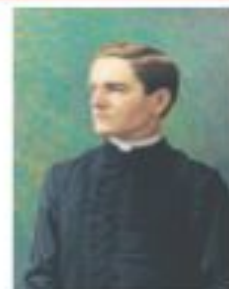


Knights of Columbus



St. Michael Council #11445
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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.]

- 5/7 First Communion Masses at 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM – 4th Degree Honor Guard
- 5/8 Ascension Sunday
Mother's Day
- 5/9 Business Meeting
- 5/13 Deadline for turning in Cash Bonanza Checks and Stubs (see page 4)
- 5/14 Honor Flight Columbus (see page 1)
- 5/15 Pentecost Sunday
Corporate Communion (10:30 Mass) followed by Coffee and Donuts (see page 8)
- 5/16 Social Meeting – Ladies Appreciation Dinner (see page 3)
- 5/21 Armed Forces Day
- 5/26 DEADLINE FOR MAY NEWSLETTER
- 5/28 Flag Decorating at Resurrection Cemetery (see page 4)
- 5/30 Memorial Day
- 6/4 Honor Flight Columbus (see page 1)
- 6/13 Business Meeting

HONOR FLIGHT COLUMBUS – SATURDAYS, MAY 14 & JUNE 4

St. Michael Council #11445 has committed to continue its support of transporting St. Michael WWII and Korean War Veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit their respective Memorials through the Honor Flight Program. Remaining Honor Flight Columbus trips for the 2016 season are: **May 14; June 4; September 10; October 1 & 22.** Morning ground crew volunteers are expected to arrive at Port Columbus by 4:30 AM. A Volunteer Application Form for those interested in helping out with Honor Flight Columbus (like Ground Crew, or any of the other variety of opportunities listed) is available on the Honor Flight website. To volunteer please complete the Form found at the website: http://www.honorflightcolumbus.org/About_Us.html.

Last but not least, our KofC Honor Flight committee seeks everyone's help in talking to our fellow parish WWII and Korean War veterans about possibly making the Honor Flight trip. Veteran application forms can also be found on the website listed above. Thanks to all who help make this program such a memorable one for our veterans.

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

ST. MICHAEL COUNCIL #11445 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS 2015-2016

Chaplain: Rev. Anthony Dinovo	Warden: Chris Fricke	Newsletter Editor: Anthony Petrarca
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Deputy Grand Knight: Greg Eckert	Outside Guard: Chris Mauro	Church Activities: Bob Tatz
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Financial Secretary: Anthony Matlak	Trustee (3 Years): Pat Rosmarin	Family Activities: Jeff Pillivant
Treasurer: Tim Dondero	Membership: John Greve	Youth Activities: Tim McNamara
Lecturer: Mike LaMorte	Culture of Life: Earl Crosby	District Deputy: Brett Gissel
Advocate: Michael Fowler	Historian: Anthony Petrarca	Insurance Rep: Tony Ferguson

MISSIONARIES (Presented by our lecturer at our April Meeting)

A new missionary visited a small village in a remote jungle, and, in his rudimentary skill in the native language, began preaching the Gospel. "Jesus will give you eternal life!" said the missionary. "Bawana!" shouted the natives. "You must not worship other gods!" said the missionary. "Bawana!" shouted the natives. "You must not murder or commit adultery or lie!" said the missionary. "Bawana!" shouted the natives, even more enthusiastically. Buoyed by their energetic response, the missionary felt ready to evangelize the world. He asked the chief how to get to the next village, to share the Gospel with them too. The chief replied, "You go down road one thousand paces. Turn right. Climb over wall made of rocks. Run across field. Many bulls in field. You run fast, but be careful not step in bull bawana."

Think of missionaries for a moment. They are sent to remote corners of the world, with the purpose of proclaiming the Gospel and saving souls. They are often in dangerous situations, and certainly they endure the harshness of feeling alone in their faith when they are surrounded by so many non-believers. They are carrying on the work of Saint Paul, who expanded the Church through the Roman Empire and to Persia and India. They follow in the footsteps of Saint Patrick in the 5th Century, Pope Gregory the Great, and the Augustinians, Franciscans, and Dominicans.

The Catholic Church has been a missionary church from the very beginning. Jesus' Great Commission told the apostles to go and make disciples of all nations, go and baptize, go and preach the Gospel. Jesus said, "Go", and like true apostles, they went and they did as He instructed. Their work, and the work of all missionaries, not just expanded the Church. Their work saved souls. While it's easy to think of missionaries in stereotypical terms, we are *all* called to be missionaries. We are *all* called to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the jungle which God sends us.

Maybe your jungle is your neighborhood. After all, the apostles first evangelized the Jews in their own communities before spreading the Gospel to the Gentiles. Maybe you have a neighbor who is elderly and alone, who simply needs someone to spend time with them and pray with them. Maybe there's a family who is struggling through a job loss or serious illness, who needs not just a helping hand, but the encouraging words of Christ. Or what about the family that seems nice enough, but who has no spiritual life at all. Are you being sent to bring Christ to the natives in your neighborhood?

Perhaps your jungle is your job. Maybe there are people where you work who need the light of Christ in their lives, like the coworker who attributes miracles in their life to "good luck" or "good fortune", who needs reminded that miracles come from God. What about the one who mocks and derides people of faith. And the one who goes to strip clubs while on business trips. Or the one who is close to committing adultery with another coworker. What about the one who is taking advantage of their expense account. Do you have the courage to speak God's truth to the natives at work?

Or maybe your jungle is your family. There's that relative who professes to be "spiritual but not religious". And the one who brags about being saved, but who's heart hasn't been changed because they live their lives as if there are no consequences for the sins they routinely commit. Or the relative who is a casual Catholic. Or the one who left the Church completely. Sometimes the hardest natives to speak to are the ones you've known your whole life.

Brothers, we are living in hostile lands right now, today. We are surrounded by people who are not unlike the natives in remote jungles. Many are people who take "judge not lest ye be judged" completely out of context, and yell "BAWANA!" whenever we try to point out their sin. But make no mistake, that is precisely what we are called to do. Saint Paul tells us in 2 Timothy: *"Preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry."*

Brothers, we are all called to be missionaries. We are all called to be evangelical Catholics. We are all called to go. Where is God sending you today? Who's soul will you save tomorrow?

Mike LaMorte, Lecturer

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.

ONE OF OUR FOUNDING GOALS: TO PROTECT WIDOWS

As a member of this council, you know how important spouses can be to the charitable works of the Order. If you're married, your wife is probably involved in a few of the many events that happen each fraternal year. This support adds great value and impact to what a council can achieve.

When the Order was founded in 1882, Father Michael J. McGivney and the other brave men were setting out to protect Catholic families, but especially wives and children. We know today this is done through our insurance products which are designed with that goal in mind. One specific policy rider that you may not know about is called Spousal Waiver of Premium. This rider is unique to the Knights of Columbus philosophy of helping our widows.

This rider is available on most permanent and Discoverer plans purchased at standard rates by a member and his wife on the same day. When both spouses apply, the rider provides for waiver of premiums on the spouse's contract in the event of the insured's death. Best of all, for members and spouses ages 18 to 60, this waiver can be added for no charge. The rider stays in effect until the spouse attains age 65 or certain other triggering events occur.

Our products are designed with your needs and budget in mind. With a solid portfolio of life insurance, long-term care, disability income and retirement products, the Knights of Columbus can help you meet all of your financial goals. To learn more about these solutions, contact me today.

Tony Ferguson, KofC Field Agent

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THANK YOU NOTE FROM SR. JOHN PAUL, PRINCIPAL OF ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL

Dear Knights,

On behalf of St. Michael School, I wanted to express our heartfelt thanks for your ongoing support for our students. We greatly appreciate the many ways you contribute to our parish and school community both by your example of leadership and faith-filled works of mercy. The Fish Fry's alone are a testimony to how much the Knights give back to St. Michael and how much fellowship they provide. I particularly appreciated seeing the St. Michael alumni come together and enjoy time together as a type of reunion at your Lenten dinners. Our young people will remember the way you model how to give back to the parish and the Church.

While there are many ways we are blessed by your presence and support, we are deeply grateful for the offering of the Chris Damo Scholarship this year. It is a wonderful tribute and worthy choice to have our young people aspire after the honor of being recognized in conjunction with a Knight of Chris's character and generosity. Since I have arrived at St. Michael I have heard many stories with privileged memories of Chris's contribution as a parishioner and I have observed many of our Knights sharing in this caliber of service. I pray that God will continue to prosper your Council for the building up of the Church.

Please know that you have the prayers and gratitude of St. Michael School.

May God reward you,

Sr. John Paul, OP, Principal, St. Michael School

LADIES APPRECIATION DINNER AT MONTGOMERY INN – MONDAY, MAY 16, 6:30 PM

This year's Ladies Appreciation Dinner will be held at **Montgomery Inn**, 4565 West Dublin-Granville Rd in Dublin with social hour at 6:30 pm and Buffet style dinner at 7:30 pm. A map for the location can be found at <http://www.montgomeryinn.com/restaurants/dublin-oh/>.

This dinner is designed to thank our wives/fiancées who allow us so much time away from our immediate families and support us in all that we do as Knights. Without their support, we would not be able to do nearly as much as we do, so please treat your wife/fiancée to dinner as a way of saying thank you to her. As we have done in the past, the council will be paying for your wife/fiancée (not including alcohol). You will have to pay for yourself. Any alcohol purchases will have to be paid by you, whether for you or your wife/fiancée/significant other.

The price per person for the Buffet Style Dinner is \$30.99 with tax and gratuity included. The menu will be House salad on the table, with house and Ranch dressings, Montgomery Ribs and Chicken, Saratoga Chips and Broccoli. Soft drinks, coffee and iced tea are included. Cash bar available.

Please **RSVP no later than Thursday, May 12**, as I need a firm number to order flowers for the Ladies. This will also allow me to finalize arrangements with Montgomery Inn in a timely manner.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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

FISH FRY 2016 PRELIMINARY RESULTS

It looks like we had another successful season this year. We sold a total of 4,953 meals. Weekly totals were 696, 868, 855, 866, 815 and 853. Our average was 828 meals per night. Thanks to all of you for your various contributions to this effort. A financial report, and a report on the distribution of proceeds will be forthcoming.

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

OHIO KOFC 2016 SUPER CASH BONANZA CHARITY CAMPAIGN REMINDER

By this time all of you should have received by mail a letter from the **Ohio State Council Treasurer** (see copy in April Newsletter) containing **5 Super Cash Bonanza Charity Campaign Tickets** to buy or sell. As mentioned in that letter, our council will receive **\$2.00** from each \$5.00 ticket sold.

As you recall from our March KofC11445 Newsletter, the State Council portion of the proceeds supports various Diocesan programs such as the **TV Mass, Vocational Support, Scholarships, and many other Charitable Activities**; while our KofC11445 Council's portion of the proceeds go to our **St. Michael Council Scholarship Fund**, particularly our newly formed **Chris Damo Scholarship Fund**.



SUPPORT THE CHRIS DAMO SCHOLARSHIP FUND

TICKET STUBS AND CHECKS FOR PAYMENT MUST BE TURNED IN BY MAY 13

All the details for selling the tickets and turning in the money and ticket stubs are described in the letter you received from the State Council Treasurer (see copy in April Newsletter).

Tony Petrarca, Editor

FLAG DECORATING AT RESURRECTION CEMETERY – SATURDAY, MAY 28, 1:30 PM

This annual event is scheduled for 1:30 PM, Saturday, May 28, Resurrection Cemetery, Lewis Center, US 23 just north of Delaware/Franklin county line. This work involves teams of 6-10 people making sure that their assigned 50-60 veteran gravesites have flags. We will be placing over 1500 flags. Teams are pre-assigned and as much as possible, experienced people are given the same general areas. Since teams are pre-assigned, please help us stay organized and pre-register to work the event.

This event was initially organized by Cristino Damo, who passed away April 25, 2015. We will have a brief ceremony including prayer to start the event.

Family and friends are more than welcome, and children are encouraged. Since the teams are pre-assigned, please send me your names if you are coming. Event is rain or shine, but lightning or a tornado watch/warning will cancel the event.

NOTE: This event was started by and organized every year by our late brother knight, **Chris Damo**. And we can't be sure of maintaining all of the contacts that Chris had at Battelle and other sources. Therefore, as a tribute to Chris, let's see if we can get as many brother knights, their families, and other members of St. Michael Parish to fill in the void, where needed. Let's show the families of all our deceased veterans, that Chris Damo's legacy of supporting our veterans will continue unabated.

Please sign up as quickly as possible for this event (preferably by May 9 at our next business meeting) so that we can assign the teams ahead of time. As you can guess, getting 150 people started with this effort can be difficult without pre-assigning the teams.

Bob Tatz, Coordinator, 614-570-9368 (cell), dad@tatz.org





New 4th Degree Knights
Tony Schera, Fidel Pitones, Peter Schera, Bob Tatz



St. Michael Council 2016
Blue Coat of the Year – Kirk Alton
Youth of the Year – Gavrielle Pitones



St. Michael Council and Columbus Chapter
2016 Family of the Year
Fidel and Andrea Pitones & Family



St. Michael Council
2016 Knight of the Year
Tony Petrarca & Wife Betty

PICTORIAL REMEMBRANCES OF GENE GABALSKI (June 29, 1932 –April 23, 2016)



Membership Activities

Membership Chairman: John Greve

WELCOME to new brother knight **Jonathan Goodman** who was initiated in the First Degree at St. Michael on Monday, April 18.

CONGRATULATIONS to brother knights **Chris Axene** and **Seth Walker** who were exemplified in the 2nd and 3rd degrees on Sunday, April 24 at St. Andrews Bryce Eck Center.

CONGRATULATIONS to **Fidel Pitones, Peter Schera, Tony Schera, and Bob Tatz** who were exemplified in the 4th Degree on Saturday, April 23.

UPCOMING FIRST DEGREE CEREMONIES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>Time*</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone</u>
5/12/16 (Thur.)	#10941, Church of Resur., New Albany	8:00 PM	Ed Yingling	614-891-5675
5/15/16 (Sun.)	#11208, St. Brendan, Hilliard	2:00 PM	Bob Eggerichs	614-771-9624
5/26/16 (Thur.)	#11193, St. Elizabeth, Columbus	7:30 PM	Chris D'Amico	614-890-4288
6/6/16 (Mon.)	#10863, St. Brigid, Dublin	7:00 PM	Mike Slicien	614-792-0583
6/9/16 (Thur.)	#5776, St. Paul, Westerville	7:00 PM	Don Coffey	614-523-2564
6/20/16 Mon.)	#11275, St. Andrew, Upper Arlington	7:30 PM	Pat Carroll	614-329-0564

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

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

Sunday, October 23, 2016 is the next opportunity to take the **2nd and 3rd degrees** in the Knights of Columbus so you can achieve full knighthood in the order. As most of you know, the 4 principles of the Knights of Columbus are **Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism**. The four degree ceremonies are each based on one of these principles. The 1st degree, based on *charity*, is the one you have taken. The 2nd and 3rd degrees being offered on the above date at the **Bryce Eck Parish Center of St. Andrew Church, 3880 Reed Road, Upper Arlington** are based on *unity* and *fraternity*. One does not achieve full knighthood in the Knights of Columbus until you have taken the 3rd degree. The 4th degree is optional. **IF YOU ARE A FIRST DEGREE KNIGHT, MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE ABOVE DATE.**

NEXT 4TH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION CEREMONIES

The next 4th degree exemplification ceremony will be held in November 2016 in the Steubenville Diocese. Contact District Deputy Brett Gissell for application forms and other information.

DISTRICT DEPUTY FOR ST. MICHAEL COUNCIL #11445 (DISTRICT 41)

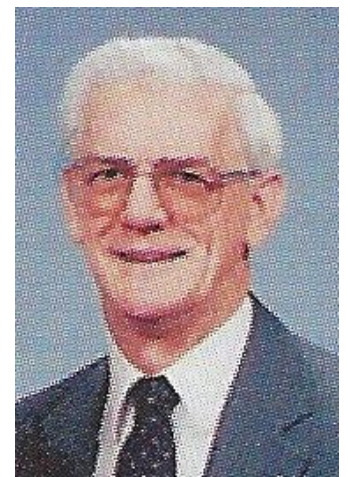
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PRAYERS FOR BROTHER KNIGHTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

Please pray for the repose of the soul of brother knight **Gene Gabalski** and his family; for brother knight **Tony Petrarca** who is coping with some new medications to control blood pressure and blood flow problems related to some recent heart catheterizations, and for his wife **Betty Petrarca** who is recovering from treatment for atrial fibrillation and other medical problems; for **Ron Sylvester**, father of brother knight **Tony Sylvester**, and for Tony Sylvester's father-in-law, both of whom currently have some serious health problems; for the father of **Greg Eckert** who is recovering from a leg accident; for brother knights **Ron Stanko, Fr. Carmen Arcuri, Bob Flores, John Blute, Dan Meyers, and Jim Ferega**, all of whom are currently experiencing some health problems; for knight widow **Lale Ruth**, who is recuperating from cancer chemotherapy; and for knight widow **Joan Patton**, and brother knight **Bob Foster**, both of whom are dealing with long term health problems; and for all Veterans, living and deceased.



Eugene 'Gene' Gabalski

June 29, 1932 – April 23, 2016

Requiescat in Pace

CORPORATE COMMUNION (May 15)

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

In Memoriam
Cristino 'Chris' Damo
Nov. 2, 1961 - April 25, 2015
Requiescat in Pace

In Memoriam
Robert Hammond
Sept. 30, 1959 - June 19, 2015
Requiescat in Pace

In Memoriam
Michael McCabe
Oct. 22, 1956 - July 10, 2015
Requiescat in Pace

In Memoriam
William Ruth
May 18, 1922 - Aug. 20, 2015
Requiescat in Pace

In Memoriam
Richard Long
Sept. 19, 1922 - Dec. 14, 2015
Requiescat in Pace

In Memoriam
John 'Jack' Heller
June 14, 1928 - Mar. 11, 2016
Requiescat in Pace



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