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Knight Life



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Grand Knights Report

Brother Knights,

We are a STAR COUNCIL once again. Through the hard work of our membership team, we have received the McGivney Award, which means we have met our membership goal. I want to thank Dan Weingartz and Steve Sierawski for speaking at the masses on June 1st and 2nd. Thank you to the Brother Knights who passed out leaflets at the exit doors and Father Roman for the nice things he said about the Knights at the masses. The ushers were very helpful and secured some members for us at their masses. Thanks to Paul Burmeister who was at all of the masses and for his encouragement to the team. I want to dedicate this honor to the team mentioned above who worked so diligently to secure our membership quota. We have a great and active Council and thanks to all of our Brother Knights for their prayers and efforts.

Jim Bokshan is still working on rehabbing the house and could use some help. There is painting to be finished, some plumbing to be done, countertops to be replaced, mulch to be spread, and new floors and moldings to be installed. While I realize that many of us are a bit older, and this work may not be possible anymore, if there is anything you can do, please help.

In the month of July, we will be having our general meeting on July 11th at the picnic grounds with the rosary at 6:30pm and the meeting starting at 7:00pm. This is a good time to come out and enjoy the weather and some fraternity. On July 20th the knights will be going to the St. Vincent DePaul Store located on Schoenherr and Hall Roads at 9:00am. We usually work scrapping unwanted items, cleaning, and sorting out various items for the store, and we earn credits for the St. Lawrence SVDP, which are given out to people in need in our parish. On July 25th, we will have the installation of Officers at the picnic grounds instead of our business meeting and we have invited the other councils in our family of parishes to participate. All who come should wear their Knight's attire if they have it, and the officers will need to bring their jewels for the ceremony. Our own Father Alex will be participating in ceremony and our wives are invited to attend if they want to come. We will need to get a head count so we can buy the proper amount of food and drink. On Saturday, July 27th, our Council will be assisting in the golf outing at the Timberwood Golf Course in Ray Michigan. This is a fun time and anyone who wants to volunteer is welcome to help. We usually help the golfers with their clubs, put water in the carts, and generally assist where we are needed.

I want to welcome our new and experienced officers who have volunteered their time and effort to manage our council so we stay strong and viable into the future. I'm proud to be one of you and look forward to working and learning from you. Blessings to all of you.

To our new members, thank you for joining our Council and I look forward to working with each of you in doing the Lord's work. I'm quite impressed with those I have spoken to, and I'm sure you will be a credit to St. Lawrence Parish and our Council.

Father Roman has asked the Knights to participate in building a shrine to the Blessed Mother outside the social hall. We had a preliminary meeting and we will be participating. More on this at a later date.

Blessings to all,

Dennis Murray

Grand Knight



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Council Meetings

Location: St. Lawrence School Cafeteria

Note: Location subject to change, members will be notified by email

General Meeting

2nd Thursday of the Month

Rosary Starting at 6:30pm

Meeting Starting at 7:00pm

Officer's Meeting

Last Thursday of the Month

Meeting Starting at 7:00pm.

(all members are invited)

Knights Corporation Meetings

Jul 1 Picnic Grounds 7:00 -10.00PM

Aug 5 Picnic Grounds 7:00 -10.00PM

Sept 3 Picnic Grounds 7:00 -10.00PM

Knight Life

All articles that are requested to be in the August Knight Life need to be turned in to the editor no later than July 25, 2024. There is available space for any businesses that want to advertise in the Knight Life please contact the editor.

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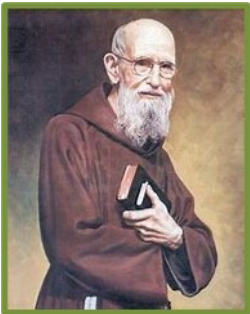
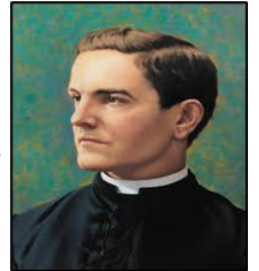


Prayer for the Fourth of July

On this Independence Day I am reminded of all those who have sacrificed for my freedom, following the example of your Son, Jesus Christ. Let me not take my freedom, both physical and spiritual, for granted. May I always remember that my freedom was purchased with a very high price. My freedom cost others their very lives. Lord, today, bless those who have served and continue to give their lives for my freedom. With favor and bounty meet their needs and watch over their families.

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.

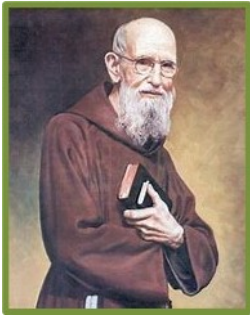


Father Solanus Casey Prayer For Healing

Dear Father Solanus, your heart was full of compassion for the sick and afflicted. With confidence in your powerful intercession, we beg you to help us in our present need.

- Intercede for me and my loved ones who are ill.
- Bless those who are ill with a speedy recovery.
- Protect them from harm, danger or temptation while they are recovering from their illness.
- Guide their doctors and nurses so that healing may occur more quickly by God's grace through faith and prayer alone without any medical treatment apart from what is absolutely necessary or natural remedies like herbs which have been used since ancient times because they contain God's help within them just like St Francis of Assisi would have used when he lived on earth too long ago!

Amen



The Father Solanus Casey prayer for healing is a powerful way to heal yourself and others by using his words as a guide. The best part? It's free! Here's how it works:

Ask Father Solanus Casey to help you forgive someone who has hurt you, or ask him to help you heal from an illness or injury. Then 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."

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

Debra Campbell	Mike Hoste	Jerome Mulka
Ed Campbell	Ray Keller	Sharon Piez
Violet Candela	Diane Kopicki	Chuck Pllum
Anthony Cicerone	Larry Kierzek	Mary Quain
Nikki Davies	Ken Kraniak	Robert Quain
Jim DeMaestri	Harry Kuk	Carol Rogers
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Mark Holz	Della Mulka	Cindy Zapinski



Michiganders Who May Achieve Sainthood

Blessed Solanus Casey - Fr. Gabriel Richard - Servant of God Fr. Walter Ciszek, SJ
Servant of God Fr. John Hardon, SJ - Venerable Bishop Frederic Baraga

(First of a five part series)

Blessed Solanus Casey

Blessed Solanus Casey spoke in a soft and quiet voice to all who came to him for help. And he prayed. Some say his prayers cured illness. All say his serenity and counsel gave them peace.

In 1958, the Capuchin Minister General called Bl. Solanus “an extraordinary example of a true Capuchin and a replica of St. Francis.” This tribute confirmed the many reports that began to come in from people everywhere about the outstanding virtues of Bl. Solanus.

He faithfully served people by providing soup for the hungry, kind words for the troubled, and a healing touch for the ill. Wherever he served, people would line up for blocks for a moment with Bl. Solanus.

The Fr. Solanus Guild, a Capuchin ministry dedicated to sharing the holiness of Bl. Solanus, reports that many have asked Bl. Solanus for his prayers as an intercessor to God and that those prayers have been answered, often in dramatic ways. Because of Bl. Solanus’ holiness, Pope John Paul II declared him Venerable in 1995. On May 4, 2017, Pope Francis announced that Venerable Solanus would be beatified, November 18, 2017 at Ford Field, Detroit. A miraculous cure had been approved! Another approved miracle after that will advance the Cause finally to sainthood.

Bl. Solanus spent his life in the service of people. As porter of the Detroit monastery door, he met thousands of people from every age and walk of life. He earned recognition as “The Doorkeeper.” He was always ready to listen to anyone at any time, day or night, and to encourage everyone to “thank God ahead of time.”

Bl. Solanus’ holiness is inspiring. He had incredible faith and he was a holy man. Often, people think that holiness is unattainable. But Bl. Solanus demonstrated that an ordinary person can live an extraordinarily faithful life. Solanus Casey so believed in God that he could not believe that some people questioned God. Such a conviction about the existence of God and God’s love is critical for our age. Solanus Casey’s understanding of faith speaks to the hearts of people. His faith was steadfast. He demonstrates to us that faith is the cornerstone to our existence.

Summer Council Meetings



Starting June 1, 2024 thru September 30, 2024 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

St. Vincent de Paul Volunteer Day

Saturday, July 20, 2024 from 9:00am – 12:00pm

Spouses welcome! Wear your Knights shirt.

Meet at new location 13455 Hall Road Shelby Township

Need approximately 10 volunteers.



Jim DeMaestri

Community Activities

586-817-4181

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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.



Save the Dates!! Next Poker Room Events

September 19-22, 2024 & October 17-20, 2024
6:30PM until 2:00AM Thursday through Sunday

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

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



August 8, 2024 Annual Family Picnic and 2024 MI Drive Check Distribution

The annual MI check distribution and family picnic will be held on Thursday August 8, 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 smorgan905@gmail.com

Paul Burmeister pburmeister16@gmail.com



Knight of the Month

The Knight of the month for July is Mark Weaver. Mark and his wife Jo Anne reside on Houghton Dr. in Shelby Township for 11 years.

Mark and his wife belong to St. Lawrence Parish where they both volunteer at MCCREST and at St Leo's soup kitchen.

Mark retired in 2021 from E&R Industrial Sales after 36 years as a sales rep.

In 1983 Mark joined St. Francis Assisi Council 8989 and transferred over to St. Lawrence Council 2950 in August 2023. Since joining our Council Mark volunteers for the monthly breakfast, M/I "Tootsie Roll" drive and works at our poker room events.

In his spare time Mark enjoys golfing, spending time with his three grandchildren and traveling. He is also a big U of M football fan and is a 39 year season ticket holder. GO BLUE!!

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



Family of the Month

The Family of the Month is Joe and Lynn Manuszak. Joe and Lynn have resided on Via Antonio Dr. in Sterling Heights for the past 28 years.

Joe and Lynn have been married for almost 43 years and have five children Stephen, Lauren, Mary, Joey and Paul. They also have eleven grandchildren Jaycee (16), Noah (14), Elijah (12), Gabriel (10), Dominic (6), Louis (4), Peter (4), Madeleine (2), Isiah (1), Theodore(1) and Louise (5months).

Joe and Lynn belong to St. Louise De Marillac church where Joe does counseling and marriage prep. Joe and Lynn were involved in many different committees and responsibilities in the past at the parish.

Joe works at Colombiere Center for the past 28 years and does counseling and marriage prep part time for the past 40 years. Lynn is retired.

In January 2010 Joe joined St. Lawrence Council 2950 and has held the office of outside guard and is a co-chairman of the M/I "Tootsie Roll" drive.

In their spare time Joe and Lynn do many activities with their children and travel often.

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

St. Lawrence
Heritage
**Outdoor Mass
& Family Picnic**

Featuring Historic Chicken Dinner

Sunday, August 4th

Knights Park & Pavilion · 11541 21 Mile Rd

1:00pm Arrival

1:30pm Mass

2:30pm Meal

RSVP requested



uticakofc.com/picnic

Food provided - just bring yourself and your appetite!

Make it a memorable day with loved ones

Invite your family, friends, and neighbors!

Don't forget to bring a lawn chair for seating.

Friday August 9, 2024

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

The Knights of Columbus are excited to put on our annual Science Day at the K of C Picnic Grounds on Friday August 9, 2024 starting at 10 a.m. for 1st-5th Graders (2024-2025 school year).

We are planning fun, hands-on activities that explore life sciences through biology, chemistry, heat and energy and much more. You will experiment with microscopes, flour and yeast, reaction of the body, plants and a special feature with therapy dogs. The day will include lunch and we will be finished around 2 p.m.

Parents will need to remain at the picnic grounds with the kids. You will also enjoy lunch!

Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. Thank you!



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C4BABA72BAAF58-48882966-science>

St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus
Presents

Fun Square Dance



for beginners

Do-si-do for St. Leo

Knights Park & Pavilion

11541 21 Mile Rd. Shelby Twp, MI 48317
Between VanDyke and M-53

Saturday, September 28th, 2024

\$30 per person
(\$35 at gate)

All Adults Welcome
Casual Dress

Benefiting



ST. LEO'S SOUP KITCHEN



Malta Free
Dental Clinic

Included with ticket:

Pulled Pork Sandwiches · Hot Dogs · Salad · Baked Beans
Desserts · Beverages: Beer · Wine · Coffee · Water

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after all Sunday Masses during July, August & September
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