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**St. Lawrence  
Council 2950**

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**FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT**

**Vivat Jesus**

Dear Brother Knights.

Thanks to everyone who helped at the August breakfast, St. Lawrence Family Picnic, and MI Drive Picnic. Thanks also to everyone who helped at the installation ceremony.

August 18<sup>th</sup> was the Pro-Life dinner at the San Marino Club. Speakers included Fr. Frank Pavone, who was awesome, and Michigan Lieutenant Governor, Bill Schuette. Thanks to Chris Gill for the invitation.

August 27<sup>th</sup> was the installation of State Officers. The Mass was held at St. Mary's in Chelsea with the reception at the Marriott in Ypsilanti. It was quite an evening.

**Here are the upcoming events:**

- September 8 – Officer's meeting
- September 11 – Annual Dr. Jim Golf Outing
- September 17 – 4<sup>th</sup> Degree exemplification at DeCarlo's in Warren
- September 17 – 18 – Church Drive – Knights will be stationed in vestibule after each Mass to meet with possible Knights candidates
- September 18 – Knights breakfast after both early Sunday Masses
- September 21 – 24 – Texas Hold'em at Wintergarden
- September 25 – Pro-Life walk with other councils. We will meet at the monument at 2:00 pm. We will walk and pray the rosary. Open to ALL people. (I placed a call and email to Mayor Noonan of Utica)
- September 29 – Officer's Meeting
- October 8 – Holy Door vigil to Blessed Sacrament Cathedral at 11:30 am
- October 9 – Corporate Communion at St. Lawrence at 10:00 am Mass

In September the Church celebrates some truly awesome Catholics:

1. St. Padre Pio – the only stigmatic priest (St. Francis of Assisi – stigmatic was never ordained).
2. St. Mother Teresa – she makes us proud to call ourselves Catholic in modern times.
3. St. Vincent De Paul – Patron saint of Charities.
4. St. Jerome – translated scriptures into the Latin Vulgate in the 4<sup>th</sup>

century.

5. Pope St. Gregory the Great – Gregorian chant attributed to him.

Fraternally,

Steve Salter  
Grand Knight  
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[gk2950@mikofc.org](mailto:gk2950@mikofc.org)

**KNIGHT OF THE MONTH**

For the month of September we are honoring Terry R. Donovan. He lives on Bordeaux in Sterling Heights. He belongs to St. Lawrence Parish.

Terry joined St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus in 2008.

In his spare time, Terry enjoys monster trucks, top fuel funny cars and dragsters. He also likes going to concerts and watching wrestling.

Congratulations Terry on being chosen Knight of the Month for September by your Brother Knights.

**FAMILY OF THE MONTH**

For the month of September we are honoring Larry and Linda Nardecchia.

They have lived on Del Ray Drive in Sterling Heights since November of 1974. They have been married for 44 years and have two sons; Brian 43, and Jeff, 41. Jeff and his bride, Kari have been married for 2 years.

Larry and Linda belong to Our Lady of Grace Parish in Warren where they belong to the Mom and Dad's Club. Larry is a former usher and money counter.

Larry retired from EDS and Linda is a retired Paraprofessional with the Macomb Intermediate School District where she worked at Neil Reid High School.

Larry joined Father Cotter K of C on March 1, 1968. He belonged to St. Nicholas K of C, St. Paul of Tarsus K of C and finally transferred to St. Lawrence K of C. During his tenure as a Knight he has held the offices of Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Warden and Trustee. He has chaired the Bingo, Co-chaired various Vegas Nights, and he is the present editor of the KnightLife.

In their spare time, the family enjoys working in their yard, traveling and spending time with family and friends. Linda enjoys reading, working on her computer, crafts and casino trips.

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNCIL  
KNIGHT LIFE**

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**COUNCIL ACTIVITIES FOR  
SEPTEMBER – JUNE**

**September 5, 2016 – LABOR DAY**

**September 6, 2016** – Knights Corp Meeting 7:30 pm. (This meeting is open to all members.) **Attendance of Knights Corp Members is MANDATORY.**

**September 8, 2016** – Officer's Meeting, 8:00 pm in the Club Room.

**September 10, 2016** – Adopt a highway clean-up. Meet at the Club Room at 8:30 am for coffee, doughnuts and your assignment.

**September 11, 2016** – Dr. Jim Annual Golf Outing

**September 17, 2016** – 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification at DeCarlo's in Warren.

**September 17 – 18, 2016** – Church Drive – Knights will be stationed in vestibule after each Mass to meet with possible Knights candidates.

**September 18, 2016** – Monthly breakfast at our council from 8:30 am – noon.

**September 21 – 24, 2016** – Texas Hold'em. Sign up with Don Heydens at [dheydens@gmail.com](mailto:dheydens@gmail.com).

**September 25, 2016** – Pro-Life Walk with other councils. Meet at monument at 2:00 pm.

**September 29, 2016** – Officer's meeting, 8:00 pm in the Club Room.

**October 2, 2016** – Monthly breakfast at our council from 8:30 am – noon.

**October 8, 2016** – Holy Door visit to Blessed Sacrament Cathedral at 11:30 am.

**October 9, 2016** – Corporate Communion at St. Lawrence at 10:00 am Mass with Color Corp.

**October 16 – 17, 2016** – Annual Fall Bus Trip. See flyer.

**October 23, 2016** – Pasta Contest.

**November 6, 2016** – Monthly breakfast at our council from 8:30 am – noon.

**December 18, 2016** – Children's Christmas Party.

**January 9, 2017** – Monthly breakfast at our council from 8:30 am – noon.

**February 5, 2017** – Monthly breakfast at our council from 8:30 am – noon.

**March 5, 2017** – Monthly breakfast at our council from 8:30 am – noon.

**April 2, 2017** – Monthly breakfast at our council from 8:30 – noon.

**May 14, 2017** – Mother's Day breakfast at our council from 8:30 am – noon.

**June 18, 2017** – Father's Day breakfast at our council from 8:30 am – noon.

Fraternally,  
Joe Manuszak  
Council Activities Director

**REMINDER – SCHOOL STARTING**

Please remember to drive carefully as students are preparing to return to school. Remember to look for kids at bus stops and be aware of when you need to stop for a school bus.

## OUR SICK MEMBERS

Our prayers are required for the Brother Knights and family members who are sick and recovering: Lillian Sparks, Louie Jonas, Megan Singer, Beverly Bebee, Jim Langeveld, Stan Singer, Terry Donovan, Ann Marie Badke, Griffin Davies, Dustin Niedzwicki, Mary Ann Campbell, John Manuszak, Nikki Davies, Teresa Winkler, Ron Wiegand, Joshua Walz, Mike Hoste, Joyce Maylock, Jane Van Havel, Jack Peake, Madeline Scheff, Marion Lelito, Carol Birr, Jerry Noonan, Richard Gitter, Lois Simuluk, Kelly Sobeck, Roger Bock, Richard Wisniewski Sharon Dillaway and MaryLu DeFauw.

Also please remember in your prayers our deceased members and their families:

If you know of anyone who should be on the list please call us at (586) 078-0579 or email us at: [lanardecchia@prodigy.net](mailto:lanardecchia@prodigy.net). Any names that are underlined will come off the list next month unless we hear from you.

## DR. JIM'S 15<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GOLF OUTING



CRACKLEWOOD GOLF COURSE  
24 Mile E. of Romeo Plank

September 11, 2016

1:15 pm Tee Time – shotgun start

Food on course, dinner, raffles, families welcome

\$120 – Golf and Dinner  
\$50.00 – Dinner Only

Dr. Jim was a doctor at Beaumont Hospital who died at the age of 30 due to Cancer. He was the son of Jim Langeveld who is a brother Knight. There is a Tax Deductible fund in Jim's name at U of M Cancer Center in Ann Arbor. This fund helps adult cancer patients and their families pay for personal expenses that are incurred due to the time that they have to spend in Ann Arbor at the Cancer Center. This is the only fund of this type at U of M. One hundred percent of the proceeds from this Golf Outing go to this fund. Since the inception, we have donated over \$210,000. I hope to see you there. Please contact Jim Langeveld if you can attend at (586) 739-8119 or (810) 499-9055 or email him at: [jimlang122@gmail.com](mailto:jimlang122@gmail.com).

Jim Langeveld

## FAMILY OF THE MONTH CONTINUED

Congratulations Larry and Linda on being chosen the September Family of the Month by your Brother Knights.

## EMAIL ADDRESSES

Warren Sawdon is trying to update his current email list and would deeply appreciate it if you would send him your current email address. He can be contacted at [warren@wsawdon.com](mailto:warren@wsawdon.com) or you can contact me at [lanardecchia@prodigy.net](mailto:lanardecchia@prodigy.net). We want to make sure that all members receive a copy of the KnightLife paper.

Larry Nardecchia  
KnightLife Editor



## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

We would like to wish all those people who are celebrating birthdays and/or anniversaries during the month of September a Happy Birthday or a Happy Anniversary.

## SIGN UP FOR TEXAS HOLD'EM

September 21 – 24, 2016

Held at the Wintergarten

Sign up at the

September meetings

Or Contact

Don Heydens

At

[dheydens@gmail.com](mailto:dheydens@gmail.com)

## PRO-LIFE WALK

On September 25<sup>th</sup> we will meet at 2:00 pm at the monument to gather for a Pro-Life walk with other councils. This event is open to everyone. We will be walking and praying the rosary.

## Knights of Columbus "BENEFITS NEWS"

### SEPTEMBER IS LIFE INSURANCE AWARENESS MONTH

#### Raising Awareness about Life Insurance

Each September since 2003 has been designated as Life Insurance Awareness Month. Like most awareness-raising campaigns, Life Insurance Awareness Month was created because there is an overwhelming lack of understanding of life insurance, its uses, its benefits, and its variations among the general public. Each year, the Life Insurance Market Research Association (LIMRA) puts out the results from a recent survey, and unfortunately, the numbers they report continue to be discouraging.

A recent survey found that more than 75 percent of people polled did not have a personal financial advisor, even though 68 percent of them said their opinion of the current economic conditions was somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable.

In other words, a majority of those surveyed were uncomfortable with the economy and the uncertainty it brings, yet they did not seek professional assistance. Maybe they spoke with their friends and family. Maybe they hoped the instability would go away on its own. Maybe they did not know to whom to turn.

If you fall into this category, please remember that as a member of the Knights of Columbus, you have a full-time, professional agent you can call your own. My primary responsibility is the care and service of your family's life insurance, retirement and long-term care needs. I'll answer your questions because I want your decisions to be informed ones. I want to help.

Another LIMRA statistic said 43 percent of people did not buy life insurance because they worry about "making the wrong decision." Talk with me, your agent, and, afterwards, you'll understand that the only wrong decision was not purchasing sooner to protect your family's future.

I look forward to meeting with each of you to discuss your family's needs.

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## ADOPT A HIGHWAY

Brother Knights:

Thank you to those of you that participated at our last clean-up. Our next clean-up is scheduled for Saturday, September 10, 2016. Please meet at the Club Room at 8:30 am for coffee and doughnuts and we will form teams. Again, thanks for your continued support and I hope to see you there.

Thank you,

Tony Schoenherr



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#### Career Opportunity

The Knights of Columbus is seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. They offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information, please contact, Don M. Wesley FICF, General Agent, at (888) 393-7539, or [don.wesley@kofc.org](mailto:don.wesley@kofc.org)

Labor Day, the first Monday in September, is a creation of the labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers. It constitutes a yearly national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country





## BOOK DRIVE FOR THOSE IN NEED

Please help those in need by sharing with them the gift of reading. Donations will go to St. John Providence Hospital, Turning Point, McCollough Elementary, and Miller Elementary. Turning Point is a shelter that helps women in abusive relationships to get them and their children out of their home and into a safe place. McCollough Elementary and Miller Elementary are Title I schools, meaning 95% of the students live under the poverty line and 94-98% are students whose second language is English. It would be beneficial for these people to have books to read to transport them to a different world for a while and forget about some of the difficult things that might be going on in their lives.

The book drive will run from August to Mid-October. There will be a box in the back of the Church for any donations of new or gently used books.

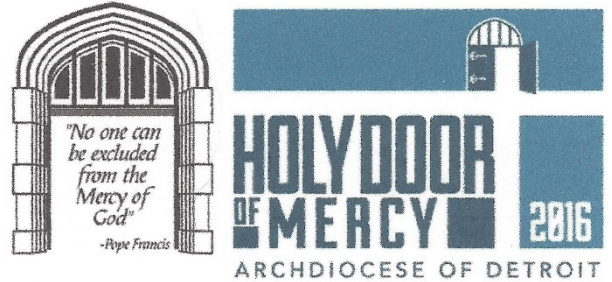
Books and monetary donations will also be accepted at the St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus Breakfast on Sunday, August 21, 2016, and Sunday, September 18, 2016.

Thank you for your support in helping bring the gift of reading to those in need!.

### FOR INFORMATION,

### CONTACT

**ABBY WEINGARTZ . . . . (586) 739-0633**



## St. Lawrence Holy Door Pilgrimage

Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am, the Holy Door at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Detroit will be reserved for a pilgrimage specifically for the St. Lawrence Parish and Knights of Columbus Council.

This is a great opportunity for the parish since the Holy Door ends on November 20<sup>th</sup>, and dates in October are fully booked.

Holy Doors have been opened in all the Cathedrals of the world as part of the Jubilee Year of Mercy.

"The Holy Door will become a Door of Mercy through which anyone who comes will experience the love of God who consoles, pardons, and instills hope." – Pope Francis, *Misericordiae Vultus*, 3.

Pilgrims will be granted an indulgence (God's remission of temporal punishment for sins already forgiven) for entering the holy door, along with a having recently attended confession, receiving communion, and praying for the pope.

Plan to arrive at 11:30 am at the Cathedral parking lot behind the church, and the self-guided walking tour starts outdoors and 8 stations are in places leading you through the holy door and into the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

For questions please contact Jim Adams at (586) 337-7704 or [jojim6@aol.com](mailto:jojim6@aol.com), or visit [holydoor@aod.org](http://holydoor@aod.org).

## MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The St. Lawrence K of C Church Membership Drive will be the weekend of September 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> after each Mass.

I would like to get a few volunteers signed up to pass out brochures, and man the information table in the gathering space after each mass.

We will also do a short 1 – 2 minute speech after each Mass about joining the Knights, and mention the upcoming Pro-Life Walk. I will speak at the 8:00 am Mass and Francis will speak at the 10:00 am Mass. Let me know if you would be willing to speak about your experience in the Knights at either the Saturday Mass or the noon Mass on Sunday.

For the information table in the gathering area, if anyone has pictures taken at Council 2950 events, we would like to put together a display board with them. If you have digital pictures, please feel free to email them to me.

Jim Adams  
Membership Director  
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October 16-17, 2016

# The Knights of Columbus

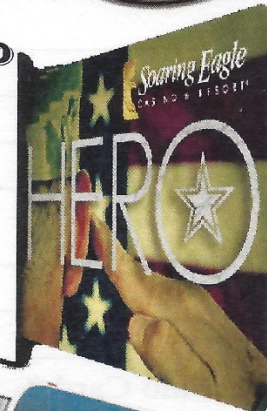
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- (2) Complete this registration form and return it with your full payment (by check please) - to the Address Below. Please make checks payable to **Sunburst Tours**.
- (3) You should receive a confirmation/reminder postcard 1-2 weeks before the departure date.

Advance registration with full payment is required. Sunburst promotional coupons and special discounts may not be used for this trip. Trip must be paid in full at least 2 weeks prior to departure. Cancellations cannot be refunded within two weeks of departure, but reservations may be transferred (sold) to another person (we must be notified) up until departure. Trips may be canceled and refunded if the required minimum has not registered by 15 days prior to departure date. Casino incentive packages are controlled by the casinos and are subject to change without notice and you must be on the bus when it arrives at the casino in order to receive it. Sunburst and the sponsoring organization are not responsible for changes in itinerary or injury due to inclement weather, acts of God, breakdowns, or accidents. Sunburst does not own or operate any of the suppliers of services or accommodations for your trip, as a result it is not responsible for any negligent or willful act or failure to act of any such supplier or of any other third party over whom Sunburst has no control.

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