Knights of Columbus



St. Michael Council #11445 5750 North High Street Worthington, Ohio 43085



Star Council 2003-04, 2008-09, 2009-10, 2011-12, 2012-13, 2014-15, 2015-16

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Dates to Remember:

[All K of C meetings are held at St. Michael Church, Lower Meeting Room (New addition) at 7:30 PM unless otherwise noted.]
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6/4	Pentecost	Sunday

- 6/10 Honor Flight Columbus (see page 3)
- 6/12 Business Meeting
- 6/14 Flag Day
- 6/18 Father's Day
 - Corporate Communion (10:30 Mass) followed by Coffee and Donuts (see page 6)
- 6/19 Monthly Meeting of KofC11445 First Degree Team (see page 2)
- 6/22 Social Columbus Clippers Baseball Game (see page 1)
- 6/23 Feast of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
- 6/23-25 Special Olympics State Summer Games at Ohio State University (see page 3)
- 6/24 Feast of Nativity of St. John the Baptist
- 6/26 DEADLINE FOR JULY NEWSLETTER
- 6/29 Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul
- 7/4 Independence Day
- 7/10 Business Meeting



SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2017-2018

At our business meeting on June 12 we will be voting for Council Officers for the 2017-18 fiscal year. Following is the slate proposed by the Nominating Committee:

Grand Knight	Greg Eckert	Warden	Kirk Alton
Deputy Grand Knight	Chris Fricke	Inside Guard	Craig Eckert
Chancellor	Mike LaMorte	Outside Guard	Peter Schera
Recorder	Tom Schmitt	Trustee, 1 yr.	Brett Gissell
Treasurer	Chris Axene	Trustee, 2 yr.	Richard Wade
Advocate	Mike Fowler	Trustee, 3 yr.	John Greve

All other offices are appointed or not up for election. Additional nominations will be taken from the floor at our June 12 meeting prior to the vote. Officers will serve from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. Greg Eckert, Grand Knight, 614-799-9777(h), 614-313-1624(c), eckerts@outlook.com
Chris Fricke, Deputy Grand Knight, 614-402-0329, crf1605@aol.com

JUNE SOCIAL – COLUMBUS CLIPPERS BASEBALL GAME, THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 7:05 PM

Bring your families and friends to a Columbus Clippers Game against the Toledo Mudhens on Thursday, June 22 at 7:05 PM. Contact me as soon as possible for reservations and further details. *Tony Schera, Council Activities,* 614-781-0381, atonyschera@aol.com

MOTHERS (Presented by our lecturer at our May Meeting)

May is the month of mothers, when we give special appreciation to our moms by bringing them flowers, taking them out to dinner, and buying them gifts. After all, our mothers gave us life, came to our aid whether we wanted her help or not, and gave us each words of motherly wisdom, words which we each live by even today.

May is also the month when we venerate the Blessed Mother, the New Eve who's obedience to God brought eternal life to us, and to the whole world. She is our intercessor, our Lady of Good Council, our Lady of Compassion. Jesus gave Her to us from the Cross with the words, "Behold, here is your mother." She also had words of wisdom for us. The last words of Mary recorded in scripture were at the wedding at Cana when She told the servants: "Whatever He tells you, do it." Words to live by... eternally. We cannot take the Blessed Mother out to dinner on Mother's Day, so how can we show Her our love and appreciation?

On Pentecost, the first to accept the message of Christianity and be baptized by the Apostles were descendants of the prophet Elias who came down from Mount Carmel. After their baptism and meeting the Blessed Mother, they returned to Mount Carmel and constructed the first chapel dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and began what would be known as the Carmelite Order. Centuries later on July 16, 1251, Saint Simon Stock, Superior General of the Order, prayed to Mary. He asked Her intercession to help him and all Carmelites, who were beset by persecutions and internal division. Our Blessed Mother appeared to him, holding in her hands the Brown Scapular of the Order, and said: "This shall be to you and to all Carmelites a privilege that anyone who dies clothed in this shall not suffer eternal fire." Saint Simon Stock established the Confraternity of Mount Carmel shortly thereafter, which extended the promise of eternal salvation to members of the Carmelite Confraternity who died wearing the Brown Scapular. Catholic theologians explain the promise to mean that they will receive from Her, at the hour of death, either the grace of perseverance in the state of grace or the grace of final contrition.

Many miracles over the centuries have come to light surrounding those invested in the Brown Scapular. For example, in 1845, a young Irish boy named John McAuliffe was on a British ship in the middle of a hurricane. The storm was tremendous and all were in fear of their lives. John removed his Scapular, made the sign of the cross with it, and threw it into the sea. The storm calmed immediately and only one more wave broke over the ship's bow, which brought John's Scapular back to his feet.

More recently is the story of Father John Higgins, who was called to the ER at his local Catholic hospital when a man had come in with a heart attack. When he got there, the nurse who called him came to him and said, "Sorry, Father John, you're too late. He's gone." As Father John recounts on his website: "I noticed that he was wearing a Brown Scapular, one of the old cloth ones. I reached and said 'He's wearing an old fashioned Scapular'. When I touched it there was a beep from a monitor, then another. The nurse, Anne, said 'What did you do?' I said 'Nothing!' She and another nurse jumped to work, reconnecting wires and calling for help. The Paramedics stood with their jaws dropped. The patient opened his eyes and said (in an Irish accent) 'Oh, good, Father. I've been waiting for you. I want to go to Confession.' I nearly fell over. I'd done nothing but seen and touched his Scapular. [...] A couple of weeks later the man came to me for Confession and told me [...] the Paramedics had come to see him in the hospital and shown him their notes. At the bottom of the page they'd written the time and place of his death and then in big bold letters had added 'BROUGHT BACK TO LIFE BY GOD'."

The Brown Scapular is not a good luck charm or talisman. It is the uniform of those who have made the choice to give special devotion to the Mother of God, who has given us the gift of eternal salvation. Those who choose to wear it, and pray the Rosary daily, do it as a symbol of their eternal love for our Blessed Mother. *Mike LaMorte, Lecturer*

KOFC11445 FIRST-DEGREE-TEAM MEETING - MONDAY, JUNE 19, 7:00 PM

Our new KofC11445 First Degree Team continues to meet on the 3rd Monday evening of each month. Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 19 at 7:00 PM in the Lower Meeting Room of the new addition. We are Looking for additional members to Join our first-degree-team as backups. Please join us if you are interested or contact me at the phone number or email address shown below. Richard Wade, Chairman, KofC11445 First Degree Team, 614-781-1664, richardwade@rocketmail.com.

NOTE TO U.S. MAIL RECIPIENTS OF THIS NEWSLETTER

Our KofC Newsletter is currently being sent by U.S. Mail to about 15 members and 5 guests (KofC widows and honorary recipients). Over 200 members and guests receive the newsletter via email, which results in a considerable savings in postage and printing costs for our council.

If you are a U.S. mail recipient and have an email address, please share it with me at <u>petrarca@cse.ohio-state.edu</u> so that we can realize an additional savings in postage and printing costs.

ST. MICHAEL COUNCIL #11445 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS 2016-2017

Chaplain: Rev. Anthony Dinovo
Grand Knight: Greg Eckert
Deputy Grand Knight: Chris Fricke
Chancellor: Mike LaMorte
Recorder: Tom Schmitt
Financial Secretary: Anthony Matlak

Treasurer: Tim Dondero
Lecturer: Mike LaMorte
Advocate: Michael Fowler
Warden: Kirk Alton

Inside Guard: Craig Eckert
Outside Guard: Peter Schera
Trustee (1 Year): Brett Gissel
Trustee (2 Years): Pat Rosmarin
Trustee (3 Years): Richard Wade
Membership: John Greve
Culture of Life: Earl Crosby
Columbian Squires: Matt Brown
Scholarship: John Greve
Historian: Anthony Petrarca

Newsletter Editor: Anthony Petrarca
Program Director: Chris Fricke
Church Activities: Bob Tatz
Community Activities: James Shough
Council Activities: Tony Schera
Family Activities: Jeff Pillivant
Youth Activities: Fidel Pitones
District Deputy: Brett Gissel
Insurance Rep: Tony Ferguson

HONOR FLIGHT COLUMBUS – SATURDAY, JUNE 10

St. Michael Council #11445 has committed to continue its support of transporting St. Michael WWII and Korean War Veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit their respective Memorials through the Honor Flight Program. Remaining Honor Flight Columbus trips for the 2017 season are: **June 10**; **September 9 & 30**; **October 21**. Morning ground crew volunteers are expected to arrive at John Glenn International Airport by 4:30 AM. A Volunteer Application Form for those interested in helping out with Honor Flight Columbus (like Ground Crew, or any of the other variety of opportunities listed) is available on the Honor Flight website. To volunteer please complete the Form found at: http://www.honorflightcolumbus.org/About_Us.html.

Last but not least, our KofC Honor Flight committee seeks everyone's help in talking to our fellow parish WWII and Korean War veterans about possibly making the Honor Flight trip. Veteran application forms can also be found on the website listed above. Thanks to all who help make this program such a memorable one for our veterans.

Jim Shough, Community Activities, 740-549-3321, jshough1@insight.rr.com

SPECIAL OLYMPICS STATE SUMMER GAMES, JUNE 23-25 AT OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Some 2,700 athletes and coaches are preparing for competition for the Special Olympics Ohio's biggest event of the year – the **State Summer Games** – to be held June 23-25 in Columbus. The Games bring together Special Olympics athletes from across the state for competition in 11 sports: Aquatics, Athletics (track and field), Bocce, Bowling, Cycling, Gymnastics, Power Lifting, Roller Skating, Soccer, Tennis and Volleyball. Volunteer registration forms for this event and other events are available at the Special Olympics website (http://sooh.org/index.php).

Most competition venues are on the campus of **The Ohio State University**. The State Summer Games officially kick off June 23 at 7:00 p.m. with the inspiring Opening Ceremonies at the Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium. The ceremony will feature a Parade of Athletes with representative athletes and coaches from throughout Ohio, along with the dramatic entrance of the Torch Run into the stadium and the lighting of the "Flame of Hope." Law Enforcement Torch Run officers will hand off the torch to the athletes, who in turn ignite the Flame of Hope. The lighting of the flame officially signifies the opening of the Games.

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FLAG DECORATING AT RESURRECTION CEMETERY - THANK YOU NOTE

Thank you to all Knights, St. Michael parishioners and their families who joined about 200 people to place over 1600 flags at Veterans' gravesites at Resurrection Cemetery on May 27. Chris Damo's legacy of supporting our veterans, living and deceased, continues unabated. *Bob Tatz, Coordinator*, 614-570-9368 (cell), ritatz@tatz.org





St. Michael Council 2017 Family of the Year Tim Nguyen Family



St. Michael Council 2017 Knight of the Year Bob Tatz





New 4th Degree Knights Kirk Alton, Alex Jamieson, Kevin Smyth

Membership Activities

Membership Chairman: John Greve

WELCOME to new Brother Knights **George Francis**, and **Shawn McNeil**, who were inducted in the First Degree at St. Michael on May 15, and to Brother Knight **Scott Finsel** whose reapplication was accepted on April 10.

CONGRATULATIONS to Brother Knights **Kirk Alton, Alex Jamieson**, and **Kevin Smyth** who were exemplified in the 4th Degree on Saturday, June 3.

UPCOMING FIRST DEGREE CEREMONIES

<u>Date</u>	Council	Time*	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone</u>
6/8/17 (Thur.)	#4603, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Grove City	7:00 PM	Bill Merriman	614-397-5745
6/19/17 (Mon.)	#11208, St. Brendan, Dublin	7:00 PM	Bob Eggerichs	614-771-9624
6/22/17 (Thur.)	#5776, St. Paul, Westerville	7:30 PM	Don Coffey	614-578-9915
6/26/17 (Mon.)	#11275, St. Andrew, Upper Arlington	7:30 PM	John Posani	614-323-8907
*Candidates mus	t arrive 30 minutes prior to the degree starting time			

NEXT 2ND AND 3RD DEGREE CEREMONIES - BRYCE ECK CENTER, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2017

Sunday, October 29, 2017 is the next opportunity to take the 2nd and 3rd degrees in the Knights of Columbus so you can achieve full knighthood in the order. As most of you know, the 4 principles of the Knights of Columbus are *Charity, Unity, Fraternity*, and *Patriotism*. The four degree ceremonies are each based on one of these principles. The 1st degree, based on *charity*, is the one you have taken. The 2nd and 3rd degrees being offered on the above date at the Bryce Eck Parish Center of St. Andrew Church, 3880 Reed Road, Upper Arlington are based on *unity* and *fraternity*. One does not achieve full knighthood in the Knights of Columbus until you have taken the 3rd degree. The 4th degree is optional. IF YOU ARE A FIRST DEGREE KNIGHT, MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE ABOVE DATE.

NEXT 4TH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION CEREMONIES

The next 4th degree exemplification ceremony will be held in November 2017 in the Steubenville Diocese. Contact District Deputy **Brett Gissell** or Deputy Grand Knight **Chris Fricke** for application forms and other information.

DISTRICT DEPUTY FOR ST. MICHAEL COUNCIL #11445 (DISTRICT 41)

Brett Gissel 235 Loveman Ave., Worthington, Ohio 43085 Ph: 614-805-1443 email: BrettGissel@gmail.com

INSURANCE REPRESENTATIVE FOR ST. MICHAEL COUNCIL #11445

New Representative to be assigned shortly

PRAYERS FOR BROTHER KNIGHTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

Please pray for brother knight **Fr. Carmen Arcuri** who is recovering from some recent health problems; for **Colleen Hull**, wife of brother knight Joe Hull, who is battling cancer; for **Kelly Nasdeo**, St. Michael Parish secretary and wife of brother knight Steven Nasdeo, who is in need of a kidney transplant; for brother knight **Scott Mergenthaler** who is again undergoing treatment for cancer; for **Cheryl Hatem**, St. Michael School Cafeteria Manager, and for the sister of brother knight Matt Brown, both of whom are dealing with current health problems; for brother knight **Cy Cottrell** who is recovering from treatment for kidney cancer; for the step-father of brother knight <u>Mike LaMorte</u> who has some current health problems; for brother knight **Tony Petrarca** and for his wife **Betty Petrarca** who are both recovering from some recent medical problems; for **Ron Sylvester**, father of brother



knight <u>Tony Sylvester</u>, and for Tony Sylvester's father-in-law, both of whom currently have some serious health problems; for the father of brother knight <u>Greg Eckert</u> who is recovering from a leg accident; for brother knights **Mike Fowler**, **Ron Stanko**, **Bob Flores**, **John Blute**, **Dan Meyers**, and **Jim Ferega**, all of whom are currently experiencing some health problems; for knight widow **Lale Ruth**, who is recuperating from cancer chemotherapy; and for knight widow **Joan Patton**, and brother knight **Bob Foster**, both of whom are dealing with long term health problems; and for all Veterans, living and deceased.

CORPORATE COMMUNION (June 18)
Our monthly Corporate Communion at 10:30 Mass on the 3rd Sunday of each month is followed by coffee and donuts after Mass. Join your brother knights and families in the RESERVED SEATS up front at the 10:30 Mass for CORPORATE COMMUNION, and FELLOWSHIP after Mass in the undercroft. Bob Tatz, Church Committee



First Communion Honor Guard, May 13



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Return Service Requested

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