers Council 4090 Davison, MI. The event is a community event that also includes Blessed Sacrament Council 11532, (now Holy Rosary Council 11532), Ardon F. Dubie Assembly 523, the Daughters of Isabella Circle 1095 and the parishes of St. John the Evangelist – Davison, Holy Rosary – Flint, and St. Francis – Otisville. A few years ago Blessed Sacrament parish became a satellite parish of St. John's.

Council 4090 has always fronted the expenses of the project from other fund-raising activities such as bingo and Lenten fish fry dinners. **All** money brought in from ticket sales, raffles, auctions, sponsorships, and donations are 100% contributed to the seminarians of the Lansing Diocese. Council 11532 has traditionally cooked the meal. DoI Circle 1095 has always provided the deserts for the meal. Youth from our three parishes have provided coffee and water service and aided in clean up.

In 2010 an auction was first added to the dinner. The auction featured hand crafted items created by members, their wives and families and hand-crafted items from the parish communities of St. John-Davison, Blessed Sacrament-Burton, Holy Rosary-Flint and St. Francis -Otisville. Items and services from local merchants have also been featured in the auction.

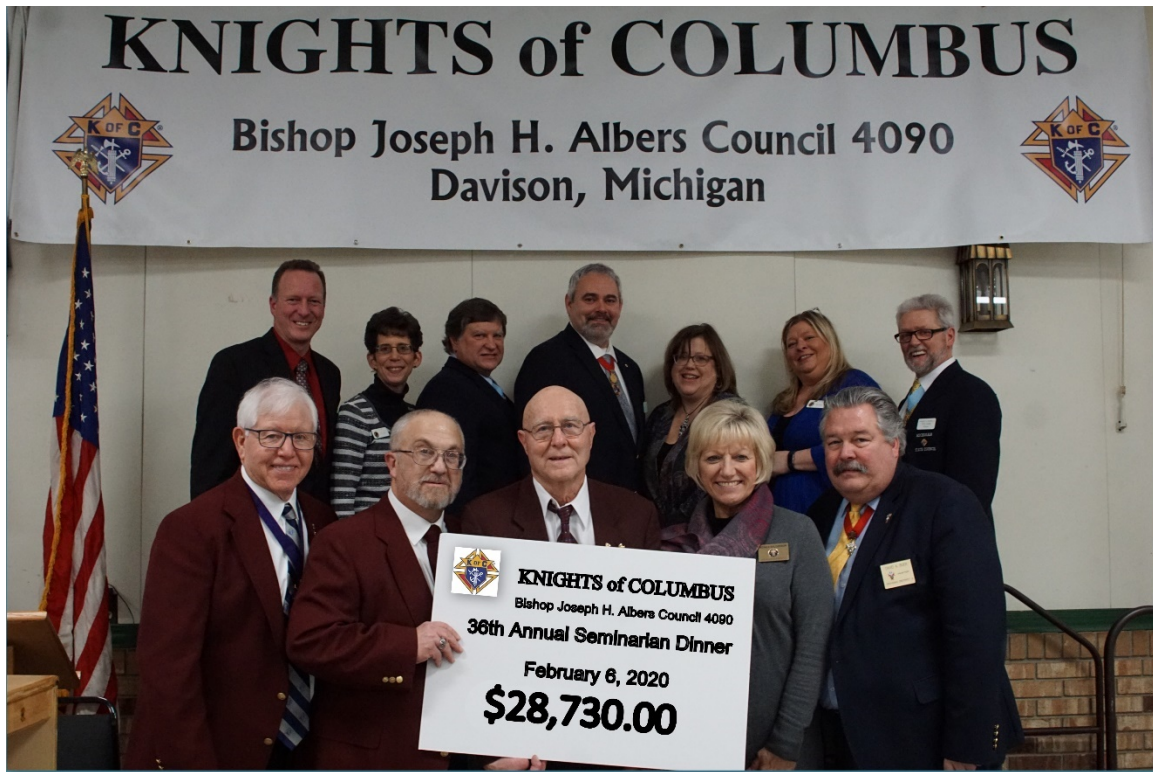
Typically, the dinner is attended by the bishop and the director of seminarians, many seminarians and some of their families. The State Deputy and one other state officer of his choice are always invited along with their wives. Others that are invited to the dinner include: all the priests, deacon and religious in the Genesee county area and other area Grand Knights and Navigators. For many years the State Deputy has attended and been a featured speaker. In 2020 the State Deputy William Chasse', State Secretary Walter K. Winkle, State Advocate Barry M. Borsenik, State Warden Charles McCuen III and their wives attended. One of the early years after adding the auction we did not send a letter of invitation to the bishop because we sensed the auction format along with the presentations was beginning to make the event run too long. Despite not being invited Bishop Boyea sent us a note that he would be attending and did indeed attend and we warmly received him and he delivered a message.



Fr. John Whitlock, Director of Vocations Addressing the 2020 dinner.



Seminarians at the 2012 dinner. Fr. Kenneth Coughlin and his mother Mary Coughlin center. Fr. John Whitlock Director of Vocations – At that time a transitional deacon -far right.



State officers and MI District 2 Master at the 2020 dinner.

In 2009, the last year before an auction was added \$ 1,000 of support was sent to our Lansing seminarians. Since then, contributions from the dinner have grown most years: \$5,000-2010 & 2011, \$6,627-2012, \$7,500-2013, \$9,769-2014, 12,873-2015, \$15,491-2016, \$17,508-2017, \$19,960-2018, \$22,241-2019, \$ 28,727-2020, \$49,193-2021.

For the last several years as we tally up our total we have said among ourselves: “We have a problem. How are we going to top this next year?” Again, this was our query after of the 2019 event when we hit yet another new high point.

In 2020 we added the idea of going to the community of advertisers in our church bulletins for sponsorships and to our members and parish communities for memorial sponsorships. That was how we were able to grow the 2020 event to \$ 28,727. And it turned out to be a foreshadowing of how we would accomplish meeting and exceeding our 2020 totals in 2021 while running a virtual event without our usual dinner auction due to the covid pandemic.

Each year the council and assembly bank the RSVP assistance received from Supreme to be allocated to the next year’s contribution.

The council was recognized for their 2020 success in an on-line RSVP report on the state website by State Faith / Vocations Director Greg Brunson as being the number one RSVP contributor in the state.

Summary of the 2021 Event

Virtual Presentation instead of a Dinner Auction

Due to the Global Pandemic Corona 19 Virus the usual dinner/auction could not be held. Plans were made to concentrate on the donations from parish members and parish bulletin advertisers and the corporate community. A plan was formulated to create a “virtual event.” Our 2021 event presentations were pre-recorded and placed on a web site which was set up just for this event. Bishop Boyea and Rev. Fr. John Whitlock each recorded a message in Lansing for the event. Seminarian Seamus Kettner recorded a message one Sunday at Holy Rosary Parish – Flint. Co-Chairs Mark Corcoran and Carl Knieper recorded a message and a group of knights from council 4090, council 11532, assembly 523 and Daughters of Isabella 1095 recorded a vocations prayer for the video one evening at Holy Rosary Parish. The vocations prayer and the participation of the two councils, the assembly and the DofI was important for the continuity of the many years of partnership. The dinner has always provided community spiritual support as well as financial. At the 2020 one of our seminarians at the dinner led the entire assemblage in reciting the vocations prayer that we pray at every meeting.

Paul Zuwala a non-KofC member, parishioner at Holy Rosary video recorded Seamus Kettner and the KofC members and put the various recordings together seamlessly, along with some photos from past dinner auctions & photos of seminarians

The virtual event presentations may be viewed at: seminariandinner.com

Summary of the 2022 Event

Virtual Presentation instead of a Dinner Auction *Again!*

Plans for the 2022 event actually began the day after the 2021 event with reserving the parish hall for February 3, 2022. Plans started kicking into gear in November, 2021. Plans included a dinner but because of the success of requesting sponsorships it was decided that the dinner would be held without the auction. We felt that we could sustain similar success to the 2021 event with sponsorships alone without the auction. A dinner without the auction will create a better atmosphere for the spiritual side of the night. In the past when dinners have been held we always have featured the Bishop, the State Deputy and others. The seminarians would introduce themselves and their families. At some events we would have a local priest speak as well and sometimes even had the Michigan Singing Knights perform. So we were thrilled to think that after having missed holding the dinner last year we would a dinner that we could share community spiritual support as well as financial.

But we knew that some of our success with sponsorships in 2021 was due to the federal pandemic relief checks that were received that year. So, in anticipating that we had to make up for the fact that there would be no federal relief checks this year we came up with a two-fold plan to overcome that. The plan was to extend the council’s reach to some additional parishes for sponsorships. We also planned on broadcasting the dinner and the speakers live on YouTube. We would have a campaign to request sponsor support before during and after the dinner.

The Bishop and seminarians were invited. The bishop and 19 of our then 31 seminarians accepted and planned to attend. Printing tickets for the event were ordered. And we sent out “Save the Date” notices in the parish bulletins.

And then we had the covid omicron surge. The council had to adjust their plan once again to no dinner! We did expand our reach beyond the four parish communities that we had been our tradition. Traditionally the council has reached out to St. John the Evangelist/Blessed

Sacrament, Holy Rosary and St. Francis. This year we reached out to St. Mary's and St. Charles & Helena. And we approached not only advertisers in the church bulletins but to some of the general business community in the Davison, MI area.

We started the campaign with notices in the parish bulletins: There would be no dinner/auction. Only sponsorship requests. We kicked the event off at all six churches on the weekend of January 8-9, 2022. We presented the program at 17 masses. A form for sponsorships was in each parish bulletin that weekend. A 20" x 30" poster with a tray to hold sponsorship forms attached to the posters was set up on an easel in each church narthex. Each church bulletin ran a version of the sponsorship form each week until the weekend of the January 29-30. Sponsorship flyers were replenished each week on the poster boards in the church narthex's.

The generosity of the parish communities was amazing. Serious cash donations were received at all the masses on the kick-off weekend. After the first Sunday morning mass at St. Mary's where the presenter was not acquainted with the parishioners some large individual cash donations were received. The presenter at St. John's was surprised when handed an envelope with \$500 cash and then another envelope with \$400 cash. And the campaign was on the way!

We received donations as small as a quarter and two of \$1,500 and everywhere in between. Checks continued to come to us right up to the night before the council would write the seminary's checks at our business meeting on Tuesday, March 8.

We urged the parishes to view the virtual presentation from our 2021 event. At the church presentations we announced that last year's virtual video still had some relevant messages from Bishop Boyea and others. We explained that the link to the presentation was on the sponsorship forms on the easels in the narthex.

The virtual event presentations may be viewed at: seminariandinner.com

Our stated goal was to exceed the 2021 total contribution of \$ 49,193.00 After the dinner was canceled we were not sure it could be done. We broke it down to smaller pieces: We decided we wanted to hit \$30,000 which would beat the 2020 total. And once we got there we would keep pushing to get to \$50,000. We are formulating plans to go higher next year!

Section 2

2022 Budget

Traditionally the council has always funded the cost of providing the meal for the dinner and not taken anything out of the proceeds for expenses. This year the council budgeted \$2,000 to hold a dinner. Because we canceled the dinner due to the covid 19 omicron surge we had very little expenses. The only expense turned into the council was \$121.97. The printing of sponsorship forms was provided by one of our member's place of work.

For many years Council 4090 has funded all but two seminarians and the Assembly 0523 which consists of mostly 4090 members has sponsored the two. And that was done this year.

The figures below show how we arrived at the gift amount for our seminarians:

RSVP Funds to the Council from 2021...(banked)	\$8,400.00
One seminarian from 2021 discerned out (returned funds)...(banked)	1,586.88
Contributions from parish supporters...	35,425.25
2022 Council Budget... \$ 2,000.00	
Expenses (posters)... <u>121.97</u>	
Remaining budget... \$ 1,878.03... Added to contribution...	1,878.03
Sub Total...	<u>47,290.16</u>
Assembly 0523 contribution-donation	
$\$47,290.16 / 28 = 1,688.93 \text{ ea} \times 2 =$	<u><u>3,377.86</u></u>
Total...	50,668.02
We rounded everything up to \$ 1,689.00 to simplify	
The financial secretary and the treasurer's jobs when writing all the checks.	
30 checks at \$ 1,689.00 =	<u><u>\$ 50,670.00</u></u>

Section 3

Participation and Hours:

Below is a summary of volunteers that participated, both council and non-council members. And a summary of hours. This is to give detail to participation and hours for which there is not space on the first page of the award application.

	Planning Hrs	Presenting Hrs.	Collecting at Mass	Bookkeeping	Other	Totals
Members						
Mark Corcoran	22	3	3	10	5	43
Carl Knieper	20	4	3	10	30	67
Dick Ducharme	0	0	0	20	10	30
Ted Miles	1	0.5	2	0	0	3.5
Mike Lalonde	1	0	0	0	0	1
Don Michalic	1	0	0.38	1	0	2.38
Brad Soule	0	0.5	0	0	0	0.5
Tony Avery	0	0.5	0	0.5	0	1
Mark Campbell	0	0	0.5	0	0	0.5
Pete Erickson	0	0	0	2	0	2
Greg McCarty	1	0	0	0	0	1
Gary Lehr	1	0	0	0	0	1
Tom St. Martin	0	0	0.5	0	0	0.5
Fr. Roy	0	0.02	0	0	0	0.02
Fr. Andy	0	0.02	0	0	0	0.02
Fr. Dennis	0	0.02	0	0	0	0.02
Fr. Coughlin	0	0.02	0	0	0	0.02
Fr. D	0	0.02	0	0	0	0.02
Tom St. Martin	0	0.02	0.5	0	0	0.52
Total	47	8.62	9.88	43.5	45	154

Non-Mbrs

Kim Edwards HR	0	0	0	0	1	1
Kim M. HR	0	0	0	0	1	1
Chelsey SF & SC & H	0	0	0	0	1	1
Lori SJ	0	0	0	0	1	1
Connie SJ	0	0	0	0	1	1
Victoria SJ	0	0	0	0	1	1

Total Hours 160

Participation	Members	Volunteers
Member Workers:	19	0
Non-Member workers	0	6
Cash Contributors mbrs	45	0

Cash Contributors
non- mbrs 0 254

Total Mbr Participants 64 -

Total Non-Mbr Partic. - 260



Total Council Mbrs	Mbr Participants	Percent Mbr Participants 5.47
350	64	

Section 4

Major Contacts and Correspondence

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Section 5

Seminary list

Here is a list of the 30 seminarians in the Lansing Diocese as supplied by Denise Dell'Aqua Diocesan Administrator Seminarian, Diaconate & Consecrated Formation:

Seminarian	Seminary
Dcn. Tyler Arens	Sacred Heart, Detroit
Dcn. Peter Ludwig	Pontifical National American Sem, Rome
Corey Bilodeau	Sacred Heart, Detroit
Seamus Kettner	Sacred Heart, Detroit
Joshua Fons	Sacred Heart, Detroit
Jack Jobst	Sacred Heart, Detroit
Riley O'Shea	Sacred Heart, Detroit
Brett Ivey	Sacred Heart, Detroit
Daniel LaCroix	Sacred Heart, Detroit
Christian Salata	Sacred Heart, Detroit
Brian Armbrustmacher	Sacred Heart, Detroit
Jonathan Bokuniewicz	Sacred Heart, Detroit
Randy Koenigsknecht	Sacred Heart, Detroit
Joshua Luttig	Sacred Heart, Detroit
James Bonar	Sacred Heart, Detroit
Jacob Derry	Sacred Heart, Detroit
Ryan Ferrigan	Sacred Heart, Detroit
Peter Randolph	Sacred Heart, Detroit
Luke Henderson	Sacred Heart, Detroit
Paul Keenan	Sacred Heart, Detroit
Joshua Bauer	St. John Vianney, Minnesota
Christian Stiles	St. John Vianney, Minnesota
Mason Abbott	St. John Vianney, Minnesota
Brandon Amburn	St. John Vianney, Minnesota
Thomas Crowley	St. John Vianney, Minnesota
Dominic Schoenle	St. John Vianney, Minnesota
Thomas Watzka	St. John Vianney, Minnesota
Joseph Kelly	St. John Vianney, Minnesota
William Ulmer	St. John Vianney, Minnesota
Matthew Wilson	St. John Vianney, Minnesota

Section 6

Seminary Appreciation

Most years we receive a thank you note from each and every seminarian that we have supported. Below is an example of two such letters. One to the council and one to the assembly. And an e-mail thank you from seminarian, Then Deacon, now Fr. Mike Cassar.

(Sent to Council) March 30th, 2020
Dear Knights,
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4/5/2020

Yahoo Mail - FW: Thank You!

FW: Thank You!

From: finsec4090 (finsec4090@sbcglobal.net)

To: dmcdan@umich.edu; mfcorcoran56@yahoo.com; pgkcarlk@aol.com; gwjjet@aol.com

Date: Sunday, April 5, 2020, 12:05 PM EDT

See note below from a seminarian:

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

----- Original message -----

From: Michael Cassar <cassar.michael@shms.edu>

Date: 4/5/20 11:20 AM (GMT-05:00)

To: finsec4090@sbcglobal.net

Subject: Thank You!

Brother Knights,

I would normally send a thank you card, but given the times of social distancing I thought an email might be safer/easier to circulate through the council! I am Dcn. Mike and I go to Sacred Heart Major Seminary (although the seminary is physically closed right now, and I am now living in a rectory and am finishing my classes online). I have been officially called to priestly ordination by the bishop which will happen June 13th (whether publicly or privately, who knows?!) and will be the associate pastor at St. Thomas Aquinas and St. John in East Lansing starting in July.

I spoke a little at the fundraiser and expressed my gratitude, but I wanted to thank you all again. It is a truly great event, and I am always humbled when I see how many people turn out for the fundraiser, and who work on it, and how generous people are with their money. The check you sent me is so incredibly generous and each one over the years has helped me get by while in seminary. Again, I just can't thank you enough for your selflessness. Please pray for me as I approach my ordination, and I will pray for you and your parish. May God bless you and keep you spiritually connected to Christ through this Holy Week.

In Christ,

Dcn. Mike

Section 7

Getting the Word Out:

Bulletin Announcements

All six church bulletins carried announcements as follows:

- Save the date announcement - December 28, January 2.
- Watch for bulletin insert next week no dinner no auction— January 9.
- Sponsor form – January 16,23,30
Some editions included a full page insert and some had a sectional “ad” type form on a page of the bulletin. Some editions had both.
- Thank you to the parishes – March 13 & 20.

See examples of the bulletin announcements:

*Save the date: A version of this was in bulletins for six parishes.

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FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS ~ December 28

During this octave of Christmas the Church celebrates the memory of the small children of the neighborhood of Bethlehem put to death by Herod. Sacrificed by a wicked monarch, these innocent lives bear witness to Christ who was persecuted from the time of His birth by a world which would not receive Him. Our Christmas joy is tempered today by a feeling of sadness. But the Church looks principally to the glory of the children, of these innocent victims, whom she shows us in heaven following the Lamb wherever He goes.

"We celebrate the birthday of those children who were slaughtered, as the Gospel tells us, by that exceedingly cruel king, Herod. Let the earth, therefore, rejoice and the Church exult — she, the fruitful mother of so many heavenly champions and of such glorious virtues. Never, in fact, would that impious tyrant have been able to benefit these children by the sweetest kindness as much as he has done by his hatred. For as today's feast reveals, in the measure with which malice in all its fury was poured out upon the holy children, did heaven's blessing stream down upon them.

"Blessed are you, Bethlehem in the land of Judah! You suffered the inhumanity of King Herod in the murder of your babes and thereby have become worthy to offer to the Lord a pure host of infants. In full right do we celebrate the heavenly birthday of these children whom the world caused to be born unto an eternally blessed life rather than that from their mothers' womb, for they attained the grace of everlasting life before the enjoyment of the present. The precious death of any martyr deserves high praise because of his heroic confession; the death of these children is precious in the sight of God because of the beatitude they gained so quickly. For already at the beginning of their lives they pass on. The end of the present life is for them the beginning of glory. These then, whom Herod's cruelty tore as sucklings from their mothers' bosom, are justly hailed as "infant martyr flowers"; they were the Church's first blossoms, matured by the frost of persecution during the cold winter of unbelief." — St. Augustine

SEMINARIAN DINNER
Save the date: Thursday, February 3, 2022! The Knights in Davison will hold their 38th Annual Seminarian Dinner. Join Bishop Boyea in support of our seminarians. No Auction this year! Tickets and requests for support will be available in January.

PART-TIME NANNY POSITION WITH LOCAL CATHOLIC FAMILY
We are seeking a nanny for our nearly 2-year old son at our home in Clio. Two days per week (7:00am - 5:30pm). Starting November 29, 2021. We are looking for a nanny who is kind, patient, nurturing and also reliable, punctual, and a good communicator. Prior experience caring for and working with young children is important. To inquire text 734-846-0989.
-Crystal and Shatomi Kerbawy (parishioners)

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Save the Date

January 11th-K of C Spaghetti Dinner 4-7PM
January 17th- Holy Hour of Prayer 7-8PM
at St. Mary's Mt. Morris
January 21st-1st Annual March for Life
Bake Sale for Right to Life
January 27th-Food Pantry 10AM-Noon
January 29th-Scrapbooking 10AM-10PM
February 3rd-K of C Annual Seminarian Fundraiser
February 5th-First Saturday

**Knights of Columbus
Spaghetti Dinner
Tuesday, January 11th 4-7PM
Holy Rosary Parish Hall
"All You Can Eat" Spaghetti Dinner
with Salad Bar and Breadsticks
Adults \$10 Salad Bar \$5
Children Ages 4-12 \$5**

MEALS FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY



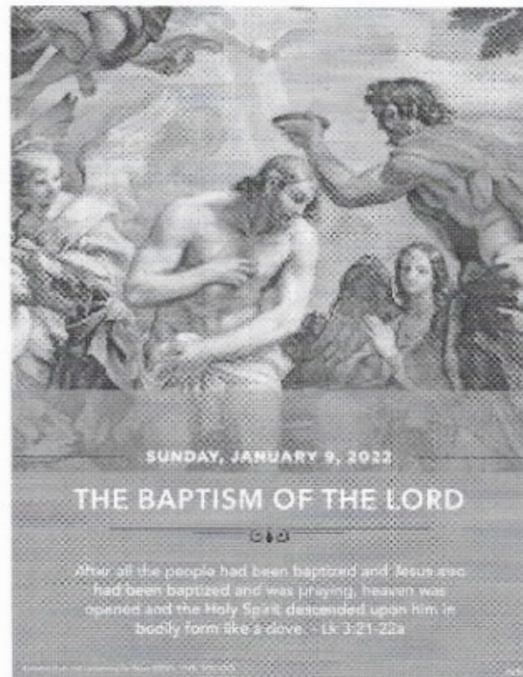
Join the Ministry to prepare meals for families finding themselves in a need or crisis. There are any number of challenging moments that an individual or family may face where meals would help ease the burden.

Some examples:

- Bringing home a new baby
- Having a family member in the hospital
- Having a family member recovering at home from surgery or illness
- The death of a loved one

If you would like to be on the notification list to serve on the Meal Train Ministry, please contact Kimberly Murawski at (810) 736-4040 ext. 304 or kmurawski@holyrosarycatholic.com, sign up forms can be found in the gathering space or online on our parish website.

Excerpts from God given to St. Maria Faustina (Diary 1017)
I want to give Myself to souls and to fill them with My love, but few there are who want to accept all the graces My love has intended for them. My grace is not lost; if the soul for whom it was intended does not accept it, another soul will.



**Holy Rosary's
1st Annual March for Life
Friday, January 21st
Following the 8:30AM Mass
Bake Sale for Right to Life**

**KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS
Bishop Joseph H. Albers Council 4090
38th Annual Seminarian Fundraiser
UNFORTUNATELY NO DINNER OR AUCTION**

**Join Us & Bishop Boyea
in Support of our Seminarians
Please see the bulletin insert
Questions?
Carl Kneiper (810) 653-6738
Mark Corcoran (810) 471-7256**

**A HUGE THANK YOU...
To all who helped with preparing the
Church for Christmas...your help was most
appreciated! Also, to all who donated socks,
and gloves to the North End Soup Kitchen.
May the Lord bless each of you!**

*Sponsor form on bulletin page. A version of this was in bulletins for six

FAITH COMMUNITY NEWS

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The parish office of SS. Charles & Helena will be closed for the New Year on Friday, December 31st and Monday, January 3rd with normal office hours returning Tuesday, January 4th at 8:30 a.m. In the event that there is an emergency, call the parish office at 810-686-9861 and dial extension 600 to reach Fr. Ken.

Let Us Pray

For Ray Ellingson, Ed Perry, and Vita Ruppel, who are in need of our healing prayers. May God heal them in body and in spirit.



CCW CHRISTMAS POTLUCK

Attention Women!! Are you looking for a meaningful way to serve our Church and community in 2022? Come to the CCW Meeting on Thursday, January 6, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. There will be a brief meeting and our Christmas Potluck Dinner. All women of the parish are invited to attend. Just bring a dish to pass! We look forward to seeing you!

SEMINARIAN FUNDRAISER

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IN MEMORIAM



We offer the sympathy, love, and prayers of our parish family for the souls of Mary Edmunds, Bruce Wirsing, and Thomas Hoffa, who were born into eternal life. May they dwell always in the peace of God's eternal Kingdom.

YOUR LEGACY TO THE CHURCH

Please prayerfully consider leaving an endowment to SS. Charles & Helena in your will or trust. This gift will be felt by generations to come. Please contact The Catholic Foundation at 517-253-8787 or by emailing legacygiving@dioceseoflansing.org for more information.

Intercessory Prayer Corner

Fr. Ken and the Parish Pastoral Council request prayer for:

- ✪ We give great thanks to the Lord for Father Ken's ministry which leads us on the holy path to the kingdom of God.
- ✪ That Jesus will give us the courage and the generosity to speak his name to those that have wandered from God.
- ✪ For the sick to know of our loving concern and prayers asking Jesus healing touch in both body and soul to be with them.
- ✪ For our beloved family and friends who have died, we place them in God's loving embrace, trusting in His divine mercy. May they rest in peace.
- ✪ May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be loved everywhere by all.

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KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

Bishop Joseph H. Albers Council 4090
38th Annual Seminarian Fundraiser
on Thursday, Feb. 3, 2022. **BUT NO AUCTION!**

Join us & Bishop Boyea in Support
of our Seminarians in a **Virtual Event**

Donations: Any Amount \$ _____

Personal or Corporate Sponsorships

Fish & Loaves Level: \$ 50.00

St. Paul Level: \$ 100.00

St. Peter Level: \$ 200.00

Blessed Fr. McGivney Level: \$ 500.00

Holy Spirit Level: \$ *The Sky is the Limit*

Please submit your support by February 3, 2022

Amount: \$ _____

By: Name: _____

Ph: _____

Parish: _____

Please Print!

Drop off form and donation/sponsorships at the parish office, give to a Knight
Or mail to: KofC 4090 - PO Box 22, Davison, MI 48423
Questions: Call Carl Knieper 810-653-6738 or Mark Corcoran 810-471-7256

Thank You for Your Support!

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offered Him gifts."*

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or brother?*

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parishes.

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38TH Annual KofC Council 4090 Seminarian Fundraiser Wrap Up! THANK YOU!

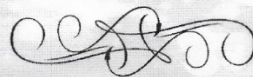
Thanks to the generosity of the parish communities of St John the Evangelist/Blessed Sacrament, Holy Rosary, St. Francis, St Mary, and St. Charles & Helena and many supporters in the business community our recent fundraiser was a huge success! Despite having to cancel the annual dinner for the second year in a row due to the covid pandemic we have written checks for \$ 1,681.79 to each of our 30 seminarians for a total of \$ 50,453.70. We plan to work to continue this successful support next year and once again host the dinner to personally support our seminarians spiritually with a physical presence as well as financial. Join us knights in keeping our seminarians and our priests and all religious in our prayers.
~ KofC 4090 - Davison

ST. MARY 2022 MONTHLY MEMORIAL

Liv. & Dec. Members of the Bigelow & Centilli Families
Liv. & Dec. Members of the Hansen Family
In Loving Memory of Earl & Helen Robideau
Liv. & Dec. Winchester & Monnett Families
In Loving Memory of Bud & Greg Severn
In Loving Memory of Deceased Members of the Laux Family
Liv. & Dec. Kaczmarczyk & Petrowski Families
For the Montgomery & Becker Families
Liv. & Dec. Family of Wanda Warby
Liv. & Dec. Members of the Stumm & Zyber Families
Jill Slough, & Liv. & Dec. Members of the Wm. Dolan Family
In Loving Memory of Barbara Johnson
Liv. & Dec. Members of the O'Brien, Belanger, & Cummings Families
Liv. & Dec. Members of the Flynn, Schaffer & Jamison Families
For Fr. Raymond Urbanek, & all Liv. & Dec. Priests
Liv. & Dec. Zovishlack, Blake & Millington Families
Liv. & Dec. Members of the Simmonds & Slattery Families
Rest In Peace Benny & Margaret (Hawkshaw) Police
Rest In Peace Bud & Marian (Hawkshaw) Echlin

Liv. & Dec. Members of the Birchmeier & Molloseau Families
In Loving Memory of Virginia Hack
Liv. & Dec. Members of Slattery & Corcoran Families
Liv. & Dec. Members of Homans & Farling Families
Deceased Members of the Robideau & Schings Families
For the Intentions of Barbara L. Hartwick & the Linker Family
For the Welch Family
Liv. & Dec. Members of the Clark & Owens Families
In Loving Memory of my husband, Jerry Engelmann
In Memory of Father Francis Faraci
Liv. & Dec. Members of the Schwind & Desrochers Families
Liv. & Dec. Members of the Bernard Barron Family
Liv. & Dec. Members of the Jordan & Wagner Families
For the Hurley & Foley Families
Liv. & Deceased Members of the Ignash & Smela Families
Liv. & Dec. Members of the Harcek & Piechowski Families
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Face Book

- 12-10-2021 posting: Last February...
- 1-20-2022 posting: Two weeks into...
- 3-12-22 posting: We did it!
- 3-16-22 posting: Check presentation.
- 3-15-22 MI KofC Facebook page / forwarded the 3-12 page.

The first face book announcement from 12-10 presented that there would be a dinner. That message was changed in the later bulletin and face book announcements. The second announced that the project was underway and asked for continued support. Then the last two face book postings pronounced gratitude for all of the successful support from our parishes.

Face book postings follow:

*12-10 2021 posting

Mark Corcoran

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Last February we held a virtual fundraiser for our 37th anniversary! Join us this year in person as Bishop Boyea introduces us to this year's seminarians at our 38th annual dinner. Save the Date: Thursday, February 3. There will be no auction this year. We will seek support in the form of memorial donations and sponsorships as we did last year. But we will work for a big turn out in person to show our support and pray together for our seminarians and their families. More to follow in January. Please spread the word!



***1-20-2022 Posting**

Mark Corcoran

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My fellow Knights of Council 4090 are two weeks into our 38th annual seminarian fundraiser for seminarians. The campaign goes through the first week in February. If you have not already done anything this year to support our seminarians from the Lansing Diocese please consider a sponsorship or a donation. Make your tax deductible check out to KofC 4090. Write "Seminarians" on the memo line. Send to KofC 4090 at PO Box 22, Davison, MI 48423. And you could call it a birthday gift to me if you want to. I'll be 66 on Feb. 6! Last year, even though we were stymied by the pandemic we raised just under \$ 50,000. Please help us any way you can. BIG or small it all adds up. And at the very least: Say some prayers for our seminarians, priests and religious. We all need prayers

Thank you, God Bless!

Please share this post with other Catholics you know!

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS
Bishop Joseph H. Albers Council 4090
38th Annual
Seminarian Fundraiser Dinner

Join us in support of our seminarians
Keynote Speaker Bishop Boyea
Thursday, February 3rd 5:30 Social Hour / 6:30 Dinner
450 Building /St. John the Evangelist Parish Campus
404 North Dayton St. Davison, MI 48423
Dinner tickets: \$25.00

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Personal or Corporate

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St. Peter Level:	\$ 200.00
Blessed Michael McGivney Level:	\$500.00
Holy Spirit Level:	The Sky's The Limit!!!

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2021/2022 SEMINARIANS

Questions: Call Carl Knieper/653-6738 Mark Corcoran 471-7256

The dinner has been canceled for the 2nd year in a row due to the covid surge. Please consider a sponsorship or making a donation if you are in the Lansing Diocese and have not already supported our seminarians in any other ways.

Make your tax deductible check out to KofC 4090. mail to KofC PO box 22 Davison, MI 48423 Write seminarians on memo

Jesus told his disciples, "whoever would save his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."
Matthew 16:26

***3-12-2022 posting**

Mark Corcoran

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*3-16-2022 posting

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Council 4090 - Davison delivered 30 checks today for 30 seminarians. \$ 1689.00 each adding up to \$ 50,670.00. Rev. Fr. John Whitlock, Director of Seminarians and Denise Dell'Aqua received the checks from KofC members from left to right in red coats: :Mark Corcoran-project co-chair, Gary Lehr-Faithful Navigator, Ted Miles-Grand Knight and Carl Kneiper-project co-chair. Thanks once again to the parish communities of St. John the Evangelist/Blessed Sacrament, Holy Rosary, St. Mary's, St. Francis, St. Charles And St. Helena for your generous support of our seminarians. We have topped the previous year's amount raised every year since 2011!

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*3-15-22 MI KofC Facebook page:

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March 2022

Information was sent to Gary Merritt MI KofC Publicity

The following was listed on the state council web site under council and district news

[Lansing Diocesan Seminarian Support 2022](#)

By: Gary Merritt - Wed, Mar 16, 2022 11:16 AM

Posted For: [Council #4090](#)



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Mark Corcoran

Parish Presentations

On the weekend of January 8-9 the campaign officially kicked off at all six parishes. Here is a prepared statement that was scripted for the presenters. Each presenter adapted the script to fit his own style and to fine tune it to the audience.

The script for the presentations and a list of presenters follows:

Thank you: Fr. _____

Hello, I'm _____. I am here about the 38th annual KofC Seminarian fundraiser in Davison.

Our fundraiser has humble beginnings. It began as a dinner fundraiser in Charles and Mary Coughlin's home to raise funds to send their seminarian son, now Fr Coughlin, to the holy land. For 37 years we've carried on the tradition.

Seminary costs, like everything now days continue to rise, upwards of \$ 55,000 per year. Our seminarians work summer jobs, they and their families take out loans. Our support helps out in many ways, such as with things like car expenses, book expenses and trips home on holidays and sudden family emergencies.

With conditions today in our church & society we need to support our seminarians more than ever. And we need to encourage more to follow them. We are blessed with 31 seminarians for the second year in a row. But for the second year in a row we are not able to have our dinner fundraiser due to the Covid pandemic. We were determined last year not to give up and we're determined not give up now!

We held a virtual event last year. You can view excerpts of Bishop Boyea's, Fr. John Whitlock's and seminarian Seamus Kettering's comments on line. See the donation form at the back of church for the link. Their comments last year are just as pertinent today as they were last year.

(And we are again reaching out to you for help to support them.) {*HR. St John, BS, St Francis*}

For St Mary, and St Charles & Helena ONLY:

{And we are reaching out to your parish this year for the first time to gain all the support we can muster for our seminarians.}

Please consider making a donation or providing a sponsorship. Last year we received donations as little as a 25 cents and sponsorships as high as \$1,500.00. Anything/Everything you give will make a difference. You can find a donation/sponsorship form at the back of church and in the bulletin.

We'll be the back of church after mass to answer any questions you may have and to receive your donations and sponsorships. We'll have forms today that you can take home and then you can bring them back to the parish or mail them to us. We'll have these forms at the back of church until the first week in February.

Please keep the seminarians and all religious in your prayers.

Thank you for your time today.

Parish Presenters

Church	Day and Time	Presenter
St John's:	4:30pm Sat Jan 8	Carl Knieper
	7:30am Sun Jan 9	Carl Knieper
	10:00am Sun Jan 9	Carl Knieper
	12:00noon Sun Jan 9	Carl Knieper
	5:00pm Sun Jan 9	Carl Knieper
Blessed Sacrament		
	6:00pm Sat Jan 8	Carl Knieper
	9:00am Sun Jan 9	Carl Knieper
Holy Rosary	6:00pm Sat Jan 8	Mark Corcoran
	9:00am Sun Jan 9	Tony Avery
St. Francis	5:00pm Sat Jan 8	Gary Lehr
	10:am Sun Jan 9	Mark Corcoran
Saints Charles & Helena		
	5:00pm Sat Jan 8	Ted Miles
	8:30am Sun Jan 9	Ted Miles
	11:00am Sun Jan 9	Brad Soule
St. Mary's	4:00pm Sat Jan 8	Mark Corcoran
	7:30am Sun Jan 9	Mark Corcoran
	11:00am Sun Jan 9	Mark Corcoran

Copy of the council January 2022 newsletter with a seminarian sponsor form:



<p>January Events:</p> <p>25th Social Meeting, 6:45, Putt-Putt Tournament, 7:00 All are welcome</p> <p>30th Corporate Communion, Blessed Sacrament, 9 AM Mass</p> <p>February Events:</p> <p>10th thru 13th 4th Degree Poker Room Fund Raiser</p> <p>13th Super Bowl/Valetines Day Party, St. John's Family Center, Bring a dish to pass. 5:00 Drawing</p> <p>March Events:</p> <p>17th thru 20th 3rd Degree Poker Room Fund Raiser</p>
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<p>Monthly Calendar of events</p> <p>1st, Tuesday of each month: Building Company Meeting, 6 PM</p> <p>2nd, Tuesday of each month: Council Meeting, 7 PM</p> <p>3rd, Tuesday of each month: Assembly Meeting, 7 PM</p> <p>4th, Tuesday of each month: Council Social Meeting, Rosary 6:45, Meeting, 7 PM</p>

Faithful Comptroller's Report

Brothers,

Happy New Year! You should have, by now, received your dues notices. Please return as soon as you are able. If you have an issue with making the payment, please reach out to me or Faithful Navigator Cary Levy, we can work it out. My normal is to mail out the cards to those from whom I have received payment on the Monday following. Do you know a Brother Knight who is not a member of the 4th Degree? April 23, 2022, is our next Wee certification to be held in Battle Creek please ask him to join. If you are a 3rd Degree Knight reading the grid are interested, please let me or our any other 4th Degree Knight know. We are always happy to share with you and help you prepare to join us. Anyone in need of a Form 4 let me know. I have them at all meetings or I can meet you somewhere to give you as many as you may need. If you need to phone me, I did get a new number this year it is now 810-287-6210. If I do not answer, please leave a message. I can always be reached by email at brad@faithfulnavigator.com. In closing, a special thanks as always to my wife, Lady Cary, for her support in all I do with the Knights as well as her assistance with preparing the large mailings. I would take her forever without her. Prayers for a wonderful 2022.

Brad Soule, PGK, PFN, FDD
Assembly 0523 Faithful Navigator


KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
 38th Annual Seminarian Sponsor Form
 No dollar due to 02/09/2022

Donations: Any Amount \$ _____
 Sponsorship of Corporate Sponsorship: \$ 50.00
 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th

By _____
 Phone # _____
 Parish _____

Drop off from your diocese/sponsorship to the parish office, 4050 P.O. Box 22, Davison, MI 48423
 Questions: Call Cary Knieper at 810-453-9718 or Mark Corcoran at 810-411-7216
 Thank You for Your Support!

Poster with Flyers

A 20" x 30" poster was created to be placed in the narthex of each of the six churches. The poster was printed with information about the dinner before it was canceled due to the covid 19 omicron surge. Yellow and red tape across the dinner section of the poster announced that the dinner was cancelled. A basket was attached to the bottom right corner of the poster that held sponsorship forms.

Photo of the 20" x 30" poster with hand-out sponsorship forms.

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS
Bishop Joseph H. Albers Council 4090
38th Annual
Seminar Fundraiser Dinner

Join us in support of our seminarians
Keynote Speaker - Bishop Boyea
Thursday, February 3rd 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM / 6:30 Dinner
450 Building / St. John the Evangelist Parish Campus
404 North Main Street, Davison, MI 48423
Dinner Tickets: \$15.00

Sponsorships
Personal or Corporate

Fishes & Loaves Level:	\$ 50.00
St. Paul Level:	\$100.00
St. Peter Level:	\$ 200.00
Blessed Michael McGivney Level:	\$500.00
Holy Spirit Level:	The Sky's The Limit!!!

Drop off sponsorships to the parish office,
give to a Knight or mail to KofC 4090 PO
Box 22, Davison, MI 48423 (use form at right)

2021/2022 SEMINARIANS
Questions: Call Carl Knieper/653-6738 Mark Corcoran 471-7256

DIocese of LANSING
Jesus told his disciples, "whoever would save his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."
Matthew 10:24-25

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS
Bishop Joseph H. Albers Council 4090
38th Annual Seminar Fundraiser Dinner
Please support our seminarians with your donations and sponsorship!
See Bishop Boyea's comments and sign the 20" poster attached.

Copy of the 8-1/2" x 11" Sponsor Form:



KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

Bishop Joseph H. Albers Council 4090
38th Annual Seminarian Fundraiser Dinner

The Dinner and Auction are canceled again this year
due to the recent Corona Virus Surge

Please support our
seminarians with your
Donations and Sponsorships!
See Bishop Boyea's comments and more from the 37th year virtual event
on the internet

Go to: seminariandinner.com

We have 31 seminarians again this year that need our support!

Donations: Any Amount \$ _____

Personal or Corporate Sponsorships

Fish & Loaves Level: \$ 50.00

St. Paul Level: \$ 100.00

St. Peter Level: \$ 200.00

Blessed Fr. McGivney Level: \$ 500.00

Holy Spirit Level: \$ *The Sky is the Limit*

Please submit your support by February 3, 2022

Amount: \$ _____

By: Name: _____

Ph: _____

Parish: _____

Please Print!

Make checks payable to KofC 4090 – Write: Seminarian Fundraiser on the MEMO LINE!

Drop off form and donation/sponsorships at the parish office, give to a Knight

Or mail to: KofC 4090 – PO Box 22, Davison, MI 48423

Questions: Call Carl Knieper 810-653-6738 or Mark Corcoran 810-471-7256

Thank You for Your Support!

The 2021 virtual event video was offered as a re-run for the 2022 event. There are some powerful messages on it from Bishop Boyea, Fr. Whitlock and seminarian Seamus Kettner as well as addresses by co-chairs Mark Corcoran and Carl Knieper and a vocations prayer.

The video can be viewed on the web at: seminariandinner.com (link)

The title page was edited to announce the 38th annual dinner

KofC #4090

THERE IS NO

DINNER THIS YEAR

But the need is greater than ever

PLEASE HELP

WATCH

PRESENTATION

BELOW:

seminariandinner.com



Getting the Word Out Follow Up:

Notices were sent out to:

- MI KofC Head of Publicity Gary Merritt
Gary put the council's notice on the state web site and the state face book page as noted previously.

Publication notices sent – Pending:

- Supreme Columbian Magazine
- Columbian Knightline
- Lansing Diocese – Faith magazine

A communication from the editor of indicated that a notice about the 2022 event would be in the next edition. Below is a copy of the Faith Magazine notice from 2021.

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The Magazine of the
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LOCAL NEWS

**37th annual seminarian fundraiser
- A success despite COVID-19
restrictions**

■ Despite restrictions caused by COVID-19, Bishop Joseph H. Albers Council #4090 of the Knights of Columbus in Davison exceeded its goal and raised \$49,193 to support Diocese of Lansing seminarians. The virtual fundraiser in early February featured appearances by Bishop Boyea, Father John Whitlock, vocation director and seminarian Seamus Kettner. The council has increased the amount it contributes to Diocese of Lansing seminarians every year since 2010. Co-chairs of the event, Carl Knieper and Mark Corcoran, presented a check to the diocese on March 19.

Section 8

Thank You From Fr. John Director of Vocations

Rev. John Whitlock <jwhitlock@dioceseoflansing.org>

To: Mark Corcoran, Denise DellAcqua

Thu, Mar 10 at 11:48 AM

Hello Mark,

This is an amazing outpouring of support! This will be especially helpful to the men this year as gas and everything else has gotten so expensive. Thank you again for all of your hard work to support the seminarians!

We will look forward to seeing you on Wednesday 3/16 between 1-1:30pm. Unfortunately Bishop is not available at that time.

God bless you,
Fr John

Appointment to Deliver Checks / Date for 2023!

From: Mark Corcoran <mfcorcoran56@yahoo.com>

Sent: Thursday, March 10, 2022 9:07 AM

To: Rev. John Whitlock <jwhitlock@dioceseoflansing.org>; Denise DellAcqua <ddellacqua@dioceseoflansing.org>

Subject: Seminarian support checks coming Wednesday, March 16

Fr. John, Denise,

I'm writing to confirm that my co-chair Carl Knieper, myself and my Grand Knight Ted Miles and my Navigator Gary Lehr will be in Lansing next Wednesday between 1:00pm and 1:30pm to deliver 30 checks to you for our seminarians. Each check will be for \$ 1,689.00. For a total of \$ 50,670.00. I'm very happy to report this total to you. We have been striving successfully each year to beat the amount raised the previous year for many years now. And we did it again each of the last two years despite having to cancel the actual dinner due to the covid pandemic. I sincerely believe that there has been guidance by the Holy Spirit.

We are planning on holding the dinner next year on Thursday, February 2, 2023. Please reserve the date and please see if the Bishop Earl would like to put the night in his calendar. We are looking forward to supporting our seminarians in-person spiritually as well financially at the dinner next year.

The Michigan Knights of Columbus Faith Director, Greg Brunson, has recommended we apply for a KofC state project award. The reason being he wants our event to be an example to other councils throughout the state as an encouragement for continued and additional support of seminarians in all of our dioceses.

Denise, I would like you to be in the photo as we present the checks. And if the Bishop is available It would be greatly appreciated. Please let him know he's invited for the photograph.

Here's to 38 years of seminarian support! And to the 39th and beyond!

Sincerely,

Mark F. Corcoran pgk

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Davison, MI

810-471-7256

