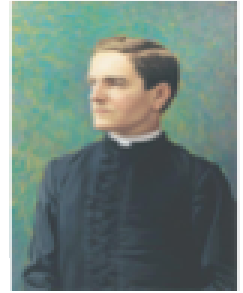


# Knights of Columbus



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



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## K of C News, Volume 23, Number 8 February 2017

### **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.]

- 2/2 Presentation of the Lord
- 2/13 Business Meeting
- 2/14 Valentine's Day
- 2/18 District Free Throw Competition (see page 1)
- 2/19 Corporate Communion (10:30 Mass) followed by Coffee and Donuts (see page 8)
- \ Clergy Appreciation Dinner (see page 4)
- 2/20 Presidents' Day  
Monthly Meeting of KofC11445 First Degree Team (see page 3)
- 2/22 February Social at Ziftig Brewery (see page 1)
- 2/25 Catholic Men's Conference (see page 8)  
DEADLINE FOR MARCH NEWSLETTER
- 3/1 Ash Wednesday
- 3/3 Lenten Fish Fry begins (see page 6)
- 3/8 Special Olympics Battle of Worthington (see page 3)
- 3/10 Lenten Fish Fry (see page 6)
- 3/13 Business Meeting

### **DISTRICT FREE THROW COMPETITION – SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18**

The District 41 KofC Free Throw Competition, which includes winners from the St. Michael Council #11445 Free Throw Competition (see page 3), will take place on **Saturday, February 18 at 7:00 pm** in the St Michael gym. Other contestants competing in District 41 are from Our Lady of Peace Council #14282.

We will need 10 volunteers to assist with this event. Volunteers will help with rebounding and scoring, and should arrive at 6:30 PM for their assignments. Activities will be over by 8:00 PM. Please contact me (see below) or **Brett Gissel (614-805-1443, [BrettGissel@gmail.com](mailto:BrettGissel@gmail.com))** if you are able to help.

Winners will advance to the Columbus Diocese Regional Competition early in March at Bishop Ready High School. The State of Ohio Competition will be later in March (also at Bishop Ready).

*Chris Mauro, Youth Activities, 614-781-0381, [chriskmauro@yahoo.com](mailto:chriskmauro@yahoo.com)*

### **SOCIAL AT ZIFTIG BREWERY AND TAP ROOM – WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 7:00 PM**

Our February social will be at **Ziftig Brewery and Tap Room** located at **7020 Huntley Road** on **Wednesday, February 22 at 7:00 PM**. Beers available for purchase and snacks will be available (great beer on tap). Please RSVP by February 21.

*Tony Schera, Council Activities, 614-781-0381, [atonyschera@aol.com](mailto:atonyschera@aol.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 [petrarca@cse.ohio-state.edu](mailto:petrarca@cse.ohio-state.edu) so that we can realize an additional savings in postage and printing costs.

**FULL OF THE SPIRIT** (Presented by our lecturer at our January Meeting)

One day a politician was invited to address a major gathering of the American Indian Nations. The politician spoke for almost an hour on his ideas and policies, and especially what he would do to for Native Americans. At the conclusion of his speech, the tribes presented the politician with a plaque inscribed with his new Indian name: Walking Eagle. He left, proudly holding the plaque in the air and waving to the press pool. After he was gone, a news reporter later asked the chiefs how they came to select the new name given to the politician. They explained that Walking Eagle is the name given to a bird so full of malarkey, it can no longer fly.

Seeking the approval of other people is truly part of our human nature. We don't want to let other people down, make them mad at us, or let them think that we're not capable in some way. How much energy do we spend on a daily basis trying to make other people happy with us? How hard do we try to make ourselves happy with ourselves? How many times a day do we grit our teeth and put on a plastic smile, then do or say something that we don't want to do or don't believe in, just to win the approval of someone else? For just about everyone, the answer is: "More than I can count." We all do it to some degree or another. We all have times where we sacrifice what we believe and know to be right for the approval of someone else. But when you think about these times, even after you have that other person's approval, do you feel filled inside? Or do you feel empty?

As the saying goes, nature abhors a vacuum. The more empty you are inside, the more you will seek to fill that emptiness, and the more we will be tempted to fill that emptiness with the temporary pleasures of this world. "I feel empty inside, so I'll fill it with food." "I feel empty inside, so I'll fill it with money." "I feel empty inside, so I'll fill it with pornography." "I feel empty inside, so I'll fill it with climbing the corporate ladder." Or maybe rather than a temporary pleasure, we'll fill that emptiness with anger that we will unleash on those around us.

Fortunately for us, Jesus Christ showed us the path we need to follow. Jesus, who was both fully man and fully God, certainly had human ambitions before the beginning of His ministry. When He began His ministry, we know that His neighbors in Nazareth said "Is not this the carpenter", which leads one to surmise that they knew Him by His occupation. Being fully man, He certainly had human aspirations. Of course He knew of His divinity, but for a time, He was Jesus, son of Joseph, a carpenter. Until He started His ministry, He didn't know what to do with His Divinity. Then as St. Paul tells us in Philippians 2, Jesus "emptied himself, taking the form of a servant". When He allowed Himself to be filled with the Holy Spirit, He left his human aspirations behind. *This* is the path we need to follow. Not the path of trying to appease our friends. Not the path of trying to gain the approval of our coworkers. Not the path of seeking the validation of our wives or even our parents. And it's not the path of following our own desires. No, the path we must follow is one of emptying ourselves of all these things so that we may be filled with the Holy Spirit. We must surrender ourselves to God's Will and His plan.

Of course, this is not an easy thing to do. It is hard to put aside your hopes and dreams and do what God wants. It is hard to stop seeking the approval of friends and family. And when we decide to do this, the moment we first create an emptiness within by removing those temporary things that we're accustomed to relying on to fill that emptiness, Satan will tempt us more, because he knows he is losing his grip on us. But we must do this. We must empty ourselves and allow that emptiness to be filled with the Spirit, to resolve to do God's work, to be His servant, to submit to His will. It is difficult, yes, but we were created in our mother's wombs to do the Father's work, for it is only His approval that will fill us for eternity. We must be the leaders of our families, the examples to all around us. We must choose to stop being Walking Eagles and choose to start being Soaring Eagles... the men who others look at and say, "Look at how he flies. He must truly be full of the Spirit."

*Mike LaMorte, Lecturer*

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

<b>Chaplain:</b> Rev. Anthony Dinovo	<b>Inside Guard:</b> Craig Eckert	<b>Newsletter Editor:</b> Anthony Petrarca
<b>Grand Knight:</b> Greg Eckert	<b>Outside Guard:</b> Peter Schera	<b>Program Director:</b> Chris Fricke
<b>Deputy Grand Knight:</b> Chris Fricke	<b>Trustee (1 Year):</b> Brett Gissel	<b>Church Activities:</b> Bob Tatz
<b>Chancellor:</b> Mike LaMorte	<b>Trustee (2 Years):</b> Pat Rosmarin	<b>Community Activities:</b> James Shough
<b>Recorder:</b> Tom Schmitt	<b>Trustee (3 Years):</b> Richard Wade	<b>Council Activities:</b> Tony Schera
<b>Financial Secretary:</b> Anthony Matlak	<b>Membership:</b> John Greve	<b>Family Activities:</b> Jeff Pillivant
<b>Treasurer:</b> Tim Dondero	<b>Culture of Life:</b> Earl Crosby	<b>Youth Activities:</b> Fidel Pitones
<b>Lecturer:</b> Mike LaMorte	<b>Columbian Squires:</b> Matt Brown	<b>District Deputy:</b> Brett Gissel
<b>Advocate:</b> Michael Fowler	<b>Scholarship:</b> John Greve	<b>Insurance Rep:</b> Tony Ferguson
<b>Warden:</b> Kirk Alton	<b>Historian:</b> Anthony Petrarca	

## KofC11445 FREE THROW WINNERS

A special thanks to all those that volunteered to help out with the Council Level Free Throw Competition that was held on January 7. The following is the results from this Council Level competition. The below winners will participate in the district level competition to be held in St. Michael Gym on Saturday, February 18 (see page 1).

Chris Mauro, Youth Activities, 614-781-0381, [chriskmauro@yahoo.com](mailto:chriskmauro@yahoo.com)

	Boys		Girls	
Age	1st	2nd	1st	2nd
9	Blake Donnelly	Aidan Portillo	Kat Goehring	Megan Goehring
10	Colin Hall	Marco Mancini	Bella Brader	Megan Graham
11	Angelo Lamatrice	AJ Moreno	Mary Claire Greve	Sofia Siles
12	Ryan Mulligan	Joey Bangert	Maddie Anderson	Emily Massar
13	Miles Demko		Maria Decaminada	Colleen Greve
14	Max Kubic			

## KofC11445 FIRST-DEGREE-TEAM MEETING – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 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, February 20 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](mailto:richardwade@rocketmail.com).

## NOMINATIONS FOR AWARDS OF THE YEAR

We are soliciting nominations for various **Awards Of The Year** for our council. Our council winners will be submitted to the Greater Columbus Chapter and State Council for consideration for awards at the Chapter, Diocese, and State level. Please submit your nominations to the appropriate committee director by March 1 to give them time to select a council winner and prepare the nomination to be sent from the council to our Chapter and State Council.

The **Awards Of The Year** (with Committee name and Committee Director) are for:

**Blue Coat** (Community, Jim Shough)

**Chaplain** (Church, Bob Tatz)

**Family** (Family, Jeff Pillivant)

**Knight** (Council, Tony Schera)

**Lady** (Family, Jeff Pilliant)

**Religious** (Church, Bob Tatz)

**Volunteer** (Community, Jim Shough)

**Youth** (Youth, Fidel Pitones)

*The nominations should include the name of the nominee, their church activities, K of C activities (or school activities for the Youth Of The Year), community activities, and reasons for nomination. Supporting information for years of service rather than just the current year will be beneficial.*

In most cases the nominee needs to be a member of the council or have an association to the council. Nominees for Blue Coat Of The Year need not be a member of the council. People to consider for this award are emergency personnel (local police, sheriff or fire departments, volunteer fire departments or the Ohio State Highway Patrol). Volunteer Of The Year does not have to be a member of the council. Lady Of The Year should be a wife or daughter of a council member. Youth Of The Year should be a member of our parish or student at St. Michael School. Although there is no requirement that Chaplain Of The Year or Religious Of The Year come from our parish, we have many eligible people at our parish and I encourage you to keep your nominations restricted to priests and religious at St. Michael.

If you wish to nominate anyone for these awards, please submit them to the appropriate Committee Director, as listed above, by **March 1**.

Greg Eckert, Grand Knight, 614-799-9777(h), 614-313-1624(c), [eckerts@outlook.com](mailto:eckerts@outlook.com)

## SPECIAL OLYMPICS “BATTLE OF WORTHINGTON”

Come to watch brother knights **Craig Eckert** and **Peter Schera** in the “Battle of Worthington” Basketball game on **Wednesday, March 8 at 7:00 PM** at Thomas Worthington High School. Craig and Pete play for the **Worthington Stars** Special Olympics basketball team and they will be playing the **Ambassadors**, a team consisting of Middle School students from all of the Worthington Middle Schools.

Tony Petrarca, Editor

18th Annual  
**BATTLE OF WORTHINGTON**  
Exhibition Basketball Game  
March 8, 2017 7:00 pm  
at Thomas Worthington High School  
300 W Dublin Granville Rd Worthington, OH 43085  
Admission is free, with raffle tickets sold at \$1 each or six for \$5  
**Ambassadors vs Stars**

## GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brothers,

The Lenten Fish Fry is upon us starting March 3rd. I am maintaining an optimistic outlook that all members will lend a hand during the 6 fish fry's. It is the biggest fund raiser we have all year and we rely on the proceeds to support all the wonderful causes we have. I know we can all come up with reasons we aren't able to volunteer but please approach it with a joyful heart and add it to your Lenten experience, in that we actually are called to sacrifice during this Blessed liturgical season. I personally find much gratification and truly enjoy spending time with my Brother Knights and their families. I want to make this an event where all my Brothers and their families can be a part of something great and come together as one Fraternal organization where we meet other Knights and their families and help many wonderful causes with the money we raise. Please sign up when Chris Fricke, the Fish Fry Chairman, solicits for volunteers, and volunteer for as many weeks as you can. Challenge yourself to volunteer for every one! You will feel good about your participation in so many ways. This is the event where we need ALL Knights pitching in. There are many positions and jobs needing help. The more volunteers we get, the fewer hours we all have to work. I want to thank you all in advance for all you do throughout the year and for volunteering during the upcoming Lenten Fish Fry.  
*Greg Eckert, Grand Knight, 614-799-9777(h), 614-313-1624(c), [eckerts@outlook.com](mailto:eckerts@outlook.com)*

## CLERGY APPRECIATION DINNER – VILLA MILLANO, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2017, 6-9 PM

The Knights of Columbus Councils throughout the Diocese of Columbus are sponsoring the 19th Annual Clergy Appreciation Dinner. It will be held on Sunday, February 19, 2017 at the Villa Millano Banquet and Conference Center, 1630 Schrock Rd., on the North side of Columbus. There will be a social hour and cash bar beginning at 6pm, with dinner at 7pm, followed by a short program. The event should be over by 9pm.

This event is an opportunity for Knights to express appreciation and support for our Priests, Deacons and Religious. Our Council is inviting our Parish Clergy and Religious (Priests, Deacons, Nuns) and several seminarians as our guests. 4th Degree Knights are encouraged to wear tux and social baldric. ***We expect about 30 people to attend from St. Michael's this year, including almost all of our priests, deacons and nuns.***

Dinner is \$30:00 per person. Our council had to submit payment to the State Council Organizing Committee in late December for all those who made reservations to attend this event. **Anyone who has not yet paid for their Reservations should submit payment to Greg Eckert as soon as possible before the event.** Make your check payable to Knights of Columbus #11445. I can be reached at 3086 Brookdown Drive, Columbus, OH 43235.

*Greg Eckert, Grand Knight, 614-799-9777(h), 614-313-1624(c), [eckerts@outlook.com](mailto:eckerts@outlook.com)*

## CHRIS DAMO SUBZERO MISSION REPORT

We had a very successful Chris Damo Subzero Mission trip this year here in Columbus thanks to the \$8,000 that was collected (including the \$500 contribution from our council). Many homeless and those in need were helped. Thank you all for your donations and prayer support.

Items handed out included: 150 coats, 200 pairs of gloves, 400 pairs of socks, 200 hats, 50 sleeping bags, and 100 pairs of boots. We also handed out 3 tents and a few odds and ends that we get from time to time. Great job St. Michael Knights!!

*Greg Eckert, Grand Knight, 614-799-9777(h), 614-313-1624(c), [eckerts@outlook.com](mailto:eckerts@outlook.com)*



## DIAPER DRIVE FOR LIFE

A total of 5,524 diapers and \$239 dollars were collected on the weekend of January 28-29. Thanks to all who volunteered and donated to help make this a success!! Many will benefit from your efforts!

Vivat Jesu, Greg.

*Greg Eckert, Grand Knight, 614-799-9777(h), 614-313-1624(c), [eckerts@outlook.com](mailto:eckerts@outlook.com)*



## MARCH FOR LIFE – WASHINGTON, D.C., JANUARY 27, 2017

On January 25, 60 members of St. Michael Parish and School loaded two charter buses and drove to Washington D.C. to attend the March for Life. The trip included a few extra days of touring and exploring the wider reality of the Catholic world through visits to places like The Holocaust Museum, The John Paul II National Shrine, and the National Basilica of the Immaculate Conception. This trip was a great time of grace for our parish and school. As representatives of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class we (**Jordan Graf, Brian Huber, and Avery Jourdan**) would like to share some testimonies about what an impact it had on us.



“For me being Catholic was going to Mass on Sundays. It was the same words, being mindlessly spoken before meals. Until the March for Life. When I went on the March I realized I was wrong. When we went to the rally, all I saw, all I heard was the Children of God. And when we were standing on the stairs of the Lincoln Memorial, singing our hearts out to the Lord, looking out at the Washington Monument watching the stunning sunset, that’s when I realized God is with us. Not only at Mass, or in the sacraments, but always. This is His earth and we are His creation. So, to be Catholic means to be a believer of the faith. To have the faith, to practice the faith. And after the March itself, being Catholic means to act upon your faith. I have to show that I am Pro-Life, and stand up for the babies. We all need to stand up for being Pro-Life. Because after all, these babies are God’s creation too.” (Jordan Graf)

“After the March for Life, being Catholic and being Pro-Life means so much more to me. I feel that I am not alone. I am a part of something great and I have so many behind me to support me in life. I feel more motivated to stick up for the defenseless. After the March, I feel being Catholic is more than doing the motions and praying, rather, it is the definition of our life that inflames our very actions for the good of all humans. I saw this not only in me, but my fellow peers. To me, being Pro-Life is being a witness to Christ’s mission for us to love all, protect all, and value human dignity. The Holy Spirit was truly present in guiding all of us in practicing the virtues like patience, charity, and courtesy as shown in our chants, singing, marching, traveling, waiting, helping and discussing. Being Catholic and Pro-Life isn’t just some irrelevant topic in our lives or another thing on the ‘to-do’ list. It is the core of who we are and who we are to become. So I ask you, ‘What does being a Pro-Life Catholic mean to you?’” (Brian Huber)

After returning to our home here in Columbus, OH, it is our belief that we can make a difference. At the March, with so many thousands of people, we made a difference. We showed bystanders what true joy and true witness to Christ looks like. We showed people what we stand for. It was a time for us to experience how Catholics are like one big family. We are all so welcoming to one another. When we arrived at the March for Life we were not expecting such a large crowd. It was amazing! We all came to do the same thing and we did it as one. It made us feel so special to be a part of that family. The faith was very strong. We all had faith that life would win. “Our generation will end abortion!” Everyone there was so determined and ready. We were all connected through God’s love and mercy. We are very blessed to be a part of the Catholic family, a family connected through faith, hope, love friendship, God’s mercy and grace, and justice. All of those things made a family. Our Catholic family. St. Michael is Catholic! St. Michael is Pro-Life! (Avery Jourdan)

*Sr. Mary Jacinta, O.P., Jordan Graf, Brian Huber, Avery Jourdan  
on behalf of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class of St. Michael School*

## COLUMBUS SPECIAL OLYMPICS POLAR PLUNGE – SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

You are invited to register for the 15th Annual Columbus Polar Plunge at the **Columbus Zoo & Aquarium** and show your support of Special Olympics Ohio's athletes at this unique and crazy fundraising event!

Plungers are required to raise a minimum of \$75 or \$50 (students) in pledges by the day of the event. Plungers must be a minimum of eight years of age to participate. Guests will be charged a \$10 zoo entry fee, which includes entry to the Post Plunge Party and to the zoo. For more details about the Polar Plunge, schedule information, and procedures for Registration visit the website at <http://sooh.kintera.org/faf/home/default.asp?ievent=1166504>

**Editor’s Note:** Our late brother knight **Chris Damo** participated in this event for many years to raise funds for the Special Olympics. It would be nice to have some brother knights follow in his footsteps.

*Tony Petrarca, Editor*



## LENTEN FISH FRY BEGINS –VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED

Brother Knights,


Our Lenten Fish Fry is quickly approaching. Our first fish fry dinner is scheduled for **Friday, March 3**. This will be our 20th consecutive year of hosting this event on all Fridays in Lent (except Good Friday). Each dinner runs from 5-8 PM and much help is needed in the planning and execution of each dinner.

We have a few people committed to various roles of the Fish Fry, but **we still need more people to staff this event**. If you are able to help please contact **Chris Fricke** (at the phone number or email address listed below) to volunteer.

This is an excellent family activity which offers you an opportunity to work side by side with your middle school and high school age children. It also provides your children an opportunity to earn service credits for Confirmation or other service requirements.

**All new brother Knights:** this is an excellent opportunity to support your council and to get to know your fellow brother Knights.

*Chris Fricke, Fish Fry Co-Chair, 614-402-0329, crf1605@aol.com*

Knights of Columbus		All Fridays in Lent 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
 <b>LENTEN FISH FRY</b>		<b>St. Michael Church</b>
DINE IN, DRIVE THRU, CARRY OUT		5750 N. High St., Worthington
Handicap Seating Available		Fish Dinner: Regular-\$9.00, Small-\$7.00 Macaroni-Cheese Dinner - \$7.00
		Meal: Fish (or Mac/Cheese), Fries, Roll, Cole Slaw (or Apple Sauce), and Beverage Optional: Clam Chowder, Dessert - \$1.00 each

## A PERSPECTIVE ON THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE 1ST, 2ND AND 3RD DEGREES IN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The 1st, 2nd and 3rd degrees in the Knights of Columbus can be looked upon like three of the first sacraments we all receive as Catholics. In other words, the 1st degree can be looked upon like **Baptism**, the 2nd degree like **First Communion**, and the 3rd degree like **Confirmation**.

From this perspective a 1st degree knight is like a Catholic who has been baptized but hasn't yet received the sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation. Would you consider yourself to be a practical Catholic in that situation? **THINK ABOUT THAT IF YOU ARE A FIRST DEGREE KNIGHT.**

Sunday, February 26 is the date for the next 2nd & 3rd degree ceremonies. If you are one of the first degree knights listed below, see the Membership Activities Page on page 7 of this newsletter for details of how to participate in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degree ceremonies on February 26.

*Tony Petrarca, Editor*

## A CALL TO ALL FIRST DEGREE KNIGHTS (LISTED BELOW)

### NEXT 2ND AND 3RD DEGREE CEREMONIES – BRYCE ECK CENTER, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Christopher Almond	Dennis Day	Jason Jourdan	Matt Munhall	Jared Schultheis
Creighton Barrett	Matthew DeCenzo	Donald Keller	Steven Nasdeo	Eric Severson
Ronald Barrett	John Durant	Michael Keller	Thieu Nguyen	Daniel Shank
Sergey Barrett	Mark Eagan	Rich Kloostra	Jonathan Otavalo	William Shirk
Michael Bass	Brian Elliott	Leo Kowalyk	Scott Page	Gregory Sink
Michael Bell	Michael Fricke	John Kuebler	Bradley Peterson	Kevin Smyth
Mark Boffo	Joseph Gareau	Richard Levins	John Phillips	Jeffrey Soiu
Michael Bowman	Steve Gerlach	John Lyons	John Pigos	Brian Steel
Patrick Bradford	Roque Gomez	Jim Maher	Fidel Pitones	Jeffrey Stewart
Frank Brown	Jonathon Goodman	Matthew Malich	Michael Pivarnik	James Stofer
Mark Brown	Michael Green	Jeff McAllister	Richard Porter	Daniel Tatz
Thomas Callahan	Adam Greishop	Carmine Menduni	Daniel Rankin	David Tatz
David Cap	Michael Haemmerle	Chris Meyers	Michael Renzi	Charles Taylor II
Anthony Ceritelli	Edward Hirsell	Joseph Mitchell	Michael Rerko	Jim Van Paepegam
Brian Cobb	Raymond Hoppenjans	Mark Monahan	Aaron Rismiller	Chad Wilson
Shawn Combs	Stephen Jepsen	Tony Moreno	Nathan Rosmarin	
Patrick Damo	Brian Jimenez	Justin Morgan	Ray Ryan	

## TO ALL THIRD DEGREE KNIGHTS

The Spring Exemplification for the Fourth Degree will be held in Columbus on Saturday June 3. To be eligible to obtain the Fourth degree you must be a Third degree Knight in good standing. I strongly encourage all Third Degree Knights to consider joining the Fourth Degree.. If you are interested in joining the Fourth Degree please see me or any other Fourth Degree member.

*Chris Fricke, Deputy Grand Knight*

# Membership Activities

Membership Chairman: John Greve

**WELCOME** to new Brother knight **Tony Moreno** who was inducted in the First Degree at St. Michael on January 16

## UPCOMING FIRST DEGREE CEREMONIES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>Time*</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone</u>
2/22/17 (Wed.)	#10765, St. Joan of Arc, Powell	7:30 PM	Chris Humphrey	740-881-5910
2/27/17 (Mon.)	#5253, St. Pius X, Reynoldsburg	7:00 PM	Scott Marsh	614-306-4244
3/2/17 (Thur.)	#10941, Church of Resur., New Albany	8:00 PM	Ed Yingling	614-307-4561
3/8/17 (Wed.)	#5801, St. Matthew, Gahanna	6:30 PM	Jeff Bernard	614-306-9550
3/9/17 (Thur.)	#4603, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Grove City	7:00 PM	Bill Merriman	614-397-5745
3/16/17 (Thur.)	#11208, St. Brendan, Dublin	7:00 PM	Bob Eggerichs	614-771-9624
3/16/17 (Thur.)	#5776, St. Paul, Westerville	7:30 PM	Don Coffey	614-578-9915
3/20/17 (Mon.)	#11445, St. Michael, Worthington	7:00 PM	Rich Wade	614-781-1664
3/27/17 (Mon.)	#5253, St. Pius X, Reynoldsburg	7:00 PM	Scott Marsh	614-306-4244

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

## NEXT 2ND AND 3RD DEGREE CEREMONIES – BRYCE ECK CENTER, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2017

If you are a First Degree Knight (see list on page 5) **Sunday, February 26, 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** (see list on page 5), **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26 IS YOUR NEXT OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME A FULL-FLEDGED KNIGHT.**

To give you some idea of the extent of your time commitment on **February 26**, all 2nd - 3rd degree candidates are expected to meet at the **Key Bank across from St. Michael's at 10:45 AM** from which you will be transported to St. Andrew's Bryce Eck Center, 3880 Reed Road, Upper Arlington, by your brother knights of St. Michael Council. Candidates must be at the Bryce Eck Center by **11:30 AM** for some administrative details. (Bring your **current 1<sup>st</sup> degree membership card** with you.) The degree ceremonies begin at **12:00 PM**. Each ceremony lasts about 1 hour and 15 minutes with about a half hour break in between. All activities should be over by about 4:00 PM. **Contact me, John Greve, at 614-296-6565 or [johnmgreve@gmail.com](mailto:johnmgreve@gmail.com) to let me know if you plan to take these degrees on February 26. (Please respond by Thursday, Feb. 23).**

## NEXT 4<sup>TH</sup> DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION CEREMONIES

The next 4<sup>th</sup> degree exemplification ceremony will be held on Saturday, June 3. 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)

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## INSURANCE REPRESENTATIVE FOR ST. MICHAEL COUNCIL #11445

New Representative to be assigned shortly

## PRAYERS FOR BROTHER KNIGHTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

Please pray for **Colleen Hull**, wife of brother knight Joe Hull, who is battling cancer; for brother knight **Cy Cottrell** who is recovering from treatment for kidney cancer; for the step-father of brother knight **Mike LaMorte** 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 **Tony Sylvester**, and for Tony Sylvester's father-in-law, both of whom currently have some serious health problems; for the father of brother knight **Greg Eckert** who is recovering from a leg accident; for brother knights **Mike Fowler, 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.



**CORPORATE COMMUNION (February 19)**

Our monthly Corporate Communion at 10:30 Mass on the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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*

**2017 Catholic Men's Conference**

Saturday, February 25, 2017 – 8 am to 3:00 pm  
**Cardinal Hall at the Ohio State Expo Center**  
Online Registration & Payment at [www.CATHOLICMENSMINISTRY.com](http://www.CATHOLICMENSMINISTRY.com)  
And after all weekend Masses at St. Michael till February 18  
Adults: \$40; Students: \$25; Priests, Deacons, Seminarians: free

**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*



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