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Grand Knights Report

Brother Knights and Families of Council 2950, I greet you today in the first month of office as the Grand Knight of the Council. My name is Dennis Murray and I've been a Knight for eight years, and active in many of the Council events. I want to thank you for putting your trust in me as the Grand Knight and I'll do my very best to keep our Council vibrant and viable.

I want to thank Joe Logrosso for the two plus years he served as Grand Knight. If you want an example of a great Knight and human being, Joe is that example that you can give to your children and grandchildren. Joe took over in mid-stream when one of our brother Knights resigned his position. He has been a personal mentor to me and many of the Knights that are active in our Council. May God bless you, Laura, and your family and keep you safe in the years to come.

Our Council has been very active in April which included the MI Drive. Thanks to all the brothers who went out on the street, contributed money, the ladies who counted the money, and the people who worked in the cafeteria providing food for the workers. A special thanks to Joe Manuszuk who did the preliminary work in getting the approval of the cities and townships where we collected the money. Our Council collected \$40,600 with our district deputy complementing us on our achievement. He stated that our contribution is ten times the amount compared to some other Councils.

We are rehabbing a house with Jim Bokshan providing the leadership for this event. I want to thank all of the workers who have provided hours to help Jim with this on-going project. We are still in need of help with this project; if you are handy with this kind of work please consider helping out. The days we work are Wednesdays at 5:00pm and Saturdays at 8:00am. If you have some time, come and join us. We usually work around four hours a day.

Eight of our brothers provided help at the St. Lawrence Gala, which is a fund raiser for St. Lawrence School. We sold various raffle tickets at the event while enjoying each other's company, and listened to some very interesting auctioning. Some of the items auctioned were parking places, dinners, athletic memorabilia, and baskets made up by the teachers.

On May 4th, our Council will receive the Silver Rose which will remain in our parish until May 10th. The icon is passed from parish to parish from Canada, through the United States, and on to Mexico. This icon is to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe who is the patron saint of the Americas. The idea for this icon came from a Council of squires in Mexico who wanted to honor The Blessed Mother by presenting a rose at her Shrine in Monterrey Mexico. It is done every year and this year St. Lawrence is privileged to be on the list of parishes who receive the icon. I hope every Knight will participate in the ceremonies that will occur in May. On May 4, at the 4:30 mass, there will be a procession, prayer service, and a social gathering with light deserts after mass in the social hall. Silver Rose key chains will be handed out to those who want them. On Wednesday May 8th at 6:00pm, there will be a prayer service conducted in the church for all to attend.

Lastly, we are having a membership drive in May. If you know of any man who is a practicing Catholic and not a Knight, please invite him to join.

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

May 6 St. Matthias 7:00 -10:00PM

Jun 3 St. Matthias 7:00 -10.00PM

Jul 1 St. Matthias 7:00 -10:00PM

Knight Life

All articles that are requested to be in the June Knight Life need to be turned in to the editor no later than May 27, 2024. There is available space for any businesses that want to advertise in the Knight Life please contact the editor.

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May Feast Days



May the Month of Mary

May Crowning is a traditional Roman Catholic ritual held during the month of May. It is a solemn procession at the close of the procession a statue of the Blessed Virgin is crowned with a garland or crown of flowers honoring Mary as “the Queen of May.” There is a special honor attached to being chosen to crown the statue.

May 9 Ascension of the Lord

Dear Jesus, I thank you that you came in human form and lived on earth. You always did what your Heavenly Father desired. Today we celebrate the day when you left the earth by being taken up into Heaven, where you sit on the throne. I remember and believe you will fulfill your promises to us. So I wait for your return to the earth, when sin and death will finally be defeated. Jesus, I need your presence in my life, your direction and help. I pray in the name of Jesus, our Ascended Lord. Amen.



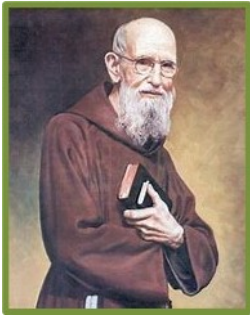
May 26 The Most Holy Trinity

Glory be to the Father,
Who by His almighty power and love created me,
making me in the image and likeness of God.

Glory be to the Son,
Who by His Precious Blood delivered me from hell,
and opened for me the gates of heaven.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit,
Who has sanctified me in the sacrament of Baptism,
and continues to sanctify me
by the graces I receive daily from His bounty.

Glory be to the Three adorable Persons of the Holy Trinity,
now and forever. 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.

Frank Baezyell	Mike Hoste	Della Mulka
Debra Campbell	Ray Keller	Chuck Pollum
Ed Campbell	Diane Kopicki	Mary Quain
Violet Candela	Larry Kierzek	Robert Quain
Anthony Cicerone	Ken Kraniak	Paul Rybicki
Nikki Davies	Jim Langeveld	Paulette Sawdon
Jim DeMaestri	Stephanie Langeveld	Eric Singer
Marg DeMaestri	Susie Langeveld	Iris Singer
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Robert Gorecki	Tim Malter	Harlan Wagner
Don Heydens Jr.	Christine Mann	Beverly Welch
Elmer Holz	Dominic Marchese	
Mark Holz	Finley Monroe	



Knight of the Month

The Knight of the month for May is Jim Ososkie. Jim and his wife Ricci have resided on Sparrow Drive in Shelby Township for 24 Years.

Jim and his wife belong to St. Lawrence Parish. Jim has helped coach numerous sports at St. Lawrence over the past 16 years and is a past chairman of the Apple Festival.

Jim joined the Knights in 1985 and has supported many events. He currently was involved in the house renovation, the St Pat's party and the MI drive. Jim is currently a co-membership chairman for recruitment of new members.

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



Family of the Month

The Family of the Month for May is Joe and Laura Lograsso. Joe and Laura have resided on Kathleen in Macomb Township for the last 26 years.

Joe and Laura Have been married for 34 years and have three children Maria (Andy), Tony and Vince. They also have one grandson Zedo 4 years old.

The family belongs to St. Lawrence Parish where Laura is in the choir, a lector and co-chaired the Apple Fest basket raffle. Joe has been involved with the Evangelization and basket raffle for Apple Fest.

Laura is a Chemistry Professor at Macomb Community College for 24 years and Joe has worked for General Dynamics Land Systems for 35 years.

Joe joined St. Lawrence Council 2950 in 2003 and held the positions of Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Membership Director and Building Corp. President.

Chairmanships that Joe held are co-chair of the MI Drive, St. Pat's Party, Trivia Night, Wine Tasting, Halloween Party, Science Fun Day and Youth Activities.

In their spare time the family enjoys cooking, new recipes, photography, travel, visiting with their kids and friends and going to concerts.

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



BRINGING THE SILVER ROSE
TO THE ST. LAWRENCE
COMMUNITY
MAY 4-10, 2024



SAVE THE DATE

History of the Silver Rose

Our Lady of Guadalupe did so much for her people in Mexico that, in 1960, the Columbian Squires, a youth organization of the Knights of Columbus, wanted to give something back to her.

The group of young men in Knights of Columbus Council 2312 in Monterrey, Mexico, came up with the idea of running a rose to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico. The rose was chosen to commemorate Juan Diego and the miracle of the roses, an important part of the story of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

The first rose was a natural rose and was blessed by Bishop John C. Cody of London. It was then flown to New York where it was received by Grand Knight Joseph Thomasen, who in turn, took it to Supreme Knight Luke E. Hart. Mr. Hart then shepherded the rose to Dallas, Texas. There, Texas State Deputy Jack Collerin received the rose and took it to Laredo, Texas, where it was finally given to the Squires from Monterrey, Mexico, at the International Bridge in Laredo. They ran the rose from the International Bridge through Sabinas Hidalgo N.L., Mexico, to Cienega de Flores and on to the Basilica in Monterrey, Mexico, on December 12, 1960.

Our council will be hosting the Silver Rose at St. Lawrence. We are planning several great activities, including:

May 4, 2024 4:30 p.m. Mass - Presentation of the Silver Rose with Social Afterwards

May 8, 2024 School Mass - Student Presentation of Silver Rose

May 8, 2024 Prayer Service - 6 p.m. St. Lawrence Church with Social Afterwards

Please save the dates and we welcome your help!



Volunteers Needed!!

(Minimum 10 People)

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We serve God through the work we do...in the community we serve.”

Saturday May 11, 2024 / 10:30am – 1:15pm.

Capuchin Soup Kitchen

4390 Conner Street

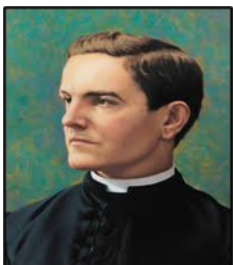
Detroit, MI 48215

Arrangements to carpool from STL at 9:30am.

Please contact me with any questions or to reserve your spot.

Peace,

Jim DeMaestri, Community Activities Director



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.

Mothers Day Breakfast



Come and Enjoy an All You Can Eat Breakfast!!

Sponsored By: St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus

**Menu includes: scrambled eggs, sausage, potatoes, pancakes,
biscuits and gravy, coffee and orange juice.**

Adults: \$8:00 / Children 12 and under \$4.00

**Sunday May 12, 2024
8:30am – 12:00pm**



Council Elections

Our Council elections will be held on May 9, 2023 during our general meeting. All members with a 3rd Degree status are eligible for all positions. We will have nominations followed by the election, if you are interested in a position, you can self-nominate yourself.



50th Annual M.I. “Tootsie Roll Drive”

We would like to thank everyone that donated to this year’s M.I. Drive and to all those that came out and helped set up, collected on the streets, collected money after the weekend Masses, those who counted money and a special thanks to Ed Braet who made sure there was plenty of food for everyone. The total amount collected this year is **\$40,626.00**. Listed below are the raffle prize winners.

1st Prize	Fitbit Smartwatch / Joe Manuszak
2nd Prize	Ninja Air Fryer / Warren Sawdon
3rd Prize	Bose Headphones / Jim Adams
4th Prize	\$150.00 Gift Card to Total Wine & More / Dennis LeFief
5th Prize	\$150.00 Gift Card to DeFrancescos Restuarante / Jim Bokshan

Fraternally,

The M.I Drive Chairmen

P. Burmeister, J. Lograsso, Joe Manuszak, D. Weingartz,



Picnic Grounds

A hearty thank you to all that helped with the picnic grounds clean-up.

Ed Barrette, Chris and Amanda Boyer and kids, Mike Dixon,
Jim Ososkie, Dale and Karen Niedzwiecki.

Al Mulka,

President, Building Corp.

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!



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