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## A Message from the Grand Knight . . .

Brothers and Ladies:

On behalf of my family, I would like to wish you and your families a very Blessed and Merry Christmas and a healthy New Year. This year has been a challenge to say the least. In these times, let us be grateful and thankful to God just for what we have. With Almighty God in control, let us have faith in the wake of the challenges of the world. I am praying for health and happiness for everyone in the New Year. Stay Blessed, healthy and keep the faith.

### Thank You!

Knights are always on the move, even during a pandemic. We still get requests for our help. This was no exception when two Brother Knights rose up, answered the call and helped cross trick or treaters for the city of Utica. Thank you goes out to Bernie Pelc and Peter Micakovic! Thank you, Brothers, for the of your time to help. Thank you to all who emptied out the trailer! That was unreal! Thank you to all who came out to the Memorial Mass. Thank you to all who came out for the Corporate Communion. Thank you to Kenny Grunewald and Dennis Murray for closing up shop again! Thank you to Warren Sawdon for selling the Holy Cross calendars! Thank you to Joe Lograsso, Paul Burmeister and Scott Morgan for selling poinsettias after mass! Thank you to Steve Salter for leading the Into the Breach series! We still are an active and vibrant council!

### Meetings

At this time, the hall is closed due to state restrictions. Our meetings will be on Zoom in the meantime. I feel our health and peace of mind are the most important things at this time. As much as I like our live meetings, Zoom will be the forum until further notice until things settle down and we are able to meet together as a fraternity again. Our next meeting will be on Zoom on December 10<sup>th</sup>. The Holy Rosary begins at 7:30 pm and the meeting will begin at 8:00 pm. Our officer meeting would be on December 31<sup>st</sup>, New Year's Eve, but we are going to cancel this meeting to spend more time with our families. So, no second meeting in December.

### Membership

New membership has been difficult during this time. Brothers, we all have at least one gentleman we know would make a great Knight. Please have them take full advantage of the free online membership through December 31<sup>st</sup> using the code **MCGIVNEY 2020**. Prospects to our order can have free online membership for a year to see if the Knights are a good fit for them. Also, have them enter 2950 for our council. If you have any questions about this, please let me know

or Gary Lusk know. In these uncertain times, we need good Catholic men to help us with our mission. This is the best time to have them take full advantage of this tremendous offer!

**Gary Lusk**

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### Insurance

Tom Hegna gave us a great webinar on Zoom on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. I enjoyed his discussion on his seven steps to a happy retirement. It was very informative and I found it to have very useful information about my needs for retirement. If you are in need of additional insurance or haven't spoken to our Worthy Supreme Field Agent in the past year, please contact Anthony Bliss to make sure you and your family are fully covered.

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### Dues

Brother's it's that time of year to pay your dues. Please remember to pay your dues in full and on time. If there are any issues with dues or paying them, please contact me. Our council's dues are \$50.00 for the year. Please consider adding \$10.00 to Michigan Take 10 for Charity and also adding \$6.00 to the Sacred Hearth Major Seminary Endowment Scholarship Fund. Paying your dues has never been easier by going online now. Please go to our website, [Uticakofc.org](http://Uticakofc.org). Click on Membership and scroll down to Pay Dues Online and follow the prompts from there. Thank you in advance for paying your dues on time.

Let me close by saying that we are men of action. I see it everyday within the Order. Brothers, we still have work to do even in these strange times. Please think about and let me know about any ideas that would work as a fundraiser during this pandemic. Also, since the pandemic will one day soon be over, think about service projects or new fundraisers that we could have at the hall or picnic grounds in the future. I am always open to suggestions about how we can be more active and we will remain active and vibrant as a council. Brothers, the world needs us. We have work to do.

Vivat Jesus!

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KNIGHT LIFE**

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MEETINGS - 2<sup>nd</sup> and last Thursday of each month

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Chaplain.....Father Roman Pasieczny  
District Deputy.....Jason Meyers  
Grand Knight.....Francis V. Elwart  
Deputy Grand Knight.....Guy Anzell  
Warden.....Rob Murawski  
Chancellor.....Harry Kuk  
Trustee.....Scott Morgan, Joe Lograsso, Kim Wiegand  
Recorder.....Antonio Quagliato  
Treasurer.....Don Heydens  
Advocate.....James Bokshan  
Financial Secretary.....Paul Burmeister  
Lecturer.....Robert Walz  
Inside Guard.....John Gasowski  
Outside Guard.....Carlos Pertusi, Dan Lekki  
Roundtable Coordinator.....Ed Braet

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Health Service Director.....Gary Lusk  
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Youth Activities Director.....Joe Lograsso  
Family Life Director.....Paul Cone  
Community Activities Director.....Francis Elwart  
Insurance Promotion.....Anthony Bliss

**CHAIRMAN**

Knight Life Editor.....Larry Nardecchia (Linda)  
Degree Master.....Don Heydens  
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.....Joseph Lograsso, Daniel Weingartz  
Vocations Chairman.....Dale Niedzwiecki  
Holy Cross Children's Services Chairman.....Warren Sawdon  
Eyes for the Needy.....Tom Mueller  
Pro-Life.....Chris Gill (Sharon)  
Picnic Grounds.....Dale Niedzwiecki  
Retentions.....Ray Keller  
Hall Manager (Main).....Phil Kupser  
Hall Manager (Back).....Dennis Murray  
Club Room Manager.....Ken Grunewald

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State Website Line - [www.mikofc.org](http://www.mikofc.org)

Supreme Website Link - [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)

Supreme Council Website for Career Opportunity -

<http://www.kofc.org/careers>

**COUNCIL ACTIVITIES FOR  
December - January 2021**

**December 7, 2020** - Knights Corp (Building Corporation) Meeting - 7:00 - 9:00 pm - Club Room.

**December 10, 2020** - Council Meeting and Rosary on Zoom- 7:30 pm (Rosary) 8:00 - 9:00 Meeting - Zoom.

**December 24, 2020 - CHRISTMAS EVE**

**DECEMBER 25, 2020 - Christmas Day (Merry Christmas)**

**December 31, 2020 - NEW YEAR'S EVE**

**January 1, 2021 - NEW YEAR'S DAY**

**Note: Don't forget the second meeting for December has been cancelled due to the holidays. Hope everyone has a Healthy, Happy and Blessed Holiday**



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**Career Opportunity**

The Knights of Columbus is seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. They offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information, please contact, Don M. Wesley FICF, General Agent, at (888) 393-7539, or [don.wesley@kofc.org](mailto:don.wesley@kofc.org)

**Merry Christmas**





## KnightLife Articles

All articles for the KnightLife should be sent to my email address which is – [lindanardeccchia@gmail.com](mailto:lindanardeccchia@gmail.com).

### A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION IN TIME OF PANDEMIC



O Mary,  
you always brighten our path  
as a sign of salvation and of hope.  
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,  
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain  
while remaining steadfast in faith.  
O loving Mother,  
you know what we need,  
and we are confident you will provide for us  
as at Cana in Galilee.  
Intercede for us with your Son Jesus,  
the Divine Physician,  
for those who have fallen ill,  
for those who are vulnerable,  
and for those who have died.  
Intercede also for those charged with  
protecting the health and safety of others  
and for those who are tending to the sick  
and seeking a cure.  
Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,  
to conform to the will of the Father  
and to do as we are told by Jesus,  
who took upon himself our  
sufferings and carried our sorrows,  
so as to lead us, through the Cross,  
to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

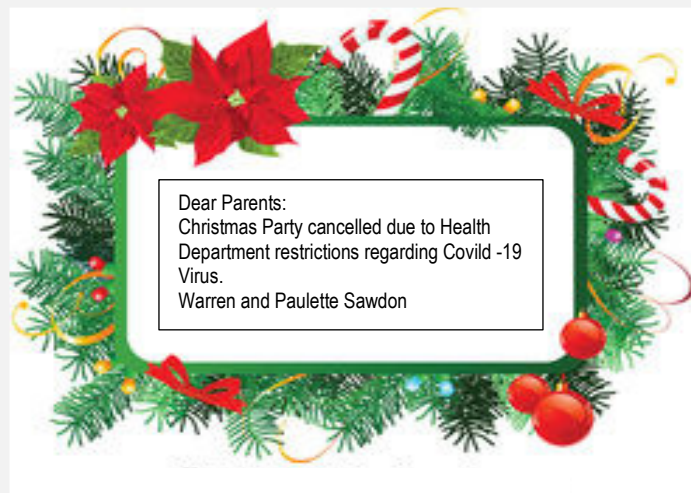
*Under thy protection we seek refuge,*

## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Dear Parents:

We are sorry to tell you that this year's Christmas Party has to be cancelled. Our Health Department will only allow 50 people in our hall.

Warren and Paulette Sawdon



## OUR SICK MEMBERS

Our prayers are required for the Brother Knights and family members who are sick and recovering:

Joan Shekoski  
Stan Singer  
Kenneth Mulka  
Catherine Jujack  
Suzanne Langeveld  
Carly Debiel  
Dennis Seefried  
Joann Wiegand  
Sue Stepiniak  
Jennifer Chandler  
David Weigand  
Megan Singer  
Sandy Papuga  
Ray Campbell  
Yousif Denha  
Marion Lelito  
Thomas Deneron  
David Deradoorian Jr.

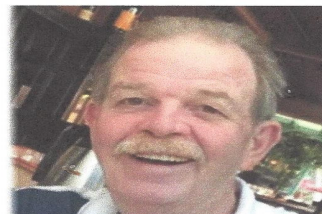
Beverly Bebee  
Tracey Vallelunga  
Veronica German  
Linda Nardecchia  
Clara Mueller  
Kelly Gill  
Rick Montone  
Anne Chandler  
Paul Rybicki  
Dron Heydens Jr.  
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Jack Peake  
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Jim Langeveld  
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Paula Bliss  
Derrick Orban  
Carol Poma  
Bob Snow  
Wenzel Koch  
Frank Singer  
Matt Gumbel  
Rene Battani  
Della Mulka  
Mary Quaine  
Vince Mallia  
Maria Gatt  
Linda Braet  
Allen Rooks  
Janet Buckner

Also please remember in your prayers our deceased members and their families:

### In Memorium

Gerald De Clercq  
November 8, 1952 – October 22, 2020



Michael Jerome Noonan  
December 1, 1940 – November 13, 2020



If you know of anyone who should be on the list please call us at (586) 978-0579 or email us at: [lindanardeccchia@gmail.com](mailto:lindanardeccchia@gmail.com). Any names that are underlined and typed in blue will come off the list next month unless we hear from you.

## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

We would like to wish all those people who are celebrating birthdays and/or anniversaries during the month of December a Happy Birthday or a Happy Anniversary.



## **Knights of Columbus "BENEFITS NEWS"**

### **"UPDATE YOUR BENEFICIARIES"**

#### **UPDATE YOUR BENEFICIARIES**

Sometimes it is easy to overlook the simplest of things.

Take, for example, the beneficiaries on your life insurance policies. If your policy was applied for and issued several years ago, it may very well be that the person you originally selected as the beneficiary is no longer the person you would want to receive the policy proceeds. If you bought the policy when you were single, for example, you may have named your parents as beneficiaries. If you have since married, your policies should be updated to reflect your spouse as beneficiary. Maybe you've had children since, who are not named on the policies.

Most people list a primary beneficiary, who is specifically designated as the first in priority to receive policy proceeds. We also encourage the naming of a contingent beneficiary, an alternate person designated to receive policy proceeds. We also encourage the naming of a contingent beneficiary, an alternate person designated to receive policy proceeds, usually in the event that the original beneficiary pre-deceases the insured.

I routinely call all of my policyholders for annual review appointments, usually near the anniversary date of your policy – that is, the date it was originally issued. One of the matters that I'll discuss during this review is the status of your beneficiary designations. If they need updating, and they often do, I can complete the paperwork during that appointment.

I look forward to meeting with each of you to discuss your family's needs.

**\*Receive a complete Family Needs Analysis at my expense.**

**Ask about our GUARANTEED LIFE INSURANCE, ANNUITIES,  
LONG-TERM CARE & DISABILITY INSURANCE**

In Christ,

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## **KNIGHT OF THE MONTH and FAMILY OF THE MONTH**

**Will return in the next edition of the paper.**

### **Ad Space**

An opportunity has opened up for you to place your ad in the monthly KnightLife paper.

I have room for a one column ad which would cost \$80.00 for the year. We can also break up the space into three separate business card ads at \$40.00 each. One other option would be to have one business card size ad and the other space equivalent to two business card size ads at a cost of \$60.00 per year.

We do have some conditions you must agree to. Your ad must not be in conflict with any of the ads presently on the back page. They must not be for any type of product that Supreme sells such as Life Insurance and annuities.

If interested, please call Linda Nardecchia (Newsletter typist) at (586) 978-0579 regarding ad placement. Remember also that light colors do not show up very good and they make terrible ads.

Larry Nardecchia  
KnightLife Editor

### **FREE ONE-YEAR MEMBERSHIP**

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Blessed Fr. Michael J. McGivney, Founder

### **Happy New Year**

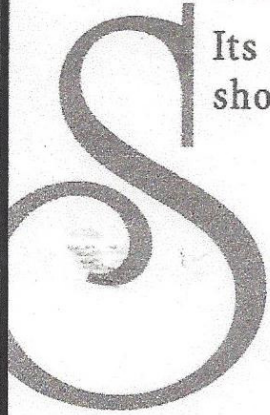
Larry and I would like to wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone and their families associated with Council 2950. May we all have wonderful health, wealth and happiness.





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is unique.

Its celebration  
should be too.



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