Knights of Columbus



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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.]

- 3/2 Lenten Fish Fry (see page 4)
- 3/9 Lenten Fish Fry (see page 4)
- 3/12 Business Meeting
- 3/16 Lenten Fish Fry (see page 4)
- 3/17 St. Patrick's Day
- Special Olympics Bowling Tournament Volunteers Needed (see page 1)
- 3/18 Corporate Communion (10:30 Mass) followed by Coffee and Donuts (see page 8)
- 3/19 Feast of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Confirmation Mass at 7:00 PM -4^{th} Degree Honor Guard
- 3/23 Last Lenten Fish Fry (see page 4)
- 3/24 March Social 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament (see page 1)
- 3/25 Palm Sunday
- 3/27 DEADLINE FOR APRIL NEWSLETTER
- 3/29 Easter Triduum Begins Holy Thursday
- 3/30 Good Friday
- 3/31 Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil
- 4/1 Easter Sunday
- 4/9 Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord Business Meeting
- 4/21 Josephinum Softball Tournament and Hog Roast (see page 4)

MARCH SOCIAL – 3-ON-3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT, SATURDAY, MARCH 24

Please join us on Saturday March 24 at St. Michael Gym for a 3-on-3 half court Basketball Tournament, exact time TBD based upon how many players sign up (mid afternoon into the evening). Teams will be determined by blind draw (similar to how we do the cornhole tourney)

We are also planning on watching the NCAA Tourney games being televised on TV, as well as other possible activities (i.e. card tables). So please attend even if you do not want to play in the basketball tournament.

More details to come soon but I wanted everyone to be able to get this on their calendar. Please let me know if you want to play so I can start planning for how many teams we will have.

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

SPECIAL OLYMPICS BOWLING, VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – SATURDAY, MARCH 17

Brother Knights,

Franklin County Special Olympics is having their bowling tournament on Saturday, March 17 at HP Lanes at 2012 Innis Road, just east of Innis and Cleveland Ave. We'll have 3 shifts, 9:00, 12:00 and 3:00. We'd like volunteers to arrive 45 minutes ahead of their shift so responsibilities can be explained.

We're hoping that several people can work more than one shift. You are welcome to bring your kids to help out as well. Please consider volunteering for this great worthy cause. Let me know if you can assist. *Jim Shough, Community Activities, 740-549-3321, <u>jshough1@insight.rr.com</u>*

TRAINING CAMP (Presented by our lecturer at our February Meeting)

Champion athletes are always asked, minutes after winning, "Can you do it again next year?" Vegas lays odds almost immediately on a repeat victory. But there are so many variables. So many things change between the end of one season and even the beginning of the next, let alone another shot at the title. After competing, after the end of the season, every athlete takes a brief rest, reorients themselves, and puts a date on the calendar for the start of training for the next season. No athlete thinks they can rest on their achievements of the last season. They know that if they are to be competitive, if they are to win, they must be disciplined. They know they must put in the hard work and the long hours. They know they must endure the rigors of training and make the sacrifices necessary to strengthen themselves for facing their opposition. As they face the temptation of backing off just a little, just for one day, they remind themselves that nobody ever drowned in sweat; that pain is weakness leaving the body; that victory comes to those who are disciplined enough to do the hard work every day.

But the true test, however, isn't the first competition of the season. It's further down the line, after the season has worn on, when the injuries pile up and the bodies ache. The grueling pounding of a full season of competition takes its toll on mind, body, and spirit, but the champions always find a way to push through to victory despite every adversity they face along the way. And in the end, they find themselves on the victor's stage surrounded by throngs of loyal, cheering fans who had followed them on their journey, through every up and down and twist and turn.

The devotion we as a society place upon our athletes is guite remarkable. Think about how much time is spent following a favorite athlete or team... the hours of reading sporting news, playing in fantasy leagues, watching games and highlight videos and sports shows, or waiting in line to get an autograph or picture. Think about the money spent on jerseys and tickets and autographed memorabilia, the shrines we build to our favorite teams and players. Modern-day gladiators have become our gods and the modern-day colosseum has become our church. Imagine if we had the same enthusiasm for our faith that we have for our favorite sports teams and athletes. Imagine if our churches thundered with the voices of the faithful the way sports stadiums and arenas do with the voices of the fans. Imagine if we as a society put the same amount of time, money, and effort into our faith as we put into sports. Imagine.

Enjoying sports isn't a bad thing, but we need to keep things in perspective about what's really important: the future of our eternal souls is not a game, and there is no off-season. But we do have an annual training camp that we call "Lent", and it begins on Ash Wednesday. We need to be as disciplined in our faith as champion athletes are at their sport. Lent is not a time to take it easy, to do the minimum, to say, "I'll give up chocolate, that will be good enough." Prayer, sacrifice, fasting, and abstinence are all exercise for our souls. And the more disciplined we are, the harder we work our souls during our training camp, the stronger we will be in our faith and the more prepared we will be to face Satan's daily temptations.

How well we prepare mentally and spiritually during Lent will become evident as the year wears on and the hardships we face test our spiritual resolve. Every day we succeed in resisting temptation, we are asked, "can you do it again tomorrow?" Unlike athletes, we cannot rest our souls, even for a day. The stronger in our faith we become, the more we will be tested. We all will face adversities that will test our preparedness and the strength of our faith, and how serious we take the training camp of this Lent — and every Lent — will determine how well we are able to push through to victory when the only thing we have to rely on is our faith.

If we stay steadfast and disciplined in strengthening our faith, in our final hour we will find ourselves on the victor's stand surrounded by cheering saints who have been following every twist and turn of our lives, praying for us, and cheering for the eternal victory of our souls. But we haven't won anything yet. Training camp is about to begin. Let's make the most of it.

Mike LaMorte. Lecturer

KOFC11445 REGIONAL FREE THROW WINNER

Congratulations to Chase Cromwell, a 9 year old St. Michael student, who was a winner for his age group in the KofC Regional Free Throw Competition on March 3 at St. Matthew School. Please cheer him on for the KofC State Final to be held at Bishop Ready on March 17. Chris Mauro, Youth Activities, 614-781-0381, chriskmauro@yahoo.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 so that we can realize an additional savings in postage and printing costs.

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*

OHIO KOFC 2018 SUPER CASH BONANZA CHARITY CAMPAIGN

The 2018 Super Cash Bonanza Raffle is upon us, with funds raised from our ticket sales being split about 50-50 between the <u>OHIO KOFC CHARITIES FUND</u> and our <u>ST. MICHAEL COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP</u> <u>FUND</u>.

THE **OHIO KOFC CHARITIES FUND** SUPPORTS ACTIVITIES SUCH AS THE FOLLOWING:

- DIOCESAN VOCATIONS OFFICE
- TELEVISED MASS FOR SHUT-INS
- Religious Education
- Ohio KofC Scholarship Fund
- MANY OTHER CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

OUR **ST. MICHAEL SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS** FROM THIS CAMPAIGN SUPPORTS

• OUR ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



From each \$5.00 ticket sold, we realize a minimum of \$2.40, with opportunities for additional rebates based on numbers of tickets sold.

Thus far we are ahead of our ticket sales from last year and it is thanks in a great part to all of you. We do owe a special shout out to John Grieve who has been spearheading ticket sales at our Fish Fry and doing a great job! Thus far we have sold about half of the 400 tickets that we were allotted. This is great, but we can't let down. I really need the knights who took tickets from me (or had them forced on them by me) to return their stubs and sales dollars. The more that we get in for the first window the better.

All the funds that we raise go to causes we support. Please keep selling and return the stubs to me. . I am at the Fish Fry every week and at 10:30 mass on Sundays. If you are having trouble catching me, you can mail them to me at:

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FISH FRY VOLUNTEER NEEDS

Our remaining Fish Fry's will take place on the following Fridays during Lent: <u>March 2, 9, 16, 23</u>. 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 а 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.

<u>Help is needed each Friday</u> 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



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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



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

JOSEPHINUM SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT AND HOG ROAST - SATURDAY, APRIL 21

The Josephinum softball tournament (in which we participate) is on Saturday, April 21. We're still hoping for good weather after many years of cold (or cold & rainy) weather. The day starts with mass at 8-9 AM, and play starts after mass. The tourney is double elimination among 5 teams (4 Josephinum teams and St. Michael Knights). Late in the afternoon or early evening (about 5-6 PM), it ends with a hog roast.

This is a great opportunity to spend time as a group along with meeting students, staff, and faculty of the Josephinum. Whether you are playing softball that day or not, all Knights and families are invited to attend (please bring lawn chairs). As a courtesy, we will need to provide the Josephinum a head count for the Hog Roast; so **please RSVP** as soon as you can.

Mike Pivarnik, 614-301-5896, mike.pivarnik@raymondsci.com

Membership Activities

Membership Chairman: John Greve

WELCOME to new brother knights Matthew Exline, Matthew Gregory and José Manjivar who were exemplified in the First Degree at St. Michael on Monday, February 19.

CONGRATULATIONS to brother knights **George Francis** and **Dante Villardi** who were exemplified in the 2nd and 3rd degrees on Sunday, February 25

UPCOMING FIRST DEGREE CEREMONIES

Date Council	Time*	<u>Contact</u>	Phone
3/14/18 (Wed.) #1056, St. Mary, Delaware	7:00 PM	Eric Suchland	614-571-0791
3/26/18 (Mon.) #5253, St. Pius X, Reynoldsburg	7:30 PM	John Swisher	614-477-7730
4/11/18 (Wed.) #5801, St. Matthew, Gahanna	7:00 PM	Charles Porter III	614-306-9550
4/12/18 (Thur.) #5776, St. Paul, Westerville	7:30 PM	Don Coffey	614-578-9915
4/26/18 (Thur.) #11193, St. Elizabeth, Columbus	7:30 PM	John Holmes	614-602-7446
5/21/18 (Mon.) #11445, St. Michael, Worthington	7:00 PM	Richard Wade	614-781-1664
*Candidates must arrive 30 minutes prior to the degree starting time			

NEXT 2ND-3RD DEGREE CEREMONIES - SUNDAY APRIL 29, 2018

If you are a first degree knight (see list on page 4) Sunday, April 29, 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, APRIL 29 IS YOUR NEXT OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME A FULL-FLEDGED KNIGHT.

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.

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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 Brian Moran, 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 (March 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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