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Grand Knight's Report

By Mike Kebr

Dear Brothers,

I would like to take this time to remind each of us to pray and pray often. Nothing is more important than maintaining a close relationship with our Lord Jesus and His Mother Mary. A good way to do so is to pray the rosary daily. Whether you recite it on your way into work, in the car or on the train, or in the evening with your family. It is a great way to stay grounded and connected with our faith. I would like to take



this time to recap some of our past events since the last newsletter. A big shout out to PGK Mike Bradley and our treasurer Matt Carzoli for pulling together our participation in Johnny Appleseed in downtown Crystal Lake. Although the event did not do as well as expected mostly due to the relocation of the crafters' venue from Ormsby's parking lot to the square near the train depot, it did not mean it there was any less work involved to pull it off. Thanks to Mike's foresight

and ability to return unopened food and beverages our council did not take a loss. Thank you to all those that helped at this event.

I would also like to thank our Life Director, Marc Niemann and Kevin Scanlan for organizing and conducting our Novena for Life this past month. The event was a success and I look forward to the other events Marc has planned and is working on. Finally, I would like to thank our Membership Director and our worthy chancellor for holding our Welcome Back Brother event at our social meeting on October 15th. Thank you too to DGK Bob Kosin for the movie. It was a great turn out. Thanks to all that could make it. I would also like to remind everyone of our next Holy Day of Obligation, All Saints Day, Friday November 1st. This is followed by All Souls Day on Saturday, November 2nd. Please take time to remember and pray for all of our faithfully departed Brother Knights, family members and friends. Along that note, I would also like to remind each of you about our Annual Memorial Mass which will be held Tuesday, November 19th. I invite you and your family to attend. Thanks to SK(s) Mike Jasinski and Kevin Scanlan for >> 5

Deputy Grand Knight

Rosary Corner

By SK, Robert Kosin

Bishop Malloy has a column in the latest edition of the Observer about praying the Rosary. And to a Knight, his words should speak volumes as the Rosary is the first physical item given to a new member of our Order with the admonition to carry it always. The Bishop notes that it takes work to recite the Rosary prayer amidst the distractions from the ever-changing stimuli in today's world. Good things regularly require our effort, focus and reverence. Your Council helps in many ways to have that prayer.

In terms of the tangible part of this prayer, most ever KoC monthly breakfast in the Community Room, there is a wonderful person, Joyce Holm at a table with a sign saying, "Rosary Repairs for Free".

But it's not just for repairs the Joyce is available but

for the last five years has wit and wisdom to share about the art and style of Rosaries. There are stories to be told and memories shared with those who stop by for a brief TLC to their Rosary. This breakfast in October, Joyce repaired a link on a way too often twisted Rosary with the comment that it's the twisting that creates the damage. Not quite the type of the power of prayer needed.

So, Brother Knights the month of October is precisely the time to renew our dedication to this great prayer and to the love and intercession of Mary. Remember that which should be in your pocket signifies how May's love encircles us all, bringing us ever closer to her Son. She truly is Jesus's mother and our own as well. Hail Mary Full of Grace.



Council Officers Fraternal Year 2018-2019

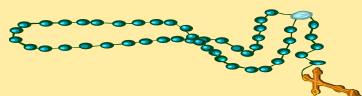
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Membership

By Mark Allen

I think our October social meeting was outstanding! I would like to thank our Deputy Grand Knight Bob Kosin, our Chancellor Joe Scherb and our Warden Cesar Jimenez for everything they did to make it a success. Most of all thank you brothers who attended. For those of you who could not attend or chose not to attend, you were missed, and you missed out on a good time. I also think our Memorial Mass was another positive for our Council. I would like to thank Stefano Liparoto for his extremely informative presentation regarding our order. Also, we currently have an Admissions Degree scheduled for the 17th of December before the Social Meeting and at this moment we have two candidates awaiting to partake in that degree, and of course we are open for more to take part.

Most men these days do not have enough, if any, insurance to assist their family if they are called home by our Lord and Savior. Let's admit it, we are guys and we all feel indestructible. I think this is a good talking point when opening the lines of communication with someone. I am willing to bet very few men know that The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal benefit society. I learned that the definition of a fraternal benefit society means that the society (Knight of Columbus) can provide financial security to members and their families, while turning premiums into charitable impact. I learned that we provide more than just life insurance. We provide both permanent and

term life insurance, retirement annuities, long term care, and disability insurance. When was the last time you reviewed your insurance policies? We as Catholic Gentlemen, know it is our responsibility to take care of our family and the proper amount of life insurance is part of that responsibility. I cannot take credit for this information, as I obtain this information from the Knight of Columbus website (www.kofc.org) or more specifically <http://www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/insurance/index.html> check out the link it has a good planning tool in it.

Last issue I provided you with a tool to assist you in recruitment www.KofC.org/JoinUs. Here is another link you can use <http://www.kofc.org/en/who-we-are/our-story/index.html>. We Knights are constantly working to build a bridge back to faith. I wonder how many other Catholic men who are not Knights are doing the same thing and are just waiting to be asked.

If you have any questions, concerns, comments, or suggestions please contact me. Here is my contact information: personal cell phone is 815-861-6602, work cell phone 312-246-9176, personal email obg40@msn.com and lastly my work email: mallen@ualocal130.org



October Breakfast

Well, maybe the last Sunday of sunny fall weather was the culprit, but people seemed to have decided to enjoy the weather and then settle in for a hopefully great afternoon of a Bears route of the Saints... maybe it was the name Saints that doomed everything! As this is being written on Sunday, you know what happened to the Bears, and we were the pre-cursor to the doom! So yes, we had a second month in a row of poor crowds. We didn't make the magic number, but we are still up for the year. Keep your fingers crossed that November is NOT a Turkey for the breakfast.

In retrospect, when we began prepping, Bob Newport asked if we were going to do the Pumpkin Pancakes we have done

By PGK, PFN John Stefani

the last couple of years and I said no. He was thrilled... maybe that was a bad omen... so if I didn't rely on him so much, I might blame him, but, nah, can't do that ... blame it on the weather or the failing Trubisky/Nagy experiment... So, we try again, and look forward to another successful regular breakfast in November, on the 17th!



In the meantime, take care of you and yours and pray for ALL of us!



Troop and Pack 127

By Dan O'Connell



For over 100 years, the Order of the Arrow (OA) has recognized Scouts and Scouters who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. This recognition provides encouragement for others to live these ideals as well. Arrowmen are known for maintaining camping traditions and spirit; promoting year-round and long-term resident camping and providing cheerful service to others. OA service, activities, adventures and training for youth and adults are models of quality leadership development and programming that enrich and help to extend Scouting to America's youth.

The Order of the Arrow has more than 160,000 active members located in lodges affiliated with over 270 BSA local councils. As of August 2018, there is now an OA lodge in every council across the United States.

Scouts are elected by their peers into the OA as long as they have met the requirements to be eligible for membership. **As of February 1, 2019**, unit elections are permitted in Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scout units. This is for both male and female scouts. The Order of the Arrow membership requirements are as follows:

- Be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America.
- Have experienced 15 nights of camping while registered with a troop, crew, or ship within the two years immediately prior to the election. The 15 nights must include one, but no more than one, long-term camp consisting of at least five consecutive nights of overnight camping, approved and under the auspices and standards of the Boy Scouts of America. Only five nights of the long-term camp may be credited toward the 15-night camping requirement; the balance of the camping (10 nights) must be overnight, weekend, or other short-term camps of, at most, three nights each. Ship nights may be counted as camping for Sea Scouts.
- At the time of their election, youth must be under the age of 21, and hold one of the following ranks corresponding to the type unit in which they are being considered for election: Scouts BSA

First Class rank, the Venturing Discovery Award, or the Sea Scout Ordinary rank or higher, and following approval by the Scoutmaster, Crew Adviser or Sea Scout Skipper, be elected by the youth members of their unit.

- Adults (age 21 or older) who meet the camping requirements may be selected following nomination to and approval by the lodge adult selection committee.

There are three levels of membership (called honors) in the Order of the Arrow. The first is Ordeal which entails cheerful silent service with small amounts of food working on camp improvement projects.

After 6 months of service, an Ordeal member is eligible for the next level which is Brotherhood. This emphasizes the ideals of Scouting and when completed signifies full membership in the Order.

After two years of exceptional service as a Brotherhood member, and with the approval of the national Order of the Arrow committee, a Scout or Scouter may be recognized with the Vigil Honor for their distinguished contributions to their lodge, the Order of the Arrow, Scouting, or their Scout camp. This honor is bestowed by special selection and is limited to one person for every 50 members registered with the lodge each year.

Troop 127 has many OA members both scouts and scouters. This is all due to your continued support at both a Pack and Troop level which we appreciate. We wish you and your family a Happy Thanksgiving and we are thankful for Council 3880.

God Bless.



P.A.D.S is Back

By GK, Mike Kebr



Dear Brother Knights! PADS is on again! After a meeting it was agreed that

Fr. McCormick Council 3880 will continue the worthy tradition started by Brother John L Orso and led for many years by Brothers PGK John M. Orso and Steve Bright. There was some concern earlier after the hosting church and major sponsor were changed. Pioneer Center is the new Sponsor, and the church that we will be serving dinners at is the new Willow Crystal Lake. Linda from Bethany will still assist us in coordinating the serving for a while longer.

Our only change, really, is that we do not need to have the food at Willow until between 6:30 and 6:45 PM. Everyone involved at this point thinks this will ease our burden.

With this, WE NEED YOUR HELP! As the first dinner starts on Sunday, October 28th, we are playing catch-up! Here is the tentative schedule:

- October 28th O P E N or John Stefani
- November 24th O P E N (although we do have Turkeys!!)
- December 22nd Jim Skaja
- January 26th Robert Kosin
- February 23rd Pat Maguire
- March 22nd O P E N

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Crystal Lake Food Pantry

By PGK, Vince Esposito



The first Saturday of October was the council's scheduled day to work the Food Pantry. The Help for the months in autumn have been great. We had a total of 14 members and family work the Saturday shift. The new hours from 8:30am (or so) to noon have helped the decision making of some members to help out. Instead of a 4 to six hour shift 2 to 3 really seem more palatable for our busy Saturdays. Everybody has something to do be it yard work, family time or just plain taking a day off from the work of the week.

We served 53 clients in the three hours of service time the pantry was open. That number is up some from the previous few months. November and December usually are busy months with Holidays and the end of the spring and summer seasonal jobs. The volunteer crews will be split in December between the Food Pantry and Christmas tree lot. I'll really need the help the next few months.

The November Food pantry days are the 2nd and 21st, December's will be the 7th and 19th.

So to remember the Saturday dates just remember All Soul's Day and Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day.

One of the members who had been working the pantry for a while was notably absent PGK, FS Steve Haugh. But when talking with him on Sunday we are still in his thoughts as he misses working the food pantry. We may be in his thoughts but he is most definitely in all of our prayers.

Crystal Lake Food Pantry

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Fourth Degree

By SK, Dan O'Connell



October Exemplification and Other News

at an interesting venue. Our Council had one candidate join the 4th Degree and that was Ken Schutz, sponsored by yours truly. Our Faithful Navigator for Bishop Boylan, David Jones was also a Knighting Officer at the event.

I mentioned the venue as it was held at Aurora Central Catholic High School. It was a one-day affair that started at 9 AM and wrapped by 9 PM. The candidate's holding room was the Home Economics classroom. A rather delicious box lunch was catered in for the candidates. The Exemplification itself took place in the gymnasium which was also the site for the Mass at 4 PM which was

officiated by Bishop Malloy. Father Jon Bakkelund was also in attendance as a concelebrant.

The Ladies Luncheon was held in the library of the school and they were entertained by the Marmion Academy Women's Choir. It was a very nice program based on the feedback I heard at our table.

The dinner was held in cafeteria and catered by Reuland Food Services of Aurora who had also prepared the box lunches and the ladies' luncheon. Delicious salmon and beef were served buffet style. Potatoes, mixed vegetables and some delicious cakes for dessert rounded out the evening. It was a successful event overall. The next Exemplification will be in Lisle at the Sheraton on February 22, 2020. Start recruiting now and if you need Form 4's or have questions, please see John Stefani or myself.

Our next Assembly meeting is November 13th at Holy Apostle in McHenry. We need Sir Knights to show up as the last 3 out of 4 meetings, we did not have a quorum to take care of the Assembly's business. Please plan on attending in November as Council 3880 is a large percentage of the Assembly's membership.

Vivat Jesus!

Pro-Life Report

By Jamie Hruza

In Tuesday's democratic debate the democratic candidates for President of the United States were united in their clear message that a vote for them would be a vote to continue the killing of unborn babies in the womb. Their message.... there are no rights in the womb was stated loud and clear. This is a wholesale rejection of God's divine plan and the destruction of his creative work. Each baby was created by God and is loved and cherished in the eyes of God. Please pray for these men, women, and those who would vote for the advancement of the genocide of these helpless little babies. Pray for the scales to fall from their eyes so they can see the evil they are perpetrating on the very babies they are tasked to protect.

<https://www.liveaction.org/news/democrat-candidates-no-rights-human-beings-womb/>

<https://www.liveaction.org/news/cory-booker-restricting-abortion-threat-america/>

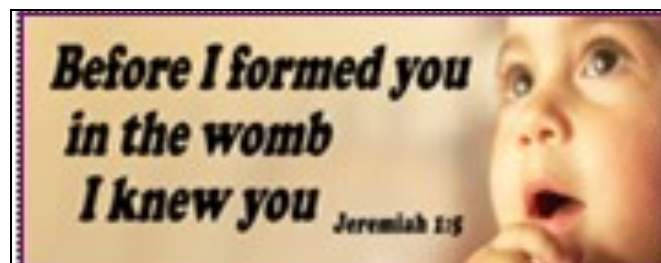
In horrifying news Planned Parenthood, to counter the Pro Life laws of the great state of Missouri, has secretly built an abortion mega center in Southern Illinois 13 miles from the Missouri border. This 18000 sq ft monstrosity was built to provide Missourian women abortion by simply coming over the border into Illinois, to flee from the Pro Life laws of Missouri. This is a clear betrayal of the laws enacted within Missouri. Illinois should be ashamed as they clearly knew the agenda of PP when erecting such an abomination. Please pray for our elected officials to protect life and turn away from the evil of abortion.

<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/planned-parenthood-mega-clinic-to-open-in-illinois-response-to-restrictive-abortion-laws-exclusive-2019-10-02/>

Abortion is clearly an evil sacrifice on the altar of sexual pleasure. It is our pleasure that we seek with complete disregard for the consequence of that sexual act. If a child is conceived within the hook up

culture, the escape of the consequence is abortion. Simply make it go away. Within the sacrament of Holy Matrimony the marital embrace is always open to the procreation of children. This is pleasing to God and the love between man and woman pours forth a 3rd, a beautiful child. God has deemed that the sexual act is always to be within the confines of Holy Matrimony. Sex outside of marriage is a grave mortal sin. If you look at the number of aborted babies annual you can't help but to be horrified at how many babies are just discarded like waste. Every single one of those babies is more precious to God than our human minds to ever contemplate. Just as you are more precious to God than you could ever contemplate. Know this we will give an account for the evil of abortion. We will have to state what we did to stop it. What will be your answer to God? Please stay close to the sacraments including at a minimum bi-weekly confession and do your daily rosary –it is the weapon you need in this spiritual battle.

God Bless



Editor Note:

Congratulate James Hruza who is now R.C.I.A. Adult Confirmation Coordinator, St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church
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Grand Knights Report

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putting this together.

In closing, I have a message from the Christmas Tree Committee. It's that time again. Please sign up for an hour or two or more. We will have the sign-up book at our November business meeting, Tuesday November 5th. Tree lot set up is Saturday November 16. Sales begin the Friday after Thanksgiving, November 29th. If you are interested or have any questions please contact Bob Wyman or myself. "Christmas

Trees 2019!"

As always, thank you for all that you do.

Mary, Queen of Knights. "Pray for us"

Vivat Jesus,

Mike Kebr, Grand Knight, Council #3880



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McHenry County Right to Life:
www.righttolife-mc.org
McHenry County Right to Life PAC:
www.prolife-victory.com

2019 Memories



P.A.D.S. is Back

•April 26th Dan O'Connell, Jr.

As you can see, we have a few dates open, but this is after I called and implored those listed, who have done this event for many years. I have myself listed for October because it is soon... but if anyone wants that date, please let me know! Anyone else interested in ANY date, or who wants to get their feet wet (along with any and all friends and family members!) give me a call...

John @ (815) 679-6596. AND, anyone who wants to be a co-chair

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with PGK Orso, let me know... I only got involved to help Linda make sure we are still going to do this... it is one more way of being out there to help our neighbors without all the hoopla of our banners and colors... as PGK Vince would say, it is us doing what we do for the sake of doing it... yet another Charitable event.

Michael Kebr, Grand Knight - #3880
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Family Director

By SK, Kevin Scanlan

Rosary for Life Novena

Monday, Oct 7 and Monday, Oct 14

The Rosary of Mary went very well. Everybody liked the way it was done. It was disappointing that there was next to no one at these event nights. No priests showed up either even though they are brother in the KofC as well.

Contact SK, Kevin Scanlan
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Note 3 Pictures of the event are in the lower right corner above.

Good of the Order

Knights November Birthdays:

- Joshua Antongiovanni
- Francis Barciak
- Gary J. Di Renzo
- Phillip E. Dorsch
- Gerald C. Fraser
- Rick Kaup
- Cedric Koscielski
- Daniel J. Melko
- Steve A. Reed
- Eric J. Skaja
- James A. Surdrick
- Edwin G. Voss
- David A. Warren
- Martin Weniger
- Robert Wyman
- German G. Zambrano
- Gerald M. Zopp

Wives' November Birthdays:

- Pamela Erickson
- Marie Habisohn
- Peggy Haugh
- Mary Hodorowicz
- Claudia Kendzior

November Anniversaries:

- Michael and Erika Caliendo
- Tony and Diane De Pippo
- Paul J. and Marilyn Georgy
- Timothy J. and Karen Hicklin
- Dennis and Joyce Holm, Sr.
- Robert and Cheryl Newport
- Stephen J. and Debbie Starr

Good of the Order— Knights of the Month:

None presented

Family of the Month:

None presented

Pray For List is included in your November minutes

Apologies for misspellings in the above list.

Note:

If we have missed anyone's birthday, anniversary, or a special congratulations please email: THicklin@aol.com,

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Use the email address above.



Read the Bible and
Pray the Rosary.

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



Fifth Sunday Memorial Mass—December 29, 2019—9:00AM

By Robert Kosin

Tempus Fugit, Memento Mori!

Sunday, December 29, 2019, is the next memorial mass of the 2019 fraternal year. Please plan on joining us for 9:00 AM Mass at St. Thomas the Apostle Church. We had a great turnout at the last mass in December, and we need to keep it growing!

All Knights and their FAMILIES are invited to attend. The entire **right center section** of pews as you face the altar will be reserved for our council. Our council banner will be on the altar and we will be presenting the gifts in our cross formation. An impressive sight to all who attend!

Adorers Needed

By GK, Mike Kebr

Brothers,
As you may recall our council has agreed to cover the overnight Adoration hours for the parish. It is a great opportunity to spend some quiet time with Our Lord.

We have two hours open currently. **They are 1 to 2 am and 2 to 3 am on the 4th Friday of the month.**

If you are interested and able to cover either one of these two

time slots, we will meet our commitment to the parish, and it would be greatly appreciated

You can contact Annette directly at annoco60@gmail.com if interested.

Thanks, Annette and Dan

Michael Kebr, Grand Knight - #3880 815-814-7395 (cell)

Council Calendar

November 2019	December 2019	January 2020
11/1-2 All Saints-All Souls 11/2 Food Pantry 11/5 Business Meeting 11/16 Christmas Tree Setup 11/17 Breakfast 11/18 Social Meeting 11/21 Food Pantry Thursday 11/23 Christmas Tree Lot Setup 11/24 PADS 11/28 Thanksgiving 11/29 Christmas Trees 2019	12/3 Business Meeting 12/5 Food Pantry 12/8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary 12/15 Breakfast with Santa 12/17 Social Meeting—Tree Sales should end 12/19 Food Pantry Thursday 12/25 Christmas Holiday 12/29 Mem. Mass & PADS	1/1 Mary, Mother of God / New Years Day 1/4 Food Pantry 1/4 Blood Drive 1/7 Business Meeting 1/11 Polish Dinner 1/16 Food Pantry Thursday 1/19 Breakfast 1/21 Social Meeting 1/26 PADS

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.
Amen.



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