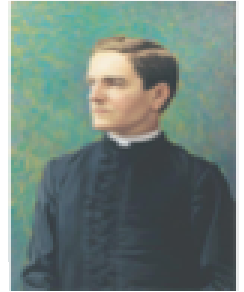


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Dates to Remember:

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

- 2/2 Presentation of the Lord
- 2/10 Special Olympics Basketball Skills Competition (see page 1)
- 2/12 *Business Meeting*
- 2/14 Ash Wednesday
Valentine's Day
- 2/16 Lenten Fish Fry begins (see page 4)
- 2/18 Corporate Communion (10:30 Mass) followed by Coffee and Donuts (see page 10)
- 2/19 Presidents' Day
First Degree at St. Michael (by KofC11445 First Degree Team) – 7:00 PM (see page 1)
- 2/21 February Social at Ziftig Brewery (see page 1)
- 2/23 Lenten Fish Fry (see page 4)
- 2/24 Catholic Men's Conference (see page 6)
- 2/25 **Second and Third Degree Ceremonies** (see pages 8, 9)
DEADLINE FOR MARCH NEWSLETTER
- 3/2 Lenten Fish Fry (see page 4)
- 3/12 *Business Meeting*

SPECIAL OLYMPICS BASKETBALL SKILLS COMPETITION, SATURDAY FEBRUARY 10

We are working to get volunteers for our Special Olympics basketball tournament in **Hilliard on February 10 at Weaver Middle School**. Opening ceremonies begin at **9:00 AM** and we would like volunteers to be there at **8:15 AM**. It is expected that we would be finished around 1:00 PM although that will depend upon the number of athletes that are there to compete. We will need help running the events of dribbling, shooting and passing as well as getting the athletes to each event.

If you can assist, please let me know.

God Bless,

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

FIRST DEGREE CEREMONY BY KofC11445 DEGREE-TEAM – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 7 PM

Brother Knights: Our new KofC11445 St. Michael Council First Degree Team will perform a First Degree Ceremony on Monday, February 19 at 7:00 PM in the new KofC meeting room. Please come to support the 1st degree candidates and your new First Degree Team.

Richard Wade, Chairman, KofC11445 First Degree Team, 614-781-1664, richardwade@rocketmail.com

SOCIAL AT ZIFTIG BREWERY AND TAP ROOM – WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 7:00 PM

Our February social will be at **Ziftig Brewery and Tap Room** located at **7020 Huntley Road** on **Wednesday, February 21 at 7:00 PM**. Beers available for purchase and snacks will be available (great beer on tap). Please RSVP by February 19.

Chris Mauro, Council Activities, 614-781-0381, chriskmauro@yahoo.com

MUD (Presented by our lecturer at our January Meeting)

On the opposite side of the equator, spring comes in August and September. And the monsoon rains in the mountains bring a flood of water down the Nile to Egypt. As we all learned in grade school, the desert stretches for hundreds of miles in every direction, but the banks of the Nile are lush and fertile. These annual floods churn up the silt in the Nile, and when the flood waters recede the land is renewed. Without these annual floods, the water would be still, and the silt would settle on the bottom of the river. There would be no farming, no agriculture, no life.

Admittedly, it's hard to think of things in the context of spring with frigid temperatures and snow and ice encrusting our cars. There's no green anywhere except pine trees dotting the landscape here and there, like an oasis in a desert of white and brown. But after we're done ringing in the New Year, our thoughts for what we're going to do with it come rushing like an unstoppable flood. Every January, people's minds usually turn to thoughts of renewal. What new projects am I going to undertake this year? What goals am I going to set? What did I not get to last year that I am definitely going to get to this year? It's like a mental springtime.

And when we're done, we feel assured and confident, don't we? "I have a plan! I'm going to get some things done!" We look at our plan and can picture what's to come. We know we're going to get muddy and dirty, sweaty, covered with paint and sawdust, but we also know that at the end of it we can crack open a beverage and look at what we've done with pride. "Look at the room I remodeled! Look at the deck I built! Look at the landscaping I did!" It's always rewarding to build things, to make something out of nothing, and let's be honest, it's always satisfying to use power tools.

But there are other things we can build, other things we can do, that need to be on our list. The Holy Spirit in our souls is like the silt in the river: If we let it sit, it will settle and we will cease to be fruitful for God. We need to shake up the waters of our souls and churn up the Holy Spirit within us so that we are overflowing. Yes, we are going to get muddy. We are going to get dirty. But that's the point.

If we're willing to work up a sweat doing things for ourselves, we need to be willing to work up a sweat doing things for the Lord. If we're willing to set aside time to accomplish things around our house, we need to set aside time to accomplish things at God's house. While our thoughts of to-do lists generally revolve around family, home, and friends, we need to ask ourselves: what major to-do items are we going to do for God this year? What is He asking us to do for Him? What did He ask you to do last year that you didn't get to? Who did you turn away from helping last year because you were afraid of getting too dirty?

So often we turn away from doing the most difficult things that God needs us to do because we know it's going to get us a little dirty in our social circle. How often do we turn away from helping certain people, or even talking to them, because we deem them to be worse sinners than us and we're afraid of guilt by association? We don't want to get ourselves dirty with the social stigma of keeping company with the very people God is asking us to help. Yet this didn't stop Jesus from going into the home of tax collectors and eating with sinners so that He could point them to the road of salvation. And when Jesus came upon a man blind from birth, which the Jews believed was a sign that he had inherited his father's sin, what did Jesus do? He spit in the dirt and made mud, got his hands dirty, and restored the man's sight. If we're willing to get dirty doing the hard work that is important in our lives, we need to be willing to get our hands dirty doing God's work in other people's lives. Remember that God needs us to get dirty so that we can open their eyes so that they may see the path home.

God is calling us all to get a little muddy in service to Him. The work isn't always easy, and sure, there will be times you don't even want to do it. But at the end of the day when you stand there admiring the fruits of your labor, exhausted and sweaty and covered in the glorious life-giving mud of the Holy Spirit, just think of how great that frosty beverage will taste.

Mike LaMorte, Lecturer

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 13. Following are the results from this Council Level competition. The below winners will participate in the district level competition as soon as it is scheduled.

Chris Mauro. Youth Activities. 614-781-0381. chriskmauro@vahoo.com

	Boys		Girls	
Age	1st	2nd	1st	2nd
9	Chase Cromwell	Sam Prier	Kate Kuebler	Gianna Mauro
10	John Hockaday	Blake Donnely	Mary Friess	Daisy Staravecka
11	Nathan Edwards	Jordan Vais	Sofia Siles	
12	Angelo Lamatrice	Will Heinmiller		
13	Sam Hargett			
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ONLY HAVING “THROUGH WORK” INSURANCE DOESN’T WORK

Do you know anyone whose life or career has been drastically changed during years of economic downturn? It’s very likely that someone in your immediate or extended family or group of friends is facing financial uncertainty now. Maybe there’s a possibility that you (or your spouse) could lose your job or change employers.

Too many people have often relied on group term life insurance as their only safety net. Often, this insurance is an employee benefit provided at low or no cost. The existence of this coverage might convince someone that personally-owned life insurance is not necessary.

Only having “through work” insurance can leave you and your family vulnerable. Most group life insurance policies are limited in amount, which may be tied to salary or some other benchmark. These numbers are often capped, and this cap may be dangerously low when compared to your family’s actual needs. In fact, without a detailed needs analysis, any employer-provided coverage will likely cause a shortfall at the insured’s death.

In addition, the amount of group insurance offered is almost always reduced, sometimes dramatically, when you retire. You could one day find yourself without coverage, and if your health has changed (which it will as you age), you might also find yourself unable to secure individual protection. It will definitely be more expensive.

While group life insurance can help, it does not replace the need for individually owned life insurance. I’ll be happy to meet with you and provide a no-cost needs analysis, so you’ll know exactly where you stand.

Richard Brenner, KofC Field Agent



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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)

Lady (Family, Jeff Pillivant)

Chaplain (Church, Chris Fricke)

Religious (Church, Chris Fricke)

Family (Family, Jeff Pillivant)

Volunteer (Community, Jim Shough)

Knight (Council, Chris Mauro, Tony Schera)

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

Chris Fricke, Deputy Grand Knight, 614-402-0329 (c), crf1605@aol.com

SPECIAL OLYMPICS “BATTLE OF WORTHINGTON”

Come to watch brother knights **Craig Eckert** and **Peter Schera** in the “Battle of Worthington” Basketball game on **Thursday, March 8 at 7:00 PM** at Thomas Worthington High School, 300 W. Dublin-Granville Road, Worthington. **Admission is FREE**. 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

FISH FRY VOLUNTEER NEEDS

Our Fish Fry's will take place on the following Fridays during Lent: February 16, 23; March 2, 9, 16, 23. Meals are served each night from 5:00 to 8:00. As usual, there will be **no dinner on Good Friday**. Proceeds from this event helps support parish needs.

This is a massive undertaking inasmuch as the Council requires nearly 50 volunteers per night to ensure each dinner's success. I have the responsibility to staff each night's dinner with volunteers to help before, during and after the dinners. **Prior to each night's meal**, there is preparation required in **setting up the undercroft, making the Cole slaw, and baking the Mac-N-Cheese**.

Help is needed each Friday starting at about **3:00 for set up**. Our greatest need is during the dinner hours for various tasks such as the following:

- Drive Thru Order Runners** (can be students);
- Kitchen Serving Line;**
- Table Busser/Trash** (can be students);
- Dishwasher;**
- Dessert Table;** and
- Drink Table.**

Cleaning up the undercroft and kitchen and doing dishes is another opportunity to contribute to the dinners. **People willing to help with the cleanup tasks should plan to be there by about 7:45**. Usually we are done by **9:00** depending upon the size of the cleanup crew.

If you can help with any of these details, kindly contact me at the email address or phone number given below.

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



To Support St. Michael Parish

Fridays During Lent

5:00 PM – 8:00 PM

St. Michael Church Undercroft
5750 North High Street, Worthington

Carryout and Drive-Thru Available 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM

FISH DINNER: Regular \$9.00 each
Small \$7.00 each

MACARONI & CHEESE DINNER: \$7.00 each

SIDES (Clam Chowder, Mac/Cheese): \$2.00 each **DESSERTS:** \$1.00 each

DINNER INCLUDES: Fish or Macaroni & Cheese Fries, Roll, choice of Apple Sauce or Cole Slaw & Beverage



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<p>Knights of Columbus</p>  <p>LENTEN FISH FRY</p> <p>DINE IN,</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Handicap Seating Available</div> <p>DRIVE THRU, CARRY OUT</p>	<p>All Fridays in Lent 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.</p> <p>St. Michael Church</p> <p>5750 N. High St., Worthington</p> <p>Fish Dinner: Regular-\$9.00, Small-\$7.00</p> <p>Macaroni-Cheese Dinner - \$7.00</p> <p>Meal: Fish (or Mac/Cheese), Fries, Roll, Cole Slaw (or Apple Sauce), and Beverage</p> <p>Sides:(Clam Chowder, Mac/Cheese) - \$2.00, Desserts - \$1.00</p>
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MEDICAL MISSION TRIP TO HAITI BY BROTHER KNIGHT JOE FIALA, M.D.

I wanted to share something about my recent medical mission trip to Haiti on January 13-20, 2018 with the Notre Dame Haiti Program. We were blessed by being able to take care of many people (in little ways mostly, and in big ways a few times) and felt very appreciated.

The host parish of St Rose of Lima (pictured on the right) has improved facilities. The Sunday Mass was celebrated reverently and all people participated. The words that I understood best were surprisingly the sung Greek, "*Kyrie eleison*". The priest there is a friend of a priest in the Columbus diocese, and I was personally able to communicate his good wishes and some Creole prayer cards.

The next picture shows most of our team and some local people hired as translators for a clinic we held at St Rose parish in some rooms they have for activities. We had about 22 people from the US with about 8 doctors, and saw about 150-200 people we helped most days. We used a lot of hand sanitizer since there is no running water or electricity there. Some people are not too ill, but all get vitamins and toothbrushes. Some had wounds that needed cleaning and antibiotics, and many older folks got reading glasses. But we did not have glasses for some children who were not able to see distant things.

One evening at dinner, a local native OB came to our house to ask the American OB doctor with us to come help him with a C-section that was needed because the mother's BP had gotten quite high. The baby was only 32 weeks old (2 months early), so if our pediatrician (namely, me) could come along that would help too. There was a local pediatrician, but he was not able to attend the delivery.

It was quite dark without street lights, but we eventually got to a small hospital called Cardinal Leger Hospital. (Cardinal Leger was a Canadian who worked with lepers.) I had never been there. The OB doctors



prepared to do their job and I was shown a gurney with a heating pad where I was to resuscitate the premature infant. This was an excellent inducement to pray in petition to God for help.

They also gave me a sterile bulb suction and towels to warm up with the heating pad. There was no tank of oxygen but they found an older oxygen generator for me. In some cabinets, I found an old child-size mask and had to cut some tubing to connect it to the O₂ generator. Soon it was time for me to go receive the blue infant from the OB doctors in the operating room. He was small at 1.7 kg (3 lb 12 oz), but he gradually responded to some breaths with the too-large mask, suctioning, and stimulation; then he got pink and began breathing on his own (see picture on right). The staff were all quite happy there.

This was an excellent inducement to pray in thanksgiving for such an opportunity to help this child get started in life. We saw him the next day in the hospital and he was taking formula okay while his mother recovered. I thank everyone for their prayerful support as these sort of things don't happen without lots of prayer and support of all types.

KofC11445 Brother Knight Joseph Fiala, M.D.



2018 Catholic Men's Conference

Saturday, February 24, 2018 – 8 am to 3:00 pm

Cardinal Hall at the Ohio State Expo Center

Online Registration & Payment at www.CATHOLICMENSMINISTRY.com

And after all weekend Masses at St. Michael till February 18

Adults: \$40; Students: \$25; Priests, Deacons, Seminarians: free

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.

MARCH FOR LIFE – WASHINGTON, D.C., JANUARY 19, 2018

Dear Knights,

On behalf of St. Michael School, I wish to express our deep gratitude to you for your support of our students' stand for life in Washington, D.C. We are most grateful for your donation to this trip which is such a strong moment of formation for our young people. This year, their trip included a visit to the National Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, the St. John Paul II Shrine, the Holocaust Museum, the "Life is Good" Youth Rally and the March for Life itself. For most of the youth, it is their first experience encountering other young people of this magnitude who are alive in their Faith. Your support is a wonderful witness to our students and is part of your own ongoing stand for the unborn around our nation.



Thank you so much. May God reward you.

Sr. John Paul, O.P., Principal, St. Michael School

COMMENTARY OF A CHAPERONE PARENT (BROTHER KNIGHT FIDELE PITONES)

I had the opportunity to chaperone the St. Michaels School 8th grade Pilgrimage to Washington DC. Thirty-eight (38) 8th grade students were accompanied by Father Lynch, Sister Mary Jacinta, Sister Agnes Maria, John Wallace, Meg Heller, and 12 parent chaperones. The pilgrimage began on Wednesday, January 17th at St. Michael. We attended mass in the morning where Father Dinovo gave us all a Pilgrim Blessing. After mass, we loaded the bus and we were off to DC. We arrived in Washington, DC that night and the students gathered together to make signs and develop cheers for the March for Life. The girls and boys had a cheer competition to see who could come up with the best cheer. Thursday morning, we headed to the National Basilica for mass at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel and a tour. After lunch, we toured the St. Pope John Paul II Shrine. In the afternoon, we toured the US Holocaust Memorial Museum, then walked to the Lincoln Memorial. The night ended with the "Life is Very Good Rally" at George Mason University. Friday morning, we headed back to George Mason University for the morning rally and mass. After mass, we grabbed our Chick Fil A sack lunch and headed to the March. At the March, we were met by thousands of other Pilgrims from all over this country including Canada. We walked and cheered for Life. Our trip ended on Saturday with a tour of Arlington Cemetery and the changing of the guards at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in the morning and then a bus ride back to St. Michael.

This Pilgrimage provides our students different ways to view the quality of life, to pray together for life, to stand up for innocent lives that can't defend for themselves, and to witness how others have sacrificed for lives of others. This pilgrimage is transforming.

Fidele Pitones, Parent Chaperone and KofC11445 Brother Knight

COMMENTARIES OF TWO ST. MICHAEL STUDENTS (LUKE AND MICHAEL)

The 8th Grade students of St. Michael School had the opportunity and privilege to go to the March for Life in Washington DC. The experience taught us many things. We learned that it is very important to stand up and represent life no matter its state of being. Life is always precious, no matter its form, and it should not be taken away because it is the most basic human right given to us by God. The March for Life showed us, in a very real way, that we need to cherish all lives because we are all made in the image and likeness of God. We are all brothers and sisters because we are all His children. We are one big family, and He is our

Father. As a result, we should love one another as a family and help each other out as a family would, because love conquers all, and love saves lives.

Something we want to say after what we learned and experience is: Take the time today to reach out to one of your peers to tell them how much they mean to you. Help a colleague when they are in need. Be kind and courteous to your friends and mentors, and do your work as best you can. Do these things because God wants us to do them, He wants us to love each other because He loves all of us. That is what we learned while on the March for Life, we learned about the powerful impact of spreading God's love to those in need. We saw it as we cheered and Marched for Life with hundreds of thousands of people from all over the country. By doing all of the little things the right way, and with great love as God wants us to, we can build stronger relationships with each other, become closer to God, and make our school even better than what it is now.

Thank you, sir Knights, for your support. Thank you for being Pro-Life. We are praying for all of you and ask you to pray for us as we continue to strive to practice the virtues of Pro-Life Disciples of Christ.
St. Michael Students, Luke and Michael

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

Chaplain: Rev. Anthony Dinovo	Inside Guard: Craig Eckert	Newsletter Editor: Anthony Petrarca
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Warden: Kirk Alton	Historian: Anthony Petrarca	

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 25 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 9 of this newsletter for details of how to participate in the 2nd and 3rd degree ceremonies on February 25.

Tony Petrarca, Editor

A CALL TO ALL FIRST DEGREE KNIGHTS (LISTED BELOW)

NEXT 2ND AND 3RD DEGREE CEREMONIES – OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, SUNDAY, FEB. 25

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

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>
2/8/18 (Thur.)	#11208, St. Brendan, Hilliard	7:00 PM	Bob Eggerichs	614-771-9624
2/14/18 (Wed.)	#5801, St. Matthew, Gahanna	7:00 PM	Charles Porter III	614-306-9550
2/19/18 (Mon.)	#11445, St. Michael, Worthington	7:00 PM	Richard Wade	614-781-1664
2/22/18 (Thur.)	#11193, St. Elizabeth, Columbus	7:30 PM	John Holmes	614-602-7446
2/27/18 (Tue.)	#5253, St. Pius X, Reynoldsburg	7:30 PM	John Swisher	614-477-7730
3/1/18 (Thur.)	#10941, New Albany Council	8:00 PM	Ed Yingling	614-307-4561
3/14/18 (Wed.)	#1056, St. Mary, Delaware	7:00 PM	Eric Suchland	614-571-0791
3/15/18 (Thur.)	#5776, St. Paul, Westerville	7:30 PM	Don Coffey	614-578-9915

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

NEXT 2ND-3RD DEGREE CEREMONIES –SUNDAY FEBRUARY 25, 2018

If you are a first degree knight (see list on page 4) **Sunday, February 25, 2018** 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 **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, FEBRUARY 25 IS YOUR NEXT OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME A FULL-FLEDGED KNIGHT.**

To give you some idea of the extent of your time commitment on February 25, all 2nd and 3rd degree candidates are expected to meet at the *Key Bank across from St. Michael's at 11:30 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 **1:00 PM for some administrative details. (Bring your **current 1st degree membership card** with you.) The degree ceremonies begin at **1:30 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 to let me know if you plan to take these degrees on February 25. (Please respond by Thursday, February 22).****

NEXT 4TH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION CEREMONIES

The next 4th degree exemplification ceremony will be held on April 28, 2018. Contact Brother Knight **Brett Gissel** 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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PRAYERS FOR BROTHER KNIGHTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

Please pray for **Caleb Kachur**, 19 month old grandson of brother knight Steve Kachur, who is in need of prayers and donations for an upcoming bone marrow transplant in May 2018 (see <http://cota.org/campaigns/cotaforcalebk> for details); 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 the sister of brother knight Matt Brown who is dealing with current health problems; for brother knight **Tony Petrarca** and his wife **Betty Petrarca**, both of whom are dealing with some current 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 (February 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



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