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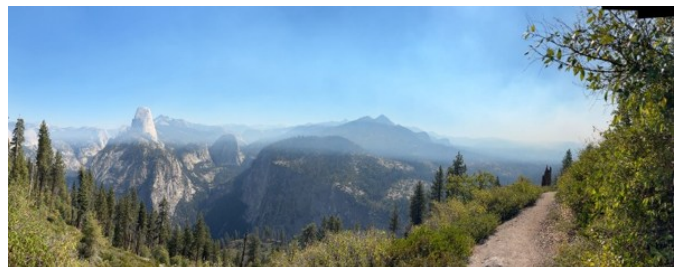
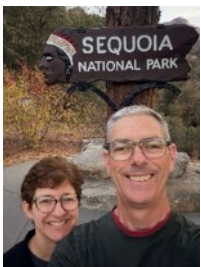
September was another good month for the Council. We had our first Breakfast of the new fraternal year on September 20th. Thanks to everyone who came out to help or attend the breakfast. We also had several Knights volunteer at the St. Lawrence Apple Fest again this year. Whether you worked the pub, helped Joe Lograsso on the tent clean up crew or helped in another area - Thank You!

In October, don't forget our Men's Mass and Social on Thursday, Oct 8 at 6:30pm at the Picnic Grounds. Pizza and refreshments will be served after the Mass.

Our next breakfast is Sunday, Oct 18 in the St. Lawrence Cafeteria after the 8am and 10am Masses.

We would like to welcome a member to our Council Andrew Tanner, congratulations Andrew on becoming a Third Degree Knight.

Finally, in September Joanne and I took a journey out to Sequoia and Yosemite National Parks in northern California. If you have not been there it's a beautiful place! The scenery is incredible, the trees are gigantic and the hikes into the mountains are challenging - but so worth it! Please enjoy a few pictures from our trip, may they inspire you to get out there to see this wonderful world of ours. If you take a trip to be sure to share some pictures of your adventures with your brother Knights.



Fraternally,

Mike Dixon

Grand Knight #2950



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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)

Meeting Notice!!

Knights Corporation Meeting

The Knights Corporation meeting will be held on
October 5 at St. Matthias 7:00pm.

Knight Life

All articles that are requested to be in the November Knight Life need to be turned in to the editor no later than October 29, 2026.

There is available space for any businesses that would like to advertise in the Knight Life, please contact the editor.

Editor: Paul Burmeister

Email: pburmeister16@gmail.com

September 2026 Council Membership Summary

Associate Members: 223

Insurance Members: 114 - Inactive Members: 13

Total Members: 350

Included In Total:

Honorary Members: 16

Honorary Life Members: 87

Council Status: In Good Standing



The Rosary: A Powerful Prayer for October

October is traditionally dedicated to the Holy Rosary. As the beauty of autumn unfolds around us, the Church invites us to deepen our relationship with Christ through the eyes of His Blessed Mother. The Rosary is more than a series of prayers. It is a meditation on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The month of October includes the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7, commemorating the many graces received through Mary's intercession. For generations, Catholic families have turned to the Rosary for strength during times of uncertainty, thanksgiving during times of blessing, and peace in daily life.

As Knights, we are called to be men of faith and leaders in our families. One simple way to answer that call is to pray the Rosary regularly, whether alone, with our spouse, with our children, or with fellow parishioners. Even one decade prayed thoughtfully can draw us closer to Christ.

This October, consider setting aside a few minutes each day for the Rosary. Let us ask Our Lady to guide our council, our parish, and our families as we continue to serve our Church and community with charity, unity, and fraternity.

"The Rosary is the weapon for these times."

— St. Padre Pio

2026 St. Lawrence Men's Mass

Thursday October 8th

6:30pm Mass

St. Lawrence Picnic Grounds

Followed by Pizza and refreshments

Bring a friend, your sons and grandsons



Father Gabriel Richard who rebuilt Detroit after the 1805 Fire, delegate to congress, & founder of the University of Michigan.

Free Will offering to support
our Sacred Heart
Seminarians

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October Feast Days



Oct 1 - Memorial of St. Therese of the Child of Jesus

O glorious Saint Thérèse, whom Almighty God has raised up to aid and counsel mankind, I implore thy Miraculous Intercession. So powerful art thou in obtaining every need of body and soul, our Holy Mother Church proclaims thee a "Prodigy of Miracles... the Greatest Saint of Modern Times." Now I fervently beseech thee to answer my petition [mention here] and to carry out thy promises of spending Heaven doing good on earth, of letting fall from Heaven a Shower of Roses. Amen

Oct 7 - Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary

The prayer to Our Lady of the Rosary honors Mary as the Queen of the Rosary and seeks her intercession for guidance, peace, and spiritual growth.

Traditional Prayer to Our Lady of the Rosary "O Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I entrust my soul to you. Console me in my sorrows, and help me to say the Rosary devoutly every day. May I meditate on its mysteries and grow in love and devotion to your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen." This prayer emphasizes Mary's role in leading believers to Christ through the mysteries of the Rosary and is a powerful devotion for spiritual guidance and intercession. Amen



Oct 15 - Memorial of St. Teresa of Jesus



Lord, grant that I may always allow myself to be guided by You, always follow Your plans, and perfectly accomplish Your Holy Will. Grant that in all things, great and small, today and all the days of my life, I may do whatever You require of me. Help me respond to the slightest prompting of Your Grace, so that I may be Your trustworthy instrument for Your honor. May Your Will be done in time and in eternity by me, in me, and through me.

Oct 28 - Feast of Simon and Jude, Apostles

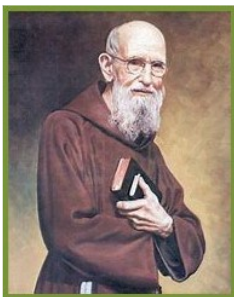
O God, we thank Thee for the glorious company of the Apostles, and especially on this day for Simon and Jude; and we pray that, as they were faithful and zealous in their mission, so we may with ardent devotion make known the love and mercy of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with Thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen





Our prayers are required for the Brother Knights and Family

Peter Backus	Ken Grunewald	Rick Lumetta	Brian Schwartz
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Robert Gorecki	John Lysakowski	Arthur Schwartz	



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."



Knight of the Month

The Knight of the Month for October is Jim Bokshan. Jim and Lucrezia reside on S. Lake Ct. in Shelby Township. They will be married for 36 years this November.

Jim belongs to St. Lawrence Parish where Jim is a Chairman for the Apple Fest and volunteered as the MCREST over night manager.

Jim has been a health insurance and Medicare agent for 33 years.

Jim joined our Council in 2007 and held the offices of Advocate, membership chairman and is currently on our retention committee.

In his spare time Jim enjoys travelling, flipping houses and doing volunteer work.

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

Family of the Month



The Family of the Month for October is Chris and Amanda Boyer. Chris and his wife Amanda reside on Wheaton Drive in Sterling Heights for 16 Years.

Chris and Amanda have been married for 16 years and have four children Olivia 14, Landon 12, Brady 10 and Leanna 8.

The family belongs to St. Lawrence Parish where Amanda is a Catechism teacher and does children's Liturgy. Olivia completed Catechism last year and the three siblings continue to attend Catechism.

Chris is employed as a Director of Adoption at Family and Community Services for 11 years. Amanda is a stay at home mom but also does season work on a Pumpkin Patch Sept - Oct and in the spring she is a field trip leader at Deneweth's Garden Center.

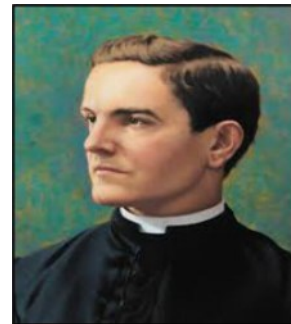
Chris joined our Council in 2019 and he and Amanda are currently co-managers at our K of C picnic grounds.

During the summer the family enjoys going on camping trips and spending time on Lake Pleasant. They spend a lot of time at sporting events all year. Olivia is currently playing JV volleyball at Henry Ford II High School in her freshman year. Landon is currently playing 7th grade football at Bemis Junior High School. Brady plays 5th grade football. Olivia, Landon and Brady also play basketball. Leanna is active in Dance with Sterling Heights Rec.

Congratulations on being chosen Family of the Month for October 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.



As of September 30 there are **22** members that have not paid their membership dues for 2026.

Total Paying Members 250

Paid Members 228

Unpaid Members 22

Please keep in mind that the Council has paid the per capita taxes to the Supreme and State Council for all members on our roster for 2026.

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 Knights of Columbus



Come and Enjoy an All You Can Eat Breakfast!!

Sunday October 18, 2026

8:30am - 12:00pm

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

Adults: \$10.00 / Children 12 and under \$5.00

Sponsored By: St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus



Next Poker Room Event!!

November 19 to November 22 - Thursday thru Sunday

We need your help with our last Texas Holdem event of the year.
Two shifts per day 11am - 2:30pm and 2:30pm - 6pm

Mr. B's Shelby
48550 Van Dyke Ave.
Shelby Township, MI 48317

Contact:
Don Heydens
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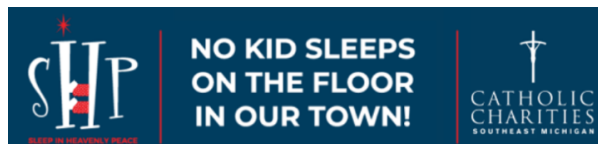
Volunteers Needed!!

Sleep in Heavenly Peace Bed Build Event

Saturday October 10, 2026, 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM.

Where: Center for the Works of Mercy
10301 Woodward Ave.
Detroit MI 48202

Contact,
Jim DeMaestri,
Community Activities
586-817-4181



Knights Park & Pavilion



If you're planning an event and would like a beautiful outdoor facility, check out our 25 acre park located in Shelby Township, MI

The park offers a 40' x 120' pavilion with clean his and her indoor bathrooms, kitchen facilities, which includes ample refrigeration and a freezer, a commercial 6 burner stove and large oven. 40 picnic tables offer seating of 240 people under the pavilion, which leaves plenty of room for even more people and to serve your food.

The park also features a large safe environment for the children to play in, with swings, slide, monkey bars and all the beach sand they can handle. With all the shade trees around the pavilion, it's not hard to feel the cool breeze even on the hottest days of summer.

No event is too big or too small from graduations, weddings, family reunions or corporate picnics.

We have ample parking for 2,000 plus cars.

For pricing info, please feel free to contact Dale or Karen [586-254-3495](tel:586-254-3495)





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