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State Deputy



Worthy Brother Knights, I continue to pray that you and your families have been safe from any of the viruses that seem to plague our country for over the last year. I ask that you pray for those families that have been affected in one way or another. Also remember our brothers and their families that have been devastated by the natural disasters such as the flooding in Tennessee and all the states that were impacted by Hurricane Ida in August along with all the fires out west. They are still putting their lives back together. The State Board voted to donate \$1000.00 on your behalf to both Tennessee and Louisiana State Councils to help rebuild their States.

We have now completed the first quarter of our fraternal year, your Council's plans should have been in motion last month and ready to execute this month. The programs that you have planned will safely bring the fraternal bond that many of us have lost over the last year. Programs can also help as a great source of income to provide the money to fund the many charities that you and the State Support. I thank all the Councils for their creative programs that have helped their church and communities and encourage you to share this with us so that we can share these great ideas with other councils. I ask that you take pictures and record what you do under one of the categories of Faith, Community, Family, Life and Leave no Neighbor Behind Programs. Put together a submission for our State Convention to be held at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island next year starting on May 25-27, 2022. If your submission is chosen, it will be submitted to Supreme. If you are chosen a winner like Monroe Council 1266 last year in the Faith category, the GK will be a guest at the Supreme Convention to be held in Nashville, TN at the Grand Ole Opry Hotel in August 2022. If you need some help or direction in competing an award-winning program, contact your diocesan Program Director or SDRR.

Don't forget to invite the State Board to join you in your upcoming events, we have attended many anniversaries this year so far and it has been great to finally get out and see everyone again. Please give us at least a 3 month notice if not more.

Do not forget, that each program event is an excellent recruitment opportunity! Invite all the members of your parish family to help you during your program events get them involved even before they become a member. By building friendships through your events, will only make their decision to join your council a positive one. To make things fun, we are including membership incentives between now and the end of December, ask your District Deputy what they are at your next meeting. Remember to use the QR Code in all your advertisements, newsletter and any communications that you use to promote the free gift to all of our new members, free membership for one year using the code MCGIVNEY2020. Overall, we are in a membership competition with every other state in our Order. We are in Team 7 lead by and including Michigan, Ohio, Virginia, Colorado, Mississippi, Mexico Central, Rhode Island and New Brunswick. The prize, well, that is up to you! If we do better the Team 2 in membership during the month of September, we will receive a check from Supreme for \$10.00 per new member, second place is \$5.00. I would like to donate whatever amount we receive to the Sacred Heart Major Seminary Endowment fund. We won the last round by one member! The total members recruited in August from Team 7 was 462 to Team 1 total of 461. Every new member counts! Please invite a new member today.

Every one of us has a story of why we joined the Knights of Columbus. From time to time, I think we should all assess why we joined the Knights and reflect on your personal contributions you and your family has made. When you do ask someone to join, you can share those memories with them. I joined in 1988 and was 25 years old. Karen and I had just welcomed our daughter, Chelsey, into the world and as a new father, decided it was time to start planning to bring her up in our catholic church and its teachings. At that time, I was working close to 15 hours a day and many times missed Sunday mass. In some members eye's, I would have not been asked to join the Knights because I did not attend every mass or fit their perception of what a new member should be. After my proposer came to our home, he explained all the events the Knights did with children. He went on to explain about the family picnics, Halloween for the kids, Christmas Parties with Santa, and how they helped other children with the MI Drive. After I joined, I received phone calls inviting us to attend the Corporate Communion and other events at the church and council. Shortly after, our son's Willy and Walter joined our family. The more I attended the more we got involved and it was not long that my wife and I were hosting the events like Bowl a thon and Road Rallies other Family events. Two points I would like to make is that if you plan events including all the family members, they too will continue to be active. Invite your families to attend your planning meetings for the first 6 months or the January to June time period. By including them while making the plans, they have the excitement and ambition to make your event successful. You may have picked a date that would conflict with one or more events in the area and a low attendance could result. Secondly and most important, don't judge someone by their attendance at mass. We need to invite every catholic man to become more active in their parish. Ask them to share their talents and help make our church and Community a better place. They may not attend the same mass you do or travel to other parishes. They may be battling a sickness or taking care of others or working to pay their bills. If you are not sure, ask your pastor if he knows the person in question. These are the people we should be asking and if they are not going to church, lets help our priests by saving souls, mine was.

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**From The State Chaplain
Rev. Paul Ballien**



The month of October is known as a Marian month, and on the 7th of this month we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. The Feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary was instituted in 1572 by Pope Pius V as a way of giving thanks to the Blessed Virgin Mary for having delivered Christendom from the Turks through the decisive sea battle of Lepanto. Apparently, he had prayed for her intercession prior to the battle taking place. Ever since then, the rosary has been regarded as a powerful prayer in part because we seek the intercession of Mary, and Jesus does not refuse Mary's requests. This is why I highly recommend that we use the rosary in our family prayer.

As I am sure you all realize, the family in many ways is under attack from our secularized culture. There is certainly no shortage of articles or books out there that make mention of this. Whether you want to blame it on technology or decaying morals, the fact of the matter is still the same: It is increasingly harder and harder to keep families strong and intact these days. Many parents face concerns about how many negative things their children are so easily exposed to these days, and they wonder, "How can I instill values in my children and impress upon them a desire to follow the faith as they grow older?"

Pope St. John Paul II once said that "We need to return to the practice of family prayer and prayer for families, continuing to use the rosary." Why? Because family prayer is an indispensable form of communion within a family, and the rosary in particular is a powerful form of prayer that invites the Holy Family into the life of the family. Pope St. John Paul II also stated in Familiaris Consortio, "Only by praying together with their children can a father and mother – exercising their royal priesthood – penetrate the innermost depths of their children's hearts and leave an impression that future events in their lives will not be able to efface." Without a doubt, the rosary reinforces the spiritual soundness and solidity of the family because it causes us to reflect on the Gospels, it causes us to reflect on Jesus' life, his family, his sacrifice, and our salvation. That is why I would again encourage you to take up the rosary as a family to help you foster love and unity and devotion to God.

Vivat Jesus,

Fr. Paul Ballien

K of C Michigan State Chaplain

Special Notice of a Special Mass from the State Faith Director

Brother Knights

On October 31st there will be a Special Mass to celebrate the first anniversary of our founder **Fr Michael J McGivney's** beatification for all Knights in the **Archdiocese of Detroit**. Starting on Friday October 22nd (9 days before the Mass) we ask that all councils in the State hold **A Blessed Michael McGivney Novena** asking for the Intercession of Blessed Michael McGivney. On the tenth day, the day of the Mass, we will give thanks for answering our prayer intentions.

We are inviting Knights of the Archdiocese of Detroit only to Mass simply because of capacity. The Cathedral holds a little over 800 and there are 139 councils in the Detroit Diocese. If you are a Grand Knight for a council in the Detroit Diocese then PLEASE mention this to your Officers as they are invited to this Mass, along with their wives and families. The Knights of Columbus have the Cathedral all to ourselves for this special Mass. Don't dilly dally, October 31st will be here quickly.

When: October 31, 2021

Time: Mass begins at 2 PM

Where: The Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Location: 9844 Woodward Ave, Detroit 48202

Would ALL Grand Knights within the Archdiocese of Detroit – PLEASE RSVP ASAP with how many in your council will be attending the Mass so that we can get a feel for attendance to: g.brunson@mikofc.org
Go To www.mikofc.org/Resources/Faith and download the '**Blessed Michael McGivney Novena.pdf**' for Prayers and Devotions.

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**From The State Advocate
Charles Mc Cuen III**

My Brothers and Ladies,

As I sit here at my desk enjoying a little down time from this busy summer, I have a moment to reflect on the many milestone events that our family has enjoyed so far this year. Our daughter Kayla has completed her first year of virtual college at Wayne State, which if you ask her was not the college experience, she was hoping for, but she has made the best of it and being a true McCuen is pursuing her art goals thru thick and thin. Our son Charles and his bride Jessica were married in July at a great venue in Eaton Rapids where they make their home with their children Boyd and Inara, oh and their fur baby Ranger. They make a perfect family, and we wish them the best! Jessica and Patricia, our daughters who live in Chicago have made new home purchases and now seem to be very happy and content there, while it seems like they live on the other side of the world, they are only 5 hours away from a visit or holiday trip home. We are very proud of them and maybe there might be another McCuen wedding in the future!!! Pam, Kayla, and I made it thru a very mild case of the covid virus and by mild, I mean we could not smell or taste anything for a week, but we got our vaccinations and had some alone time for 10 days, which after 5 days you find your just not that entertaining to yourself! I almost dusted off my guitars but then I would have to clean my office to get to them! Hahahaha

Then there are our Knights family and milestone events, like being elected for a second term as your State Advocate at the Michigan State Convention in May, Pam and I are very excited and proud that you have seen fit to let me continue my journey as a State Officer doing the work of the Order for Michigan. We attended the Virtual Supreme Convention this August with our Delegates, went camping at the State Camp-out with many great Knights and their families, met with the bishops, golfed with our State Chaplain Fr. Paul Ballien, tried to attend as many of the Council and District events as we can and we even attended Tiger Night with our Brother Knights from all over the state, watching as they paid a special tribute to “Miggy” on his 500th home run. His family was there to turn the score board numbers and a Brother Knight from Saylor Council #3774 in Allen Park caught a ball and gave it to my grandson, It was awesome.

So, as you can see this article is about family and getting back into the game. While its true that the covid pandemic slowed everything to a halt, the time has come when life is returning to normal. Its time to get back to being families again, whither it's your family, your Knights family, your Parish family, or your community family. Time to get back to enjoying one another's company, participating in programs to move everyone forward to enjoying our Catholic values and beliefs again. Inviting men and their families to join our brotherhood. To having fun and fraternity, unity, and charity and to inviting those back to our Councils and Church's where they belong. We miss you.

As your Advocate I do suggest to you, our Worthy District Deputies and Grand Knights that you have the necessary tools for your Council Advocates to do a proper job with issues that might arise at your Councils, aka the Supreme Charter Constitution and your Council Bylaws and that you follow the proper chain of Council Advocate , Grand Knight, District Deputy, Diocese Director, State Deputy's Regional Representative to resolve any issues, you should never call the State Deputy or the State Advocate first. Have them also check the Supreme web site, kofc.org for the Officers desk reference , many of the answers you might need are there, they too have access to this now and should have had their access code sent to them via the mail service.

From my family to yours we hope you had a great summer and crammed in as much stuff as you could to make it memorable! Thanks once again for letting me be your State Advocate and as I always have said, we are here to help you, my phone is always on if you need something, just text me first, so buckle up your seat belts and enjoy the ride, it will go fast from here!! Oh, and remember that there is no problem

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**From The State Membership Director
Dan Fuller**

Membership Momentum

My Brother Knights and Michigan Family of the Knights of Columbus, I would like to discuss with you the meaning of “Momentum” and how we can bring “Momentum” to our councils. Momentum is an often-used sports term describing one team's advantage over another. For instance, in football, if a team scores a touchdown from a recovered fumble, pass interception, or blocked punt, the announcers will say the team has gained momentum over their opponent.

The definition of momentum is “the quantity of motion of a moving body, measured as a product of its mass and velocity.”

What is Team Michigan's mass? In keeping to the football analogy, Team Michigan has 424 councils with 63,196 team members. This is the mass that every Brother Knight and their families must influence their force upon, and thus, provide the motion.

What is the force that provides motion? The force that provides motion to Team Michigan is fully engaged councils. The more councils engaged and growing, the greater the momentum supplied to Team Michigan. Of our 424 councils we currently have 99 engaged in programs and membership growth. That means Team Michigan has only realized 23% of our potential momentum. That also means we have 325 councils that must engage in programs and membership to achieve our full potential.

How can we gain momentum? Each of us has a role in the engagement of our councils. Engagement means that councils are communicating their plans and goals to their members, parishioners, and communities on a daily, weekly, and monthly basis. Communication builds and strengthens relationships. (If you don't believe this just ask your spouse!) Seek help and advice from the leaders of your Council, District, Diocese, Region and State. It is their role to help you build a successful plan. To all Team Michigan Leadership, I ask you to take the first step and reach out to the 325 struggling councils and proactively offer help. We need to take a “Leave No Council Behind” approach to build momentum for Team Michigan.

Why does our State Leadership offer incentives for membership growth? Incentives are meant to bring excitement to the process of bringing new Brother Knights to our Order. Our previous incentive, the \$1000 Raffle, will announce the winning council via our mikofc.org email, the mikofc website, and in our weekly newsletter sent to all council leaders with an mikofc email address. Our current incentive: every Knight that recruits 2 or more new Brother Knights between July 1st and December 31st, 2021 will receive a FULL BOOK of State Charity Raffle tickets entered in their name for the April 2022 drawing!

What is your role as part of Team Michigan? As the family of Knights that make up Team Michigan, we should all strive to be Ambassadors of our Order. We can all work to strengthen Team Michigan with new members. We can all help our council with programs that bring excitement and visibility to our Order. As the leaders of Team Michigan, our role is to provide the best possible plan of action for councils to succeed. Through their success, Team Michigan will gain momentum and achieve our full potential.

Let's bring maximum momentum to Team Michigan, Vivat Jesus!

Dan Fuller, State
Membership Director

Knights of Columbus History 1951

The Knights of Columbus initiated a campaign in 1951 for the public adoption of the phrase “under God” in the U.S. Pledge of Allegiance. One year after Supreme Knight Hart took office in 1953, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a law that officially added the words “under God” to the pledge.

The Order votes to fund the microfilming of irreplaceable documents from the Vatican Library, some dating to the pre-Christian era. The library at St. Louis University is named as the repository for the microfilm.

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**From The State Program Director
Paul Palka**

We are RISING UP this fraternal year! It's all about being together in person at Mass, council meetings, and other events. We started July with a live in-person Summer Leadership Meeting held in Lansing with a special guest Tom McCaffrey our Supreme Vice President of Fraternal Operations. This meeting was followed by well attended in-person Diocesan Meetings held all over our great State!

As your council begin to plan council activities for the fraternal year don't forget to document all the wonderful things you are accomplishing. Out of 424 active councils last year we only had 15 submissions for the 4 Program categories. From those 15 we submitted one program for each of the categories to Supreme. We were overjoyed to be recognized as the International Program winner in the Faith category! Congratulations Monroe Council 1266 for their Men's Prayer Breakfast Program! Please ask yourselves did your council do any programs this past year? If yes, did you submit your program or event? If no, WHY??? If you need help understanding what is needed to submit your program, please reach out to your District Deputies, Diocesan Program Directors or myself. We want you to be recognized for the great works you are doing in your communities. Plus, your submission might encourage another Knight or council to implement your program and help others.

The first quarter of the fraternal year is a busy one for programs. If your council has not hosted a Soccer Challenge, Free Throw, Spelling Bee, Essay contest or the Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest please consider doing this year. Our State Soccer Challenge will be held on October 9th at St. John Vianney Parish in Wyoming, MI. These programs are easy to execute, great for our youth and a great opportunity to recruit new members!

Last year our Coats for Kids program was very successful. This year there are 2 ways your council can participate in this needed program. The first is for a council to purchase and distribute the coats themselves. The second way is for the council to send funds to the State to help purchase coats for state wide distribution at locations with each diocese. If you want to make a direct donation to the State make the check payable to **Michigan State Council** and send it to **Paul Palka 40882 Hamilton Dr, Sterling Heights, MI 48313** in the memo line: **Coats for Kids**. Any donation will count as a point towards the Columbian Award, if you issue a check worth 6 Cases of Coats it will count as 2 points and remember to complete your **10784** when you make the donation. We will need volunteers as well at each of the distribution sites throughout the state please look for information in the coming weeks through the weekly Constant Contact email and the State website. If you have hats and gloves you would like to donate, please bring them along!

Last year because of covid restrictions we had to think outside the box on how to implement many activities including our Annual gifts for Holy Cross Services. Last year deliveries were made directly to the Holy Cross locations throughout the state. It was so inspiring to see so many families making deliveries last year. It worked so well we are going to do the same this year. The sweatshirts, bath basket, gift card, sheets, and hats and scarves often are the only gifts the children helped by Holy Cross receive for Christmas. What a great way to start the Christmas season by giving as a council family to these children in need. Truly living Blessed Michael J McGivney vision. The drop off locations will be announced soon in the weekly constant contact. Please start working on your donations and save the date of December 4th for delivery of what you have collected.

The State's weekly Constant Contact email sent out every Sunday should be distributed to everyone in the Council via email. This allows each of you to read about what is going on in your area and across the state! Even if your Council does not participate in a project, you may want to participate on your own with other Brother Knights!

I expect your planning calendars are complete for the coming 6 months at least, and hopefully for the full year! Now that our restrictions are nearly gone, let's Rise Up! Remember to submit your 10784 forms for each and every program you complete and consider submitting at least one of your programs in for Service Program Award of the year.

Remember there are no programs without members and no members without programs.
Paul J Palka,
State Program Director
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Ladies Corner

I would like to say that things are getting back to normal but that is far from the case. Walter and I did go to New Haven Connecticut for the state deputy meeting in June, it was very nice to meet all of the state deputies in both classes. We made new friendships and somehow Walter became the class president.

The summer meeting went very well, our diocesan chaplains did a very fine job on our ladies programs informing us of some saints that I had never heard of. It was very nice to hear from the chaplains. It was unfortunate that father Lam Le had to leave early and we could not hear of his saint. It is also sad that father Lam Le will no longer be one of our diocesan chaplains as he has taken on a new role on his journey for the Grand Rapids diocese. The supreme convention was celebrated again on the beautiful Mackinaw Island. Denver Colorado would have been a nice place to visit but that was not in the Supremes plan this year. Hopefully all will get back to normal next year.

I heard a good rumor that the state camp out was an absolute splendid time. I unfortunately was unable to attend due to putting together a class reunion for Walter and I. A 40th class reunion is something that doesn't come around too often, and we were glad to attend that the same weekend as the camp out. Walter snuck up there for an overnight stay, I just couldn't get away. I will have my camper ready for the next camp out next year.

We have been busy attending a lot of the Michigan Council anniversary celebrations. It is wonderful to see all the happy faces getting together to celebrate such a wonderful mile stone in their counsels. We truly appreciate all your hospitality and absolutely love attending the celebrations. Looking forward to attending my very first Posen potato festival coming this month in September. By the time this has reached the press we will have already attended. I know we will have a fantastic time.

Next on the supreme agenda will be our visit to Nashville for the state deputies meeting. Looking forward to joining again with our new found friends of our June meeting.

Please keep in mind that the holidays are soon approaching and that we will be collecting for Holy Cross services and other organizations. Again we are collecting sweatshirts, bath baskets, twin sheets, scarves and hats, Gift cards, and small hotel shampoos and conditioners. Please watch the constant contact, on Sunday, and our website for the areas that will be giving away these items as our winter meeting is not until January. The Knights will have a list of drop off sites so please stay posted. Please continue to pray for those who are suffering from illness, those people who suffer from Covid, for widows and orphans, homeless and challenged individuals.

We are hopeful that you will have a very blessed Thanksgiving gathering with your families and a very merry Christmas and I will see some of you January 7 and 8, for our winter meeting. Godspeed to an end to this pandemic.

Yours in Christ,

Karen, Julie, Mandy, Pam, Amy, Marybeth

STATE OF THE STATE
Walter K. Winkle, Jr.
State Deputy

From my family to yours, have a save and Happy Thanksgiving
Walter Winkle, Jr.
State Deputy

Monroe Council 1266 received the Faith Program Award at the 139th Supreme Convention.



Pictured L-R- Walter Winkle, Jr, State Deputy Joseph Dale Vitale PGK,
Fr. Paul Ballien, State Chaplain

The pancake breakfast is a Knights of Columbus staple, famous around the world for uniting parishioners after Sunday Masses. Knights in Monroe, Mich., have taken that tradition and added their own twist. Every Wednesday and Thursday, they meet at 5:45 a.m. for a men's breakfast centered around prayer, fraternity and good food.

Doug Rohr, a member of Monroe Council 1266, was initially hesitant to participate due to the early meeting time. A self-described "non-morning person," he was eventually convinced to join by one of the program's founders, and said the decision has changed his life for the better.

"It allows you to talk to men who are on the same path as myself, people that are rich in the faith, and also who have families and who are trying to be devoted Christian men, and participate in our community," Rohr said. "It allows me to be able to see men who are much further along on our journey and getting their insight."

Deacon Mike Stewart, who founded the breakfast program with his brother Knight Elliot Alfredson, stated that the goal is to "draw men back to the faith in a way that is welcome" and provide an "opportunity for men to come together in prayer and fellowship."

The program has proven effective. What began in September 2019 as a small gathering of five people has now grown to include more than 50 participants. Eighteen of those participants were not Knights when they first attended, but the witness and brotherhood they experienced inspired them to join the Order. Alfredson refers to himself and his fellow participants as simply "regular Joes" committed to deepening their ties to the faith through brotherhood. "The name 'regular Joes' really signifies that we're just regular guys; there's nothing extraordinary about us," Alfredson said. "We're guys that struggle with our faith that have problems in our lives and yet we can come together and carry one another. That's part of the spirit of our faith."

This sense of brotherhood — iron sharpening iron — is what has attracted the men to attend the breakfasts. Even throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, they still gathered either in-person or via Zoom offering their prayers and sharing a virtual table with one another.

"We're really blessed by the fact that a good number of our guys were joining us virtually as they try to walk through the travails of COVID," Alfredson said. Joe Boggs, a member of Council 1266, believes the reason why the prayer breakfasts have been met with much success is that it provides a refuge for men to share their faith — something he saw was lacking in the community. He compared this program to Father Michael McGivney's mission for the Knights of Columbus, reaching into the margins of society and helping men who are struggling.

"We need these entry points like the men's prayer breakfast to provide these kind of safe spaces where men can be men, where they can share the wisdom that they've inherited over the years, and just really grow in brotherhood," he said.

For their accomplishments with the men's prayer breakfast program, Monroe Council 1266 received the Faith Program Award at the 139th Supreme Convention.

State Family Director Garret A. Kelenske

My Brother Knights and Families, I hope that you have enjoyed the Summer and you have been active and busy in your Councils. I also hope you have taken the time to do a Family Prayer Night in your Parish. It is still not too late to take advantage of the last few days of good weather and hold an event outdoors. Personally, with the coming of Fall I find that a nice bonfire a few hot dogs and the ability to pray with like minded Families is a great way to socialize. I also know Fall means football and a tailgate can be an opportunity to pray, especially for the Lions they sure do need it.

I know it seems to be a little early to talk about Christmas but if you don't get ahead of the program, you will find you are behind and scrambling to catch up. So, make sure to start ordering your material for all the Keep Christ in Christmas Programs that are available from Supreme. Weather it's A Journey to the Inn program, the Poster Contest, or the Billboard program. Please don't wait till the last minute to order your supplies and contact the people who will help make your programs successful.

I would also like to remind you that with Fall comes the third biggest holiday of the year. It's after Easter and before Christmas. Can you guess? Well, it's on November 15th. I am aware that there is an archery season also but if you are going out this year to hunt do not forget to take advantage of the State Youth Sportsman

program. This is a program that lets your Council take credit for getting those young hunters and fishermen out in the woods and waters of our great state. I have found that I am closest to my creator when I am out in the woods enjoying what he created for us. Please take the time to promote this program also in the coming months. This brings me to the last program I am going to promote to you. Food for Families program should be run all year and I know that we do a great job of doing just that. With the Holidays approaching we have a great opportunity to make a real impact in our community's by making sure that Families in need will at least have a good meal on Thanksgiving and Christmas. Please come up with a new twist to this program. Whether it's a Turkey drop off for a local pantry or perhaps what my Council has done in the past by cooking a Thanksgiving meal for those less fortunate. In closing I would like to thank all of you for all the hard work you do in your Parishes, your Councils and especially in your homes. Because what we are doing now is being witnessed by those who are going to continue doing these things and making miracles happen for others.

Your Brother in Christ
Garret A. Kelenske
State Family Director

Knights of Columbus History 1951

By the 1956 opening of the Knights of Columbus Vatican Film Library at St. Louis University, 9.5 million manuscript pages have been microfilmed and made available for scholars.

“TEN FOR CHARITY”

I am pleased to make this annual report of the “TEN FOR CHARITY” program for the 2020-2021 fraternal year. This was the **most successful** year since the program’s inception in 1977. Council contributions amounted to a grand total of **\$166,126.00**, a \$4,013.50 increase over the previous highest year of \$162,112.50. With members sending in donations to your councils and your Financial Secretaries forwarding these donations, you are participating in this program which allows our State Office to make contributions to worthwhile charities in amounts that are generally too large for individual councils to make themselves. I and the State Officers thank you for exercising our Order’s First Principle of Charity.

While this is a sizable amount, it is still much less than our potential. We were able to reach this amount without any remittance from 196 councils. This indicates that 55.86% of councils remitted funds. It is hard to believe that if the opportunity to contribute to this worthy program had been properly presented to all the membership, that one member of these councils would not have made a donation.

It is incumbent upon every financial secretary to include the donation information and request (the yellow slip) with their December billing notice, thus giving every member the privilege and opportunity to make a donation. This was the main point made at the summer diocesan meetings this past July.

Below is a list of the councils that contributed during the 2020-2021 fraternal year. My Brother Knights, if you made a contribution to your council through your dues payment or as a standalone donation and you don’t find your council number listed below, please contact your council financial secretary immediately and find out why.

A sincere thank you to all to those members who made their contributions to their councils and to the council officers who made this past year so successful. A sincere thank you as well to those Financial Secretaries who promoted this state program by inserting the yellow slips in their council’s dues notices. By your acts of Charity, Michigan Knights are able to come to the aid of many more charities and continue our service to our neighbor. Thank you for your continued contributions in this fraternal year.

Fraternally Yours

Thomas M. Wegener, P.S.D., FSD

Michigan State Charities Director

Archdiocese of Detroit - \$ 60,829.50

1266 - 2251 - 2569 - 2632 - 2660 - 2667 - 2690 - 2835 - 2950 - 3021 - 3042 - 3078
3129 - 3257 - 3292 - 3312 - 3577 - 3615 - 3725 - 3774 - 3830 - 3860 - 3956 - 3959 -

4064 - 4188 - 4556 - 5436 - 5446 - 5452 - 5492 - 6824 - 6865 - 7011 - 7018 - 7200 -
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10501 - 10724 - 11430 - 11658 - 11689 - 11756 - 11772 - 11811 - 11957 - 12121 -
12403 - 12408 - 12808 - 13318 - 13340 - 13362 - 13419 - 13453 - 13600 - 13645 -
13673 - 13731 - 13793 - 13799 - 13950 - 13980 - 13983 - 14213 - 14883 - 14928 -
15204 - 15967 - 16169 - 16630

Gaylord - \$ 10,683.50

853 - 923 - 1982 - 2022 - 2781 - 5083 - 6314 - 6548 - 6593 - 6851 - 7338 - 7365 -
8041 - 8556 - 8948 - 9979 - 11664 - 12294 - 13432 - 13958 - 15135 - 15937 -
16643

Grand Rapids - \$ 19,680.50

389 - 706 - 1300 - 2168 - 2975 - 4362 - 4404 - 7115 - 7341 - 7487 - 7719 - 7761 -
7869 - 8071 - 8291 - 8564 - 9802 - 9909 - 10992 - 11581 - 12668 - 12985 - 13035 -
13526 - 13579 - 13641 - 13653 - 13760 - 13865 - 14404 - 14598 - 14642 - 15495 -
15548 - 15691 - 15937

Kalamazoo - \$ 11,307.00

575 - 1120 - 2508 - 2900 - 2924 - 3447 - 3798 - 4036 - 4055 - 4141 - 5255 - 6980 -
11114 - 12998 - 13251 - 13633 - 13749 - 13942 - 14366 - 14409 - 14729 - 15439

Lansing - \$ 41,001.00

609 - 788 - 1139 - 1665 - 2659 - 2890 - 2959 - 3027 - 3092 - 3230 - 3281 - 4090 -
4354 - 6534 - 6687 - 6694 - 6742 - 7237 - 7304 - 7311 - 7418 - 7545 - 7816 - 7832 -
7891 - 7945 - 7955 - 8113 - 8391 - 8489 - 8605 - 8669 - 8735 - 8820 - 8858 - 9182 -
9711 - 9937 - 10542 - 10907 - 10963 - 11099 - 11694 - 11761 - 12044 - 12186 -
13360 - 13450 - 14031

Marquette - \$ 7,390.50

640 - 649 - 689 - 1396 - 1541 - 2713 - 2929 - 2934 - 6447 - 13115 - 13393

Saginaw - \$ 15,234.00

414 - 1297 - 1546 - 2141 - 2724 - 2740 - 2943 - 3029 - 3224 - 3651 - 4102 - 4232 -
5280 - 7571 - 7582 - 7717 - 8043 - 8554 - 8582 - 8785 - 8808 - 8892 - 12660 -
13452 - 14056

Michigan - \$ 166,126.00

Michigan State Bowling Association

The upcoming State Bowling Tournament is quickly approaching and we look forward to seeing everyone in 2022 again. This tournament will be co-hosted by Bishop Murphy Council #3257 (Warren, MI) and Knights on Bikes. The tournament will begin with the Opening Ceremonies Officers Tournament (teams do not need to be all council officers) and continue into the Open Division. The bowling center recently discovered a scheduling conflict and the **REVISED DATES** are; **Saturday February 12th, 2022 to Sunday March 13th, 2022 at Astro Lanes in Madison Heights, MI.**

Participation is open to all members in good standing who belong to a council in the Michigan Jurisdiction. This is a fun, fraternal competition

and great way to meet fellow K of C members from around Michigan!

For tournament flyers, applications and information visit: [https://](https://www.michigankofathletics.com)

www.michigankofathletics.com

Karl J. Zawalski

Bowling Association Secretary

kzawalski@wideopenwest.com

586-322-5275



**Daylight Saving Time ends
at 2:00 AM on
Sunday, November 7, 2021**

Turn your clocks back one hour

All Saints' Day, Monday, Nov 1, 2021

Every year on November 1, Roman Catholics and other Christians around the world observe All Saints Day, which honors all saints of the church deemed to have attained heaven.

State Community Programs

Hello Brother Knights, I'm sure you share my enthusiasm for conducting great community programs this fraternal year. A great program that I'd suggest your council conducts is the Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest. Considering that it's an easy program to run, a surprisingly low number of councils promote this great youth event. For the 2021-2022 year, the theme is to describe everyday obstacles that you may have experienced or witnessed others experiencing while living a life of authentic faith. Explain how you have overcome these obstacles and how, by doing so, it has helped your faith to continue to grow. With little promotion and a few volunteers to judge, the contest is one of the simplest to run but very rewarding for all the participants. I'd be happy to help your council in any way I can.

We are fast approaching colder weather, and Coats for Kids will again be a focus for many councils in Michigan. Coats can now be purchased at Knights Gear with a credit card for councils wishing to conduct their own Coats for Kids distribution. As an alternative, councils can contribute to the Michigan State Council distributions that will take place at locations throughout the state. Councils can simply send a check to our State Program Director Paul Palka with 'Coats for Kids' indicated in the memo line.

Casey the Teddy Bear stuffed animals are in stock and available for councils to purchase. The cost remains at \$120 per case of 12, and I can quickly get them to you. Simply send me an order form and payment and your council will receive

these teddy bears that are a great way to promote our order. Councils use them in a variety of ways such as baptism gifts, supplying them to first responders, distributing them at hospitals, etc. Families appreciate these simple acts of kindness and they leave a lasting impression on recipients.

Please fill out the Knight of the Month/Year form and submit them. Surely your council has a deserving brother knight that devotes his time and talents to your parish and community. This is a great way to provide a little recognition for members. While a significant number of councils regularly submit knights of the month, a surprising number of councils don't take advantage of this program. I'd suggest a knight of the month at least once a quarter. It takes such little time to fill out a small number of fields on the form and email it, there's no reason not to recognize one of our brothers for their contributions.

Our state free throw and spelling bee championships will again be held in March. Please coordinate with your district deputy to make sure that your council youth event is held prior to a district or diocesan championship.

Finally, please visit our supreme website for information on all the supreme Faith in Action programs at KofC.org. The Global Wheelchair Initiative for example, has great resources to use and is now much easier for councils to participate in.

Michael Haughey
State Community Director

Detroit Archdiocesan Vocation League Memorial Mass

In November of each year, there is a Memorial Mass hosted by the Knights of Columbus Detroit Archdiocesan Vocation League (DAVL). This Mass is in remembrance of the members of the Knights of Columbus, their spouses, families & friends who have been called to be with God the Father. This year's Memorial Mass will be held at the Sacred Heart Major Seminary on Sunday, November 7, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. The Seminary is located at 2701 Chicago Blvd. in Detroit.

The Memorial Mass is open to all members of the Knights of Columbus including their families & friends. Also attending are the Priests and Seminarians of Sacred Heart Major Seminary. Following the Mass, everyone is invited to attend breakfast and a short program. The seminarians who are not on assignment that day are also invited to share breakfast with us.

This is a great way to experience the seminarians, their backgrounds and their experiences while attending the Seminary, as well as to follow their call to the religious life. A free will donation of \$10.00 per person is suggested.

We pray that you will be able to schedule time to join us in this special Mass in remembrance for those who have gone before us. If you are interested in attending the breakfast, please RSVP by Friday, October 22nd to Robert Garstka at (586) 484-0781 or by email at rjgars@comcast.net

Names for the memorial plaque can be obtained by contacting Robert Garstka. Plaques start at \$25.00 per line up to a maximum of 4 lines.

Fraternally in Christ,
Walter K. Winkle Jr.
State Deputy

Gregory Brunson
StateVocations Director

Jeff Gapczynski
DAVL Chairman

Bob Garstka
DAVL Memorial Mass Chairman

See Memorial Plaque Application on page 18

Knights of Columbus Insurance

Dear Brother Knights,
Vivat Jesus!

Thank you to everyone who promoted and attended our Fraternal Benefit Seminar featuring, brother Knight and world renowned speaker Joseph Jordan back on August 18th! We look forward being a resource to the many brother Knights who have reached out to us for wise counsel.

As fall approaches, please be on the lookout for your Knights of Columbus Fraternal Survey in the mail from the Supreme Council. It's our chance to stay in touch with you, see what's changed in your life and let you know we are here to be of service. Just like last year the survey can be completed online; simple, fast and confidential.

In 9 years serving as an Agent, many people who know the Knights of Columbus from our good works in the parish or community, our disaster response, support for Special Olympics and our pro-life efforts. Many, do not know Blessed Michael McGivney was the first promoter of our fraternal benefits and that protecting our families was one of the two key reasons he brought those New Haven men together in the basement of St. Mary's in 1882. "No doubt Father McGivney was motivated by the wish to keep young Catholics from entering the ranks of condemned secret societies and by the need to protect families during sickness and death." (Faith and Fraternalism, The History of the Knights of Columbus 1882-1982; Christopher J. Kauffman, pg.17) Unite men of faith and protect our families. Our Order has been faithful to that mission for 139 years.

Have you invited anyone to become a Knight this year? Every Field Agent will help a minimum of 12 men join the Order by December 31st. Ask them how they are doing on their goal, put them in touch with your Catholic friends you want to join! These men are professional and trained to relay the mission and the invitation to men in our Parishes, lean on them!! Ask your agent for his free promo code and help him help the Order grow!!

With the beatification of Blessed Michael McGivney I feel a renewed zeal to invite men to join the Order to reap those benefits of Unity, Charity and Fraternity. I am just as zealous to help protect Catholic families. Tempus fugit, memento mori!
Vivat Jesus!

Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us!
Benji Borrelli, General Agent, www.kofc.org

How Will You Help Build a Culture of Life!?!

Our mission this year is to continue promoting the pathways of Building a Culture of Life through **Prayer, Taking Action, Standing Up, and Giving**. We should recognize that multiple pathways are required to support Building a Culture of Life in our parishes, legislation, education, marching, and personal sacrifice.

We would like you to consider **promoting or participating** in one or all of the following pro-life activities in Building a Culture of Life.

Let's begin with the **Giving** pathway and the introduction of a new Michigan State Council initiative. This new initiative is the **Knights of Columbus Baby Blanket** for expectant mothers who have been to pro-life pregnancy centers. The blanket is a white muslin fabric (45" x 45") and includes the Knights of Columbus logo along with the inscription "Created in the Image of God". Pricing is \$10 per blanket.



New Michigan State Council Initiative!

(Sample for illustration purposes)

Created in the Image of God Baby Blanket Order Form

Council No. _____ Council Name: _____

Order Qty: _____ Total Order (Qty * \$10) \$ _____

Ship to: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ eMail: _____

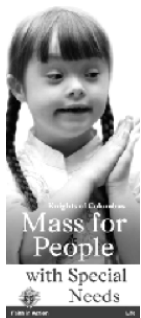
Checks Payable to: **Michigan State Council Knights of Columbus**

Memorandum: **Baby Blanket**

Send to: Ed & Lynn Strach
Pro-Life Chair Couple
522 Berkshire Dr.
Saline, MI 48176

Don't miss out in supporting this initiative! These blankets can be bought for pregnancy centers, parish baptism gifts, or local hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Units (NICU) as a memento from the Knights of Columbus in appreciation of mothers. This can also be a great gift for family members of the Knights of Columbus. Place your order today!

Another important pathway is **Prayer**, which you can do by supporting a **Mass for People with Special Needs**. This is a nice initiative that can include your council's COVID recovery action plan. Don't forget about **Novena's for Life** (featured Supreme program) which are on the rise in councils throughout the State. Supporting material for these and all programs are available on Supremes' website under Faith In Action Programs.



The



Ultrasound Initiative provides us a strong focal point as a **Taking Action for Life** to Build a Culture of Life. To date, 72 Ultrasounds have been dedicated throughout the state including the recent dedications in Traverse City (Thrive Medical Clinic, August 2, 2021) led by St. Francis Council #13958, PGK Ken Brzozowski and Gaylord (New Life Pregnancy Center, August 20, 2021) led by St. Mary's Council #2781, Trustee Michael Czajkowski. Six other Ultrasounds are wrapping up fund raising or are in the planning stages for the Ultrasound dedication ceremonies – bringing us to a total of 78 Ultrasounds in Michigan, all because of your hard work



Fr. Mitchel Roman, Parochial Vicar, St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Mary Cathedral and Holy Redeemer offers opening prayers of the 70th Ultrasound dedication at Thrive Medical Clinic, Traverse City

In addition, there is more good news! – there is a potential for **three** new Ultrasounds in Flint. Yes, that's right, **three** Ultrasounds for Flint. Consider the struggles this city and it's community have gone through over the past years and the hope we can bring to the unborn.

You are encouraged to **Stand Up for life** as **Right to Life of Michigan** continually looks for our support in state legislative actions that will **DEFEND LIFE** from conception to natural death. As the fall months approach you can easily organize or support local Life Marches in your area. 40 Days for Life or your local Right to Life affiliate are wonderful resources for upcoming marches. In addition, as the march dates are scheduled, they will be posted on the State website – Statewide News.

A special thank you to our State Chaplain, Fr. Paul Ballien and all of the diocesan chaplains for their dedication and efforts in **Standing Up for Life!**



Left to Right – Rev. Charles White IV, Detroit Archdiocesan Chaplain; Rev. Paul Ballien, State Chaplain; Rev. Robert Bacik, Lansing Diocesan Chaplain; Rev. Nicholas Cooper, Former Gaylord Diocesan Chaplain; Rev. Lam Le, Former Grand Rapids Diocesan Chaplain; Very Rev. Robert Creagan, Kalamazoo Diocesan Chaplain; Rev. James Bessert, Saginaw Diocesan Chaplain (not pictured Rev. Corey Litzner, Marquette Diocesan Chaplain).

If you have any questions or Building a Culture of Life suggestions, please let us know.

Thank you for Rising Up and Answering the Call for Life!

Ed & Lynn Strach, Pro-Life Couple

Michigan State Council Knights of Columbus

e.strach@mikofc.org

734-476-6296

Council of the Month Recognition

I would like to congratulate our July Regional Councils of the Month.

Region 1

Council 13958 Traverse City St. Francis, Traverse City
Grand Knight Martin Lomasney

Region 2

Council 12295 St. Mary Magdalen, Brighton
Grand Knight Ed Weber

Region 3

Council 13942 St. Joseph the Provider, Stevensville
Grand Knight Ronald Bronakoski

Region 4

Council 11957 St. Therese of Lisieux, Shelby Twp.
Grand Knight Richard Fisher

Region 5

Council 8902 Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Temperance
Grand Knight Robert Stoiber

How did they earn this recognition? The State Deputy Regional Representatives and Diocesan Directors evaluated the following criteria to determine the Regional Councils of the Month:

- Membership percentage
- All forms are current
- Youth protection is up to date
- Regularly scheduled exemplifications
- SDRR, DMD, DPD input

Councils of the Month are recognized by Regional Leadership with a Certificate and treats at a council meeting. To define treats, think cake, cookies, etc. It is meant to be a fun celebration of success.

I hope your council is the next one recognized as Regional Council of the Month.

Vivat Jesus,

Dan Fuller,
State Membership Director

From The State Advocate Charles Mc Cuen III

so big or Complex that a large platter of bacon, 20 minutes and good cup of coffee can't find a solution for.

God Bless

Charlie Mc Cuen, III
State Advocate

Knights of Columbus History 1953

Luke E. Hart becomes supreme knight; he is the first supreme knight to move to New Haven to assume his duties, reflecting the development of the Knights as a corporation.

A Catholic advertising program launched by Missouri Knights in the 1940s is adopted nationally by the Order. The ads encourage readers to learn more about Catholic teaching by contacting the Religious Information Bureau, later called the Catholic Information Service.

2021 Virtual Supreme Convention Delegates



L-R - Thomas J. O'Brien, Phillip M. Balmforth, Walter K. Winkle JR. SD, Joseph Ramirez Sr. SRGD, Supreme Representative, Fr. Paul Ballien SC, William H. Chasse` IPSP, Robert A. Skawara, Paul Palka SPD, Matthew J. Wierzgac, Virtual Delegates not pictured, Arthur R. Mucciante , Dennis L. Kaminski

“Dare to Be”

When a new day begins, dare to smile gratefully.
When there is darkness, dare to be the first to shine a light.
When there is injustice, dare to be the first to condemn it.
When something seems difficult, dare to do it anyway.
When life seems to beat you down, dare to fight back.
When there seems to be no hope, dare to find some.
When you're feeling tired, dare to keep going.
When times are tough, dare to be tougher.
When love hurts you, dare to love again.
When someone is hurting, dare to help them heal.
When another is lost, dare to help them find the way.
When a friend falls, dare to be the first to extend a hand.
When you cross paths with another, dare to make them smile.
When you feel great, dare to help someone else feel great too
When the day has ended, dare to feel as you've done your best.
Dare to be the best you can –
At all times, Dare to be!”

Our Structure - Local Councils

Local councils are the basic unit of the Knights. Most are based in parishes, though some have their own council hall within a community. Each local council works to assist with the needs of its community consistent with the principles of the Order. A Knights of Columbus council can work wonders; in fact, with its many programs, it can help change the community, town, city or neighborhood in which you live. However, a successful Knights of Columbus program depends on people taking the initial idea, modifying it to suit specific situations and local needs, then implementing the program in the way it works. Each local council evaluates the needs of their community and implements those programs and activities that are most needed in their area. The Knights of Columbus Faith in Action Programs are designed to engage the council members in various activities across a host of categories.



Dear Michigan Knights: YOU Help Children & Adults Every Day!

We had a busy summer and Fall is quickly upon us. As Michigan began to loosen the pandemic restrictions during the summer months and due to other child welfare agencies closing, we started getting more children coming into our St. Vincent Home. Plus, we were very, very active with helping people facing homelessness stay in their homes or we helped them find safe housing. Your generous donations help us help these children and adults every day, **THANK YOU!**

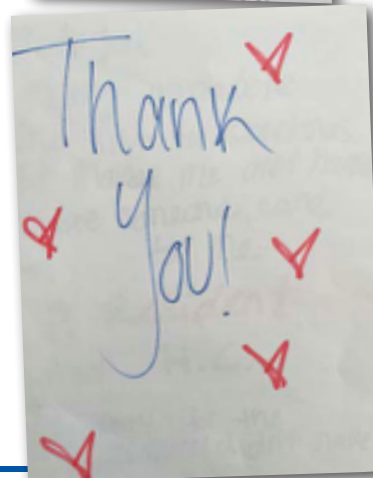
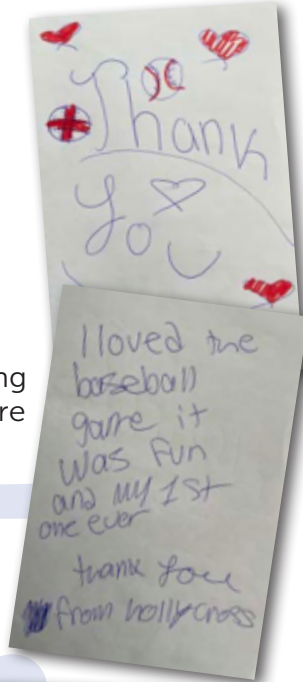
I also want to thank you all for inviting our kids to your annual Knight's Family Night in August where they had so much fun watching the Lansing Lugnuts and for you giving them food and snacks too! For many of them, this was their very first baseball game and they were all so excited and grateful they handmade some thank you cards. Please see some of them pictured here in the Columbian.

I hope you all have a wonderful Autumn season and get to enjoy our beautiful State full of changing colors and crisp air.

With Gratitude And Humility,

Sharon R. Berkobien

Sharon Berkobien
CEO



How Lives Are Changed with Your Donations

Your monthly investment in HCS, as well as other Councils' fundraisers, helps us go above and beyond the basic funds we receive in State and Federal funding. You help fill the gaps in financial needs that are not covered, so we can provide the very best care possible to all those we are privileged to serve.

Some Ways Your Dollars Make a Difference:

- Covering the employment costs of our Spiritual Services Coaches. Spiritual services are offered to all staff and clients at their request and are provided by our Spiritual Services Coaches. They provide weekly bible studies, spiritual counseling, and scripture discussion. They are always available to pray with the youth, adults, and HCS staff, or teach them how to pray, and provide spiritual support and mentorship.
- Spiritual Retreats. The children love these meaningful retreats where they learn about spirituality, life skills, all done in a fun, adventurous way. These are three-day retreats full of activities and every child receives a youth bible at the conclusion.
- Other monies go towards expenses NOT provided/covered such as: direct treatment supplies, bibles, school expenses, clothing, bikes for transportation for the teens to jobs, family visits, dental/medical expenses, drivers' education, children group activities (movies, camping, school trips, waterpark, theme park) etc.



Visit our website to see the new things we are doing, and to learn more about HCS!

HolyCrossServices.org



HOLY CROSS SERVICES

JULY CALENDAR WINNERS

Marc Carnarvon, Richard N. Hoffman, Robert Kuch, Kurt Chetosky, Debra Cruise, Ken Sobolewski, Samantha Andrus, Jim Kelbel, Devon Kardel, Philip J Francis, Charita Guisbert, Mary Scott, JoAnne Charbonneau, Mark C Mercurio, Jim Lagalo, John Moskwa, Katherine M. Buick, Ely Gianopoulos, Paul Wandoff, Tom Brooks, Dorothy Aregoni, Gene Mierzejewski, Lynn Denovich, Tom Pitsch, Father Robert Kolenski, Cyndi Mayer-Kolassa, Robert Morrow, Vincent J. Bechard, Richard Smith, Angie Guido, Gerald J Pung, \$500 Winner Jeff Richards

AUGUST CALENDAR WINNERS

Robert Agnello, Mark Gnaster, Sean McCarthy, Florence Ameloot, Lauraine Pettinato, Paul Teszlewicz, Brian Kelley, Patricia Snyder, James McIntosh, Robert A Ragnone, Paul Pung, John Calianno, Bill Rosen, Brad Messing, George French, Jack Zapytowski, Kenneth Carpenter, Jessica Sawyers & Danny Murray Jr., Robert W. Jansen, Douglas Kuras, David Warchuck, Colleen Snyder, Randy Baughman, Dan Vecchioni, Debbie Fournier, Daryl & Connie Iwankovitsch, Mr. and Mrs. James Atkinson, Kevin Raiss, Dennis Churchvara, Patty Speare, Ethel Gawel, \$500 Winner Gayle King

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR WINNERS

Jerome & Marie Manofsky, K of C #2723, Robert Schierschmidt, Francoise Atkinson, Terry Morreau, Len Wenderski, Fr. P.J. Cullinane Council, Kelly Vallier, Chris Ervin, Henry R. Murawski, Kurt & Nancy Iwankovitsch, Willard Kiessel, Dan Ostrander, Lindsay Randall, Luke George, Master Patrick Warchuck, James & Anna McIntosh, Nick Lucido, David Currie, Phil Lenhart, Debra Dodge, Doug Beaufore, Anthony Raona, Robert Kudwa, St. Jude Thaddeus Council, Father Jim Rolph, Joseph Arbanas, Olivia Speare, Edward Smeader, Mary Lou & Alan Selvig, \$500 Winner Anne Schoenherr

Other Ways to Get Involved

We have been asked by Knights across the state for other ways they may get involved.

WINTER ACTIVITIES FOR OUR KIDS

With the winter months upon us, Holy Cross purchases a variety of supplies and entertainment items to help keep our kids busy and happy! We look for monetary donations that we will use to purchase things such as:

- Sketch Pads
- Craft paper
- Paint Brushes, Paint, Canvas
- Karaoke Machine
- Regular playing cards
- Colored pencils/crayons
- Coloring books
- Supplies to make friendship bracelets
- Dream catcher (kits)
- Board games: Pictionary, DVD Scene it, and Things (game), Don't Spill the Beans, Dominos, Jenga, Uno, Stacko
- Movie Theatre Passes
- Xbox
- Journals
- Movie DVDs
- Exercise DVDs

CHILDREN NEW TO HOLY CROSS

We are always in need of VISA/Mastercard, Target or Walmart Gift Cards to purchase clothing for children who come into Holy Cross without anything.

For more information or to make a donation to help with these Winter needs, please contact Kassie at 248-980-4830 or kkretschmar@hccsnet.org.

MAIN OFFICE ADDRESS CHANGE

Please update our mailing address which is now:

Holy Cross Services, 1030 N. River Rd., Saginaw, MI 48609

This replaces the prior address of: 8759 Clinton-Macon Rd., Clinton, MI 49236



When NO WE CAN'T is the wrong answer



Grand Knight Joseph White of St. Nicholas Council, #7011, handing Fr. Libor Marek of Ss. Cyril & Methodius parish in Sterling Heights, Michigan, a check for \$2,500 after a successful K of C Lenten Fish Fry project for 2021.

It was Spring, 2021. Easter was coming and the Michigan COVID lockdowns were still being punctuated by brief periods of freedom. It was impossible to predict how things would turn out on the run-up to Easter Sunday. Would the Michigan Governor or the Department of Health clamp down once again with new restrictions?

The Knights of the St. Nicholas Council #7011 had had enough. Their last major fundraising event had been all the way back with the 2020 Lenten Fish Fry, which had been cut short after just one Friday in Lent, and the total shutdown of all such activities across the State of Michigan, and a resulting major loss of revenue and inventory spoilage.

Enough was enough. This year the Knights of Council #7011 were determined to reconnect with their fellow parishioners at Ss. Cyril & Methodius in Sterling Heights. They wanted to bring something back that was normal and familiar, for their neighbors and friends. Fish Frys allow all of the community, believers and

non-believers, parishioners and neighbors, to be together and have a meal. Lent had already begun, and to make it possible to serve the community, the Knights had to get moving.

In the past, the Ss. Cyril & Methodius Fish Frys, like the annual Slovak Festival, was hosted by one of the two Ss. Cyril & Methodius pillar groups with an assist in the kitchen by the Knights. This year, the group that usually organized the event was unable to mobilize its members so the Knights had no choice but to take on the task alone. In order to comply with state health mandates while still serving the community, the Knights decided to offer only curbside pickup service. They devised a system of taking orders, making quick and painless transactions, fulfilling the orders and keeping their guests, who were safe in their cars, on the move and happy with the service and the food.

When Joseph White, Grand Knight of Council #7011, called for help during the announcements at all Masses on the first Sunday of Lent, the parish responded. During the month-long program every Friday for the final four weeks of Lent, non-Knight volunteers from the parish came out and shored up our ranks, because they, too, had had enough of the shutdown and breakdown of communication between friends, neighbors, relatives, parishioners that a Zoom meeting or Teams call just couldn't compete with.

Led by Brother Knight Rick Yamin, who took on the lion's share of the work of sorting out the inventory of what was in stock, what was needed, where to go get it, and prepare the kitchen for an all-out assault on the Knights' resources, and supported by Deputy Grand Knight, Joe Honce, Financial Secretary, Carl Bontomasi and a steering committee from both the 3rd and 4th degrees, and under the guidance of Fr. Libor Marek, the Pastor at Ss. Cyril & Methodius, the Knights reinvented Fish Frys this past Lent. Now that indoor dining has been reinstated, and Michigan is on the verge of returning to opening up fully, there is little doubt that the new tricks learned during the dark days of the COVID-19 virus will be integrated with the tried and true methods from years past, and a new and better Fish Fry will emerge. Revenues from the 2021 Lenten Fish Frys were shared with the Parish, and were a welcome addition to the Knights' coffers, after the long draught of 2020. They will provide gifts for seminarians, support for the Parish, help for the MI drive and fund Right to Life initiatives across Southeastern Michigan.

All because the Knights of Columbus St. Nicholas Council refused to take no for an answer.

Knights of Columbus History 1954

On June 14, 1954, Flag Day, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signs a law adding "under God" to the U.S. Pledge of Allegiance, completing an effort Knights began three years earlier.

Knights of Columbus History 1959

On Nov. 20, 1959, the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., is dedicated with a more than 1,000 Knight honor guard. Knights contributed \$1 million, via a \$1.25 per-capita assessment over five years, for construction of the 329-foot bell tower.

May They Rest In Peace

Standish Council 2724

Edward Jennings

Centerline Council 2835

James Reid, G.K.

Westphalia Council 2890

Edward Wieber, PGK

Donald Pung

Allen Park Council 3774

James Pease, FDD, PGK

Farmington Council 4401

Bill McKeever, FDD

Gladwin Council 5280

Arden LaPalm, Patrick Drake

Roscommon Council 6593

Willis Waterman, Sr.

Montrose Council 8669

Anthony Sovis

Lansing Council 11099

Frank Couter

Harrison Twp. Council 11658

Brian Gemi, John Merriam

Novi Council 11811

Kenneth Hutchinson

Reed City Council 12668

Ronald Kendzierski, Sr.

Muskegon Hgts. Council 13579

Dec. Dave Kasprzyk

Southfield Council 14928

Patrick Kpodo

Vanderbilt Council 16092

Mike Wild, Field Agent

NOTE: FOR GRAND KNIGHTS AND COUNCIL PR CHAIRMAN

In each issue of the Michigan Columbian we print the Families of the month as designated by the local councils in the State. These families deserve State wide recognition. We appreciate your help in keeping this information current. The names of the Family of the Month and the Family of the Year need to be sent to: Garret A. Kelenske, State Council Family Life Director, 1439 Maple Ridge St., Muskegon, MI 49445. *cfy - council family of year . Send a copy of the Family of the Month to the Michigan Columbian.

Families of the Month**Bay City Council 414**

Gerald & Janet Swallow

Ken & Annette Eilf

Ricky & Lynn Mistura

Alan & Michelle Leppek

Lansing Council 788

Fr. John Klein Family

Fr. Prabhu Lakka family

Rick & Darlene Szedlek

Portland Council 2168

Luke & Malissa Schraubert

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From A Few Small Coins

Marlette (Mich.) Council 7337 sponsored a pop-up food pantry, distributing more than 11 tons of produce, milk and other goods to people in need. The project, organized in cooperation with a local church and food bank, was set in motion when a local woman donated a jar of dimes to the council.

Father-Daughter Team



Mark Goodhart of **Msgr. Clement H. Kern Council 8284 in Canton, Mich.**, and his daughter, Charlotte, participate in a council fund drive for people with intellectual disabilities.

Combined Rummage Sale a Great Success



L -R Grand Knight Clyde Straub presenting check to Michelle Johnson, Our Lady School Principal.

Knights of Columbus 6548, Grand Knight Clyde Straub presents a check to Michelle Johnson, Principal of Our Lady of the Lake Regional Catholic school for their share in the proceeds from the combined Rummage Sale held at the school gym. The proceeds generated over eight thousand dollars for the Knights and the School. The schools share is \$3,900 as well as the same equal amount for the Knights. The Houghton Lake Knights will be disbursing their share among the many charities that they support. The combined committee would like to thank the area communities for their generous donations of items to create the success of this rummage sale. A big thank you to all the community that supported this fund raiser with their purchases to assist Catholic education and Knight's charities.

For an Adopted Daughter

Members of **Our Lady of the Woods Shrine Council 7329 in Mio, Mich.**, built a wheelchair ramp at the home of a young woman has physical disabilities. The woman's father, now deceased, was a member of the council.

Fr. Eugene P. Labory Council #2724, Standish, MI, held a corporate communion on Aug. 8th, 2021, recognizing 3 members with 50 years of active service. Joseph D. Burdak (51 years), Benjamin E. Brummer D. D. and Marty J. Metiva (both with 50 years). Joseph hit 50 years during pandemic when the state was shut down. Honorees received certificates and 50 year pins. Knights also received a special prayer and blessing to continuing the good works of council.

Pope John XXIII Assembly 1536



In December 2019, Josh Earles was named Sir Knight of the Month at Pope John XXIII assembly 1536 in Plymouth, Michigan. Josh's father, Steve Earles, as named Sir Knight of the Month in the following month, January 2020. While it is not uncommon for fathers and sons to be in the same council and assembly, it is unusual for both to be named Sir Knight of the Month so close together.

Both Josh and Steve transferred into the assembly in 2019. Since joining, they have been active in the Color Corps representing the Fourth Degree at various functions through 2019 and early 2020. With the gradual lifting of COVID restrictions, the Earles are once again active and continue to represent the assembly as well as the Knights of Columbus frequently.

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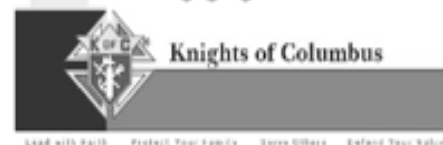
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