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Grand Knights Report

Brother Knights of Council 2950, a warm greeting to you and your families. One good thing about the cold weather is looking forward to the arrival of spring next month.

Thank you to those that were able to work at the Utica Saint Vincent de Paul store last month. Thank you to Jim DeMaestri for coordinating this service opportunity. Also, thanks to PGK Jason Meyers for bringing and publishing the information on the Novena for Life last month.

A couple of reminders: our Financial Secretary Paul Burmeister emailed and mailed notices at the end of last year for the 2023 dues. Please let Paul or I know if you have not received the notice for dues. Please make sure you turn in dues by mid-February. Also, our next Texas Holdem' fundraiser is scheduled for February 16-19, 2023 and we still need help. Please let Don Heydens know if you are available to help.

- Our Lenten Retreat scheduled for Saturday March 18, 2023 is now canceled as St. Lawrence Parish will be having a 3-day Mission with St. Kieran and St. Matthias. They would like all of us to attend those sessions and focus our parish on that event.

We are excited for the following scheduled events and look for you to come out to some of them please:

- Feb 10 - Wine Tasting to support the scholarships for seminarians at Sacred Heart Major Seminary, \$40 per person (see details in the Knight Life). Contact Jim Adams for tickets.
- Feb 16-19 – Texas Holdem' Fundraiser. Contact Don Heydens to sign-up (more information in the Knight Life)
- Feb 19 – February Breakfast from 8:30 a.m. until noon in the St. Lawrence cafeteria
- Mar 11 – annual St. Pat's Party and Fundraiser, starts at 6:30 p.m. with full dinner, dessert, band, open bar, \$35 per person (see details in the Knight Life). Contact Joe Lograsso for tickets.
- Mar 18 – Mass for People with Special Needs, followed by social. St. Lawrence Parish at the 4:30 Mass
- Mar 19 – annual Pheasant Hunt in Ubly, MI (see details in Knight Life). Contact Kim Wiegand for details.
- Mar 24-26 – annual M.I. (Tootsie Roll) Drive – come on out for donations, sign-up for the street donations, enjoy social time

We could still use volunteers for many of the events. In particular, with the return of the M.I. drive going on the streets for donations, we want to make sure that we have plenty of Brothers to go on out. The coordination effort for this is a lot of work and appreciate those that go out for this. Please contact George Wiegand and let him know which days you can go on the street, a location that you might have in mind and your date of birth as at least one city requires this information for the permit. We appreciate your consideration on doing this.

Thanks,
Joe Lograsso, Grand Knight

February Feast Days



The Church celebrates the feast of the Presentation of the Lord 40 days after the birth of Jesus. Before 1969, the feast was known as the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, or Candlemas. It was celebrated in the earliest times in the Church in Jerusalem and from there the observance spread throughout the Christian world.

According to the law of Moses, a woman was ritually unclean for 40 days after childbirth. Therefore, Mary and Joseph took Jesus to the Temple to present him to the Lord and offer sacrifice for purification. "... just as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to the Lord,' and to offer the sacrifice of 'a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons...'" ([Luke 2:23-24](#))

Scholastica was the twin sister of **St. Benedict of Nursia**, founder of the Benedictine Order. It was said that she was consecrated to God at her birth, but continued to live at home until her brother founded his monastery at Monte Cassino. She then, in turn, established a convent in the nearby town of Plombariola.



Our Lady of Lourdes Feast Day February 11th

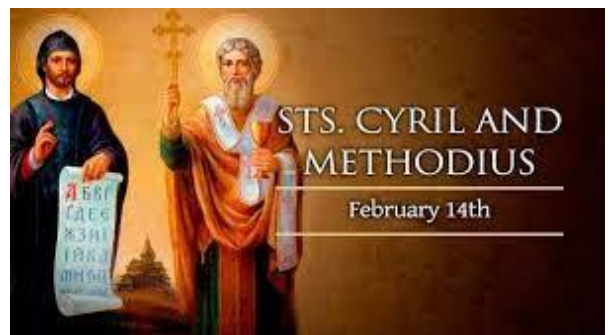


Oh, ever immaculate Virgin, Mother of Mercy, Health of the Sick, Refuge of Sinners, Comfortess of the Afflicted, you know my wants, my troubles, my sufferings. Look upon me with mercy. When you appeared in the grotto of Lourdes, you made it a privileged sanctuary where you dispense your favors, and where many sufferers have obtained the cure of their infirmities, both spiritual and corporal. I come, therefore, with unbounded confidence to implore your maternal intercession. My

loving Mother, obtain my request. I will try to imitate your virtues so that I may one day share your company and bless you in eternity. Amen.

Sts. Cyril and Methodist Feast Day February 14th

Cyril and Methodius, may God grant that we of many ancestries, may continue the work of Christ through His Church, in our lives, our families and all peoples and may we have strength to overcome all hatred and to conquer all evil with good. Amen.



ST. LAWRENCE COUNCIL 2950
Meetings – 2nd and Last Thursday of Each Month



Prayer List

Our prayers are required for the Brother Knights and family members who are sick, recovering and serving our country:
(S) = Serving in the Military

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Ed Braet	Rick Lumetta
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Rick Fisher	John Peak
Bob Genovich	Mary Quain
Fran Genovich	Levi Rencontre
Don Heydens Jr.	Paul Rybicki
Jerry Higgins	Frank Sierawski
Mark Holz	Megan Singer
Ray Keller	Stan Singer
Jaquelin Karpinski	Ashley Steggall
Larry Kierzek	Sue Stepniak
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March Knight Life

- All articles that are requested to be in the March Knight Life need to be turned in to the editor no later than March 23, 2023.
- There is available space for any businesses that want to advertise in the Knight Life please contact the editor.

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Knight of the Month

The Knight of the Month for February is Nathan Van Neste who resides in Shelby Township.

Nathan is in the United States Army and is currently deployed in Iraq.

Nathan belongs to St. Lawrence Parish and has been a member of St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus for four Years.

Please keep Nathan in your prayers while he is serving our country in Iraq and in the United States Army.

Congratulations for being chosen Knight of the Month by your Brother Knights.

Knights Corporation Meetings

Feb 6	St. Matthias Church	7:00 – 9:30PM
Mar 6	St. Matthias Church	7:00 – 9:30PM
Apr 3	St. Matthias Church	7:00 – 9:30PM
May 8	St. Matthias Church	7:00 – 9:30PM



The 2023 Council membership dues have been sent out by email and U.S. Mail. If you have not paid your dues, please send them in as soon as possible.

If you did not receive a bill, please contact the Financial Secretary.

Financial Secretary:

Paul Burmeister
45995 Plum Grove Dr.
Macomb, MI 48044
586.713.7953

Family of the Month

The Family of the Month for February is the family of Jim and Suzanne Adams.

Jim and Suzanne belong to St. Lawrence Parish where they are Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers. They also enjoy spending time at the St. Lawrence Adoration Chapel.

Jim has been a member of St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus for eight years and is a 4th Degree member. He currently holds the office of Advocate and Vocations Chairman. Jim also chairs the Men's Mass and our Wine Tasting Event in February that will benefit the Seminarians at Sacred Heart Seminary.

Jim works as a chief engineer for Stellantis Transmission. Suzanne works for Macomb Community College and is an anatomy and biology professor.

Jim and Suanne have recently completed a small barn at there residence in Bruce Township and look forward to raising animals this summer.

Congratulations Jim and Suzanne for being chosen Family of the Month by your Brother Knights.

Jan 2023 Council Membership Summary

Associate Members	232
Insurance Members	137
Inactive Members	17
Total Members	386

Included In Totals

Honorary Members	16
25 Continuous Years of Service / Age 65	
Honorary Life Members	87
25 Continuous Years of Service / Age 70	

Status: Council in Good Standing



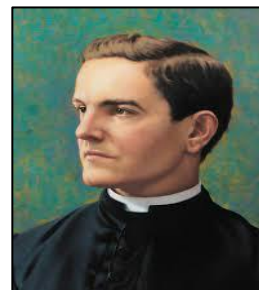
Ash Wednesday February 22

Ash Wednesday (the first day of Lent) 2023

God, please give me the strength during this season of Lent to carry through with my pledge not to [insert pledge]. Please help me to honor You and my faith by holding strong throughout and in moments of weakness and help me to turn to You for strength. Thank You for all You do in my life. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen.

Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

God, Our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called on your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church.



God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults.

St. Lawrence Adoration Chapel



The St. Lawrence Adoration Chapel is now open Monday through Friday 6am-7pm. Our Brother Knights donated much of their time, talent, and treasure in renovating this room as an adoration space to honor Christ's true presence in the Eucharist as the summit of our faith. Father Roman commissioned the beautiful sculpture and monstrance containing the Blessed Sacrament.



Divine Mercy Chaplet Knights of Columbus

Jesus said to Saint Faustina;

My daughter, tell souls that I am giving them My mercy as a defense.
I Myself am fighting for them and am bearing the just anger of My Father (Diary, 1516).

For those requesting prayers for themselves, friends, relatives, or the dying the Knights of Columbus are prepared to come to your home (local) or put you on a prayer list and we will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet for interested people. Please go to the Parish Office and fill out a request form and a representative from the Knights of Columbus will call you during the following week.



\$\$ NEW 3 Digit Lottery Raffle \$\$

We are excited to announce a new Council raffle to support our Ultrasound Initiative. This raffle is based on the Michigan Lottery Daily 3 Digit number held each night at 7:29 PM. The raffle will be held during the month of April 2023 excluding the Sunday drawing. There are 75 chances to win over \$5000 in prizes. If your number is drawn on Tuesday,

Thursday, or Saturday you win \$200 all other days win \$100. As a bonus we will also pay one number up or down. For example: if 436 is the winning number and you have 435 or 437 you will win \$25. Tickets are now available and cost \$10 each. Contact Don Heydens at dheydens@gmail.com or call 586-419-3420. Tickets will be available at all Council meeting and events until sold out.

**St. Lawrence Council 2950
Knights of Columbus**

COST: \$10.00

**IF YOUR NUMBER IS DRAWN ON
APRIL 1, 4, 6, 8, 11, 13, 15, 18, 20, 22, 25, 27, 29**

YOU WIN \$200

**IF YOUR NUMBER IS DRAWN
ANY OTHER DAY
YOU WIN \$100**

ONE NUMBER UP or DOWN

Example: 436 is the winning number & you have 435 or 437
YOU WIN \$25

Based on Michigan Lottery Daily 3-digit Number
Evening drawing at 7:29 PM
STRAIGHT - NO BOXING - NO SUNDAY DRAWING
BONUS DRAWING EXCLUDED

Tickets sponsored: RK Hoppe Corp., Wiegand Heating and Cooling, and St. Lawrence Mens Fellowship

If the ticket for the daily number, based on the evening 3-digit drawing at 7:29 p.m., has not been sold, a drawing from the pool of raffle ticket stubs of the tickets sold will take place at St. Lawrence Council 2950, 44633 Utica Rd. Utica, MI 48315 between 7:30 pm and 8:00 pm the same day.



**Provide support for the Image of God
Pregnancy Centers in Metro Detroit Area**

APRIL 2023

	\$100	\$200	\$100	\$200	\$100	\$200
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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**ST LAWRENCE COUNCIL 2950
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

APRIL 2023

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE: _____

Help Needed!!



Our next event is scheduled for February 16-19, 2023 (Thursday through Sunday.) The times have also changed, we now are open from 6:30 PM till 2 AM. One Eyed Jacks is located in the shopping center on the Southeast corner of 22 Mile and VanDyke.

Contact Don Heydens at dheydens@gmail.com or call 586-419-3420 to help work this event.

**One Eyed Jacks
Charity Poker Room
48922 Van Dyke
Shelby Township, MI 48317**



Knights' Pavilion and Picnic Grounds (Title Sponsor) present
St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus
2023 St. Pat's Day Rockin' Party and Fundraiser



Saturday March 11, 2023

6:30 p.m. til Midnight

Doors Open with Cocktails at 6:30 p.m., Irish Dinner at 7:30 p.m.

Free Refreshments All Night

Pizza after 11 p.m.

Purchase Tickets Early!

\$35 / person – Pre-sales Only!

Music by Mainstream Drive

Dinner – Drinks – Desserts – Music

Awesome Raffle Prizes – Door Prizes – 50/50

**at the St. Lawrence Gymnasium - 44633 Utica Rd.
Utica, MI 48317**

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You'd Like to be
a Sponsor!**

**Benefits Covenant House MI, Rising Stars Academy, Seminarian Scholarships,
K of C Christmas Fund for Families in Need and for Children, and K of C Youth Programs**

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**Please contact Joe Lograsso for tickets and for information (lograsso@comcast.net). We appreciate and
need for people to bring friends and family.**

**We encourage you coming out to this event as it will be the main fundraiser this year for our Council
charities. We will be having the party in both the gymnasium and cafeteria. The cafeteria is a little quieter
for those that don't want it so loud (e.g., loudness) but still enjoy a great dinner and dessert and raffles.**

**As this is the first time that we're doing this in the school, we're looking for full participation in making this
a great success for our Council and our community.**

St. Lawrence
Knights of Columbus
Wine Tasting Night
benefitting the
Sacred Heart Seminarians

Featuring 20 different wines from the
Kendall-Jackson collection

Charcuterie & hors d'oeuvres

(Wine generously provided by Jackson Family Wines)

Friday Feb 10th

\$40.00 per person

6:30PM St. Lawrence Social Hall

Contact Jim Adams for tickets

586-337-7704 jojim6@aol.com



Knights of Columbus Council 2950

Pheasant Hunt

Join us March 19th, 2023

Don't miss out! Knights of Columbus Council 2950 is putting together an exciting pheasant hunt at the Rooster Ranch where all proceeds go towards the Mentally Impaired!

\$290 per Person

Check-In: 7:45am

Breakfast: 8am

50/50 Raffle

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Extras Include:

- Wobble Shoot
- European Hunt
- Hog Roast Dinner
- Field Hunt (Walk-Up)



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