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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.]

- 9/1-3St. Michael Festival
- 9/4 Labor Day
- 9/8 Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- KofC Soccer Challenge (see page 3) 9/9
 - Honor Flight Columbus (see page 3)
- Blue Mass (Bishop Campbell, Celebrant) St. Timothy Church, 5:00 PM (see page 4) 9/11 Business Meeting
 Social Activity – Zaftig Brewing Company (see page 1)
- 9/13
- 9/14 Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross
- 9/17 Corporate Communion (10:30 Mass) followed by Coffee and Donuts (see page 8)
- 9/18 Monthly Meeting of KofC11445 First Degree Team (see page 1)
- 9/21 Feast of St. Matthew the Apostle
- 9/26 DEADLINE FOR OCTOBER NEWSLETTER
- 9/29 Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels
- 9/30 Honor Flight Columbus (see page 3)
- 10/9 Columbus Day
 - Business Meeting
- 10/16 Upcoming First Degree Ceremonies at St. Michael (see page 3)
- Honor Flight (see page 3) 10/21
- 10/28-29 Hoagie Sale for Vocations (see page 5)

KOFC11445 SOCIAL – WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 6:30 PM

Our September Social activity will be on Wednesday, September 13 at 6:30 PM for a tour of **ZAFTIG BREWING COMPANY** on 7020 Huntley Road, Worthington. Come out with your brother knights for a wonderful night out. RSVP by Monday, September 11at our next KofC11445 meeting. Tony Schera, Council Activities, 614-781-0381, atonyschera@aol.com

KOFC11445 FIRST-DEGREE-TEAM MEETING – MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 7:00 PM

Our new KofC11445 First Degree Team continues to meet on the 3rd Monday evening of each month. Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 18 at 7:00 PM in the Lower Meeting Room of the new addition. WE ARE LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL MEMBERS TO JOIN OUR FIRST-DEGREE-TEAM AS BACKUPS. Please join us if you are interested or contact me at the phone number or email address shown below. Richard Wade, Chairman, KofC11445 First Degree Team, 614-781-1664, richardwade@rocketmail.com.

TWO BROTHERS (Presented by our lecturer at our August Meeting)

There was once a man who had two sons. He did everything he could for them, helped them both as they needed it, and did his best to raise them both to be good men. Twenty years after his first wife passed away, he remarried. The man's oldest son was happy for his father's newfound joy. He called his new stepmother "mom" and brought her flowers every Mother's Day. As he had done for years, the oldest son drove an hour each way every Sunday afternoon to visit, staying for hours to watch football games, have dinner, and to just be with his father and new stepmother. The oldest son would drop everything in his life at a moment's notice whenever his father or stepmother needed the smallest thing.

The man's youngest son lived a different life. He resented the fact that his father remarried, and while polite to his stepmother he never truly welcomed her into his heart, or his life. As he had done for years, the youngest son — who only lived five minutes from his father and stepmother — drove by twice a day on his way to and from the gym, yet he never stopped in. He called his father once or twice a month, and most of the time talked about himself and what he was doing in his life. While he honored his aging father's requests for help now and then, it was obvious when you looked in his eyes that he helped his dad out of obligation, not out of love.

This story sounds like one of Jesus' parables, and is very reminiscent of the Parable of the Two Sons. But this is no parable; this is a true story of two very real brothers. Yet like the parables, there is a lesson to be learned here, especially when we read from Isaiah 29 where the Lord says: "this people draws near with words only and honors me with their lips alone, though their hearts are far from me, and fear of me has become mere precept of human teaching."

How many times do we honor our parents with our lips alone, doing what they ask only because it's the right thing to do, not because we have joy in our hearts to help them? How often do we roll our eyes in frustration when our parents' requests interfere with the flow of our own lives? When our parents need us most, do we decide *if* we're going to help them and *how much* we're going to help them based upon how much it interrupts *our* lives and *our* plans? It's not easy to be honest with ourselves and answer those questions. For most people, we're somewhat of a mix of both brothers. We all want to be the older son, but more often than we like to admit, we wind up like the younger.

In our own selfishness, we prioritize *our* time and *our* plans. What we want to do becomes so much more important in our minds than what our parents need from us. Or we choose what is easy for us instead of what is the right and righteous thing to do.

Maybe we choose playing golf over an afternoon sitting with them in the doctor's office, because today might be the last nice day to get 18 holes in before winter gets here. Maybe we choose happy hour with the guys from work instead of helping with grocery shopping because there's a corporate ladder that we want to climb. Or maybe we choose to drive two hours to the game instead of driving them to Mass because we got really good tickets and we wouldn't want them to go to waste.

Whatever our excuses, they are just that: excuses. And too often our relationship with our parents here on earth mirror the relationship we have with our Heavenly Father and our Blessed Mother. How many times in Mass do we honor God the Father with our lips alone, while our minds and hearts are elsewhere? How often do we go through the motions of being a good Catholic out of obligation to our Heavenly Father rather than out of love for Him? Do we love the Mother of Christ so much that we can call her *our* "Blessed Mother" or do we just call her "Mary"? How many times a day do we drive past the Blessed Sacrament here in our own Adoration Chapel, and never even bother to turn down the radio, let alone stop in and spend five minutes with our Lord?

God wants us all to be like the oldest son. He wants us all to open our hearts, to serve both Him and our earthly parents out of love, not out of obligation. Loving and serving our parents so selflessly isn't always easy. Being a good son isn't always easy. Sometimes we have to do things that we really don't want to do. Just ask Jesus. But we all know the son our God-formed heart yearns to be. May we each find the strength and courage to live it.

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

FROM THE PRINCIPAL OF ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL

Dear St. Michael Knights,

I would like to take a moment to express my ongoing gratitude for your presence in our community and for the many ways you build up God's kingdom in our parish and school. I am particularly grateful for the scholarship support you provided this past school year for a St. Michael graduate. Your witness of fraternal charity, especially in the recent honor you extended to Fr. Acuri was deeply appreciated by all who were privileged to be present on that graced occasion.

Please know the vast extent of your apostolic work among our community does not go unnoticed, if even it is often accompanied by your humble or hidden service. It is known how quickly our Knights mobilize in small and great ways for so many in need in our parish, including your ready offers of help to the Sisters. May God reward you.

Our prayers are with you, and I pray that many of our young people will be inspired by your example and virtues and come to imitate them.

God bless you,

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

<u>PARTICIPATION IN KOFC SOCCER CHALLENGE – SEPTEMBER 9, 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM</u> Brothers

It's time to participate in the **2017 KofC Soccer Challenge** on <u>September 9, 2017</u> (**SEE ARTICLE IN AUGUST KOFC11445 NEWSLETTER**). Fidel Pitones and I would like to see as many youth as possible participate in this event. We know there are plenty of soccer players. Please consider having your son, daughter and their friends participate.

Also, **St. Michael Council KofC11445** will be responsible for helping participants sign up for the event from **9:30-10:45 AM on September 9**. (Other Kof Councils will cover other time slots.) Fidel Pitones will need **4 volunteers** besides himself to help with participant sign ups during our KofC11445 time slot. Please contact him to volunteer your time.

Greg Eckert, Grand Knight, 614-313-1624, eckerts@outlook.com

Fidel Pitones, Youth Activities Chairman, 216-244-3153, fpitones@yahoo.com

HONOR FLIGHT COLUMBUS – SATURDAYS, SEPTEMBER 9 & 30, OCTOBR 21

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 2017 season are: **September 9 & 30; October 21.** 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.

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

UPCOMING FIRST DEGREE CEREMONIES AT ST. MICHAEL

Our KofC11445 First Degree Team met on Monday, August 21 and decided to hold three First Degree Ceremonies on the following dates in the coming fraternal year:

- Monday, October 16, 2017 at 7:00 PM (in Memory of deceased brother Knight Fr. Carmen Arcuri).
- Monday, February 19, 2018 at 7:00 PM (in Memory of deceased brother Knight Michael McCabe)
- Monday, May 21, 2018 at 7:00 PM (in Memory of deceased brother Knight Allan Mitchell)

All Degree Ceremonies will be held in the St. Michael Meeting Room with Candidate Call at 6:30 PM

Our First Degree Team has now been certified by the KofC Supreme Council. As always, we will work with our worthy District Deputy to get all our scheduled First Degree Ceremonies posted on the Ohio KofC State Website. Following are the current KofC11445 First Degree Team Members and their roles:

- Chris Fricke, Grand Knight
- Isaac Wade, Deputy Grand Knight
- Richard Wade, Chancellor

- Bob Tatz, Financial Secretary
- David Ferkany, Warden
- Peter Schera, Inside Guard

We invite other KofC11445 Council Members to come to our rehearsals and/or actual degree ceremonies on the 3rd Monday of every Month to gain some familiarity with the rituals to be able to provide additional assistance when needed.

Richard Wade, Chairman, KofCl1445 First Degree Team, 614-781-1664, richardwade@rocketmail.com.

HAVE YOU LOOKED AT HOW KOFC INSURANCE CAN FULFILL YOUR NEEDS

At some in point in our lives, men begin to think about financially protecting their loved ones and their future. We want to ensure that they will be provided for and have the opportunity to pursue their dreams. We want them to have hope that tomorrow will be a better day.

By building a strong financial shield including life, disability, and long-term care insurance we can bless our loved ones with financial peace and opportunity. Regardless of our age and means, every man can invest in a plan. Although there are many options to choose from, have you considered working with Knights of Columbus?

Many brothers are surprised to learn that their fraternal organization is also a Fortune 1000 company with over \$100



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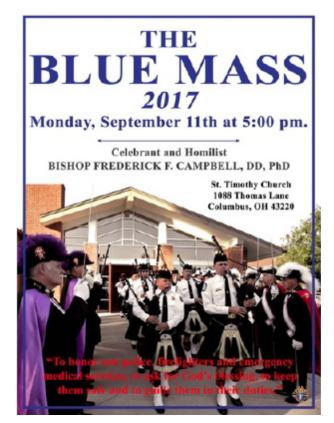
billion of life insurance in force. With more than 1000 times the required reserves, AM Best rates the Knights of Columbus A++ (Superior), which is the highest possible rating for financial strength. Ethisphere Institute has selected the Knights as the "World's Most Ethical Company" in 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017. Because Catholic values are at its core, the Knights invest ethically and have donated more than \$1.5 billion to charity in the past decade. You can trust the Knights of Columbus to help you protect what matter most. *Richard Brenner, KofC Field Agent*

ST. TIMOTHY CHURCH AND ST. TIMOTHY COUNCIL #14345 KofC – 2017 BLUE MASS

St. Timothy Church and St. Timothy Knights of Columbus Council 14345 will host The Blue Mass on Monday, September 11, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. The Blue Mass is an opportunity to honor and pray for all active, retired and deceased police, firefighters, and emergency medical services. In addition, it is an occasion to remember the 2,973 who lost their lives in the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. All active and retired police, fire, and emergency medical services in the greater Columbus area, and their families are invited. The

Celebrant and Homilist for The Blue Mass will be The Most Reverend Frederick F Campbell, DD, PhD, Bishop of Columbus. Let us all join together to honor our police, firefighters, and emergency medical services, to ask for God's blessing, to keep them safe, and to guide them in their duties.

The Blue Mass dates back to 1934 in Washington, D.C. Rev. Thomas Dade from the Archdiocese of Baltimore (Maryland) initiated the Catholic Police and Firemen's Society while stationed at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Washington, D.C. About 1,100 police and firemen dressed in blue uniforms marched into St. Patrick's Catholic Church for the celebration of the First Blue Mass on September 29th, 1934. The Blue Mass has been a common tradition in the Northeast United States, but it has more recently been extended throughout the country particularly in the wake of September 11th, 2001. The Blue Mass honors and recognizes the sacrifice of police, firefighters, paramedics, emergency medical crews, all members of the public safety community and those who have given their lives in service to their communities. The name of the Blue Mass evolved from the predominantly blue-colored uniforms of police officers, firefighters and emergency personnel. Similar Blue Masses have been organized by Knights of Columbus Councils nationwide. St. Timothy Knights of Columbus Council 14345 is pleased to bring the tradition of the Blue Mass to the Diocese of Columbus.



HOAGIE SALE FOR VOCATIONS – OCTOBER 28-29

This year our fall vocations fundraiser will be a hoagie sale. A kickoff meeting was held on July 24th to discuss ideas, and we had 9 Knights in attendance. We will be selling Italian hoagies on 7" ciabatta buns, with capicola, genoa salami, pepperoni, and provolone cheese. We'll make a roasted red pepper pesto which will be included in a condiment cup.

Hoagies for HEAVEN

We will start taking orders the weekend of October 7-8 after Mass in Marian Hall and continue taking orders on the weekends of October 14-15 and October 21-22. Samples will be available after Masses on the weekend of October 14-15. Distribution of the hoagies will be on the weekend of October 28-29. Pricing has yet to be finalized, but current estimate is \$6-7 each.

At least two Knights will be needed at every weekend Mass in October to help take orders, we will need 20-24 Knights on the morning of October 28th to help assemble the hoagies, and we will need at least 4 Knights after every Mass on the 28th and 29th to fulfill orders. Online signup for volunteer opportunities will be starting soon. Please contact Mike LaMorte for more information or to volunteer.

Mike LaMorte, michael@lamorte.me

KOFC FOOTBALL FRENZY FOR 2017

2017 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 Chris Fricke. This is another excellent fundraising opportunity to support many of our charitable causes, including our Chris Damo Scholarship Fund.

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



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

Chaplain: Rev. Anthony Dinovo Inside Guard: Craig Eckert Newsletter Editor: Anthony Petrarca Grand Knight: Greg Eckert Outside Guard: Peter Schera Program Director: Chris Fricke Deputy Grand Knight: Chris Fricke Trustee (1 Year): Brett Gissel Church Activities: Bob Tatz Chancellor: Mike LaMorte Trustee (2 Years): Richard Wade Community Activities: James Shough Recorder: Tom Schmitt Trustee (3 Years): John Greve Council Activities: Tony Schera, Financial Secretary: Anthony Matlak Membership: John Greve Tim Dondero Treasurer: Chris Axene Culture of Life: Brett Gissel Family Activities: Jeff Pillivant Lecturer: Mike LaMorte Columbian Squires: Brett Gissel Youth Activities: Fidel Pitones Scholarship: John Greve District Deputy: Domenic Nocera Advocate: Michael Fowler Warden: Kirk Alton Historian: Anthony Petrarca Insurance Rep: Richard Brenner

SOME PICTORIAL REMBRANCES OF FR. CARMEN ARCURI













Membership Activities

Membership Chairman: John Greve

UPCOMING FIRST DEGREE CEREMONIES

<u>Date</u> <u>Council</u>		Time*	Contact	<u>Phone</u>	
9/14/17 (Thur.) #4603, Our Lady	of Perpetual Help, Grove City	7:00 PM	Bill Merriman	614-397-5745	
9/19/17 (Tue.) #11207, St. Patri	ick, Columbus	6:30 PM	Thomas Ryan	614-284-1748	
9/27/17 (Wed.) #5253, St. Pius 2	X, Reynoldsburg	7:30 PM	Scott Marsh	614-306-4244	
10/12/17 (Thur.) #5776, St. Paul,	Westerville	7:30 PM	Don Coffey	614-578-9915	
10/16/17 (Mon.) #11445, St. Micl	nael, Worthington	7:00 PM	Richard Wade	614-781-1664	
*Candidates must arrive 30 minutes prior to the degree starting time					

NEXT 2ND AND 3RD DEGREE CEREMONIES -SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2017

Sunday, October 29, 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 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, MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE ABOVE DATE.

NEXT 4TH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION CEREMONIES

The next 4th degree exemplification ceremony will be held in November 2017 in the Steubenville Diocese. Contact District Deputy **Domenic Nocera** or Deputy Grand Knight **Chris Fricke** for application forms and other information.

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

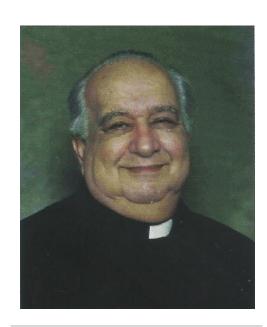
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PRAYERS FOR BROTHER KNIGHTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

Please pray for the repose of the soul of brother knight Fr. Carmen Arcuri and his family, friends and parishioners; for the repose of the soul of Michael Tatz (son of brother knight Bob Tatz) and for the Tatz family; 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 Cheryl Hatem, St. Michael School Cafeteria Manager, and for the sister of brother knight Matt Brown, both of whom are dealing with current health problems; for the stepfather of brother knight Mike LaMorte who has some current health problems; for Betty Petrarca, wife of brother knight Tony Petrarca, who is recovering from some recent 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; 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.



Fr. Carmen Joseph Arcuri Jan. 7, 1935 – Aug. 20, 2017 Requiescat in Pace

CORPORATE COMMUNION (September 17)
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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