

## **VOLUME VI**

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# FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT Vivat Jesus

## Dear Brother Knights:

I was privileged to attend the 2015 Michigan State Convention on Mackinac Island this last month with PGK Warren Sawdon and his wife Paulette. Our council was once again recognized as the top fundraiser in the State for the annual MI Drive. Our council also received the Michigan Achievement award in recognition of our achievements in the areas of Church, Community, Council, Family, Culture of Life, and Youth Activities. Thank you to everyone who supported our many events and activities this past year – you should be rightly proud of your efforts and their results. Special thanks to Paulette for donating an embroidery on behalf of our Council for the HolyCross charity raffle at the convention.

Congratulations to the officers who were all re-elected at our last general meeting. We will hold a district-wide installation of officers at our hall on Thursday, August  $27^{th}$ .

I'd like to acknowledge the many great activities and events sponsored by our council in May:

- Mother's Day Breakfast: Thank you to everyone who cooked, helped, and attended our Mother's Day breakfast.
- Mound Road Clean-up: Thanks to our chairman, Tony Schoenherr, his family, and everyone who came out to help.
- First Degree:
  Thank you to our degree team and please join me in welcoming our new members: David Betts, Alexander Coluzzi and Vincent Lograsso

Our next monthly breakfast will be held on Sunday, June 21st – Father's Day.

Our Wine Tasting Fundraiser to benefit HolyCross is on Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. Tickets are available now and priced at only \$30.00 per person. Tables of eight are available; please reserve yours before June 5<sup>th</sup>.

Please consult our calendar for more events and activities. I wish everyone a happy Father's Day and a happy Flag Day. Please join me in praying for the Holy Father's prayer intentions for June.

 Universal: That immigrants and refugees may find welcome and respect in the countries to which they come (legally). • **Evangelization:** That the personal encounter with Jesus may arouse in many young people the desire to offer their own lives in priesthood or consecrated life.

Fraternally,

Jason Meyers Grand Knight (586) 383-0284 jason.meyers@uticakofc.com

# FAMILY OF THE MONTH

For the month of June we are honoring Chris Gill and his wife Sharon. They live on Allegheny Drive in Sterling Heights. Chris joined the Knights of Columbus in 1992.

Congratulations Chris and Sharon for being chosen June Family of the Month by your Brother Knights.

# KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

For the month of June we are honoring John Gasowski. John and his family have lived on Loni Drive in Sterling Heights for the last 18  $\frac{1}{2}$  years. John and his wife Lee have been married for 19 1/2 years and have a daughter, Julie who is 11 years old..

The family belongs to St. Lawrence Church. They are involved with McRest, Applefest, Pre-Cana, Youth Group and Alter Servers. Lee is a drummer and helps with Vacation Bible School and the Funeral Lunch Program.

John works for TI Automotive and has been employed there for the past 4 ½ years while his wife has been a C.E.O. for the last three months with Rally House.

John joined St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus in November of 2014.

In their spare time the family enjoys camping, riding bikes, going on walks, going to baseball games and fishing.

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

#### ST. LAWRENCE COUNCIL KNIGHT LIFE St. Lawrence Council 2950 44425 Utica Road; Utica, Michigan 48317 Council Website: <u>http://www.uticakofc.com</u> MEETINGS - 2<sup>nd</sup> and last Thursday of each month

#### OFFICERS

Chaplain	Father Roman Pasieczny
	David Kuptz
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	Paul Burmeister
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	Paul Cone
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## COUNCIL ACTIVITIES FOR JUNE THRU DECEMBER

June 1, 2015 – Knights Corp Meeting 7:30 pm Attendance of Knights Corp Members is MANDATORY! This meeting is open to all Members. June 3, 4, 5, 6, 2015 - Texas Holdem fundraiser event, Big Beaver Tavern. June 10, 2015 - Blood Drive. June 11, 2015 - First Meeting of the month in our Club Room at 8:00 pm. June 12, 2015 – Wine Tasting Fundraiser for HolyCross Children's Services. (See Article for details) June 14, 2015 – Corporate communion at the 8:00 am Mass at St. Lawrence. Please gather in the back of church and we will be escorted into Mass by the St. John Neumann Color Corp. June 17, 2015 – The Fourth Degree meeting, 7:30 pm in the Club Room. June 21, 2015 - We will be having breakfast at our hall 8:30 am -12:00 pm. Talk Dad into bringing everyone. HDTV winner selected. June 25, 2015 - Officer's Meeting, everyone is welcome at 8:00 pm in the Club Room. July 26, 2015 - We will be having breakfast at our Hall 8:00 am -12:00 pm. August 9, 2015 – Blood Drive. August 27, 2015 – District-wide installation of officers held at our Hall. August 30, 2015 – We will be having breakfast at our hall 8:30 am - 12:00 pm. September 20, 2015 – We will be having breakfast at our hall 8:30 am - 12:00 pm. October 11, 2015 – We will be having breakfast at our hall 8:30 am - 12:00 pm. October 18 - 19, 2015 - Casino Bus Trip. November 1, 2015 – We will be having breakfast at our hall 8:30 am - 12:00 pm. November 7, 2015 – Past Grand Knights Ball December 20, 2015 – Children's Christmas Party December 27, 2015 - Blood Drive. Fraternally, Joe Manuszak **Council Activities Director** 

### **BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

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



## **OUR SICK MEMBERS**

Our prayers are required for the Brother Knights and family members who are sick and recovering: Lillian Sparks, Louie Jonas, <u>Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kwiecien</u>, Megan Singer, Beverly Bebee, Jim Langeveld, Stan Singer, Stan Kups, Jerry Shekoski, Debbie Redding, Terry Donovan, Ann Marie Badke, Linda Nardecchia, Rick Lametta, Sharon Dilloway, Nikki Davies, <u>Ryan Foster</u>, Teresa Winkler, Ed Durham, Della Mulka, Ron and Eva Wiegand, Robert Quaine Sr., Barbara Zientek, Tom Brennan, Robert Quaine Jr., Johanna Piot, Roxdmzfy Richason, Cathy Rowards and MaryLu DeFauw.

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

If you know of anyone who should be on the list please call us at (586) 078-0579 or email us at: <u>lanardecchia@prodigy.net</u>. Any names that are underlined will come off the list next month unless we hear from you.

### Knights of Columbus 'BENEFITS NEWS"

#### Only Having "Through Work" Insurance Doesn't Work!:

Do you know anyone whose life or career has 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. 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. <u>The existence of this coverage</u> <u>might convince someone that personally-owned life insurance is not</u> necessary.

But only having "through work" insurance can leave you and 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, a detailed needs analysis that evaluates your specific situation, will likely show that any employer-provided coverage falls short.

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. At the very least, 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.

#### \*"Receive a complete Family Needs Analysis at my expense Ask about our GUARANTEED LIFE INSURANCE, ANNUITIES, LONG TERM CARE AND DISABILITY INSURANCE

Dale G. Jascks – Field Agent Knights of Columbus Supreme Council Insurance Office: (586) 419-0276 E-mail: Dale.Jacks@KofC.org



#### 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 insormation, please contact, Don M. Wesley, FICF, General Agent, at (888) 393-7539 or don.wesley@kofc.org

### SAVE THE DATES!!!

*Texas Holdem* – Big Beaver Tavern *June 3, 4, 5, 6, 2015* 

> Blood Drive June 10, 2015

Wine Tasting Fundraiser to Benefit HolyCross Children's Services.

Tickets are \$30.00 per Person. Tables for Eight Available by June 5th. Please Contact Joe Lograsso at (586) 566-8940 or <u>lograsso@comcast.net</u> for tickets or more information. *June 12, 2915* 

> **Corporate Communion** 8:00 am Mass at St. Lawrence Please meet in the back of church

Please meet in the back of church June 14, 2015

*Breakfast* In our hall from 8:30 am – 12:00 pm Take Dad out to breakfast to celebrate Father's Day *June 21, 2015* 

## SAVE THE DATES!!!

# HOLYCROSS CHILDREN'S SERVICES AUCTION

Brother Knights and Ladies:

Paulette and I had the pleasure of attending the 2015 State K of C Convention this past week. I want to thank her for making the Mackinac Island Embroidery and the Council for framing it. There were a lot of prizes that were auctioned off after the convention. Total ticket sales for the three days amounted to \$16,000.00. Weingartz Everything from Lawn to Snow and EarthLine each generously matched the \$16,000.00 in ticket sales which netted HolyCross Children's Services a grand total of \$48,000.00,

Check out the Council's website for more pictures from the auction.

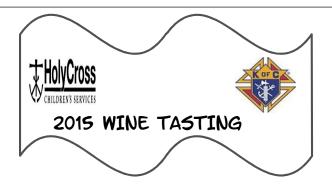
Fraternally,

Warren Sawdon HolyCross Children's Services Chairman



Mackinac Island Embroidery by Paulette Sawdon





### Knights of Columbus Wine Tasting To Benefit HolyCross Children's Services

The St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus invite you to a great evening of Wine Tasting on *Friday, June 12, 2015.* This night will consist of over 30 Wines, Hors d'oeuvres and Desserts to be sampled from 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm at the K of C Hall. The proceeds from this wonderful event will go to HolyCross Children's Services.

Tickets are \$30.00 per person and tables of eight (8) are available, if so desired and should be **reserved by June 5, 2015.** Please contact Joe Lograsso at (586) 566-8940 or

lograsso@comcast.net for tickets or more information! The St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus meets at the Knights Banquet Center at 44425 Utica Road, Utica, Mi 48317.

Joe Lograsso



Additional Items from the Auction

