

K of C News, Volume 23, Number 5 November 2016

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.]

- 11/1All Saints Day
- 11/2All Souls Day
- 11/11Veteran's Day
- **Business** Meeting 11/14
- 11/15Social Meeting at Josephinum (see page 2)
- KofC Memorial Mass for deceased knights of St. Michael Council (see page 1) 11/20This is also our Corporate Communion (10:30 Mass) followed by Coffee and Donuts (see page 6)
- 11/21First Degree Ceremony at St. Michael (see page 2)
- 11/24Thanksgiving Day
- 11/26DEADLINE FOR DECEMBER NEWSLETTER
- 12/8Feast of Immaculate Conception
- 12/12**Business** Meeting

K OF C MEMORIAL MASS (NOV 20) FOR DECEASED KNIGHTS OF ST. MICHAEL COUNCIL

Our annual Memorial Mass for all deceased brother knights of St. Michael Council #11445 is on Sunday, November 20 at the 10:30 Mass. Widows and family members of the deceased are our special guests. Since this is also our monthly corporate communion Mass, coffee and donuts will be available afterwards in the undercroft. Join these widows and families as well as your brother knights and families in the **RESERVED SEATS up front at the 10:30 Mass.** Let's take this opportunity to honor our deceased brother knights at Mass on our **CORPORATE COMMUNION SUNDAY** and to have their families join us in **FELLOWSHIP** after Mass in the undercroft.

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In Memoriam

J. Richard Harmon Nov. 15, 1927 - Oct. 24, 1995

Paul Grossman Feb. 20, 1945 - July 16, 2002

John Boetsch June 15, 1921 - Mar. 12, 2007

Del Patton Oct. 15, 1927 - June 22, 2009

J. Allan Mitchell May 3, 1948 - Dec.15, 2013

Robert Hammond Sept. 30, 1959 - June 19, 2015

John 'Jack' Heller June 14, 1928 - Mar. 11, 2016

George Shadle, M.D. June 21, 1921 - Feb. 24, 1996 Frank Hrabley

Dec. 9, 1915 - Nov. 6, 2003 John Werner Nov. 23, 1923 - Mar. 24, 2007

Norbert Perkins Oct. 6, 1921 - Mar. 4, 2011

Fr. Richard Pendolphi Oct. 10, 1949 - May 23, 2014

Michael McCabe Oct. 22, 1956 - July 10, 2015

Eugene 'Gene' Gabalski June 29, 1932 - Apr. 23, 2016

L. Russell Rohr Mar. 26, 1911 - Apr 14, 1998 Philip Martin Dec. 14, 1930 - July 22, 2004

Robert Flynn Jan. 8, 1927 - Feb. 8, 2008

Robert Novak July 28, 1932 - Aug. 20, 2013

Richard Morris June 18, 1926 - Feb. 27, 2015

William Ruth May 18, 1922 - Aug. 20, 2015

James Favret June 11, 1923 - Apr. 18, 1998

Nov. 10, 1920 - May 2, 2005

Lawrence Hunt Feb. 12, 1941 - July 8, 2008

Donn Kinietz June 25, 1928 - Sept. 5, 2013

Cristino 'Chris'Damo Nov. 2, 1961 - April 25, 2015

> **Richard Long** Sept. 19, 1922 - Dec. 14, 2015

Requiescant in Pace

Frank Hume

IF IT WERE EASY (Presented by our lecturer at our October Meeting)

In 1876, Yale professor William Graham Sumner wrote an essay called "The Forgotten Man." In it, he said, "As soon as A observes something which seems to him wrong, from which X is suffering, A talks it over with B, and A and B then propose to get a law passed to remedy the evil and help X. Their law always proposes to determine what C shall do for X, or, in better case, what A, B, and C shall do for X... What I want to do is to look up C. I want to show you what manner of man he is. I call him the Forgotten Man. He is the man who never is thought of. He works, he votes, generally he prays—but he always pays." Sumner's simple explanation of "the forgotten man" was later turned on its head by President Roosevelt, who during one of his Great Depression "fireside chats" made The Forgotten Man the poor who the government had forgotten, and who the government must help. The problem with such "forced charity" is that when it's forced, it is no longer charity.

But there's something else that's missing, too: the connection. When you reach out your hand in charity, you're giving more than money or food or clothes or time. You're giving of yourself. You are creating an emotional bond that the government cannot create with a law and a new government agency. But certainly, it is easier to pay a middleman than to spend your free time helping the less fortunate. If it were easy to do that, everyone would do it.

But isn't that the way with many things in life? For example, if it were easy to wait until marriage, there would be no children born to unwed parents. If it were easy to stay married, we wouldn't have a near 50% divorce rate in this country. If it were easy to make attending Mass every week the center of planning your schedule, more people would attend every week without fail. If it were easy to tithe 10% the Church would have the ability to do so much more. If it were easy to devote our lives to serving God and His people, we wouldn't have a constant shortage of consecrated religious. If it were easy to balance our secular desires with our sacred ideals, we would all live lives of true virtue. If it were easy to admit our sins, more people would go to confession more often. If it were easy to be without sin, we wouldn't need the blood of Jesus Christ to redeem us.

We are all faced with a daily struggle between doing what is right and doing what is easy. Some days we succeed in doing what is right. Some days we choose what is easy. But there is one thing that is easy *and* right, that almost everyone struggles to do: pray. And not just pray for a few minutes as we get into bed. But instead pray as St. Paul tells us in I Thessalonians, to "pray without ceasing". So often we pray *for* something. Maybe health, or patience, or guidance. Maybe your prayer is for a new job or for intercession for a loved one. But prayer is where we find communion with God, regardless the outcome.

In our lives filled with an array of electronic gadgets begging for our attention, desiring to fill our every waking second with a never-ending stream of digital entertainment, we are constantly being pulled away from that prayer, even though that is what we all need the most. Prayer is how we develop a relationship with Jesus Christ. Prayer is how we open ourselves to the workings of the Holy Spirit. When we see praying as just another obligation, we diminish it, and like Sumner's "Forgotten Man", we change its meaning. Forced prayer is no more prayer than forced charity is charity.

If remembering to pray without ceasing were easy, everyone would be praying a lot more. But we forget that we don't *need* to set aside time to pray. We don't *need* to make an appointment with God. We don't *need* to put prayer on our calendar, or schedule around it. God is always with us, wherever we are and whenever we want to talk to Him. It's so much easier to just make a reminder to pray than it is to just... pray.

But if we look to Jesus, He prayed to God whenever He wanted. He prayed to maintain their bond, their connection. Jesus did not pray to God out of obligation. He prayed to God out of love. So it should be with all of us.

Mike LaMorte, Lecturer

FIRST DEGREE CEREMONY BY KOFC11445 DEGREE-TEAM - MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 7 PM

Brother Knights: Our new KofC11445 St. Michael Council Frst Degree Team will perform a First Degree Ceremony on Monday, November 21 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

ANNUAL SOCIAL AT JOSEPHINUM – TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15 AT 7:00 PM

Our annual Pub night at the Josephinum is Tuesday November 15th at 7:00 PM. Please plan on being there no later than 7PM as the doors will be locked.

The evening will begin with a Rosary in the chapel followed by fellowship with the seminarians in the pub afterwards. We are asking for everyone to donate \$20 as this will help cover the cost of the pizza and the wings. This is a wonderful event to show our support to the seminarians. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Council Activities Chairman, Tony Schera by Monday, November 14. Hope to see you there. *Tony Schera, Council Activities, 614-781-0381, atonyschera@aol.com*

ONLY HAVING "THROUGH WORK" INSURANCE DOESN'T WORK

Do you know anyone whose life or career has been drastically changed during these 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



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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. *Tony Ferguson, KofC Field Agent*

KOFC FOOTBALL FRENZY FOR 2016

2016 Football Frenzy tickets are available to sell or purchase. They are \$20 each and are valid for the last 10 weeks of the NFL football season.

Those interested in selling or buying tickets please contact Tim Dondero. This is another excellent fundraising opportunity to support many of our charitable causes.

Tim Dondero, KofC11445 Chairman, 614-505-0342, tjd27c@yahoo.com

FINANCIAL SECRETARY CORNER

Annual Assessment time is approaching! Invoices for 2017 Dues and Culture of Life Assessment will begin arriving in your mailboxes in mid December. Along with the Invoice, a form to be completed for the Annual Fraternal Survey will also be included. This form will also be made part of the December Newsletter along with instructions for its completion.

We now have 230 plus members, and I ask you to be considerate of your Brother Knights, and realize that you can help significantly by paying your dues promptly on the initial billing. Two things you can do to really help are:

First, pay your dues promptly. Preferably in full, but if you can't make the full payment, submit a partial payment. I'm happy to take as little as \$5.00 per month.

Second, please do not leave us guessing in the dark! If you are unable to pay at all, or you wish to Withdraw, please respond and explain the circumstances. When we have the circumstances, we can present them to the Trustees, and we have in the past granted complete waivers or temporary waivers of the dues. However, if we hear nothing from you, we cannot help! As for Withdrawal, please note that I as the Financial Secretary cannot initiate a Withdrawal Request. Withdrawals must be initiated by you via a personal letter to Supreme. If you indicate to me that you wish to withdraw, I will send you a sample letter and stop requesting your dues payment, however, you must submit the letter. If you do not submit the letter, you remain an active member, and will now have dues in arrears, and if not paid, will have to be processed for suspension.

Know that for every active member on our roles, whether you have paid your dues to us or not, we are taxed about \$18.00 by Supreme, the State, and the Greater Columbus Chapter.

We want to keep you as Active Members in Good Standing with our Council. This means being paid up fully in your dues and assessments, or communicating with us so that we know your situation and can work with you to keep you in Good Standing.

Thanks for your help and may you and your family have a Blessed Thanksgiving. *Tony Matlak, Financial Secretary*

<u>SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM SR. JOHN PAUL, O.P., PRINCIPAL OF ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL</u>

Dear Knights,

I just wanted to take a moment to thank you for your witness in support of vocations with your Fish Fry dinner in October. It is wonderful that you chose the month dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary to also support vocations. We are mindful of your prayerful support and the Knights tradition of keeping a rosary in your pocket. Thank you for your love of Our Lady and may she always intercede for you. The Lord knows how much our nation and our students need your ongoing witness of commitment to your parish life and handing down the faith!

We are especially grateful for your support of our young people during the St. Michael Youth Come Back Weekend. This outreach could not have been attempted without our Knights! I've attached a photo below to give you a little sense of the Middle School Night. Our young people had a powerful encounter with Jesus thanks to you.

God bless you all!

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



St. Michael Youth Come Back Weekend Middle School Night

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 <u>petrarca@cse.ohio-state.edu</u> so that we can realize an additional savings in postage and printing costs.

Membership Activities

Membership Chairman: John Greve

UPCOMING FIRST DEGREE CEREMONIES

Date <u>Council</u>	Time*	Contact	<u>Phone</u>
11/3/16 (Thur.) #10941, Church of Resur., New Albany	8:00 PM	Ed Yingling	614-307-4561
11/10/16 (Thur.) #4603, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Grove City	7:00 PM	Bill Merriman	614-397-5745
11/21/16 (Mon.) #11445, St. Michael, Worthington	7:00 PM	Richard Wade	614-781-1664
12/8/16 (Thur.) #5776, St. Paul, Westerville	7:30 PM	Don Coffey	614-578-9915
12/27/16 (Tue.) #5253, St. Pius X, Reynoldsburg	7:00 PM	Scott Marsh	614-306-4244
*Candidates must arrive 30 minutes prior to the degree starting time			

NEXT 2ND AND 3RD DEGREE CEREMONIES – BRYCE ECK CENTER, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2017

If you are a First Degree Knight, Sunday, February 26, 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 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 on November 12, 2016 at St. Joseph Church in Dover, Ohio. 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 Cy Cottrell who is recovering from treatment for kidney cancer; for the step-father of brother knight Mike LaMorte who has some current health problems; for brother knight **Tony Petrarca** and for his wife **Betty Petrarca** who are both recovering from some recent 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 brother knight Greg Eckert who is recovering from a leg accident; for brother knights Mike Fowler, 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.



ST. MICHAEL COUNCIL #11445 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS 2016-2017

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CORPORATE COMMUNION (November 20) 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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