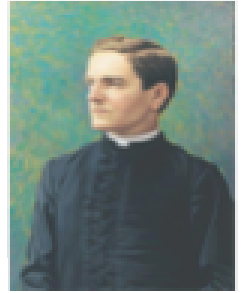


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Dates to Remember:

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

- 8/6 Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord
- 8/8 *Business Meeting*
- 8/11 August Social – Miracle League Baseball Game (see page 4)
- 8/15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Meeting of KofC11445 First Degree Team (see page 1)
- 8/21 Corporate Communion (10:30 Mass) followed by Coffee and Donuts (see page 6)
- Assembly 2380 (4th Degree) Picnic (see page 1)
- 8/24 Feast of St. Bartholomew the Apostle
- 8/26 DEADLINE FOR SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER
- 9/2-4 St. Michael Festival
- 9/7 Labor Day
- 9/8 Blue Mass (Bishop Campbell, Celebrant) – St. Timothy Church, 5:00 PM (see page 3)
- 9/10 Honor Flight Columbus (see page 3)
- 9/12 *Business Meeting*



KofC11445 FIRST-DEGREE-TEAM MEETING – MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 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, August 15 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.

ASSEMBLY 2380 (4TH DEGREE) PICNIC – SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 4:00-8:00 PM

Columbian Martyrs Fourth Degree Assembly 2380 is having a picnic on Sunday, August 21 from **4:00-8:00 PM** at **St. Andrew's Bryce Eck Center** located at 4215 Reed Rd, across from the Arlington fire house. **All 3rd degree knights who are interested in the 4th Degree are invited to attend with their families.**

The Picnic is a potluck with the meat being catered by Buckeye Back Ribs. The assembly will furnish all non alcoholic beverages, but you may bring your own beer and spirits as you wish. Those whose last names begin with A thru M are requested to bring desserts; and those beginning with N to Z may bring cheese plates, vegie plates, or any kind of salads or dips. Doors will open at 4:00 PM, Dinner will be served at 5:00 PM.

Please RSVP to **Joe Yonadi, Faithful Captain, joeyonadi@gmail.com** by August 15.

Tony Petrarca, Editor

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 petrarca@cse.ohio-state.edu so that we can realize an additional savings in postage and printing costs.

A NATION DIVIDED (Presented by our lecturer at our July Meeting)

Haves versus have-nots. Conservative versus liberal. Straight versus gay. Pro-life versus pro-choice. Republicans versus Democrats. The 1% versus the 99%. Left versus right. Secular versus sacred. Black versus white.

Cable news channels fill their airtime with little boxes of talking heads each yelling at each other about who is right and who is wrong, all while this nation is fractured into ever-smaller pieces who are at war with each other. These battles rage between classes, between races, between co-workers, between friends, and between family members. But why? How did we get here?

Every politician has turned every issue into an *us-versus-them* debate. Today not only are we months deep into the presidential political season, we're decades deep into the politics of division. Division which has been used to secure entire blocks of voters. Division which has been used to win elections. Division which has been used to gain political power... at the cost of an ever splintering nation.

From the Gospel of Matthew: *"Then they brought to him a demon-possessed man who was blind and mute. Jesus healed him so that he could speak and see. All the crowds were amazed and said, 'Could this one be the Son of David?' But when the Pharisees heard this they said, 'He does not cast out demons except by the power of Beelzebub, the ruler of demons!' Now when Jesus realized what they were thinking, he said to them, 'Every kingdom divided against itself is destroyed, and no town or house divided against itself will stand. So if Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself. How then will his kingdom stand? And if I cast out demons by Beelzebub, by whom do your sons cast them out? For this reason they will be your judges. But if I cast out demons by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God has already overtaken you. How else can someone enter a strong man's house and steal his property, unless he first ties up the strong man? Then he can thoroughly plunder the house.'"*

For too long we as a nation have allowed our tongues to be tied, and as a result our house is being plundered by the very people we call our leaders. And now we are a house, a city, and a nation divided against ourselves. If our elected officials are truly representing we the people, then what does their divisiveness say about us as a nation? Shouldn't we stop and ask ourselves where, exactly, are we are being led? And at the same time, why are we following? On election day if we are left to decide between the lesser of two evils, are we not still voting for evil? And are we not each responsible for evil being on the ballot to begin with?

The Declaration of Independence affirms that "Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed". We as a nation have gotten here because we have *chosen* to be blind. We have *chosen* to be mute. We have *chosen* to allow our nation to be run by "the lesser of two evils."

But just as we chose to accept Jesus Christ as our savior, we can choose to take a stand for unity over division. We can choose, like the Founding Fathers, to have "a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence," and to "mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor" that we will not allow ourselves to be tied up any longer. That we will allow ourselves to be healed so that we may speak and see. That we will untie our tongues and speak out in support of leaders who truly represent us and what we believe. That we will untie our hands to do the seemingly impossible work of casting out the evil that is leading this nation further and further away from God. And that we will untie our feet from the weight of excuses so that we may go and carry the weight of the future of this nation, the *United States of America*, upon our shoulders.

Mike LaMorte, Lecturer

HAVE YOU INSURED YOUR MOST VALUABLE ASSET?

Is your income protected if you become sick or injured and cannot work? Your ability to work and earn an income is your most valuable asset. Yet a disability could prevent you from earning that income. Just one year of a disability could eliminate your savings.

I would like to show you that *Income Armor*, an individual disability income insurance product from the Knights of Columbus, should be a key part of your overall financial plan and family's protection.

If you are ill or injured, *Income Armor* provides monthly benefits to help you meet living expenses and maintain your standard of living. Your monthly benefits help you pay your mortgage and other monthly bills, while your savings and retirement assets remain intact.

In short, if you have a job and don't have a way to protect that paycheck, you should seriously consider *Income Armor* today. I look forward to meeting with you.

Tony Ferguson, KofC Field Agent



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HONOR FLIGHT COLUMBUS – UPCOMING DATES

Please encourage St. Michael WWII and Korean War Veterans to visit their respective Memorials in Washington, D.C. through the Honor Flight Program. Remaining Honor Flight Columbus trips for the 2016 season are: **September 10; October 1 & 22**. A Volunteer Application Form for those interested in helping out with Honor Flight Columbus is available on the Honor Flight website. To volunteer please complete the Form found at the website: http://www.honorflightcolumbus.org/About_Us.html.

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*

ST. TIMOTHY CHURCH AND ST. TIMOTHY COUNCIL #14345 KofC – 2016 BLUE MASS

St. Timothy Church and St. Timothy Knights of Columbus Council 14345 will host The Blue Mass on **Thursday, September 8, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.** The Blue Mass is an opportunity to honor and pray for all active, retired and deceased police, firefighters, and emergency medical services. In addition, it is an occasion to remember the 2,973 who lost their lives in the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. All active and retired police, fire, and emergency medical services in the greater Columbus area, and their families are invited. The Celebrant and Homilist for The Blue Mass will be The Most Reverend Frederick F Campbell, DD, PhD, Bishop of Columbus. Let us all join together to honor our police, firefighters, and emergency medical services, to ask for God's blessing, to keep them safe, and to guide them in their duties.

The Blue Mass dates back to 1934 in Washington, D.C. Rev. Thomas Dade from the Archdiocese of Baltimore (Maryland) initiated the Catholic Police and Firemen's Society while stationed at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Washington, D.C. About 1,100 police and firemen dressed in blue uniforms marched into St. Patrick's Catholic Church for the celebration of the First Blue Mass on September 29th, 1934. The Blue Mass has been a common tradition in the Northeast United States, but it has more recently been extended throughout the country particularly in the wake of September 11th, 2001. The Blue Mass honors and recognizes the sacrifice of police, firefighters, paramedics, emergency medical crews, all members of the public safety community and those who have given their lives in service to their communities. The name of the Blue Mass evolved from the predominantly blue-colored uniforms of police officers, firefighters and emergency personnel. Similar Blue Masses have been organized by Knights of Columbus Councils nationwide. St. Timothy Knights of Columbus Council 14345 is pleased to bring the tradition of the Blue Mass to the Diocese of Columbus.

**THE
BLUE MASS
2016**

Thursday, September 8th at 5:00 pm.

Celebrant and Homilist
BISHOP FREDERICK F. CAMPBELL, DD, PhD

St. Timothy Church
1088 Thomas Lane
Columbus, OH 43220

To honor our police, firefighters and emergency medical services, to ask for God's blessing, to keep them safe and to guide them in their duties.

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

Chaplain: Rev. Anthony Dinovo	Inside Guard: Craig Eckert	Newsletter Editor: Anthony Petrarca
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Chancellor: Mike LaMorte	Trustee (2 Years): Pat Rosmarin	Community Activities: James Shough
Recorder: Tom Schmitt	Trustee (3 Years): Richard Wade	Council Activities: Tony Schera
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Treasurer: Tim Dondero	Culture of Life: Earl Crosby	Youth Activities: Fidel Pitones
Lecturer: Mike LaMorte	Columbian Squires: Matt Brown	District Deputy: Brett Gissel
Advocate: Michael Fowler	Scholarship: John Greve	Insurance Rep: Tony Ferguson
Warden: Kirk Alton	Historian: Anthony Petrarca	

SOCIAL EVENT, THURSDAY, AUGUST 11 – ROYALS VS. ROCKIES BASEBALL GAME (MIRACLE LEAGUE)

Our August social event is a Miracle League baseball game between the Royals and Rockies on **Thursday, Aug. 11 (families are invited)**. We will gather at Darree Field Park, 6259 Cosgray Road in Dublin (see directions at <http://ohiomiracleleague.org/contact/index.html>), to watch this Night League baseball game (<http://ohiomiracleleague.org/index.html>). Brother Knights **Craig Eckert** and **Peter Schera** play for these teams. Scheduled game start is 7:00 PM, finishing around 8. After the game, we will invite both teams to join us for hotdogs and soft drinks. Please **RSVP by Tuesday, August 9** if you are coming since we need to know how much food to get; we'll also have popcorn.

Plan to arrive anytime after 6:00 and bring lawn chairs. (Editor's Note: See article below about the Miracle League.)

Tony Schera, Council Activities, 614-781-0381, atonyschera@aol.com

BACKGROUND ON THE MIRACLE LEAGUE



If we were to tell you about an organized youth baseball league, you might call it *ordinary*. If we were to tell you the athletes are physically and mentally disabled, you might call it *touching*. If you were to see them play, you might call it *a miracle*.

Welcome to the Miracle League of Central Ohio, which was formed in 2004 with the mission of raising funds to build a unique baseball field for children with disabilities in the Central Ohio area. The City of Dublin kindly donated the land required for this field. Opening day was on August 28, 2005 at Darree Field Park on Cosgray Road in Dublin, Ohio. The Miracle League field is the first of its kind in Ohio.

The **Miracle League of Central Ohio** provides opportunities for people with disabilities to play Miracle League baseball. We sponsor an atmosphere that encourages the entire Central Ohio community to participate and enjoy the Miracle League activities. The Miracle League cannot change or cure the medical issues life has dealt people with disabilities. What we can do is provide them with an opportunity to experience the joy and benefits which come from playing our national pastime - baseball!

The **Miracle League Field** is fully accessible to all those who are disabled. The custom-designed venue incorporates a cushioned, synthetic surface with base paths, bases, batters' box, pitcher's mound, and home plate painted on the surface. This design eliminates barriers for people who are visually impaired, wheelchair- or walker-restricted, or who use any type of mobile device.

A **Night League** was created in 2005 out of the traditional children's Miracle League to accommodate teenagers and adults that are more able-bodied and may have some baseball experience. Games are played Monday and Thursday evenings under the lights at the Miracle League Field in Dublin.

Typically, players do not utilize buddies in the Night League. Wooden and aluminum bats are used along with soft-core baseballs as opposed to the plastic bats and balls used in the Traditional League games. The players occupy all the positions in the field, but the coaches do the pitching. Games usually last an hour and a half or less with everybody batting and playing the field for three (3) innings. Plays can be made on runners at bases and in the field. The games are filled with fun and lots of sportsmanship. (Photos courtesy of Neil Lauron, Columbus Dispatch. Text taken from <http://ohiomiracleleague.org/index.html>.)



Membership Activities

Membership Chairman: John Greve

UPCOMING FIRST DEGREE CEREMONIES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>Time*</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone</u>
8/10/16 (Wed.)	#5253, St. Pius X, Reynoldsburg	7:00 PM	Scott Marsh	614-306-4244
8/11/16 (Thur.)	#4603, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Grove City	7:00 PM	Bill Merriman	614-397-5745
8/25/16 (Thur.)	#5776, St. Paul, Westerville	7:30 PM	Don Coffey	614-578-9915
9/1/16 (Thur.)	#10941, Church of Resur., New Albany	8:00 PM	Ed Yingling	614-307-4561
9/8/16 (Thur.)	#4603, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Grove City	7:00 PM	Bill Merriman	614-397-5745
10/3/16 (Mon.)	#10863, St. Brigid, Dublin	7:00 PM	Mike Slicien	614-792-0583
10/5/16 (Wed.)	#11208, St. Brendan, Hilliard	7:00 PM	Bob Eggerichs	614-771-9624

*Candidates must arrive 30 minutes prior to the degree starting time

NEXT 2ND AND 3RD DEGREE CEREMONIES – BRYCE ECK CENTER, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2016

Sunday, October 23, 2016 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 2016 in the Steubenville Diocese. Contact District Deputy Brett Gissell for application forms and other information.

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PRAYERS FOR BROTHER KNIGHTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

Please pray 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 **Tony Sylvester**, and for Tony Sylvester's father-in-law, both of whom currently have some serious health problems; for the father of **Greg Eckert** who is recovering from a leg accident; for brother knights **Ron Stanko, Fr. Carmen Arcuri, 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.



In Memoriam

Robert Hammond

Sept. 30, 1959 - June 19, 2015

Requiescat in Pace

In Memoriam

Michael McCabe

Oct. 22, 1956 - July 10, 2015

Requiescat in Pace

In Memoriam

William Ruth

May 18, 1922 - Aug. 20, 2015

Requiescat in Pace

In Memoriam

Richard Long

Sept. 19, 1922 - Dec. 14, 2015

Requiescat in Pace

In Memoriam

John 'Jack' Heller

June 14, 1928 - Mar. 11, 2016

Requiescat in Pace

In Memoriam

Eugene 'Gene' Gabalski

June 29, 1932 - Apr. 23, 2016

Requiescat in Pace

CORPORATE COMMUNION (August 21)

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



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