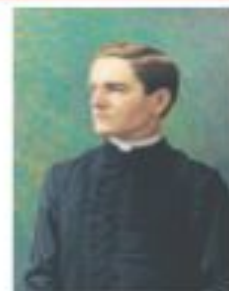


# Knights of Columbus



St. Michael Council #11445  
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Worthington, Ohio 43085



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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.]

- 6/3 Feast of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
- 6/13 *Business Meeting*
- 6/14 Flag Day
- 6/19 Father's Day  
Corporate Communion (10:30 Mass) followed by Coffee and Donuts (see page 6)
- 6/20 First Degree at St. Michael (by KofC11445 First Degree Team) – 7:00 PM (see page 1)
- 6/24 Feast of Nativity of St John the Baptist
- 6/24-26 Special Olympics State Summer Games at Ohio State University (see page 4)
- 6/25 DEADLINE FOR JULY NEWSLETTER
- 6/29 Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul
- 7/4 Independence Day
- 7/11 *Business Meeting*



### SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2016-2017

At our business meeting on June 13 we will be voting for Council Officers for the 2016-17 fiscal year. Following is the slate proposed by the Nominating Committee:

Grand Knight	Greg Eckert	Advocate	Mike Fowler
Deputy Grand Knight	Chris Fricke	Warden	Kirk Alton
Chancellor	Mike LaMorte	Inside Guard	Craig Eckert
Recorder	Tom Schmitt	Outside Guard	Peter Schera
Treasurer	Tim Dondero	Trustee, 3 yr.	Richard Wade

All other offices are appointed or not up for election. Additional nominations will be taken from the floor at the June 13 meeting prior to the vote. Officers will serve from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

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

### FIRST DEGREE CEREMONY (BY KofC11445 DEGREE-TEAM) – MONDAY, JUNE 20, 7 PM

Brother Knights: Our new KofC11445 St. Michael Council First Degree Team will perform its sixth First Degree Ceremony on Monday, June 20, 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.

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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.

## THE NARROW GATE (Presented by our lecturer at our May Meeting)

Recently, Target stores made the news by announcing their policy that “We welcome transgender team members and guests to use the restroom or fitting room facility that corresponds with their gender identity. Everyone deserves to feel like they belong.” Their policy means that if a man “feels like a woman” today, they can simply walk into a woman’s restroom or dressing room, where our daughters, wives, sisters, or mothers may be. Target’s policy started a firestorm online where, as of today, over 1.2 million people signed an online pledge to boycott Target until the policy is changed.

Boycotting Target would be a start to reclaiming a sense of national morality and common sense. But why stop there? Let’s boycott the companies that directly fund Planned Parenthood. That would be over 38 companies including AT&T, Verizon, Starbucks, Tostitos, United Way, the American Cancer Society, the March of Dimes, Converse, Nike, Microsoft, Pepsi, Macy’s, and Johnson & Johnson. But let’s not stop there. There’s around 400 companies that support same-sex marriage, so let’s boycott them too. Amazon, Apple, eBay, Coca-Cola, CVS, GE, Google, Chase, Bank of America, Twitter, Facebook, DirectTV, Walt Disney, Pfizer, Bristol-Myers Squibb... the list goes on.

It should be clear that boycotting every company that supports things that we as Catholic Christians oppose would be a virtually impossible chore. A comprehensive list of companies to avoid doing business with would easily number in the thousands. Boycotting all these companies would range from the minor inconvenience of driving a few extra miles to go to a different store, to living without a phone, a computer, and life-saving medicine – things we need every day in today’s society.

But can we just simply continue to blindly do business with these companies and shrug our shoulders? There is a blog entry by a Pentecostal preacher’s wife, who said that she loves Target and will continue to shop at Target because she loves their home goods section, especially their candles. And she said it’s not a problem because *she* is following God’s law and *she* has the Holy Spirit inside her.

But is that enough? Isn’t that like the man who approached Jesus and said he has kept God’s laws, and when Jesus told him that to enter the kingdom of God the man would have to sell everything, the man chose to place his earthly possessions over eternal life? By Target and others making policies against God’s laws, they are complicit in the sin which they are condoning. By giving them our business, are we not just as complicit? By giving Target our money when we have a choice to go elsewhere, are we not also condoning sinful behavior because we like their candles? Are we not condoning sin for the sake of convenience? And if so, are we not also subject to the same judgment as the sinner, as Saint Paul tells us in the first chapter of Romans?

Those who are charged with leading a flock which God has given them — whether as a Pentecostal preacher’s wife, or as a Catholic husband and father — are charged with ensuring their flock is not led astray. Jesus tells us in Matthew 7: *“If you then, although you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him! In everything, treat others as you would want them to treat you, for this fulfills the law and the prophets. Enter through the narrow gate, because the gate is wide and the way is spacious that leads to destruction, and there are many who enter through it. But the gate is narrow and the way is difficult that leads to life, and there are few who find it.”* So how do we find it? And how do we lead our flock through the narrow gate by our own example?

It is easy to give into the temptations of this world, even if it’s as simple as a can of your favorite soft drink or picking up your cell phone. The way to destruction is indeed spacious, and very easy to walk. But we find the narrow gate through self awareness, by being ever mindful that even though we may have the Spirit in us, we are still sinners, and that there are times that we condone sin for the sake of convenience. We find the narrow gate by always remaining aware that we are nothing but flawed servants, by remembering that God has chosen to bless us with His grace despite those flaws, by remaining humble servants who remember to ask God for forgiveness, and by giving thanks for His mercy. And we find the narrow gate by remembering that we all have a flock to lead, and that we are charged with caring for our flock, and for leading them well.

*Mike LaMorte, Lecturer*

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

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

## **WE STAND STRONG ON ETHICAL GROUND**

We live in a world of options and we are constantly bombarded by choices. Some of these make our lives more complicated, but many of these choices are created with our satisfaction in mind.

At the Knights of Columbus, every product we offer has been designed solely for the benefit of our members and their families. When I present an option to you, it's because a team of experts has discussed it at length to be certain it serves your best interest.

We have a few options on how you can provide and pay for the whole life coverage that your family needs. Many whole life policies call for premiums to be paid for your entire life or to age 100. But we also offer permanent life coverage with guaranteed cash values (and the potential to earn dividends, which are not guaranteed) through policies that offer a limited period of premium payments.

First, we offer "10 Pay Life" and "20 Pay Life." Consider paying premiums for 10 or 20 years, and never having to pay for the coverage again. The plan is "paid up" and no more premiums are due. The plan stays in force, the death benefit remains intact and the guaranteed cash value continues to grow.

A plan with similar benefits is "Life Paid Up at 65." The difference over 10 or 20 Pay Life plans is that this permanent product requires you to pay premiums until age 65. Then, premiums stop (just in time for retirement), but the plan remains in force.

Finally, the ultimate in limited pay is our Single Premium Life product. Imagine buying life insurance — permanent life insurance — and only paying one single premium? It's possible.

To learn more about these products, our long-term care insurance, disability income or retirement products, please call me today.

*Tony Ferguson, KofC Field Agent*

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## **FLAG DECORATING AT RESURRECTION CEMETERY – THANK YOU NOTE**

Thank you to all Knights, St. Michael parishioners and their families who joined about 200 people to place over 1600 flags at Veterans' gravesites at Resurrection Cemetery on May 28. Chris Damo's legacy of supporting our veterans, living and deceased, continues unabated.

*Bob Tatz, Coordinator, 614-570-9368 (cell), [dad@tatz.org](mailto:dad@tatz.org)*



## **HONOR FLIGHT COLUMBUS – UPCOMING DATES**

Please encourage St. Michael WWII and Korean War Veterans to visit their respective Memorials in Washington, D.C. through the Honor Flight Program. Remaining Honor Flight Columbus trips for the 2016 season are: **September 10; October 1 & 22**. 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.

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## **MEASURE UP CAMPAIGN FOR DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED, PRELIMINARY REPORT**

Thank you to all who collected for and supported our 2016 Measure Up Campaign for Developmentally Disabled on Saturday, April 30. This year's collection was a near-record, thanks to all the men who helped make it such a success. Combined with the Gimme 5 and all other contributions, we fell about \$200 short of our highest total in 2013. This year we also planned ahead for some rest by having a tent near the corner to rest in with some breakfast and lunch munchies to keep things moving. Thanks also to the men who helped sort and count - starting with the tent and carrying on at Tony Matlak's house afterwards, where we really cooked it.

Also new this year, we will be debating a fourth charity to receive funds. We traditionally have contributed to Doyle Foundation (through Catholic Foundation), Delaware St. Mary's S.P.I.C.E., and Royaltan House, and will do so again this year. However, I was advised that Lend-a-Hand has closed up shop, so I will bring up a discussion item to either distribute to the remaining three, or to add a new organization for the fourth. Thanks again and stay tuned.

*Tom Schmitt, Measure up Chairman, 614-396-8022, [attorneyschmitt@gmail.com](mailto:attorneyschmitt@gmail.com)*

## **SPECIAL OLYMPICS STATE SUMMER GAMES, JUNE 24-26 AT OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY**

Some 2,700 athletes and coaches are preparing for competition for the Special Olympics Ohio's biggest event of the year – the **State Summer Games** – to be held June 24-26 in Columbus. The Games bring together Special Olympics athletes from across the state for competition in 11 sports: Aquatics, Athletics (track and field), Bocce, Bowling, Cycling, Gymnastics, Power Lifting, Roller Skating, Soccer, Tennis and Volleyball. Volunteer registration forms for this event and other events are available at the Special Olympics website (<http://sooh.org/index.php>).

Most competition venues are on the campus of **The Ohio State University**. The State Summer Games officially kick off June 24 at 7:00 p.m. with the inspiring Opening Ceremonies at the Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium. The ceremony will feature a Parade of Athletes with representative athletes and coaches from throughout Ohio, along with the dramatic entrance of the Torch Run into the stadium and the lighting of the "Flame of Hope." Law Enforcement Torch Run officers will hand off the torch to the athletes, who in turn ignite the Flame of Hope. The lighting of the flame officially signifies the opening of the Games.

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## **LADIES APPRECIATION DINNER MAY 16, 2016**



# Membership Activities

Membership Chairman: John Greve

**CONGRATULATIONS** to **Charles Taylor** who was exemplified in the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree on Saturday, April 23. His name was inadvertently left out of the May Newsletter.

## UPCOMING FIRST DEGREE CEREMONIES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>Time*</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone</u>
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
6/16/16 (Thur.)	#1056, St. Mary, Delaware	7:30 PM	Scott Linane	740-971-4088
6/20/16 Mon.)	#11445, St. Michael, Worthington	7:00 PM	Rich Wade	614-781-1664
6/27/16 (Mon.)	#11208, St. Brendan, Hilliard	7:00 PM	Bob Eggerichs	614-771-9624

\*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 4<sup>TH</sup> DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION CEREMONIES

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

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## PRAYERS FOR BROTHER KNIGHTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

Please pray for brother knight **Tony Petrarca** who is scheduled to undergo another heart catheterization to treat some blood flow problems, and for his wife **Betty Petrarca** who is recovering from several 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.

### **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*

### **In Memoriam**

**Eugene 'Gene' Gabalski**

June 29, 1932 - Apr. 23, 2016

*Requiescat in Pace*

**CORPORATE COMMUNION (June 19)**

Our monthly Corporate Communion at 10:30 Mass on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month is followed by coffee and donuts after Mass. **Join your brother knights and families in the RESERVED SEATS up front at the 10:30 Mass for CORPORATE COMMUNION, and FELLOWSHIP after Mass in the undercroft.**  
*Bob Tatz, Church Committee*



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