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Grand Knight's Report

By SK, Mike Kebr

Dear Brothers,



As we head into June, please keep in mind that we are holding our Annual election of Officers for the 2021-2022 fraternal year. The nominating committee consisting of PGK Mike Bradley, PGK Jeff Faye and PGK John Orso has put together the following slate of officers:

COUNCIL 3880 2021/2022 OFFICER SLATE

Grand Knight	Joe Scherb	Deputy Grand Knight	Matt Carzoli
Chancellor	Greg Ives	Recorder	Bob Kosin
Treasurer	Cesar Jimenez	Warder	Pete Harren
Inside Guard	Anthony Montenegro	Outside Guard	Mie Brucker
Outside Guard	John Carzoli	Advocate	Mike Chmiel
3 Year Trustee	PGK Mike Kebr	2 Year Trustee	PGK John Orso
1 Year Trustee	PGK Jeff Faye	Alternate to Grand Knight	Chancellor-Greg Ives
Alternate to DGK	3 Year Trustee- PGK Mike Kebr		

This is only a recommendation. If you are interested in holding an office and are a Third-Degree member, in good standing of council 3880, you can be nominated by a fellow brother from the floor. All nominees must be present at the meeting or by teleconference, in case a physical meeting cannot take place, to accept the nomination. If there is more than one nominee for an officer position the District Deputy will give >> 3

Deputy Grand Knight

What's Up

By SK, Robert

Followers of the calendar of the Council will note that June is the last month of the Fraternal Year and July 1st begins not only the new year but the term of the next Grand Knight. The Council has been well served by the current Grand Knight Mike Kebr and when looking over the unusual three-year term, reminded of the quotation of Lewis Carrol, "One of the deep secrets of life is that all that is really worth doing is what we do for others."

The Council is ending the year with charity donations to some seventeen organizations in the amount of \$8,600. No surprise as Charity is the watch word of this fraternal order. But does not stop there as the

Marian Scholarship is on scheduled for the graduate of St. Thomas. This is the same group of students who participated in the Keep Christ in Christmas Program. There was also the Seminarian donation that soon one of our own will be ordained.

While the Council learned to navigate the digital virtual meeting, it also learned to press forward upon the passing of its stalwart members. Again, no surprise to an organization whose motto is time flies, remember death. Most fitting is to end the month of May >> 6



Council Officers Fraternal Year 2020-2021

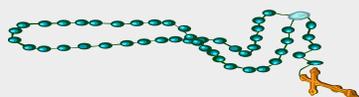
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Chancellor Joe Scherb 815/861-5210	Outside Guard Anthony Montanaro (815)-788-0422
Recorder Pete Herran 815/455-5130	3 Year Trustee FDD, PGK John Orso (815)-477-1048
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Advocate Mike Chmiel 815/477-4883	Membership Dir. Bob Wyman 815/356-1154
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Membership

Fellow Knights,

I am very excited that the parish is starting to open up. With that we will start having more contact with fellow Knights, which is great because I have missed that very much. With that, if you have prospects for new Knights for our council maybe this would be the time to call or e-mail them with the information for joining our council. See below for the online sign up for the Knights.

<https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html>

Above website is for joining online. Please

Knights Monthly Breakfast

Greetings Brother Knights and other worthy readers!

Fifteen months since the Last Breakfast...

Are we ready to cook?? Absolutely! But not quite yet... Things are certainly looking better. Masks are *almost* gone, but not quite... We are starting to have more people at Mass, but everyone? No, not quite! As things are starting to get back to some semblance of normalcy, we are seriously thinking that the Breakfast will happen again, and yes it will.. but not quite yet. As the State, the Diocese and the Parish begin looking at the capacity numbers moving from 15% to 50%, 60% and finally to 100%, we can be very serious. But until that time, we have a few things to consider. Chief among these is the question: When the Parishioners start going to Sunday Mass in the 'old' numbers, will they also be considering staying for the Breakfast? A few of us will be keeping careful track of the numbers coming to church, and as the numbers grow, then maybe it is time for an exit survey... are you at the point where you will stay for



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By Bob Wyman

provide this to the candidate. They still must fill out a Form 100 to join our council. Contact me and I will provide you with the online Form 100.

Questions, please let me know.

Bob Wyman
Cell: 815-529-1832



By PGK, PFN John Stefani

the Breakfast? Are you still concerned? What do we need to do (and ADVERTISE) to get people to show up.? *and in sufficient numbers* to make it worthwhile. I am not concerned with making a larger profit... I am not concerned with even breaking even for a while... I want the people coming in to be safe and feel comfortable and confident that we are in a safe environment. Many are and have been waiting for this day to come... but others are still nervous. So, we need to allay any fears and do our part to be ready.



We are Brothers... keep on being brotherly!!! Miss you all!

Some day, soon, we keep hoping ... and prayingand in the meantime... keep in touch with each other... doing our Brother Touch!!

John



Troop and Pack 127

By Dan O'Connell

The Boy Scouts of America (BSA) isn't just Cub Scouts and Scouts BSA. There are other Scouting programs that youths can take advantages of to learn life skills and explore their interests. Below is a short description of each of the programs available as outlined by BSA that can lead youths on the adventure that can last a lifetime.

CUB SCOUTING

When you're a kid, fun comes first. Final exams, driver's ed and summer jobs will arrive soon enough. Cub Scouts lets kids have fun while teaching them skills that will help them later on. From the thrill of shooting an arrow to learning how to transform a block of wood into a race car, Cub Scouts is one thrill after another. With a program expertly tailored to match each age in a young child's life, Cub Scouts learn that even when fun isn't easy, it's always an adventure. In Scouting, everything has a purpose. And it shows kids that doing their best is the most fun of all.



SCOUTS BSA

With more than 130 Merit Badges—from Archery and Art to Welding and Wilderness Survival—Scouting is the ultimate form of learning by doing. Scouts explore their interests and improve their skills while working toward Scouting's highest rank: Eagle. By first imagining, planning then doing their own service projects, Scouts learn the value of hard work, and experience the thrill of seeing it pay off. Add in outdoor adventures, hiking and camping, and Scouting gives youth experience that will benefit them throughout their life.



VENTURING

All teens have one—a moment that opens their eyes to a world that's bigger than they ever imagined. It might happen while paddling a quiet lake, bonding with new friends around a beach bonfire, or rising to the challenge of leading an exhausted crew to the >> 6



GK Report

further instruction at that time. The election will take place at our **June Business meeting on Tuesday June 1, 2021**. The Nominating committee would like to thank all the current officers for their hard work and dedication over the last year.

Our charity committee has also identified 17 different programs and organizations for disbursements. We are in the process of handing out checks to these organizations starting with the Boys Scouts Troop 127, a check was written at our May business meeting. We will be presenting a check to a representative from the IFSA-Burn Camp prior to the start of our June business meeting. Below is the list of charities and the amount being given to each.

St. Thomas Ministries

SPRED	\$500
RCIA	\$500
Youth Group	\$500
Religious Ed	\$500

Total \$2,000

McHenry County Area Charities

Scouts Troop 127 – Tents	\$600
CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates)	\$500
Right to Life McHenry County	\$500
1 st Way Life Center	\$500
Pioneer Center	\$500
NISRA (Northern Illinois Special Recreation Association)	\$500
FINDS (Family Ideas Network for Down Syndrome)	\$500
Turning Point	\$500
IFSA (Illinois Fire Safety Alliance) Burn camp	\$500

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Home of the Sparrow	\$500
Prader Willi Syndrome Association	\$500
Little Sisters of the Poor	\$500
Senior Care Volunteer Network	\$500

Total \$6,600

Grand Total \$8,600

THANK YOU for all of your efforts over the years. We could not do this without you.

In closing I would like to remind everyone that we are meeting again in person if you are comfortable. We will be meeting downstairs again at the church on Oak Street. It would be nice to see everyone in person if you can make it.

God bless.

Mary Queen of Knights, "Pray for us."

Vivat Jesus,

Mike Kebr
Grand Knight #3880

Crystal Lake Food Pantry

By PGK, Vince Esposito



Crystal Lake Food Pantry

No one should go hungry.

The Knight's involvement with the food pantry is now on hiatus. If you still want to help, please contact the help out, call the number below.

Crystal Lake Food Pantry

42 East Street,
Crystal Lake, IL 60014 815-455-0961

www.clfoodpantry.org



Fourth Degree

By SK, Dan O'Connell



Knights of Columbus

FOURTH DEGREE
Patriotic degree of the Order.

The Exemplification of the 4th Degree on May 15th went off without a hitch. The Marquette District had prerecorded the ceremony and it was very professionally produced. As always, the Degree team did a tremendous job. We are planning to have the October Exemplification in Rockford on the 23rd in person. If you know of any 3rd Degree brothers who is interested in becoming a Sir Knight, please make sure to get him a Form 4. If you need one, please let me know. More details to follow.

WHY JOIN THE FOURTH DEGREE?

Old Glory, "The Flag of the United State of America". "We Love It and Shall Ever Defend It". The Flag represents freedom, liberty, patriotism, our Constitution and Bill of Rights. Fourth Degree Knights act on these principles and what is right and honorable. "How"? By supporting and defending truth in the public arena. Protecting faith in civic life, such as the American examples of "One Nation Under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance and "In God We

Trust' on currency. Funding, restoring, and serving in Church initiatives and events. Patriotism, the Fourth Principle of our Order is loyalty to that Principle. Fourth Degree Knights hold unwaveringly to what is right and honorable. Fourth Degree Knights are committed to building lives of character.

Patriotism and Pride in one's nation is the driving force behind more than 250,000 Fourth Degree members in over 2,200 Fourth Degree Assemblies in the United States. The Fourth Degree is the highest and most prestigious degree within the Knights of Columbus. It is a group of outstanding Sir Knights who are dedicated to the service of their Church, their country and our Order. These men are unified in the Fourth Degree when duty extends beyond our own lives, beyond how we lead our families and into how we serve our fellow man.

Take the next step in your Knighthood and join the Fourth Degree. See any of your fellow brothers who are Sir Knights or please reach out to Dan O'Connell if interested. May God bless each of you and your families keeping you safe and well and God bless the United States of America.

Faith In Action

[Rosary Prayer - Faith Programs | Knights of Columbus \(kofc.org\)](http://kofc.org)

ROSARY PROGRAM

Faith in Action - Faith Programs



A Higher Purpose

Build faithful families and communities through rosary prayer. The Knights of Columbus Rosary Program encourages councils to promote devotion to the rosary in our families and parishes by scheduling regular rosary prayer services. Kits with rosary rings, rosary prayer guides, and leader books are available for councils to

order.

Overview

This program encourages devotion to Mary, the patroness of our Order, and emphasizes the importance of prayer in community and as a family. The Rosary Program encourages councils to schedule regular rosary prayer services on any day of the week, at any time of the year, with the guidance of their pastor. Councils should personally invite each family of the parish and offer attending families a copy of the Knights of Columbus Catholic Information Service's A Scriptural Rosary for the Family (#319). Encourage families to read this booklet and learn how their faith can be strengthened through a devotion to Our Lady, while praying the rosary at home together regularly.

Pro-Life

Novena for Life

[Novena for Life - Life Programs | Knights of Columbus](#)

The protection of life is a sustained prayer intention of the Church, and in particular of the Knights of Columbus.

A Higher Purpose

Lead your community in the spiritual fight to establish a culture of life. Knights and their families will come together in both public and private acts of prayer to promote the protection of life.

Overview

The protection of life is a sustained prayer intention of the Church, and in particular of the Knights of Columbus. Knights remain firmly committed to defending the right to life of every human being – from the moment of conception to natural death. To commemorate and bolster this important cause, councils will promote a novena, nine days of sustained prayer, to build up a culture of life in our parishes, homes and wider community.

SUPREME CHAPLAIN'S MONTHLY CHALLENGE [Supreme Chaplains Challenge | Knights of Columbus\(kofc.org\)](#)

THIS MONTH'S CHALLENGE MAY 2021

“As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and remain in his love. ... This is my commandment: Love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.” (Gospel for May 9, Jn 15:9-10, 12-13)

Christ tells us we will remain in his love if we keep his commandments. Saying you love someone can be easy, but it is really our deeds that reveal our love — or lack of it. Christ showed us how to love by his example and by sacrificing his very life for us. To love as Christ commands us to love demands action. The Letter of James says, “Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves” (1:22). May each of us commit to keeping the commandments and offering our very selves in service and sacrifice for others.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to meditate on the meaning of the Ten Commandments in your life by picking one on 10 different days and praying about it for at least 10 minutes. Second, during this month devoted to our Blessed Mother, I challenge you to assist your council in implementing the Faith in Action Rosary program — showing your love of Christ by showing your love of Mary.

Questions for Reflection:

Are you willing to proclaim to others that you love Christ? Does your life show this love by your obedience to Christ and the teachings of the Church, or are there areas of your life where you seem not to heed the Gospel? Are there times when you find it hard to love as Christ commands, and if so, how can you seek to grow in love?

Prayer for Protection in Time of Pandemic

By Robert Kosin

Prayer composed by Pope Francis seek Our Lady’s Intercession

It’s never too late. Join us in this Novena - 3/15 to 3/23. Do it on your own!

Join us in saying this prayer, from your home, with your family. Simply

download and print the prayer by selecting one of the links below:

- [11036 - Full Page Version](#)
- [11036A - Card Version](#)
- [11036B - Multiple Card Version](#)



Vivat Jesus

Right to Life Organizations



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Alton, IL 62002-5172
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Legislative Office:
308 Monroe
Springfield, IL 62701
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McHenry County Right to Life:
www.righttolife-mc.org
McHenry County Right to Life PAC:
www.prolife-victory.com

DD Report

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Knights of Columbus District Deputy, District 45. Learn more at [Kofc.org/joinUs](https://www.kofc.org/joinUs)

Covid Recovery Program - The Important Part

Last month I mentioned that the order has launched it's Covid Recovery Program (CPR). The intent of this is for councils to make an assessment and plans to re-engage their parish and community as Covid case numbers fall. However, this really isn't about the councils. It's about you. It's about the members re-engaging in parish and council activities. I had one of our more prominent council members tell me "I have been to a business meeting in over a year". While understandable, it's still kind of sad.

Maybe it's time to consider a personal Covid Recovery Program. Give thought on how you can become more active within your parish and council. Make it personal. Are you answering the call to step into the breach? Are you an active member? Since you're reading this, you're obviously involved. You obviously care. But your council needs you to be active. That means taking the step to reach out to your brothers. Getting off the couch or out of the house. There is much work to be done and if you are not engaged, your council's Covid Recovery Program will falter. Your community and parish needs will go unmet. Remember; If not you, then who?

DGK Report

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with the observance of Memorial Day and the Fifth Sunday Memorial Mass for all deceased members of the Council.

And so, the Banner will be posted, the US Flag will be unfurled throughout and more than a few blue shirts will be seen at the 9

o'clock Mass. If a member-to-be or new member or even a long serving member wonders, what to do first in the New Year, hold the Rosary, say a decade for those who have gone before us and then begin the service for others, because that is, what's it all about.

Troop and Pack 127

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edges of adventure. Venturing gives young men and women access to a range of programs and empowers them to create their own experiences. It brings Scouting values to life through both high adventure outdoor activities and challenging real-world projects.



SEA SCOUTING

Sea Scouting is a program of the Boy Scouts of America for young men and women ages 14 to 20. For over 100 years, Sea Scouting has promoted better citizenship and improved members' boating skills through instruction and practice in water safety, boating skills, outdoor, social, service experiences, and knowledge of our maritime heritage.

EXPLORING

Exploring provides exciting activities and one-on-one mentorship for youth looking to discover their future. Whether you're a local organization looking to strengthen the community or a young person wanting to uncover the



possibilities of your future, Exploring is a great place to start

Thank you for your support of Cub Scout Pack 127 and BSA Troop 127. All the best to you and your families as we look forward to another summer filled with activities, campouts and adventures as we begin to see things opening up around us. God Bless.

We Found Council Shirts

By SK Robert Kosin

Spring clean-up located the following polo shirts [five years plus] that the intent is to give away to a similarly named Knight. If time and space permits, please post in advance of the June 1st Council Business Meeting.

Polo Shirt Drawing June 1st

The Warden has located pre-embroidered shirts that have been waiting to be retrieved and like the business model of Filene's Basement, now available for a similarly named Knight. All you have to do is be the so named Brother Knight and attend the Council Business Meeting June 1st

with an up-to-date membership card having the name of one of the following pre-embroidered shirts. Must be in person. No pick-ups unless approved by the Grand Knight. Donations are welcomed. Drawing will be held if more than one member so named attends the meeting. Officers ineligible.

Name/Size

Bill—XL Bob—Med Dennis—XL Kevin—XL Rich—2XL

Know a Knight and let him know he may have a shirt with his name on it. If you need a shirt orders have been posted to Flock Notes.

Good of the Order

Knights' June Birthdays:

- Dennis Amato
- Harry P. Blus
- John W. Erickson
- Jeffery T. Faye
- Richard M. Fink
- Richard W. Heuer
- Matthew Hund
- Mike Jasminka
- Richard Kelly
- James J. Kratochvil
- Mario Manno
- David J. Miloch
- James Nimps
- Jon Russell
- Kevin F. Scanlan
- Peter J. Walters

- Stephen W. and Judie Bright
- Marc and Erica Duffy
- Vincent P. and Kathy Esposito
- Jeffery T. and Lynn Faye
- Keith M. and Linda Fisher
- Ralph W. and Gail Gebert
- Mike and Joni Jasinski
- Rick and Mandi Kaup
- James J. and Jill Kratochvil
- John and Wanda Loretan
- Daniel J. and Annette O'Connell
- Ken A. "Tiny" and Heather Pearson
- John J. and Jennifer Streit

PGK, Phil Weyna

May 11, 1932 ~ May 20, 2021
(age 89)

May he rest in peace. Amen.

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Wives June Birthdays:

- Marie Chmiel
- Maria Galvin
- Lucille Polakowski
- Jennifer Streit

Good of the Order—

Pray For List is included in your May Minutes



Read the Bible and Pray the Rosary.



Remember and pray for our troops in this hopeful new year.

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June Anniversaries:

- David A. and Jacquelyn Behm
- Tom and Jean Marie Brickey

Fifth Sunday Memorial Mass—May 30, 2021 —9:00AM

By SK, Robert Kosin

5th SUNDAY

Sunday May 30th is a Fifth Sunday of the month for which the 9AM Mass is in memory for the Deceased Members of Father McCormick Council 3880. The health and safety standards during the Pandemic has changed to expand our attendance and participation at Mass. If your health condition provides, please consider attending in your Blue Shirt and for those Past Grand Knights, the White Shirt is a worthy memento to wear of your past service to the Council. But attendance should not limit the moment of prayer on that day. As well as attending or streaming Mass that day, find a place to hear an inner voice or view of His creation and if the weather is conducive, stand outside on that Sunday, long enough to say a decade.



Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you;

Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

And from the gentle repetition of each prayer be mindful of our deceased members, their faith in their clergy, love of Our Lady and how each lived a life in recognition of Tempus Fugit, Memento Mori.



Fr. McCormick Council 3880
Crystal Lake, IL 60014

St. Thomas the Apostle



Council Calendar

June 2021	July 2021	August 2021
6/1 Business Meeting Officer Elections 6/6 D-Day 6/15 Officer Installation 7:30 PM and Social Meeting 8:30 PM 6/20 Father's Day	7/1 Fraternal Year Begins 7/4-5 Independence Day 7/6 Business Meeting 7/20 Social Meeting	8/3 Business Meeting 8/15 Assumption of Mary 8/17 Social Meeting

Prayer for the Canonization of Fr. Michael J McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Fr. Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body

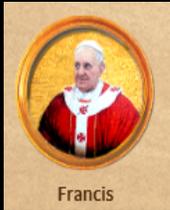
which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, bless our parish, our



Knights of Columbus Council and Lady's Auxiliary.

KNIGHT LIFE

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Francis

APRIL 6th



Make the Right Choice!
Life is not Your Choice. It's Your Responsibility!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.