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Grand Knights Report

Greetings Brother Knights and Families! We hope you all are doing well and having time to spend with your families during the sun filled days.

I want to thank Jim DeMaestri for another great service opportunity as some of our Brothers worked at the St. Vincent de Paul in Utica early in July. There were be more opportunities for our Council to reach out to help our community.

At our July planning meeting, we also had the first Exemplification of the new fraternal year. I want to welcome Jim Duda and Paul Manuszak into the Council as Third-Degree Knights, as well as congratulating Joe Manuszak on also becoming a Third Degree Knight.

Please remember that on August 10, 2023 we will have our Picnic and M.I. check distribution gathering at the picnic grounds. This is an awesome opportunity to meet many of the organizations that we support and partner with that work with and come to the aid of people with special needs. We will start at 7 p.m. so please plan on arriving a little before that and remember to bring an item to pass for the potluck part of the picnic. Please reach out to Paul Burmeister to coordinate your potluck item.

Our second meeting of August is rescheduled to August 24 at the picnic grounds and consist of our Officer Installation. We will also have on hand officers from St. Therese and St. Kieran to have a District level Installation. Please plan on attending this special evening, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

In September, we start to have some great activities for everyone to enjoy.

- September 24 – March for Life following the St. Lawrence Noon Mass
- September 27 – Tentative date for our multi-council Wild Game Dinner
- September 30 – Square Dance at the picnic grounds (see flyer in the Knight Life)

Additional events our on the planning table right now, including a Men's Mass in October, UofM/MSU football events and our annual appreciation dinner.

We wanted to let everyone know of the latest developments on the Ultrasound Initiative. We received word at the end of July that the Supreme Council has approved the 50% matching funds for the ultrasound machine for the Heart of Christ Family Clinic, located at St. Anne's in Detroit. Our council has already raised our share of the necessary funds. The clinic building is finalizing renovation as of this writing and a potential September opening. Congratulations to the Council for all of the hard work done to get to this point and to Brother Knight Don Heydens for leading the coordination on all of this!

Laura and I hope everyone continues to enjoy the summer months.

Thanks,
Joe Lograsso, GK

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



Prayer List

COUNCIL OFFICERS

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| Deputy Grand Knight | Dennis Murray |
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| Advocate | Jim Adams |
| Inside Guard | Carlos Pertusi |
| Outside Guard | John Gasowski |
| Outside Guard | Jim DeMaestri |
| Lecturer | Bob Walz |

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|-------------------------|-----------------|
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| Faith | Paul Cone |
| Membership | Jim Ososkie |
| Membership | Steve Sierawski |
| Membership | Dan Weingartz |
| Church Activities | Rick Lumetta |
| Health Service | Gary Lusk |
| Public Relations | Open |
| Youth Activities | Joe Lograsso |
| Family Life | Paul Cone |
| Round Table Coordinator | Ed Braet |
| Community Activities | Jim DeMaestri |

COUNCIL CHAIRMEN

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| Knight Life Editor | Paul Burmeister |
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| MI Drive | Joe Lograsso |
| MI Drive | Dan Weingartz |
| Coats for Kids | Paul Burmeister |
| Vocations | Jim Adams |
| Holy Cross Services | Warren Sawdon |
| Eyes for the Needy | Frank Singer |
| Pro-Life | Chris and Sharon Gill |

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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| Linda Baily | Jim Langeveld |
| Neil Bieske Jr. (S) | Stephanie Langeveld |
| Linda Braet | Susie Langeveld |
| Joyce Browksi | Rick Lumetta |
| Debra Campbell | Craig McGyver |
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| Kelly Gill | Megan Singer |
| Jerry Higgins | Stan Singer |
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| Mike Hoste | Marilyn Smith |
| Donna Ignagni | Nathan Van Neste (S) |
| Ray Keller | Harlan Wagner |
| Ken Kraniak | Beverly Welch |
| Larry Kierzek | |

Knights Corporation Meetings

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| Aug 7 | Picnic Grounds | 7:00 – 9:30PM |
| Sept 11 | Picnic Grounds | 7:00 – 9:30PM |
| Oct 2 | St. Matthias | 7:00 – 9:30PM |

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August Feast Days



August 6 - The Transfiguration of the Lord

Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ, whose compassion illumines the world. Transform us into the likeness of the love of Christ, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who live and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

August 10 – St. Lawrence, Deacon, Martyr

O glorious Saint Lawrence, Martyr and Deacon, who, being subjected to the most bitter torments, did not lose your faith nor your constancy in confessing Jesus Christ, obtain in like manner for us such an active and solid faith, that we shall never be ashamed to be true followers of Jesus Christ, and fervent Christians in word and in deed, even in spite of trials, persecutions, or the sword.



August 15 - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Mary, Queen Assumed into Heaven, I rejoice that after years of heroic martyrdom on earth, you have at last been taken to the throne prepared for you in heaven by the Holy Trinity. Lift my heart with you in the glory of your Assumption above the dreadful touch of sin and impurity. Teach me how small earth becomes when viewed from heaven.

August 24 – St. Bartholomew, Apostle

A Prayer to Saint Bartholomew the Apostle, for Grace. O Glorious Saint Bartholomew, Jesus called you a person without guile and you saw in this word a sign that he was the Son of God and King of Israel. Obtain for us the grace to be ever guileless and innocent as doves. At the same time, help us to have your gift of faith to see the Divine hand in the events of daily life.





Knight of the Month

The Knight of the Month for August is Jim DeMaestri. Jim and his wife Sandy reside on Ben Franklin Drive in Shelby Township for the past 24 Years.

Jim belongs to St. Lawrence Parish and Joined St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus In 2018. He is currently our Community Activities Director and our Outside Guard.

Jim has chaired our CPR training program and coordinates the programs in which the Knights volunteer at the Capuchin Soup Kitchen and the St. Vincent de Paul Society Volunteer Day.

Jim is currently employed at Fluke Electronics for the last 23 years and in his spare time enjoys deer hunting, fishing and spending time with his family.

Congratulations on being chosen Knight of the Month for August by your brother Knights.



Family of the Month

The Family of the Month for August is Dale and Karen Niedzwiecki. Dale and Karen reside in Attica for the past 2 years.

Dale and Karen have been married for 40 years and have five children Amanda, Stephen, Amy, Becca and Dustin (deceased). They also have fourteen grandkids, Olivia, Brady, Landon, Leanne, Ben, Claire, Caleb, Andrew, Jake, Lucy, Victor, Lilly, Will and Ada.

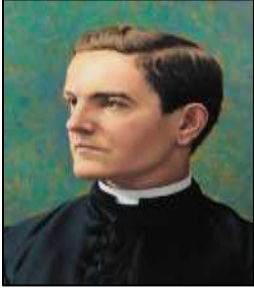
Dale and Karen belong to St. Lawrence Parish, Dale joined St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus in 1979 and has held the offices of Lecture, Guard, District Warden and Deputy Grand Knight. Dale also held Chairmanships such as St. Pat's Party, Halloween Party and is our past Vocations Chairman.

Dale retired from Messing Trucking after 34 years and currently works at Signs 365 for the last 5 years. Dale and Karen are currently the Knights Park & Pavilion managers for the past 32 years.

In their spare time they enjoy spending time with each other whether it be at the lake or in the Woods, family vacations, sporting events and watching the grandchildren grow up

Congratulations on being chosen Family of the Month for August by your brother Knights.

Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney



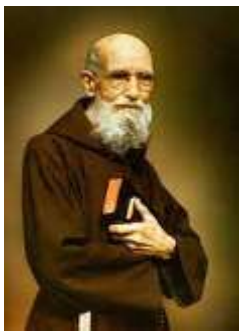
God, Our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called on your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son,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

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen."



Father Solanus Casey



Father Solanus Casey was known for his healing powers. To ask his help in healing from an illness or injury, or to help you forgive someone who has hurt you, you can repeat the prayer below three times.

"You alone can make me well, You alone can make me whole. My body and soul will be healed through Your divine grace."

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.





Council Meeting Change!!

Our second meeting for the month of August is rescheduled to August 24 at the picnic grounds. This will be our annual Officer's Installation, it is required that all officers for the 2023 fraternal year be in attendance, also please bring your officers' jewel. This Installation will also include the officers from St. Therese and St. Kieran for a District Level Installation. This is an open meeting so your family is also invited to participate in this event.

Save the Date for a Men's Conference!
Saturday September 23, 2023 at St. John Vianney Parish

**True Catholic Manhood
in a Hostile World**
A Detroit Catholic Men's Conference
Sept 23, 2023
8:00am - 12:30pm

Peter Herbeck
Catholic Evangelist,
Husband, Father,
Grandfather

Fr. Athanasius
Franciscans of the
Holy Spirit

Fr. Steve Pullis
Sacred Heart
Major Seminary

**Mass with
Archbishop
Vigneron**

**Details and
Register Here!**

St. John Vianney Catholic Church
54045 Schoenherr, Shelby Twp. 48315

Tickets: \$20 before Labor Day
\$15 for men 14-21 yrs old
Breakfast included

To register by mail or for questions, contact:
detroitcatholicmen@gmail.com

Please Help Stock the Food Pantry!!



Knights of Columbus are committed to helping end hunger through the Food for Families Program which has donated millions of dollars and millions of pounds of food toward this cause. Council and parish families will raise funds to support their local food pantries, food banks and soup kitchens. For every \$500 or 1,000 pounds of food donated, the Supreme Council will refund \$100 back to the council – up to a maximum of \$500 per council per fraternal year. Though in-kind donation of food is valuable, leaders of hunger-relief organizations often comment that financial contributions can be stretched even further and allow nonprofits to procure the exact items needed by the organization and its clients.

St. Lawrence 2950 will be collecting nonperishable food items at all of our Council meetings to help support the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry located in the St. Lawrence Parish. If possible, please include the receipt for your donation so we can apply it to the refund from the Supreme Council.



Fraternally,

St. Lawrence Council 2950



Save the Date!!

Our next event is scheduled for September 28-October 1, 2023 (Thursday through Sunday.) The times have also changed, we now are open from 6:30 PM till 2 AM. A sign-up sheet will be available at the Council meetings. 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**

SCIENCE FUN DAY!

Science Fun Day for 1st-5th Graders - K of C Picnic Grounds
Hands-On Science Experiments

Lunch

The Knights of Columbus are excited to put on a Science Day at the K of C Picnic Grounds on Friday August 4, 2023 starting at 10 a.m. for 1st-5th Graders (2023-24 school year).

We are planning fun, hands-on activities that explore chemistry, light, the air, and atmosphere and much more.

The day will include lunch and we'll be finished around 2 p.m. Parents will need to remain at the picnic grounds with the kids.

You will also enjoy lunch!

Sign up with the QR Code or the link below.





August 10, 2023 Annual Family Picnic and 2023 MI Drive Check Distribution

The annual MI check distribution and family picnic will be held on Thursday August 10, at the K of C Park & Pavilion starting at 7:00PM. We will be presenting the checks to the organizations from the proceeds collected from the "Tootsie Roll" Drive. We will be serving hot dogs, baked beans and coleslaw along with refreshments. If you would like to bring a dish to pass, preferably a dessert or snack, please contact Scott or Paul.

Scott Morgan
Paul Burmeister

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St. Vincent de Paul Volunteer Day Saturday, July 8



From Left to right: Dennis Murray, Larry Higgins, SVPD Manager Jen, Jim DeMaestri, Ken Meyers, Jason Meyers



Jason & Ken Meyers



Bob Walz & Dennis Murray



DR. JIM LANGEVELD'S 22ND ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

We invite you to join us for a great day of golf and an evening of friendship! Entries are limited to the first 144 golfers and will be reserved when payment is received.

When: **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10th, 2023**

Where: Cracklewood Golf Club
18215 24 Mile Road
Macomb Township (east of Romeo Plank)
586-781-0808

Time: 12:30 PM - Check-in\
1:15 PM - Shot Gun Start
Hot Dog and Beverages Served While on Course

Steak Dinner: Approximately 6:15 PM (Following Golf)

Contests: Men's & Women's Contests, Closest to Hole,
Longest Drive, Skins, Raffles, and More!

Special Contest: \$10,000 HOLE IN ONE

Contribution: \$125 Golf & Dinner
\$50 Dinner Only

Payment due by September 4th, 2022
Make checks payable to "Dr. Jim Fund @ U of M"

Mail Registration Form and Check To:

Jim Langeveld
47160 Harry
Shelby Twp, MI 48317

Questions: Jim Langeveld
586-739-8119 (home)
810-499-9055 (cell)
jimlang122@gmail.com (e-mail)

Donations and a portion of the golf fee are tax deductible. All proceeds to be used as follows:

- Financial assistance for adult cancer patients in bone marrow treatment at the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center.

ST. LAWRENCE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Presents

Fun Square Dance

for Beginners

Under the Pavilion

Caller: Brother Jim Boynton S.J.

KNIGHTS PARK & PAVILION

11541 21 MILE ROAD SHELBY TWP. MI 48317
BETWEEN VAN DYKE AND M-53

Saturday, September 30, 2023

6:00pm to 10pm

Food served: 6:00 to 7:00

\$30 /Person
(\$35/at gate)



All Adults Welcome
Casual Dress



Benefiting

St. Leo's Soup Kitchen

and

Malta Free Dental Clinic

Included with ticket:

**Pulled Pork Sandwiches* Hotdogs * Salad * Baked Beans
& Deserts. Beverages: Beer * Wine* coffee* Water**

TICKETS: available at St. Lawrence Church
after all Sunday Masses during August & September
or call

Tina Attard 586-719-1804

**St. Lawrence Council 2950
Knight Life**

All articles that are requested to be in the September Knight Life need to be turned in to the editor no later than August 24, 2023. There is available space for any businesses that want to advertise in the Knight Life please contact the editor.

Editor: Paul Burmeister

Email: pburmeister16@gmail.com

**July 2023
Council Membership Summary**

| | |
|---|------------|
| Associate Members | 231 |
| Insurance Members | 136 |
| Inactive Members | 17 |
| Total Members | 384 |
| Included In Totals | |
| Honorary Members | 15 |
| 25 Continuous Years of Service / Age 65 | |
| Honorary Life Members | 88 |
| 25 Continuous Years of Service / Age 70 | |

Status: Council in Good Standing



Summer Council Meetings

Starting June 1, 2023 thru September 30, 2023 all Council meetings will be held at our picnic grounds located at 11541 21 Mile Road – Shelby Township, MI 48317 – between Van Dyke and M53.

Meetings: 2nd and Last Thursday of Each Month

Start Times: 2nd meeting of the month – 6:30 Rosary / 7:00 Meeting

Last meeting of the month – 7:00 Meeting

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