

# Knights of Columbus



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



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## K of C News, Volume 24, Number 4 October 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.]

- 10/1 Friendship Sunday Hosted by KofC11445 Knights of Columbus
- 10/7-8 Hoagie (Italian Sub) Sale for Vocations (see page 4)
- 10/8 Family Rosary Day – St. Joseph Cathedral, 3:00 PM
- 10/9 Columbus Day  
*Business Meeting*
- 10/14-15 St. Michael Stewardship Fair – Marian Hall (see page 1)  
Hoagie (Italian Sub) Sale for Vocations (see page 4)
- 10/15 Corporate Communion (10:30 Mass) followed by Coffee and Donuts (see page 6)
- 10/16 **First Degree** at St. Michael (by KofC11445 First Degree Team) – 7:00 PM (see page 1)
- 10/18 Feast of St. Luke the Apostle  
KofC Football Frenzy Returns Due (see page 3)
- 10/19 Social Activity – Hoffbrauhaus, 6:30 PM (see page 1)
- 10/21 Honor Flight Columbus (see page 2)
- 10/21-22 Hoagie (Italian Sub) Sale for Vocations (see page 4)
- 10/26 DEADLINE FOR OCTOBER NEWSLETTER
- 10/28 Feast of Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles
- 10/28-29 Hoagie (Italian Sub) Distribution to Purchasers (see page 4)
- 10/29 Second and Third Degree Ceremonies (see pages 4, 5 )
- 11/1 All Saints Day
- 11/2 All Souls Day
- 11/11 Veteran's Day
- 11/13 *Business Meeting*

### **FIRST DEGREE CEREMONY BY KofC11445 DEGREE-TEAM – MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 7 PM**

Brother Knights: Our new KofC11445 St. Michael Council First Degree Team will perform a First Degree Ceremony on Monday, October 16 at 7:00 PM in the new KofC meeting room. Please come to support the 1<sup>st</sup> degree candidates and your new First Degree Team.

*Richard Wade, Chairman, KofC11445 First Degree Team, 614-781-1664, [richardwade@rocketmail.com](mailto:richardwade@rocketmail.com)*

### **KofC11445 SOCIAL AT HOFFBRAUHAUS – THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 6:30 PM**

Our September Social activity will be on Thursday, October 19 at 6:30 PM at **HOFFBRAUHAUS** on 800 Goodale Blvd., Columbus. Come out with your brother knights for a wonderful night out. RSVP by Monday, October 16.

*Tony Schera, Council Activities, 614-781-0381, [atonyschera@aol.com](mailto:atonyschera@aol.com)*

### **ST. MICHAEL STEWARDSHIP FAIR – OCTOBER 14-15**

The **St. Michael Stewardship Fair** is scheduled for **October 14-15**. We will need volunteers at each mass to answer questions and help promote the Knights. Please consider volunteering to help with this effort.  
*Greg Eckert, Grand Knight, 614-799-9777, [eckerts@outlook.com](mailto:eckerts@outlook.com)*

## **CHOOSE** (Presented by our lecturer at our September Meeting)

So there was God, Creator of the entire Universe, and He was laying out Eden. He created four rivers and put them in their place. He created fruit trees and arranged them in an orchard. And the tree of knowledge of good and evil, He put that right in the middle. Then He made Adam and told him, “You may freely eat fruit from every tree of the orchard, but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will surely die.” Which begs the eternal question: Why? Wouldn’t it have been better if there was no tree to tempt us? He’s the God of the Universe, He makes the rules, why even allow Satan into Eden? If God loves us, why did He give us something to be tempted by in the first place? Why even give us the choice?

During the period of Moorish occupation of Córdoba, Spain, in the Tenth Century, there was a bishop who was captured by the Moorish caliph. The bishop promised to pay a large ransom if he was freed. So at the age of ten, his nephew Pelagius, a young and very pious Christian boy, took his uncle’s place in prison and awaited his uncle to send the money that would free him. Three years passed with no sign of the bishop or the ransom. One day, Caliph Abdurrahman, surrounded by his court and elders, sent for the Christian boy. He decided that rather than continue to wait for the ransom, that he would make the boy a page in his court, a prize of sorts. After three years in prison at such a young age, Pelagius was anxious to be freed from prison, even if he wouldn’t be able to go home. There was one catch however: he would have to renounce his Christian faith, and recite the line “There is no god but Allah, and Mohammed is his prophet.” There were no other Christians there that day to witness Pelagius’ apostasy. He could just recite the line with his lips but still love Christ in his heart, could he not? But Pelagius was a devout Christian who took the words of Jesus seriously. In Matthew’s gospel, Jesus said, “Whoever, then, acknowledges me before people, I will acknowledge before my Father in heaven. But whoever denies me before people, I will deny him also before my Father in heaven.” Certainly this was on Pelagius’ mind when he answered the caliph: “I will, indeed, be true to thee and obedient in all else, but first, I am Christ’s. Nothing may part me from Him. I am a Christian, and believe in Christ. Christ I will never deny.”

Caliph Abdurrahman was furious. And he grew even more so when his aides started laughing, saying, “the Spaniard boy mocks you, as his friend the bishop did, in his Christian insolence.” The caliph was enraged. “Take him out, and hang him up by his wrists till the pain forces him to deny his Christ!” Some time passed and word came back to the caliph that Pelagius had passed out from the pain, but had not denied Christ. The caliph ordered Pelagius brought back to him. Once Pelagius had come around, the caliph said: “Once more, and for the last time, infidel and ungrateful as thou art, I give thee another chance. Happy freedom, honor, my favor and protection—or death. Choose!” Pelagius looked at the caliph and replied, “I have chosen: Christ!” The caliph ordered him taken away, his hands and feet were cut off with iron pincers, and he was thrown in the river.

We are all presented many choices in our life. Adam had the choice to refuse the temptation of the forbidden fruit and he failed. Saint Pelagius of Córdoba had the choice to choose Christ over his earthly life, and he succeeded. But there’s still the question of “Why?” If God loves us and wants us to be with Him eternally, why even open up the potential that we might be lost from Him forever?

The answer is, because true love is a choice. True love is choosing to love your wife more than all other women. True love is choosing to prioritize your children over your ambition. And God, in who’s true love for us chose to create us and chose to send Jesus to die for us, wants nothing less than our true love in return. Without the temptation to sin, there can be no true love of our Creator by rejecting sin. True love of God means we need to choose to love God more than sin.

Both Adam and Saint Pelagius had the same choice: God, or sin. We are all tempted every day. And we are all confronted with the same imperative: Choose!

*Mike LaMorte, Lecturer*

## **HONOR FLIGHT COLUMBUS – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21**

Please encourage St. Michael WWII and Korean War Veterans to visit their respective Memorials in Washington, D.C. through the Honor Flight Program. The remaining Honor Flight Columbus trip for the 2017 season is on **October 21**. 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](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](mailto:jshough1@insight.rr.com)*

## **THE VALUE OF LIFE INSURANCE FOR CHILDREN**

As a father, you worry about your children and do many things to protect them. We try to raise them right and make sure they are prepared to become adults. But have you ever thought about buying life insurance on your child?

When you insure a child, you are protecting his or her future. Did you know that one out of every six adults get rated, postponed, or denied for insurance coverage? If you purchase a policy for your child from the Knights of Columbus, it guarantees that more insurance can be purchased for that child without proving insurability.

Unfortunately, as fathers we don't have a crystal ball to tell us the future of our children. Your child could eventually have a rare disease, cancer, or be overweight. Did you know you can purchase a child's policy, in many cases, for less than \$10 a month?

I've heard it said that people don't want to "profit" from the death of a child, so they won't purchase coverage on their children. God forbid something tragic happens, those funds can come in handy at a time when finances will be the last thing on a parent's mind. I have never heard a story about someone who regretting buying coverage on a child.

Contact me today to discuss the many policy options for child plans, including 10- and 20-Pay life insurance.

*Richard Brenner, KofC Field Agent*



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## **KOFC FOOTBALL FRENZY FOR 2017 – RETURNS AND PAYMENT DUE OCTOBER 18, 2017**

All KofC11445 members recently received 2017 Football Frenzy tickets to sell or purchase. They are \$20 each and are valid for the last 10 weeks of the NFL football season (beginning October 29).

This is another excellent fundraising opportunity to support many of our charitable causes, including our Chris Damo Scholarship Fund. Ticket returns and payment are due by October 18 to be eligible for the first drawing on the weekend of October 29.

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\$2,500 \$25,000  
HIGHEST \$400

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YOUR TEAMS FOR EACH WEEK OF THE 2017 SWEEPSTAKES

OCT-29	NOV-5	NOV-12	NOV-19	NOV-26	DEC-3	DEC-10	DEC-17	DEC-24	DEC-31
DET	CHI	BAL	GB	GB	LAC	CIN	ARI	CLE	DEN
LAR	IND	BUF	MIN	KC	LAR	HOU	LAC	NYG	IND
NYJ	NO	CAR	PIT	NYG	MIA	TEN	LAR	PIT	LAC
OAK	SF	SEA	TB	TEN	OAK	WAS	MIA	WAS	WAS

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### **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.

### **ST. MICHAEL COUNCIL #11445 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS 2017-2018**

<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> Richard Wade	<b>Community Activities:</b> James Shough
<b>Recorder:</b> Tom Schmitt	<b>Trustee (3 Years):</b> John Greve	<b>Council Activities:</b> Tony Schera, Tim Dondoro
<b>Financial Secretary:</b> Anthony Matlak	<b>Membership:</b> John Greve	<b>Family Activities:</b> Jeff Pillivant
<b>Treasurer:</b> Chris Axene	<b>Culture of Life:</b> Brett Gissel	<b>Youth Activities:</b> Fidel Pitones
<b>Lecturer:</b> Mike LaMorte	<b>Columbian Squires:</b> Brett Gissel	<b>District Deputy:</b> Domenic Nocera
<b>Advocate:</b> Michael Fowler	<b>Scholarship:</b> John Greve	<b>Insurance Rep:</b> Richard Brenner
<b>Warden:</b> Kirk Alton	<b>Historian:</b> Anthony Petrarca	

## **HOAGIE (ITALIAN SUB) SALE FOR VOCATIONS – OCTOBER 7-8, 14-15, 21-22, 28-29**

Brother Knights: For our fall fundraiser to **support vocations** during the **Month of October**, we will be selling **Hoagies (Italian subs)** with *salami, capicola, pepperoni, and provolone cheese on a 7" ciabatta roll with a homemade roasted red pepper pesto*. We're selling them for **\$7.00 each**, and order forms will be inserted in Church bulletins and sent home with St. Michael School students. Remember, all proceeds from this event helps support vocations.



**We will take orders for the first three full weekends of October after all Masses (October 7-8, 14-15, 21-22), with hoagies to be made the morning of Saturday, October 28, and made available for pickup after all Masses on October 28-29.**

Funds raised are targeted to support religious vocations, and traditionally have been used to provide direct support to selected seminarians and novitiates, such as recently ordained **Fr. Ty Tomson** and **Fr. Nick Droll**, and current seminarian **Frank Brown** and novitiate **Alycia Hartley**, all from our parish. Over the years, we've raised approximately \$35,000, which has been matched by about \$7,000 from the national KofC RSVP program that contributes \$100 for every \$500 we provide to support seminarians and religious novitiates.

We look forward to continued support by you and your families either by helping out with some of the various responsibilities (see below), or by purchasing subs for you and your families to support this cause.

We will need **2-3 volunteers to take orders after every weekend Mass on October 7-8, 14-15, 21-22** (especially at the 4 PM Saturday Masses and the 12:30 PM and 6:00 PM Sunday Masses), as well as **20-24 people the morning of October 28 to assemble subs**. Additionally we'll need **at least 4 volunteers after each Mass on October 28-29 to assist with order pickup**. Aside from assembling the subs, your time commitment will only be 20-30 minutes. To volunteer log in at [http://kofc11445.com/volunteer-opportunities/?sheet\\_id=1](http://kofc11445.com/volunteer-opportunities/?sheet_id=1) or contact me at my email address below.

Mike LaMorte, [mlamorte@mac.com](mailto:mlamorte@mac.com)

### **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, April 30** 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 5 of this newsletter for details of how to participate in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degree ceremonies on October 29.

Tony Petrarca, Editor

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

#### **NEXT 2ND AND 3RD DEGREE CEREMONIES – OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, SUNDAY, OCT. 29**

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

# 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>
10/12/17 (Thur.)	#5776, St. Paul, Westerville	7:30 PM	Don Coffey	614-578-9915
10/16/17 (Mon.)	#11445, St. Michael, Worthington	7:00 PM	Richard Wade	614-781-1664
10/23/17 (Mon.)	#5253, St. Pius X, Reynoldsburg	7:30 PM	Scott Marsh	614-306-4244
10/24/17 (Tue.)	#10765, St. Joan of Arc, Powell	7:30 PM	Corbett Taylor	614-216-2675
11/6/17 (Mon.)	#10863, St. Brigid of Kildare, Dublin	7:00 PM	Dan Schreibels	614-578-2363
11/8/17 (Wed.)	#1056, St. Mary, Delaware	7:00 PM	Eric Suchland	614-571-0791
11/21/17 (Tue.)	#11207, St. Patrick, Columbus	6:30 PM	Thomas Ryan	614-284-1748

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

## **NEXT 2ND-3RD DEGREE CEREMONIES – OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, SUNDAY OCT. 29, 2017**

If you are a first degree knight (see list on page 4) **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 **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 3730 Broadway, Grove City** 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, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29 IS YOUR NEXT OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME A FULL-FLEDGED KNIGHT**

**To give you some idea of the extent of your time commitment on October 29, all 2nd and 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 Our Lady of Perpetual Help (OLPH), Grove City, by your brother knights of St. Michael Council. Candidates must be at OLPH by **12:30 PM** for some administrative details. (Bring your **current 1<sup>st</sup> degree membership card** with you.) The degree ceremonies begin at **1:00 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 5:00 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 October 29. (Please respond by Thursday, October 26).****

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

The next 4<sup>th</sup> degree exemplification ceremony will be held in November 2017 in the Steubenville Diocese. Contact District Deputy **Domenic Nocera** 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**

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## **PRAYERS FOR BROTHER KNIGHTS AND THEIR FAMILIES**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of knight widow **Lale Ruth** and her family; for brother knight **Jeff Stewart** who is recovering from a recent heart attack; for brother knight **Tom Russell** who is battling cancer; for **Ed Ferkany**, father of brother knight Dave Ferkany, who is dealing with some current 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 **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 the step-father of brother knight Mike LaMorte who has some current health problems; for **Betty Petrarca**, wife of brother knight Tony Petrarca, who is recovering from some recent health 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, Bob Flores, John Blute, Dan Meyers, and Jim Ferega**, all of whom are currently experiencing some health problems; 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 (October 15)**

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*



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