

The Outer Guard

Knights of Columbus #1143

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Meetings: Council -- 2nd Monday at 7:00 p.m. Fourth Degree -- 1st Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

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March 2022

Grand Knight's Letter

Hello Brother Knights,

Let us start this month with James 1, "Be doers of the word not hearers only, deluding yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks at his own face in a mirror. He sees himself, then he goes off and promptly forgets what he looked like. But the one who peers into the perfect law of freedom and preserves and is not a hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, such a one shall be blessed in what he does!" This past month at your General Council Meeting, your Council shined through as DOERS!

A need was brought to the Council's attention and your Council immediately stepped into the breach. The Thrive Metro East Women's Health Care Clinic is closing in on the purchase of a traveling ultrasound machine that will be able to be curbside at the Planned Parenthood Abortion Mill in Fairview Heights and at the Hope Abortion Mill in Granite City. To quote our Worthy District Deputy, This traveling ultra-sound machine and it's curb side availability is a real game changer in our fight to end abortion!"

In the next week or so members of your Council will make a "check

presentation" at Thrive to the tune of \$2,000.00. This generous donation will hopefully have this new ultra-sound machine curb side in the next few months! Be proud of your work and your continued support of your Council. This recent financial gift is one heck of a job well done! Thank you all! Next time you burn your finger in the fry shack, slap some potato salad on a plate, or serve up a drink and a fish dinner, know that your efforts will save a baby's life!

And yet we cannot take too long sitting and contemplating our success. We still need to grab our rosaries and show up each month to pray to our Lord and our Blessed Mother for their assistance in ending abortion in our time! Please make note of the next Rosarv for Life Saturday morning and make a REAL effort to show up and pray with your Brother Knights. Our Council will also be covering a full day in "one hour time slots" for 40 Days for Life at the Hope Clinic on Saturday April 2nd, 2022. Please reach out to Tom Tucker at thtucker5@yahoo.com or call 618-692-5154 and sign up for an hour to pray at the Hope Clinic. Your Council truly needs your help, so please reach out to Tom, and fill a needed time slot!

God Bless you and your family! Vivat Jesus! Doug H. GK

Thank you all for your help this past month! God Bless!

Vivat Jesus!

Doug Hastings

GK

Join online free



MARCH BBQ ...



Fred Mills Club will be holding their first BBQ of the season on March 6th from 11:30—5:00 pm. They will be holding the BBQ the first Sunday of each month thru October. Menu includes: ribs, pork steaks, pulled pork, chicken, brats, baked beans, macaroni salad, coleslaw, and potato salad. Hope to see you March 6th.

Annual Newman Apostolate Fund Drive...

Please remember, there will be NO Newman Fund mass-mailer coming. All donations to this fund are to be made on-line. This year the State Council is not mailing out cards soliciting funds for the Newman Fund. In the past they have spent over \$60,000 each year to mail an appeal to every Knight in Illinois. In an effort to have more funds for the Newman Fund this year it is an online appeal. Please go to www.illinoisknights.org/charity/newman to donate. Please be sure to list Council 1143 when you make your donation, so your council receives the needed notice and credit.



Quick Reminders

Assembly 225 Meeting Tuesday Mar. 1st. 7:30pm.

Fish Fry Friday Mar. 4th. 4:30pm to 7:00pm Team #3.

Fred Mills Club BBQ Sunday Mar. 6th 11:00am to 5:00pm.

Fraternal Benefit's Watch Party Thursday Mar. 10th 6:00pm at the Hall.

Fish Fry Friday Mar. 11th. 4:30pm to 7:00pm Team #4.

Rosary for Life. St. Mary Church Saturday Mar. 12th 9:00am.

Council Church Drive Sat. Evening Mass Mar. 12th at both St. Mary's and St. Boniface

Council Church Drive all Masses Sun. Mar. 13th at both St.

Mary's and St. Boniface

General Council Meeting Monday Mar. 14th 7:00pm.

Fish Fry Friday Mar. 18th. 4:30pm to 7:00pm Team #1.

Fred Mills Club Meeting Monday Mar. 21st 7:00pm.

1st, 2nd, 3rd Degrees Exemplification Ceremony Sunday Mar. 27, 2022 following 4:15pm Mass at St. Boniface.

1143 Officers Meeting, Monday Feb. 28th. 7:00pm at the Hall.

Pray for peace in Ukraine

Membership dues PAST DUE....

It's that time of year—the annual dues for the Knights of Columbus and the 4th Degree were due Jan 1st. Dues for the Council are \$40.00 a year and for the Assembly the dues are \$20.00. Please pay your dues promptly to make our Financial Secretary and Comptroller's jobs easier. You can mail your payment to Knights of Colum-

Calling at 3rd Degree Members...

Now is an excellent time to get your Fourth Degree, There will be a local exemplification, as at the HALL on March 5th. We have several members taking the next step in Knighthood. Please consider joining the 4th Degree. Contact Faithful Navigator Ryn Fitzpatrick or any 4th Degree Knight.

Building the Domestic Church

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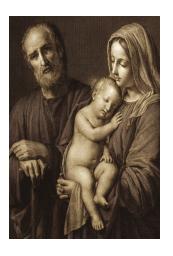
The Family Fully Alive

The Family that Prays and Plays Together, Stays Together

Because God is the Lord of mercy, we want to begin anew by helping heal

our family wounds and promoting forgiveness.

March 2022



Because the joy of all parents is to teach their children the art of living, as parents we want to be the primary educators of our children.

To educate a child is to teach the art of life, the very art of humanity. It does not mean simply providing basic academic skills, but helping a child to grow in "wisdom, age and favor before God and man" (Lk 2:52). It is to help each of them become good children, siblings, friends and students until each takes up the vocation of marriage, parenthood or religious life.

Parents are, therefore, the primary educators of their children. We — as members of society, schools, parishes and other families — are called to collaborate in this great mission.

Meditation

From St. John Paul II's Familiaris Consortio.

The Christian family constitutes a specific revelation and realization of ecclesial communion, and for this reason too it can and should be called "the domestic church."

All members of the family, each according to his or her own gift, have the grace and responsibility of building, day by day, the communion of persons, making the family "a school of deeper humanity." ...

By means of love, respect and obedience towards their parents, children offer their specific and irreplaceable contribution to the construction of an authentically human and Christian family. They will be aided in this if parents exercise their unrenounceable authority as a true and proper "ministry," that is, as a service to the human and Christian well-being of their children, and in particular as a service aimed at helping them acquire a truly responsible freedom, and if parents maintain

- a living awareness of the "gift" they continually receive from their children.
- What are some similarities between how we learn to live in the family and how we learn to live in the Church?
 What are some differences between living shallowly and living in a more deeply human manner, a way more fully
- 3. Realizing that God has not only given us our lives, but also particular family relationships, how should we each give and receive from one another? What are some of the

"graces and responsibilities" we each have to contribute to making our family more Christian and more human?

Family Project

To help your family participate in building up the spirit of your community, consider organizing a pilgrimage to a sacred place. Such journeys help you to appreciate places and objects associated with holiness, ask for heavenly aid, and ultimately come to know God better. Invite extended family members or the families of your children's friends to join you in your pilgrimage to a religious site. During the journey to the destination, consider:

- Praying for the family to grow closer to God through the journey
- Discussing how the destination is important to the faith of each participant
- Exploring how any suffering experienced helps a pilgrim to know God

Scripture Reading of the Month Psalm 78: 1-7

A reflection upon sharing the truths of the Lord

Attend, my people, to my teaching; listen to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable, unfold the puzzling events of the past. What we have heard and know; things our ancestors have recounted to us. We do not keep them from our children; we recount them to the next generation, The praiseworthy deeds of the LORD and his strength, the wonders that he performed. God made a decree in Jacob, established a law in Israel: Which he commanded our ancestors, they were to teach their children; That the next generation might come to know, children yet to be born. In turn they were to recount them to their children, that they too might put their confidence in God, And not forget God's deeds, but keep his commandments.

Lenten Fish Fry Schedule ...

It's hard to believe, but a week from this Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, and the beginning of Lent. The next 7 weeks are when we make more than half of our profit from fish fries. We will follow the same procedures we have been using for the last several months.

We may add 3-6 more tables, but nothing like previous Lenten fish fries.

Our hours will be 4:30-7:30 during Lent

For your scheduling here are the dates and teams that are working –

Team #3 March 4th Team #4 March 11th Team #1 March 18th

Team #2 March 25th Team #3 April 1st Team #4 April 8th

Team #1 April 15th

If you are not on a Fry Team, please reach out and see how you help. Lenten Fish Fries are when we make the bulk of our charitable funds. Please lend a hand when you can and where you can!!

Lou Carnoali and Dennis Hessel

Fred Mills Club BBQ's are back!

The Fred Mills Club is excited to announce the first Madison County famous BBQ will be on Sunday, March 6th! The BBQ will run from 11:30-5:00pm. Limited dine in and carry out will be available. Menu includes BBQ ribs, pork steaks, pulled pork, chicken, brats, slaw, potato salad, BBQ beans, and apple sauce! BBQs will continue to run on the first Sunday of each month thru October. Hope to see you there!

Knight of the Month for March is Tom Tucker

Tom is a 9-year member of the Knights of Columbus Council 1143 and a 7-year member of Assembly 225. Tom in the recent past ramrodded the council's ID Drive. He presently coordinates the Council's Rosary for Life efforts that meets once a month to pray the rosary at the Hope Abortion Mill in Granite

City. Tom also coordinates the Council's efforts with the 40 Days for Life program ensuring our Council has Brother Knights covering every hour of the day our Council is responsible for on the during this event. Tom most recently took the lead and single handedly assisted our Council with the acquisition of new sweatshirts for all Council members who wished to update their KC swag! Congrats to Tom for his dedication to our Council and his tireless work for the Unborn and our Fraternal Unity!



Family of the Month for March is Tyler Moore

Tyler is a brand-new member to our Council with one year of service. Tyler gained his 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Degrees within the Knights on Feb. 17, 2021. Since July of 2021 Tyler has served in the office of the Warden of our Council and is on Fish Fry Team #1. His wife, Lady Emily serves the parish of St. Boniface as the Choir Director. Both Tyler and Emily are dedicated members of St. Boniface Parish. Thank you for your service to the Knights and the Church!



Fourth Degree....

Worthy Sir Knights and Brother Knights all!

The Lenten season is right around the corner! As we discern our spiritual journey through lent, I wish to invite you all to start a new beginning early and join the 4th Degree, the Patriotic Degree! The Assembly is hosting an Exemplification of the 4th Degree on Saturday, March 5th beginning with Mass at 5:00 pm at St. Mary's Church. Then, light refreshments and the ceremony to follow at The Hall beginning at 6:15 p.m. Historically, candidates would have to travel a fair distance to attend an exemplification, so this is a phenomenal opportunity right in our backyard! Please contact me at rafitzpatrick21@gmail.com to register today. Candidate registration is due Tuesday, March 1st.

There has been no better time than now to show your patriotic pride by joining the 4th Degree, the Patriotic right arm of the Catholic Church!

Thank you and God Bless!

Ryan Fitzpatrick, FN

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Rosary for Life..

The second Saturday of the month a group of knights and fellow Catholics pray the Most Holy Rosary of our Blessed Virgin Mary for an end to abortion. April through September we meet at the Hope Abortion Clinic in Granite City, and during the winter months we meet at meet at St. Mary's Church

March Anniversaries

Beginning this month, there will be a mass at St. Boniface and St. Mary's each month for those couples celebrating their anniversary during the month. The mass at St. Boniface will at 4:15 pm on March 20th, and at St. Mary's at on March 29th at 6:30 pm.

CONGRATULATIONS AND MANY MORES!

March Birthdays

- 1 Christopher Bray
- 3 Sergio Cortes & Andrew Wasser
- 5 Matt Rakers & Peter Galinski
- 7 Gregory Goin & William Beutel
- 8 Michael Sullivan
- 9 Tom Johnson & Zachary Lunt
- 11 William Stullken & Charles Berkel
- 13 Donald Lask & Thomas Kupferer Jr
- 17 Dr Michael Lask

- 1 Jerome & Stephanie Kapp
- 1 Joseph & Diane Gassiraro
- 18 Edward & Jeanne Collins
- 22 Thomas & Diane Jacober
- 23 Gary & Helen Newton
- 30 Thomas & Cindy Orscheln
- 31 Robert & Colleen Nelson
- 20 David Berczek
- 22 Dr Nathan Vuagniaux
- 24 Ben Schollmeier & Dale Coleman
- 25 Dennis Hessel, Gerald McGivern
 - & Ralph Kostyshock
- 27 Michael Hines, Luke Piarowski & James Kohlfeld
- 28 Greg Frese & Jeffrey Wiedman
- 30 David Viox
- 31 Jay Kohlmiller & Jeremy Wildhaber



From Our Field Agent

Spring Virtual Fraternal Benefit Night

The Knights of Columbus is again sponsoring a Virtual Fraternal Benefit Night.

This webinar will take place on Thursday, March 10, 2022, at 6:30pm.

We will feature Brother Knight,

Joe Jordan, who will present

"Purpose Driven Retirement Strategies."

The Council will be hosting a Watch Party at The Hall with doors opening at 6:00pm.

Advanced registration via the QR Code on the attached flyer is recommended.

Vivat Jesus!

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Brother Clyde Nosser leading book study group ...

Consider joining a book study group at St Boniface, moderated by Bro. Clyde Nosser The Book Study "Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist" will begin Wednesday February 16 at 6:30 pm in St. Boniface's Oak Room and on Zoom, It's not too late to still join this group.

Anyone wishing to have the Zoom Link can send me an email at <u>cnosser@st-boniface.com</u> I will email the link to them. Adoration is available 4:30 to 6:30 pm before class in St. Boniface's Chapel.

UKRAINE SOLIDARITY FUND

Your gift today will provide temporary shelter, food, medical supplies, clothing, communications and religious supplies. These items will all be immediately distributed, and 100% of your gift will go directly to these displaced people.

Join us today in supporting Ukraine Solidarity Fund! To further your impact, the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council has promised to match every dollar up to \$500,000.

Please prayerfully consider how you can contribute to this effort. **Your gift of any amount** will go a long way in helping our brothers and sisters. Together, we can bring Christ's healing love to a wounded world.

Goto https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/donate/ukraine.html to donate online.

Joe Jordan Presents

Purpose Driven Retirement Strategies



Join us for an informative online presentation by award-winning author, financial thought leader, and Brother Knight, Joe Jordan.

Joe will show you the keys to a prosperous retirement without losing sight of your faith and values. His message has helped boomers & seniors with successful retirement strategies that go beyond just ROI (Return on Investment) and deal with ROL (Return on Life).

In "Purpose Driven Retirement Strategies" Joe will discuss the two fundamental questions you will face when planning for retirement: 1) How will you spend your time? 2) How are you going to pay for it?

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DATE: March 10, 2022

TIME: 6:30PM

ADVANCED REGISTRATION:

Scan QR Code or Emailmichael.sullivan@kofc.org



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| | | - | 2 Ash Wednes- | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| | | 4th Degree Meeting 7:30 p.m. | | | Fish Fry Team #3 4:30-7:00 p.m. | 4th Degree Exemplification 5:00 p.m. Mass @ St. Mary's 6:15 p.m. Light refreshments And Ceremony @The Hall |
| fred Mills BBQ 11:30-5:00 p.m. | 7 | ω | ത | 10 Fratemal Benefit Watch Party 6:30 p.m. @ The Hall Trivia Night at The Hall | 11 Fish Fry Team #4 4:30-7:00 p.m. | Rosary For Life 9:00am St. Mary's Church Church Drive Weekend Both Parishes |
| 13 2nd Sunday in Lent 14 Church Drive Weekend Ge Both Parishes | General Council Meeting 7:00 p.m. | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 Fish Fry Team #1 4:30-7:00 p.m. | 19 |
| 20 3rd Sunday in Lent 21 | 21 Fred Mills Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. | 22 | 23 | 24 Solemnity of The Trivia Night at The Hall 7:00pm | 25 Fish Fry Team #2 4:30-7:00 p.m. | 26 |
| 3rd Degree Exemplifica- Off Following 4:15 p.m Mass St. Boniface Church | 28 Officer's Planning Meeting 7:00 p.m. | 29 | 30 | 31 | Notes: Wear your KofC "Swag" to Massl | rag" to Mass! |