



# Knight Life

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### Crystal Lake, IL 60014



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## Grand Knight's Report

By Mike Kebr

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ear Brothers,



As I am about to write this article the first day of Fall will be upon us. This can be my favorite time of year. A time to reflect on what we have done so far and where we are headed into the future. I would like to thank everyone that helped make the parish block party a success. I will say I was not sad to see only one other food vendor at the event and that "we" were set up first and had people lining up at our trailer before the other vendor was set up. Nice job guys. It was one of our more successful block parties at least from our end. The fact that it was DRY and no rain was definitely a plus. PGK Mike Bradley is now working on pulling together our participation at Johnny Appleseed Festival, which will be held Saturday September 28<sup>th</sup>. I believe Mike will be finally adding

the long promised "steak sandwich" to the menu. We have a couple of other keep events coming up as well. The first being a "Novena for Life" which the Knights are sponsoring for our parish, October 6<sup>th</sup>-October 14<sup>th</sup>. This is being headed up by our Life Director Marc Niemann. The Novena will be kicked off at the masses on October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. We will be holding a rosary on October 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> for the parish as well. The Novena for Life is one of the Faith in Action requirements that fall under the Life category. Thank you, Marc, for your diligence in pulling this together.

I would like to invite ALL of our brother knights to our recruitment event, to be held on Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. It will be an opportunity to welcome back brothers that have not been active in a while and to invite potential new members to learn more about what it means to be a knight. We can help answer to Catholic men "What's in it for them" or "What we, as Knights, have experienced as a member". This will take place in lieu of our normal monthly social meeting. I hope to see you there.  
It's that time again, CHRISTMAS TREES, 2019! >> 7

## Deputy Grand Knight

Summer Fun

By SK, Robert Kosin

Let's Keep In Touch

At the start of one's membership in the Knights of Columbus, the Financial Secretary challenges each new Brother Knight to take an active role in their Council. In todays age of communication, ask yourself does the Council have your current contact or the favorite method to reach you. Yes, truth be told there are members of this Council who still support the USPO just as there are members who follow the next latest and greatest from Silicon Valley. Where do you fit in that communication spectrum and have you shared it with the Council Membership Director? In the Knight Life with the contact list of officers, ask about participating at Johnny Appleseed, October Breakfast, CL Food Pantry or in the season to come, setting up and working in the Christmas Tree Lot. As that old commercial says, wait there's more, the Par-

ish web page lists among the ministries, the Knights of Columbus such that wherever there is internet access you can find out for example that Sunday, October 6th is Respect Life Sunday with the KofC Council #3880 will begin a Novena for Life. You can use the Rosary of Mary, given to you by the Chancellor, to pray together with your fellow Knights and families on Monday Oct. 7th and Oct. 14th at Oak St. Church at 7:30 pm. Probably the most powerful line of communication. So, if you haven't seen an activity that enivgors the practice of your Catholic Faith or heard from us in sometime, it is not for the lack of efforts on this side of the line, we just may have the wrong number.



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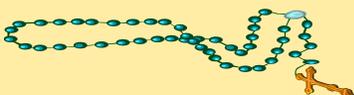
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## Membership

My Brother Knights we had to cancel our Admissions Degree that was scheduled on September 17th before the Social Meeting due to no candidates. Do not become discouraged. we have another Admission Degree for our Council currently scheduled on the 17th of December before the Social Meeting. I do have a Form 100 in my possession to be read at our next business meeting!

As Membership Director it is my responsibility to empower you my brothers with the tools to assist you with the recruitment of new Brothers into our Order. Here is one tool for you [www.kofc.org/JoinUs](http://www.kofc.org/JoinUs) go check it out. This is a link you can email to men you feel would be good candidates for membership it is very informative. I also recommend you watch this video "An Introduction to Online Membership" located at <https://www.kofc.org/un/en/videos/index.html> it is very good and helps you understand the purpose of the previous link.

We have a fifth Sunday approaching and we will have our Memorial Mass at 9:00 AM. At the completion of the Mass we will have an opportunity to talk about who we are and what we do. Also, we are planning on hand-

ing out informative information about us.

At our next social meeting we are working on having an event to rekindle lost connections with our Brothers who we have lost touch with. Come join us it will be a good time, bring a friend.

Lastly, I need your help! Help me help you! Tell me what you need to assist you in your recruitment efforts. If I do not know what you need, how can I help? Here is my contact information: personal cell phone is 815-861-6602, work cell phone 312-246-9176, personal email [obg40@msn.com](mailto:obg40@msn.com) and lastly my work email: [mallen@ualocal130.org](mailto:mallen@ualocal130.org) Call me and if I do not answer leave a voice mail.

Vivat Jesus!

Mark Allen

**Form #100  
Belongs in  
All of These Places**

- Briefcase
- In Your Pocket
- Near Your Phone
- Glove Compartment
- Everywhere You Go!

**SIGN UP A  
NEW MEMBER  
TODAY!**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

## September Breakfast

By PGK, PFN John Stefani

Greetings from your hard working, friendly Council 3880 Breakfast Crew! Well, this breakfast for September was the Annual Fall Buffet. We have been doing this for some time now, and even introduced the Christmas Buffet last year. The reception has always been very astounding with great crowds to go with the great food and the great help. Well, unfortunately this time it was two out of three... The great help was there as always, and with their dedication and care, the food was once again outstanding!!! But for some reason the crowds were simply not there... for any of the three masses. Our head count showed us to be almost 50 persons below normal, and the Buffet usually has an even higher head count than a regular breakfast. Can't say why... we had table announcements from the last breakfast on and we had another notice in the bulletin. **Julie Hermann** also had tables reserved and the main choir was there,

about 30 strong, so that should have even pushed us higher, but it just wasn't meant to be. But we did make money, not that much, but we did have a profit. The full force of the kitchen crew was there with the exceptions of **Bob Kampman** on toast... but he was with his whole family attending son **Jeff's** wedding to **Eri-ca** in Parma, Italy!!! Congrats to the newly-weds! Guess that's a pretty good excuse to be missing in action. Also missing was the Oven Man, **Pat Slowey**, who was with his bride **Dee**, (the Cookie of his dreams!) with a much anticipated tour of Poland. (Some of these guys do like to travel, like last month when **PGK Scott Popp** and **Melinda** spent days walking in the footsteps of **Jesus** in Israel. Hope you got to



## Troop and Pack 127

By Dan O'Connell

### Back in Full Swing

With the school year starting, the Pack and the Troop are back at full throttle with numerous activities planned for the upcoming Scouting year. Their calendars have been laid out so parents can plan to allow their scouts to attend as many events and activities as possible. It will be a busy year for both.

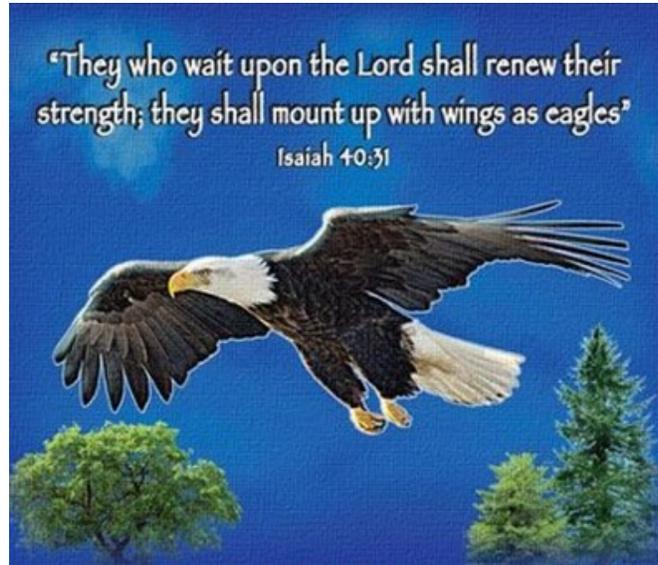


The Pack has a campout planned for the end of September; tree planting; a trip to the Cobia submarine in Wisconsin and several service projects including assisting at a local food pantry; bell ringing and caroling during the holidays as well as monthly hikes as outdoor activities. On top of that, they will be working toward their rank requirements.

They just had a very successful requirement and signed up 8 new scouts (including 2 more young ladies) so the Pack stands at about 50 scouts. They have 15 Arrow of Light (AOL) scouts that will be crossing over in February to Scouts BSA which leads us into the Troop.

The Troop kicked off the Scouting year by hosting an AOL campout at the Hollows in Cary. There were 12 AOL/Webelo scouts that attended, and the Troop took them through several rank advance-

ment requirements while informing them about the Troop and why they would want to join us.



The Troop calendar is booked as well with outings, activities and service projects jam packed into the year. There will be winter camping, biking, canoeing as well as plenty of service opportunities. They certainly will not be bored. Summer camp has been planned for Tesomas Scout Camp near Rhinelander, Wisconsin on beautiful Crystal Lake. There will be no shortage of things to do in the Troop this year.

We would be remiss if we did not recognize that one of our own has passed on to the great campground in the sky. Eagle Scout Kyle McCoy passed away suddenly and too soon on 9/11/19 in Milwaukee of natural causes. We were shocked to hear the news and offer our condolences and prayers for Brother Denny McCoy and the McCoy family. May Kyle rest gently in the palm of His hand in Heaven. God bless you and your families and thank you for your continued support of Scouting.



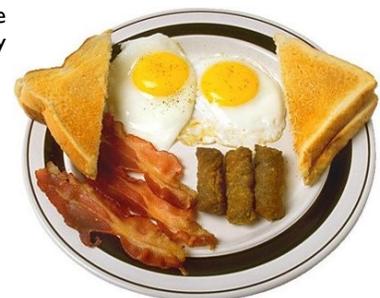
## September Breakfast

see the beautiful pictures and hear of the sights they saw. Also missing was my friend the Money Taker... **Worthy Financial Secretary Steve Haugh**... Please keep **Steve** and **Peggy** in your prayers. I hope you all know about this, but I won't say it here, as it should have been announced by the Grand Knight by now. Thanks to all who were there to help in every area, and thanks to those who came to enjoy the breakfast with family and friends. Look forward to another successful regular breakfast in October, on the 20th!

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

Peace to all,

John



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## Crystal Lake Food Pantry

By PGK, Vince Esposito



### Crystal Lake Food Pantry

No one should go hungry.

The last food pantry Saturday was a great success as well as the Thursday.

We had over 20 volunteers on Saturday and 13 on Thursday.

We need to keep up this pace as we know the client numbers swell for the winter months.

The new hours on Saturday did make a difference in the amount of participation.

We will be working the food pantry Saturday October 5<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am until noon and Thursday October 17<sup>th</sup> 5pm to 7pm.

Please check your calendar and come join for an hour or two.

#### Crystal Lake Food Pantry

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

[www.cfoodpantry.org](http://www.cfoodpantry.org)



## FEED THE HUNGRY

## Fourth Degree

By Dan O'Connell



**What can Sir Knights wear at Honor Guards?**

**At all wakes,** Honor Guards may consist of:

- Full uniform **or**
- Knights in a dark suit with yellow ceremonial sashes

**In the Church,** Honor Guards may consist of:

- Full uniform **or**
- Knights in a dark suit with the yellow ceremonial sashes may participate in the procession. These Knights will line up behind the honor guard in full uniform leaving a gap. The ceremonial sashed Knights **cannot** stand in the aisle with the uniformed Knights. They must enter the pews before the clergy process past them.

**In Parades:**

- Full uniform **or**
  - Knights in a suit with yellow ceremonial sashes **or**
  - K of C shirts with long or short pants
- Each parade group is to be separated by some space. Parades have the most options.

**In all instances, the social baldric and tuxedo is no longer permitted as part of any honor guard.**

The ceremonial sash may be ordered from The English Company and runs about \$29 each and can be ordered by length: <https://www.kofcsupplies.com/Item/C2> - Ceremonial Baldric- Gold/White



Reminder that there is an Exemplification of the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree being held on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at Aurora Central Catholic HS in Aurora, IL. The Exemplification starts at 1 PM so be there prior to that if you want to be allowed into the event. At this point, tuxedos with social baldric is still allowed at Exemplifications.

## Pro-Life Report

By Jamie Hruza

Dear Brothers,

Authorities in the Will County Illinois Sheriff's office are reporting as many as 2246 medically preserved fetal remains have been recovered. Abortionist Dr. Ulrich Klopfer died on September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 and his relatives reported the finding within the home. Dr. Klopfer had his clinic license revoked in 2015 for violations within his Indiana clinic. The fetal remains recovered are not believed to be from abortions performed within the home. The investigation is ongoing. The Trump administration has endorsed a larger scale investigation. Lord have mercy.

<https://www.liveaction.org/news/thousands-aborted-south-bend-pete-buttigieg-silent/>

Event : **Thursday, Oct. 24, 7-9 pm - Evening of Pro-Life Training, "Talking the Talk in a Pro-Choice Culture."** St. Theresa parish hall. Illinois Right to Life will be there to help you get more educated, so you can feel confident proclaiming the Gospel of Life to friends, neighbors, and family members who hold opposing views. **More info: Maria Goldstein: NWFL526@gmail.com or Laura: 847-651-4877**

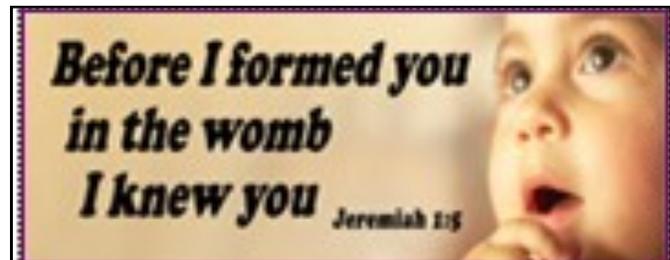
Below you will see a link to an article discussing Facebook's attempts to silence the Pro-Life community including LiveAction.org. This is a direct violation of their constitution right to free speech. See Below.

<https://www.liveaction.org/news/abortion-isnt-ending-pregnancy-intentional-killing/>

Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone's Sermon on Pro Life: Link Below  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5xAF0oMsM9E>

Please pray for the conversion of our elected officials, that they would defend life. A culture that aborts their babies, euthanizes their elders, and celebrates sexual iniquity is not a culture at all. Through-out history cultures that celebrate death and sexual iniquities cease to exist. Sometimes slowly over time - sometimes abruptly. These atrocities against Gods natural moral order will be resolved. Jesus Christ will serve up justice. Never stop praying for the end of abortion. These little babies have no means of protecting themselves from their own parents. We are their help. We are the army that will fight to end this evil. Stay the course and assist physically and financially in any way you can. Your assistance SAVES LIVES! Never forget that!

In Christ



### 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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[jhruza@stthomascl.church](mailto:jhruza@stthomascl.church),  
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## Grand Knights Report

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Our chairman Bob Wyman will have the sign-up sheets for the tree lot set up, which takes place on Saturday November 16<sup>th</sup>. There will also be the sign-up book for the sales of the trees. I highly encourage you to sign up for an hour or two OR MORE. It's a great way to help out the council and to meet some of your fellow knights. PLUS, THERE'S MORE, if you sign-up today you get an opportunity to stay warm in style in our brand-new trailer! Although I can't promise you a 52" big screen television we will have a tv so you can at least listen to a game or two if you work on the weekend. As for the trailer, it is FINALLY ordered. It is due to be ready for pick up from R.A. Adams on November 1<sup>st</sup>. Thank you all who were on the committee and

especially to Bob Wyman for all of his back and forth communication with Adams, ensuring we had everything we asked for within our budget.

As always, thank you for all that you do.

Mary, Queen of Knights. "Pray for us"

Vivat Jesus,

Mike Kebr

Grand Knight, Council #3880

## Right to Life Organizations



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**McHenry County Right to Life:**  
[www.righttolife-mc.org](http://www.righttolife-mc.org)  
**McHenry County Right to Life PAC:**  
[www.prolife-victory.com](http://www.prolife-victory.com)

## 2019 Memories



To the left is a photo of Birdie's Garden from July 20th remembering its beauty as Summer ends and the person it commemorates, Roberta, the wife of Brother, Mike Bakalar.

Also the volunteers who care for it.

"Where flowers bloom, so does hope."  
-Lady Bird Johnson

Rest in Peace, Birdie.

## The Protection of Life

By Marc Niemann

### For the Bulletin

The protection of life is a sustained prayer intention of the Church, and in particular of the Knights of Columbus. The 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, our St. Thomas council #3880 will sponsor a Novena for Life, nine days of sustained prayer, to build up a culture of life in our parish, homes and community. October 6<sup>th</sup> is Respect Life Sunday and marks the beginning of the Pro-Life time of the year which extends to the March for Life season.

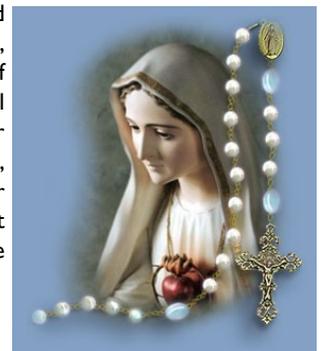
Our Novena will begin on October 6th and conclude on October 14th. It will include daily prayers and Knights lead rosaries on 10/7 and 10/14 at 7:30 PM in the Oak Street church.

A special Novena prayer, Gospel of Life, will be said daily throughout the Novena and prayer cards will be distributed at masses.

Another prayer, Rosary for Life, will be said during each rosary session and prayer cards will be provided on those evenings. A supply of both prayer cards will be available in the Narthex as well.

### Pulpit announcement:

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## Family Director

By SK, Kevin Scanlan

Looking for Brothers to Help Hand Out PRAYER CARDS after all the masses FIRST WEEKEND IN OCTOBER 10/5 & 10/6.

ALSO, I am looking For Brothers to Help Out With The ROSARY That we are hosting on for PRO LIFE MONDAY OCT 7, 2019 AT 7:30pm & again MONDAY OCT 14, 2019 7:30pm.

Contact SK, Kevin Scanlan  
Cell: (815) 356-2609  
Email: [scanlank18@gmail.com](mailto:scanlank18@gmail.com)

## Good of the Order

### Knights' October Birthdays:

- Vito De Frisco
- John M. Ferrero, III
- Joe Gottemoller
- Brad L. Johnson
- Thomas M. Lehner
- John Loretan
- Daniel P. Maguire
- Joseph Mancini
- Peter M. Mateljan
- Kenneth Mavec
- Richard B. Mensik
- Larry Miller
- Jasper Pitrello
- Paul Ruiz
- Robert L. Schmidt
- Gerald L. Spiewak
- Stephan C Townsend

- Tina Mackinlay
- Nancy J. Modrich
- Meghan Riley
- Linda Steadman

### October Anniversaries:

- Mike and Elizabeth Baietto
- Harry P. and Judy Blus
- Patrick E. and Ginger Bradley
- Todd and Lori Bright
- Kenneth J. and Dianne Diana
- Ronald and Bernice Ferraro
- Gerald C. and Jeanne Fraser
- Stephen M. and Peggy Haugh
- Thomas M. and Gail Lehner
- Gerald L. and Marilyn Spiewak
- John P. and Linda Walsh
- Paul L. and Beth Weyna

### Wives' October Birthdays:

- Christina Benkert
- Ginger Bradley
- Kathy Esposito
- Jeanne Fraser
- Mary Frazier
- Sheri Kebr

### Good of the Order— Knights of the Month:

None presented

### Family of the Month:

None presented

### Pray For List is included in your September minutes

**Apologies for misspellings in the above list.**

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

Home(815) 455-2765  
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or send a note to:

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225 N. Main St.

Crystal Lake, IL 60014-4434

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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—September 29, 2019—9:00AM**

**By Robert Kosin**

### **Tempus Fugit, Memento Mori!**

**Sunday, September 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!

As always, we will be providing coffee and doughnuts in the community center after mass.



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St. Thomas the Apostle



**Council Calendar**

October 2019	November 2019	December 2019
10/1 Business Meeting 10/5 Food Pantry 10/6 6 <sup>th</sup> is Respect Life Sunday (Novena 6th thru 14th) 10/7 & 14 Rosary at 7:30PM 10/14 Columbus Day 10/15 Social Meeting 10/17 Food Pantry Thursday 10/20 Breakfast 10/31 Halloween	11/1-2 All Saints-All Souls Day 11/5 Business Meeting 11/7 Food Pantry Thursday 11/16 Christmas Tree Setup 11/17 Breakfast 11/18 Social Meeting 11/28 Thanksgiving 11/29 Christmas Trees Arrive and Sales Start	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 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

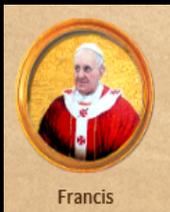
Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through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



Auxiliary.  
Amen.

**KNIGHT LIFE**

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

