

St. Lawrence Council Knight Life



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Grand Knights Report

At our general meeting in October, Don Heydens notified the membership that the Texas Hold-em event held at One-Eyed Jacks has been cancelled, and will no longer take place at their facility. This event is one of our most successful events for raising funds for the various charities that we support. The event is moving to Mr. "G'S" in the near future, which is located near 26 Mile Rd. on Van Dyke. The facility must be approved by the state and will take six to eight weeks before approval. One last thing about this event; the event is held three to four times a year and we're always looking for help. The normal time spent at the event is four hours per shift and in the past our chairman has taken up to four shifts so we were compliant with state regulations. Please support this event by volunteering to help out when the event begins again.

Saint Vincent de Paul is stocking their food pantry for up to fifty families for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Paper bags were handed out at church and any non-perishable food items can be brought to church at any time. There is a food container in the main entrance of the church for donations.

The annual square dance was held at the picnic grounds on September 28th and was a great success. Our Council donated \$2,000 each to the Malta Dental Clinic and St. Leo's Soup Kitchen from the proceeds. Many thanks to Roy and Tina Attard for chairing this event. Thanks to all the people who helped with the event, there were 18 people who helped out by organizing, serving food, donating time, decorating, cleaning up, and cooking. Thank you for all the help.

Our Knights held another breakfast on October 13th which was well attended with one hundred people enjoying great food and fellowship with their fellow parishioners. Our next breakfast will take place on January 12, 2025 and thanks to all of our fellow Knights who set up, cook, and clean the cafeteria.

Our Appreciation Dinner was held on October 18th in the social hall and was well attended by the Knights, wives, and honored guests of the Knights. The Knight and Family of the Year was selected by the Trustees and Grand Knight with Paul Burmeister receiving the honor as Knight of the Year. Paul is a dedicated Knight holding the position of Financial Secretary and volunteers and chairs many events. He also dedicates ten to twenty hours each week keeping track of the membership and many other duties too numerous to name. The Family of the Year was Rick and Laurie Similuk and their family. Rick is a volunteer at many events and has donated not only his time by various items to the knights at no charge. Rick has held various offices in the knights with the last being a trustee, and is an all-around great Knight. Congratulations to Paul and Rick. A big thank you goes to Don Heydens for being the MC, Joe Lograsso for planning the dinner and entertainment, and Phil and Denise Kupser for decorating and handling the food.

On November 14th, we will be having our memorial mass for our brothers who passed on to their eternal reward. The mass will be held in lieu of our general meeting, so please attend this event in the Church at 7:00pm. We have had seven of our brothers pass on, and all were good and dedicated Knights.

We will have a Morning of Reflection on November 23rd in the social hall from 8:30am to 11:30am. At this event several people will share how Christ is part of their daily life. There will be mass, breakfast, and fellowship so please join us for this event. The event is open to all people from teens to our seniors.

The annual Coats for Kids fund raising will take place from November 23rd until December 8th with the selling of poinsettias to the parishioners and fellow Knights. Last year we bought 98 coats which were given to children for the winter. Please buy a poinsettia and help the cause.

Blessings,

Dennis Murray Grand Knight



Upcoming Events

Event	Date	Location	Day	Time
General Meeting	11/14//2024	School Cafeteria	Thursday	7:00pm
Knights Meeting - 4th Degree	11/20/2024	Social Hall	Wednesday	6:00pm
Morning of Reflection	11/23/2024	Social Hall	Saturday	8:00am
Poinsettia Sale	11/23/2024	Church Gathering Space	Saturday	4:30pm
Poinsettia Sale	11/24/2024	Church Gathering Space	Sunday	All Masses
Business Meeting	11/25/2024	School Cafeteria	Monday	7:00pm
Poinsettia Sale	11/30/2024	Church Gathering Space	Saturday	4:30pm
Poinsettia Sale	12/1/2024	Church Gathering Space	Sunday	All Masses
Poinsettia Pick-up	12/8/2024	School Cafeteria	Sunday	All Masses
General Meeting	12/12/2024	School Cafeteria	Thursday	7:00pm
Children's Christmas Party	12/15/2024	Social Hall	Sunday	1:00 - 5:00pm
Knights Meeting - 4th Degree	12/18/2024	Social Hall	Wednesday	7:00pm

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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

Dec 2 St. Matthias 7:00 - 10.00PM Jan 6 St. Matthias 7:00 - 10:00PM Feb 3 St. Matthias 7:00 - 10.00PM

Knight Life

All articles that are requested to be in the December Knight Life need to be turned in to the editor no later than November 28, 2024. There is available space for any businesses that want to advertise in the Knight Life please contact the editor.

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November Feast Days



Prayer for All Saints' November 1

Almighty and everlasting God, You gave us Saints so that we can honor You by recognizing Your redemptive work in them, and that we have shining examples and powerful intercessors in our lives. They received blessings and righteousness from You because they belonged to a generation that sought only You. Allow me today to appreciate them for their past merits and their present prayers offered in the sight of Your divine majesty, so that my life too may become an oblation. pleasing to You. Amen.

November 21 – Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Heavenly Father, the Blessed Virgin Mary was dedicated to You by her parents when she was three. In the temple, she joined the girls who spent their days praying, reading Scripture, and serving the temple priests. Her holiness was very evident, and the high priest thought that You probably had great plans for her. I ask Mary to pray for the plans You have for my life. Where I have strayed onto a road of my own choosing, give me her hand to guide me back to where You



want me. Where I need to wait for a new plan to begin, give me the grace remain patient and say, "Your will be done." Blessed Virgin Mary, pray for me. Amen



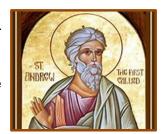
November 24 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

O Christ Jesus, I acknowledge You King of the Universe. All that has been created has been made for You. Exercise upon me all Your rights. I renew my baptismal promises renouncing Satan and all his works and pomps. I promise to lead a good Christian life and to do all in my power to procure the triumph of the rights of God and Your Church.

November 30 - St. Andrew, Apostle, patron of Scotland

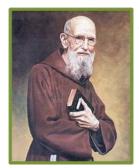
Known as the "first called," St. Andrew was formerly a disciple of John the Baptist.

When John the Baptist recognized Jesus as the Lamb of God, Andrew departed and followed after Christ. The next day, after spending the evening with Jesus, Andrew runs to his brother Simon Peter and tells him with great joy that they have found the Messiah. Andrew then brings Simon Peter and introduces him to the Lord.



Jesus calls both of them to follow Him as Apostles, and they remain His companions throughout His public ministry. Although St. Andrew was the first called, he humbly recognizes the unique office entrusted to his brother and models for us.





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 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.

Shari Bargloh Chris Borgess	Mike Hoste Donna Ignagni	Sharon Pizz Chuck Pollum
Debra Campbell	Jacklyn Karpinski	Noelle Pruse
Ed Campbell	Ray Keller	Mary Quain
Nikki Davies	Diane Kopicki	Carol Rogers
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Cindy Duda	Stephanie Langeveld	Eric Singer
Rick Fisher	Susie Langeveld	Iris Singer
Victor Gatt	Thomas Luca	Stan Singer
Julie Gasowski	Rick Lumetta	Kelly Sobeck
Fran Genovich	Christine Mann	Sr. Janet Sullivan
Kelly Gill	Fr. Steve Matejas	Arthur Schwartz
Barb Heydens	Finley Monroe	Brian Schwartz
Don Heydens Jr.	Della Mulka	Fr. Ron Victor
Jerry Higgins	Jerome Mulka	Harlan Wagner
Elmer Holz	Dave Parker	Beverly Welch
Mark Holz	Rosa Pertusi	Cindy Zapinski



Knight of the Month

The Knight of the month for November is Ray Lope. Ray and Meg reside in Bloomfield Township.

Ray and Meg have been married for 53 years and are members of St. Lawrence Parish where Ray was the chairperson for a new organ and was an usher at the Parrish and supports Applefest.

Ray is currently the co-owner of Wm. Sullivan and Sons Funeral Homes since 1973 after his honorable discharge from the U.S Army.

Ray joined St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus in 1979 and supports the St. Pat's Party, M/I Drive, Coats for Kids and the Pro- Life Walk. He is also the founding member of the "Desert Classic" for the benefit of our Seminarians at Sacred Heart Seminary.

In his spare time Ray enjoys spending leisure time up north with family sailing, golfing and coaching soccer.

Congratulations on being chosen Knight of the Month by St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus for the month of November.



Family of the Month

The Family of the month for November is Roy and Tina Attard. Roy and Tina reside on Shelby Woods in Shelby Township for the past 38 Years. After 17 Years

Roy and Tina Have been married for 48 years and have two children Jeff (deceased) and Angela.

The family belongs to St. Lawrence Parish where they volunteer for the Applefest with Roy baking 500 apple pies and Tina making 400 caramel apples. Tina is also quilter at the Parish.

Roy and Tina chair St. Leo's Soup Kitchen and volunteer with five other volunteers twice a month at St. Leo's Soup Kitchen. Roy is the K of C chairman for the annual Square Dance that benefits St. Leo's Soup Kitchen.

Roy retired from Daimler Chrysler in 2007 where he was employed for 17 years.

He joined St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus in 2010 and is a member of St. John Neuman 4th Degree. Roy has held the office of director on the Building Corporation and held chairmanships for the car show and chairman for the Square Dance 6 years running.

Roy and Tina just sold their summer house after forty years and are looking forward to traveling locally within the United States.

Congratulations on being chosen Family of the Month by St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus for the month of November.

St. Lawrence Council 2950

5th Annual Coats for Kids Poinsettia Sale







Pink



White

Small \$15.00Medium \$20.00Large \$30.00

Pre-Sales After Masses November 23-24, November 30-December 1
Order on Line @www.uticakofc.org

Pick-up at school cafeteria on Sunday December 8 after all Masses

Contact:

Scott Morgan 586.201.5738
Paul Burmeister 586.713.7953

Proceeds Benefit









St. Lawrence Council Kids' Christmas Party

Please do not forget to register for the kid's party on Sunday December 15, 2024 at 2 pm in the St. Lawrence Social Hall.

We are looking for the most accurate head count to make sure this is a great event.

You can register at: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C4BABA72BAAF58-stlawrence#/

Face Painting
Entertainment
Food/Refreshments
Gifts
Santa Claus

Hope to see you there! Also, if you can help set-up, we need you. It would be appreciated if you could be there around 1:00pm.

Thanks,
Warren and Paulette Sawdon and Santa's Elves.

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Morning of Reflection – Embracing the Kingship of Christ in our Lives Saturday November 23, 2024

8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

St. Lawrence Church and Social Hall

Registration is now open!!

Jesus instituted the Kingdom of God as a spiritual reality in which we are all called to voluntarily participate. Those who do participate are called to work to establish Christ's Kingdom on earth, here and now. For Christ to truly reign as King, He must first govern each soul - Jesus is not only the Savior of mankind, He is also the model of Christian living. Only in Christ do we find peace, unity, harmony, and true purpose.

You are welcome to join fellow parishioners and hear how Christ is part of our daily lives. Our St. Lawrence community will come together for a morning of Mass, breakfast, short testimonies, and fellowship.

We start with Mass at 8:30 a.m. and will be finished around 11:30 a.m. We look forward to a wide variety of the parish to attend, focusing on high school aged teens to our wisdom-filled seniors.

Please sign up below so we will have a good idea of food for a continental breakfast and materials.

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Attention Council Members!!

At our Council meetings during the month of November we will be collecting the following items for: The Society of St. Vincent de Paul.



Thursday November 14, 2024

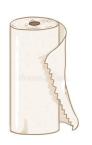
Kleenex and Toilet Paper





Monday November 25, 2024

Napkins and Paper Towels



Our meetings will be held in the school cafeteria, please enter through the De Keyser doors. You do not have to stay for the meeting if you just want to drop off your donation. Doors will be open from 6:30pm - 9:00pm.

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



November 1, 2024 Council Membership Summary

Associate Members: 233
Insurance Members: 124
Inactive Members: 17
Honorary Members: 16
Honorary Life Members: 84
Total Members: 374

Council Status: In Good Standing



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