



# KNIGHT LIFE



# St. Lawrence Council 2950

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## GRAND KNIGHT - A FEW WORDS FROM SCOTT....

Vivat Jesus

Dear Brother Knights:

Happy May!

### MI DRIVE 2019 THANK YOU!

I want to thank all that came out to help for this year's MI Drive that raised \$41,000 for 2018-19 Fraternal year! I was truly amazed at all of the help on the streets, club room, kitchen and support staff which included spouses and their families along with a lot of new members! I was most impressed with how the event ran from day to day. Meaning that everyone knew what their job was and they all did it very well. This long-standing tradition in our council has been 1<sup>st</sup> place in the State of Michigan for over 30 years, now I know why. I would like to thank our MI Drive Chairmen; **George Wiegand, Paul Burmeister, Joe Lograsso and Dan Weingartz** for all of their hard work in pulling this together! Please see the additional report from George in this newsletter.

### PROGRAMS UPDATE

We continue to be very successful in our new Faith-in-Actions programs! I want to thank all those individuals that have stepped up to run these new events. I am pleased to report that we are on track and I have advised our Worthy District Deputy, Officers and Brother Knights that were at our Planning Meeting this week that I expect that we will complete all of the requirements in order to receive the Columbian award again this year! I have submitted our SP7 form to our **Worthy District Deputy, Jason Meyers** for consideration.

### INSURANCE UPDATE!

Have you looked at your insurance needs lately? Do you have questions regarding your current policies? Are you looking to get some additional coverage to further support our order? We have a goal of 10 new insurance members for our council. We are currently at 3 of 10 or **30% of our goal**. Please book your appointment in **MAY** to review your insurance needs!

Please contact our new **Worthy Field Agent** to schedule an appointment.

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### MEMBERSHIP UPDATE!

I am glad to report that with all the new members to date plus the future members that need to be scheduled, we will hit **104% of our goal!** This is a great accomplishment for our council! I want to thank all members who have helped with this initiative! This will now allow us to receive the Fr. Michael McGivney Founder's Award for membership for this fraternal year!

Who do you know that would be a great candidate as a new member of our council? We all know at least 1-2 people that would make a great Knight! Please email **Jim Adams** at [jojim6@aol.com](mailto:jojim6@aol.com) or **Gary Lusk** at [MD2950@mikofc.org](mailto:MD2950@mikofc.org) with your suggestions! Keep up the great work for recruiting!

### HAVE YOU MISSED SOME MEETINGS?

Our meetings are the 2<sup>nd</sup> and last Thursday's of the month. The first meeting is our **council meeting** and the second meeting is our **planning meeting**. Both are open meetings and all membership is invited to attend. I want to thank everyone who has been attending as we have had continual attendance of 50+ members at each meeting and it keeps increasing! My goal is to have the meetings last no longer than an hour to be most effective. We continue to make changes to our content to save time each week, so if you have any suggestions to save time, I am always willing to listen. Keep up the great attendance! In addition, due to the upcoming nice weather, **all council meetings for the month of JUNE will be at our PICNIC GROUNDS!**

### COUNCIL OPEN POSITIONS...

As an assignment from our **Worthy District Deputy, Jason Meyers**, we are looking for a **Young Adult Director** at this time. This will have to be developed into a new role. Our order is looking for councils to reach out to young adults (age 18-40) to provide insight and interest with what the KofC has to offer.

We will also be holding elections for the **Deputy Grand Knight** position for the new fraternal year. If you are interested or would like to self-nominate or nominate someone in our council (must be 3<sup>rd</sup> degree to qualify) please let us know...

### YOUNG ADULT DIRECTOR – OPEN

**DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT – OPEN (ELECTIONS IN APRIL AND MAY)**

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNCIL  
KNIGHT LIFE**

St. Lawrence Council 2950

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

**OFFICERS**

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

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Program Director.....Joe Lograsso  
Membership Director.....Jim Adams  
Church Activities Director.....Rick Lumetta  
Council Activities Director.....Joe Manuszak  
Youth Activities Director.....Joe Lograsso  
Family Life Director.....Paul Cone  
Community Activities Director.....Francis Elwart  
Young Adult Director.....

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Knight Life Editor.....Larry Nardecchia  
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Vocations Chairman.....Dale Niedzwiecki  
Boysville Chairman.....Warren Sawdon  
Eyes for the Needy.....Tom Mueller  
Pro-Life.....Chris Gill (Sharon)  
Picnic Grounds.....Dale Niedzwiecki  
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Supreme Council Website for Career Opportunity –

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

**COUNCIL ACTIVITIES FOR  
MAY – JUNE**

**May 5, 2019 – CINCO DE MAYO**

**May 6, 2019** – Knights Corp meeting – 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm – Club Room.

**May 6 – 10, 2019** – Computer and Electronics Recycling Event – 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm – Parking lot across from the hall

**May 7, 2019** – Women's Mass – 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm – St. Lawrence Church

**May 8, 2019** – Monthly Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet – Begin praying at 6:00 pm – St. Lawrence Church

**May 9, 2019** – KofC Council Meeting – 8:00 – 9:30 pm – Club Room

**May 10, 2019** – Euchre Night Social – 6:00 – 11:00 pm – Club Room

**May 11, 2019** – Computer and Electronics Recycling Event – 9:00 am – 2:00 pm – Trinity Lutheran

**May 12, 2019 – MOTHER'S DAY**

**May 12, 2019** – KofC Monthly Breakfast – 8:00 am – Noon – Main Hall

**May 20, 2019** – Men's Mass – 6:30 – 7:30 pm – St. Lawrence Church

**May 22, 2019** – Pro-Life Walk–Committee Meeting – 7:00 – 8:00 pm Club room

**May 27, 2019 – MEMORIAL DAY**

**May 30, 2019** – KofC Planning Meeting – 8:00 – 9:30 pm – Club Room

**May 30, 2019** – 1<sup>st</sup> Degree – KofC Hall – 7:00 pm

**June 1, 2019** – Adopt a Highway – 8:30 am – Club Room

**June 12, 2019** – Monthly Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet – Begin praying at 6:00 pm – St. Lawrence Church

Fraternally,  
Joe Manuszak  
Council Activities Director



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## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

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

## KOFC 32950 – NEW FOOD FOR FAMILIES – CANNED GOODS DRIVE



- We have implemented a canned goods drive at all of our council meetings moving forward.
- All collections will go to St. Lawrence Parish to continually support their food pantry.
- We will have a bin in the club room for donations.
- Thank you to Jim Adams for getting the bin set up!

## KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

The May Knight of the month is Chuck Pollum. He has lived in Sterling Heights on Island Drive for the past five years. His son Steve is 52 years old and lives in Colorado and his other son Paul is 48 years old and he lives in Clinton Township with his wife Cristin. He has two grandson – Tanner (20) and Gavin (17).

He has attended St. Lawrence Church on and off since 1951. His involvement with the church is as a Eucharistic Minister, working the Apple fest and the Fish Fries.

Chuck worked for General Motors for 32 years retiring in 1992.

He joined St. Lawrence KofC. He was a squire in the late 1950's and early 1960's at St. Lawrence.

Chuck was a graduate of St. Lawrence High School in 1960.

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



## 1ST DEGREE – ST. LAWRENCE KOFC 4-25-19

Welcome New Knights!

- Chris Boyer
- Stephen McKay
- Peter Micakovic

## OUR SICK MEMBERS

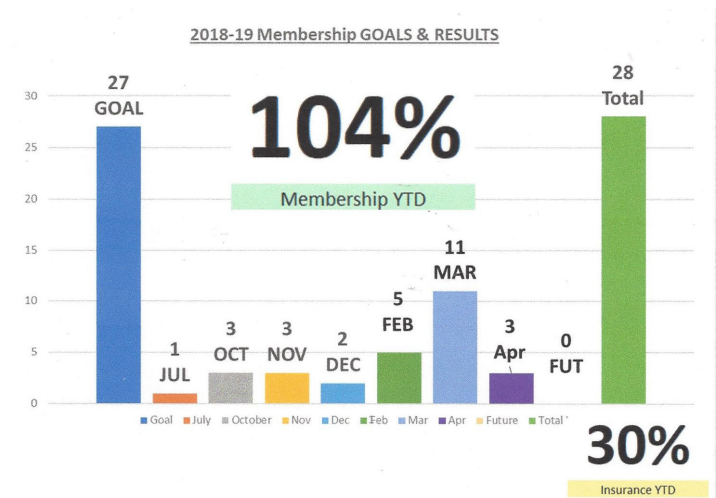
Our prayers are required for the Brother Knights and family members who are sick and recovering:

Joan Shekoski	Beverly Bebee	Jim Langeveld
Stan Singer	Tracey Vallelunga	Jeremy Yorke
Kenneth Mulka	Ron Wiegand	Joshua Walz
Nancy Campbell	Linda Nardecchia	Griffen Davies
Ray Phillips	Olivia Kelly Tsvetkoff	Clara Mueller
Bonnie Attard	Julie Gasowski	Joe Lograsso
Baby John Venterini	Edgar Lee Buckwor	Rob Sharon
Victor Gatt	Richard Gitter	Kelly Gill
Carol Poma	Joann Wiegand	Dolan Gilbert
Norm Altz	John Mohan	Kevin Popis
Robert Quaine Sr.	Roy Ansell	Paul Rybicki
Maureen Merpi	Francis Jerome	Matt Gumbel
Robert Quaine, Jr.	Jeanne Schoenjahn	Rene Battani
Robert Rogensee	Thomas Zarro	Maria Gatt
David Wiegand	Ken Gruenwald	Megan Singer
Theresa O'Connor	Christine Burmeister	Mike Hoste
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Vincent Mallia	Heidi Higgings	Frank Singer
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Janette Buckwor	Larry Campbell	Joe Bauer
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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) 978-0579 or email us at: [lindanardeccchia@gmail.com](mailto:lindanardeccchia@gmail.com). Any names that are underlined will come off the list next month unless we hear from you.

## 2018-19 MEMBERSHIP GOALS AND RESULTS





## FAMILY OF THE MONTH

The May Family of the Month belongs to Ray Campbell and his wife Michele. They have lived on Pinecrest in Utica for 45 years. Ray and Michele have been married for 45 years. Their children are Chad, Nikki, Tiffany, Tracy and Jennifer. They have 11 grandchildren.

The family belongs to St. Lawrence Parish. Michele taught Catechism along with several of their daughters.

Ray retired from Kaltz Excavating after 30 years of service.

Ray joined St. Lawrence KofC in 1975. He is also a member of the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree. He has held the offices of Guard and Trustee on the Building Corporation. He was the chairman of the St. Pat's Party and the Hayride. He has also worked on the Brisket Bunch for 35 years.

In their spare time the family enjoys spending time hunting and fishing with family at the cottage up north. Sometimes they even play Euchre.

Congratulations Ray and Michele on being chosen Family of the month for May by your Brother Knights.



All articles for the KnightLife should be sent to my new email address which is – [lindanardecchia@gmail.com](mailto:lindanardecchia@gmail.com). Scott Morgan will now be using the following email address: [gk2950@mikofc.org](mailto:gk2950@mikofc.org) instead of Steve Salter. Joe Lograsso will be using the following email address: [pd2950@mikofc.org](mailto:pd2950@mikofc.org)

## PAY DUES ONLINE

- Electronic Payments Coming Soon . . .
- We will advise at our next council meeting



**With Honor & Gratitude  
We Remember**



## Knights of Columbus "BENEFITS NEWS"

### Knights of Columbus "BENEFITS NEWS" May is Disability Insurance Awareness Month

While jobs may be safer in 2019, accidents, injuries, and illnesses that can impact your ability to work still happen. Most, in fact, do not happen on the jobsite or place of employment. Did you know that a 2011 study revealed that more than 25 percent of the long-term disability claims on file were not work related?

The Knights have always sought to protect members' families from the "loss" of a breadwinner. I'm sure you know all about Father McGivney's vision for our first insurance program. But you may not know that Father McGivney also wanted to find a way to help members who couldn't work because of an illness. After all, the "loss" of the breadwinner does not have to mean that person's death; it can also mean the loss of the breadwinner's income.

Consider that loss for a moment. How would your family fare if a source of income suddenly stopped? Could a dual-income family manage on one income stream? What about young families with a working father and a mother who cares for the children? What if his income halted due to an accident or illness?

I've heard some people say they have coverage at work, but too many aren't sure what this coverage entails, how much income it would provide or for how long. Having this protection counts for something, certainly, but it isn't "yours"; it's provided by the company for which you work at their discretion. It could be eliminated tomorrow.

That's where a personally-owned disability income insurance product, like Income Armor, comes into play. It can offer valuable income replacement in the event of an injury or illness. If you have a job, you must know about this coverage. I'd like to meet with you in your home, at your convenience. I'll work with you to make sure your family is protected. As a brother Knight you can trust, I'll take the stress and worry out of the buying decision.

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Just a reminder that Jakub Shonka is my Administrative Assistant. The #1 role of an Admin is to assist the Field Agent in fulfilling his primary obligation, which is to meet with all members of their assigned Councils on a regular basis, so he'll be contacting each of you.

In Christ,

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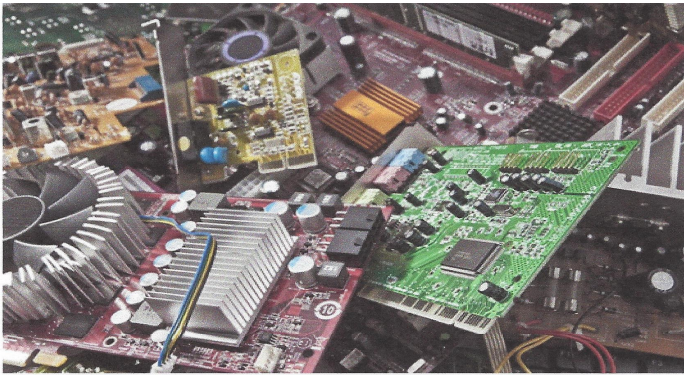
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## COMPUTER AND ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENT – COMING IN MAY 2019



- No cost to our council
- \$5.00/Car Load
- **1<sup>st</sup> Event** – Proceeds to St. Lawrence School and KofC Council.
  - Scheduled for May 6<sup>th</sup> thru May 10<sup>th</sup> parking lot across the street from the hall at 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm)
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Event** – Proceeds to Trinity Lutheran and KofC Council
  - Scheduled for (May 11<sup>th</sup> at Trinity Lutheran M59 and Van Dyke from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm).
- More details to follow as we need to determine the date....
- Start gathering your items!

## MONTHLY ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

### Monthly Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

St Lawrence Catholic Church

44633 Utica Rd., Utica, Mi., 48317

In today's world we see more and more people living as if God does not exist, and calling evil good and good evil. Our hearts are broken as we witness hearts becoming cold. We are in a battle for souls, and a battle for truth, beauty and goodness. But God has not abandoned us, and we have the tools to fight. Pope Francis said "Pray the Rosary to fight the devil!" St. Faustina said "Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet to save souls!" And Jesus said "Whatever you ask in prayer you will receive if you have Faith" (Mt. 21-22).

Therefore, we dedicate this Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet for:

- The protection of human life, from conception to natural death.
- The end to abortion and the culture of death.
- The conversion of hearts: That all will recognize and reject the evils of the flesh, the world, and Satan, and return more fully to the Sacred Heart of Jesus through the Immaculate Heart of Mary.
- In reparation for the sins of abortion, euthanasia and contraception.

#### Rosary Dates:

Wednesday March 20  
Wednesday April 3  
Wednesday May 8  
Wednesday June 12

We will begin praying at 6pm in the church and all are welcome to attend.

Sponsored by the Profoundly ProLife Group at St. Lawrence and  
the St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus Council #2950

For additional information contact profoundlyprolife@gmail.com



## 2019 MI DRIVE RESULTS

The 2019 MI Drive (Tootsie Roll Drive) is now behind us, and even though we had restrictions on dates, times and streets we could collect on, it was still another successful campaign, raising \$41,000.00 from the streets and other efforts. Some of the other efforts included a Pheasant hunt, Casino bus trips, and St. Pat's party. The weather was a little colder than normal considering it being mid-April plus we also had a variety of challenges to contend with such as high winds on Friday and Saturday, with sleet, rain and below normal temperatures on Sunday.

We also would like to thank all of the Knights and Ladies who donated their time helping with the set up and clean-up of the club room before and after the drive. Also thanks to everyone that came out in support of the drive whether it was for an hour or all (3) days, working on the streets, store fronts, church or through their financial support. We also thank the ladies and men that donated their time throughout the weekend counting the monies collected during the drive and Barb Heydens for her help keeping it all organized, without their support the task would have been overwhelming.

We would like to thank JoAnne Wiegand, Wanda Grifka and Denise Kupser for managing the kitchen and clean up. Thank you to all of the ladies that donated the food and desserts that kept us nourished throughout the weekend.

Next year our drive will be on April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. Hopefully we can have as good if not better turn out of brother Knights to help beat this year's total. It is only through the effort of the entire council that we are able to achieve these results. We still continue to do everything that we as a committee possibly can do to help achieve these goals, but we also need to rely on your continued commitment and support to insure that next year's event will be even more successful

Once again, God Bless you and Thank you!

Your Co-Chairmen,

Paul Burmeister  
Joe Lograsso  
Dan Weingartz  
George Wiegand



## ADOPT A HIGHWAY

Brother Knights:

The snow is gone, spring is here, and it's time to do our part for the community and help "Spring Clean" Mound Road. Our first cleanup is scheduled for Saturday morning, June 1<sup>st</sup>. Please meet in the Club Room at 8:30 am and we will form teams and go from there. I would like to thank all of you for your participation in years past and I hope you can continue to support this year.

Thank you,

Tony Schoenherr

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is unique.  
Its celebration  
should be too.

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