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Upcoming Events (Subject to Change; See Online Calendar) **NOVEMBER**

4th Degree ½ Earlier

Officer's Meeting, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X

6:30 pm 6 pm

6 Honor Guard Practice, Sacred Heart, RI

5:15 pm

7 Deceased Member Mass, Sacred Heart, RI Virtual 4th Degree, St. Ambrose Hall, Milan, IL

Roll Call 9:30 am & Presentation 10 to 12 pm

Council Meeting, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X 12

Light Meal 6 pm & Meeting 7 pm

14 4th Degree Exemplification, Spalding Center, Peoria, IL

9 to 11:30 am

18 Midwest Food Bank, QCCA Expo Center, RI [Sign Up]

5th Sunday Rosary, St. Pius X

10 am

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QUESTIONS/SUGGESTIONS/VOLUNTEER: CONTACT A COUNCIL OFFICER:

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3yr Trustee: Louie Alongi 309-786-9625 alongilouiev@gmail.com

*Appointed



4TH DEGREE MEETING NOTES

October 13, 2020 Father Bader Assembly #1922 Meeting started at 6.00 pm with a prayer and the Pledge.

The 4th Degree Exemplification was discussed at length. The registration of all 4th Degree attendees must be sent in or a \$10.00 fee will be charged. Roll Call begins at 9:30 and the presentation is from 10:00 am until Noon. (Guest) Charlie McGuire answered questions and will have all the necessary equipment for the Saturday presentation.

Bud noted that he has paper work completed for 5 candidates.

The add for the Booklet was discussed and Jerry and Bud will see that we have a page entered for the assembly.

John mentioned the Alleman Calendar and it has never been purchased by the Assembly just by individuals.

Jack brought up the Assembly add in the Abstract. After discussion the Assembly will double the size of the ad for the cost of \$60.00. Motion by Jack and a second by Dave and Bud motion carried.

The Allouez Council Deceased Members Mass will be held on November 7, 2020 at Sacred Heart Rock Island at the 5.15 pm Mass with Father Luke. The Honor Guard has been requested for this occasion. Dick Hunt has forwarded the members that have the new attire from Allouez to Bud and Ken. The Father Betson Council has a couple along with St Ambrose. Ray Wells was call and the latest information will be sent. Only the Knights with the new uniform will be allowed to participate unless the 4th Degree Southern District Master responds differently.

Jack mentioned that the Knight of Knight Banquet and Mass will be on April 24, 2021 at Christ the King. Not sure about COVID-19 and where we will be at that point in time. Hopefully Good!!

The dues and membership was discussed and Bud reported that we have 15 members that are delinquent, some one year and some even two years.

There will be a mailer sent out with an Amendment to the By-Laws. Included there will be an information sheet for members to fill out and return so we can update our database.

There will be NO December Social but are watching for any change or development in improvement so we can be looking to hold something after the first of the year.

We will be holding the Officers meeting on December 3, 2020 at St Ambrose Parish Center in Milan.

Closing prayer and adjournment at 7.30 pm.



25 brother Knights are celebrating a birthday this month. May they live as lo ng as they want & never want as long as they live!

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Please call F.S. Dick Hunt if our records need updated.

PRAY FOR US MEMBERS & FAMILY SICK OR IN DISTRESS

We pray for our Brother Knights who are ill or otherwise incapacitated. We can only mention those of whom we are aware. Let us know if you wish to be included. We remember the following members in our prayers:

BEV CASEY
JIM CECIL
SAMUEL S. COLLINS
GENE FOWLER
JERRY FOWLER
JIM FOBERT
MIKE (DON) HINDRICKS
AT HOME
AT HOME
AT HOME
AT HOME

LARRY HINZMAN FRIENDSHIP MANOR
CHARLES HOOD AT HOME
DAT KUKLA AT SIL VED CROSS

PAT KUKLA AT SILVER CROSS DEAN LACKEY AT HOME

MARGARET & JESSIE LOPEZ

LOUIE MACK NORMA MANNING

DEACON FRANK RANDAZZO AT ROSEWOOD

SUE SCHAECHER AT HOME
JACK SHOWALTER AT HOME
DEACON RUSS SWIM AT HOME
BETTY VANDEVOORDE AT HOME
KATHY YORDY AT HOME

We pray, O God, that You look with pity on Your servants who suffer. Ease their pain & comfort their loneliness. Give them the grace to bear this cross patiently with You in Christian reparation. We ask this through Your Son,

Jesus Christ, Our Lord.



ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to the seven couples who are celebrating a wedding anniversary this month. May they celebrate many more!

BRIAN & JENNIFER CASEY 11/2/1996
DREXEL & MARY ELLEN FRANKS 11/2/1973
TARRE & KIM KROFT 11/3/2012
LAWRENCE & LYNNE BRANDENBURG 11/20/1965

JOSEPH & MARY ANNE DOCKERYJACKSON

11/23/1974 PAUL & CINDY SCHMITT 11/27/1993 JULIUS & TERESA PEARSON 11/30/1963

We want to recognize all of our married couples, but we can't if you don't tell us what this important date in your life is. Call F.S. Dick Hunt so he can put it in our records or correct our records.



10/05 PARISH BLOOD DRIVE

"Thank you" to all Parish and Knights of Columbus Donors who participated in the Fall Parish Blood Drive.

The Blood Drive breakdown was as follows:

- 109 Scheduled
- 6 Deferred
- 13 No Shows for Appointments

90 Blood Units Collected

Our next scheduled Parish Blood Drive is <u>April</u> 19, 2021 with a goal of "100 or more in memory of FRED LUCKENBILL."

My hope for 2021 is more scheduled donors and less "no shows!" Again, a big **THANK YOU** TO ALL THOSE DONORS

who participated to help those in need of blood to save their lives. Thanks also to my Brother Knights (Chuck Gibbs, Rick Cervantes,

Dick Hunt, Dave Sullivan, Jim Wieland, Kevin Houser, & Jeremy Goffrier) who helped with set-up and tear-down. God bless you all.

Louie Alongi, Blood Drive Coordinator Knights of Columbus and Parish Member



DECEASED MEMBER'S MEMORIAL MASS

Allouez Council 658, Knights of Columbus, will recognize and memorialize those members who have been called to their eternal reward in heaven during the past year. All Council Members are invited to attend.

The Mass will begin at 5:15 p.m. on Saturday, November 7, 2020, at Sacred Heart Church, 2810 5th Avenue in Rock Island. Our remembrance will be part of the regular Saturday evening Mass and will therefore fulfill the Catholic Sunday Mass obligation. If you know of a widow who might wish to attend, please invite them. I may need a few Knights to help with transportation for some of the elderly spouses. If you are willing to help in this way, please contact me.

Because of the pandemic limitations, it will be necessary to sign up for the Mass in advance. You may do this online by going to https://www.sacredheartri.com/mass-signup on or after Monday, Nov 2. Or you may contact me with the names of those who will be attending and I will do it for you. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me, Greg Schneider, at 309-207-0577, or vaschneiders@earthlink.net.

If you are unable to attend, the Mass will be livestreamed at:

https://www.facebook.com/sacredheartrockisland/

You may watch the Mass live or recorded at this site without a Facebook account.

The following deceased Knights will be acknowledged:

Richard Friedel Patrick Naab
Larry Adams Robert Bonamie
Joseph Burns Deacon Jack Kettering

David Sweeney Donald Beck

Alfred Huber

As St. Ambrose once said, "We loved him in life, let us not forget him in death!" We should accept it as our duty to pray for those who have died. We are looking forward to seeing you for this very special Mass.

Greg Schneider, Memorial Mass Chairman



ID DRIVE

Thank You, Thank You! The 2020 Intellectual Disabilities Drive has been completed under very trying circumstances thanks to your courageous efforts and those of our agency partners. Along with the extraordinary donation from the Council, we were able collect a net total of \$8150.00. This is comparable to what we have collected in the past several years, which is truly remarkable given the current environment. The agencies are so grateful that we had the Drive because this is the only fundraiser several of them have been able to have since the pandemic started.

My hat is off to all of you who participated in any way. I wish to especially thank George McDoniel and his wife Margaret for helping to support the volunteers at the stores both days as well take a shift or two. Also, I want to recognize Dave Yordy, Dave Sullivan, Jerry Schroeder, Louie Alongi, and Dick Hunt all of whom did double duty or more to help the kids.

God Bless you All, Greg Schneider, ID Drive Chair



RINGING THE BELL 12/04

The R.I. Knights will again be Bell Ringers to help the Salvation Army, help families in need in our community, have a good and blessed Christmas celebration with food and gifts. I am asking my good Brother Knights to volunteer "One Hour" sometime on Friday, December 4th, between 10:00 am thru 7:00 pm at Hy-Vee Rock Island. If the Virus is still around, please wear your mask, and the good news is, nobody is touching anybody, as the Kettle takes all the money as you ring the bell! Everybody is safe, and cold (I have hand-warmers), as we help families to celebrate Christmas.

Call/or e-mail me SOON to be scheduled during your "favorite hour"......Yes, the Godfather will call you otherwise!!!

Our Council has been "ringing the bell" for lot's of years helping people to have a "MERRY CHRISTMAS"

Can you donate an hour to help a family? Thank you.

Godfather Louie

Bell Ringing Chairperson

(alongilouiev@gmail.com or 309-235-6796)



PRO-LIFE MESSAGE

What's the #1 Human Rights Issue Facing Voters?

There are some attacks on human dignity that are so egregious that, to the extent that they are defended by a society, they preclude that society from claiming to be "just."

Abortion is one such attack.

The very concept of human rights is meaningless if among those rights is not included the universal right to life. That's basic logic. If a human being can be killed for any reason, or no reason at all, or if the right to life is only granted based upon certain criteria, then all the other rights which a human supposedly enjoys rest on a foundation of sand. Pope St. John Paul II states it succinctly:

"The inviolability of the person which is a reflection of the absolute inviolability of God, finds its primary and fundamental expression in the inviolability of human life. Above all, the common outcry, which is justly made on behalf of human rights – for example, the right to health, to home, to work, to family, to culture – is false and illusory if the right to life, the most basic and fundamental right and the condition for all other personal rights, is not defended with maximum determination. (*Christifideles Laici*, no. 38)"

For this reason, we can rightly say that social justice begins in the womb. Last November, the U.S. bishops reaffirmed this truth, when they wrote in a letter to accompany their 2020 voter guide that, "the threat of abortion remains our preeminent priority because it directly attacks life itself, because it takes place within the sanctuary of the family, and because of the number of lives destroyed."

In their document on voting, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, the U.S. bishops write that one of the primary temptations that threaten to "distort the Church's defense of human life and dignity" is "a moral equivalence that makes no ethical distinctions between different kinds of issues involving human life and dignity."

Abortion: Not "One Issue Among Many"

In a statement announcing October as Respect Life Month, Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann, the chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on Pro-Life Activities, recounted what happened when he personally told Pope Francis about the criticism the U.S. bishops had received for calling abortion their "preeminent priority."

"The Holy Father expressed his support for our efforts observing that **if we fail to protect life, no other rights matter**," Archbishop Naumann explained. "Pope Francis also said that abortion is not primarily a Catholic or even a religious issue, it is first and foremost a human rights issue." As the U.S. bishops wrote in *Forming Consciences*, "The direct and intentional destruction of innocent human life from the moment of conception until natural death is always wrong and is not just one issue among many. It must always be opposed."

Indeed, at its heart, abortion is one of the most straight-forward moral issues facing our society. As the Holy Father rightly noted, one need not be a Christian to recognize that abortion is an enormous evil. All that is needed is to acknowledge these two basic truths: 1) Every human being is endowed with the right to life by the mere fact of being human, and 2) The unborn child is a human being.

Unfortunately, pro-abortion propagandists have introduced a false complexity into the abortion issue. If you ever watch a debate about abortion, you will notice how the pro-abortion side will do everything

in their power to steer the conversation away from the humanity of the unborn child. Instead, they will speak about issues like "autonomy," and "choice," or focus entirely on the worst of the hard cases, like rape and incest, which are so emotionally charged that the humanity of the *other* victim in such cases -i.e. the unborn child - disappears in a haze.

Up to a point, it's understandable that people steeped from birth in the lies of the sexual revolution might be confused about abortion. But Christians have no such excuse. We have Scripture, and we have Christ's admonitions about laying down our lives for our neighbor, especially the weak and innocent. Moreover, the Catholic Church has always condemned the murderous act of abortion. "Since the first century the Church has affirmed the moral evil of every procured abortion. This teaching has not changed and remains unchangeable. Direct abortion, that is to say, abortion willed either as an end or a means, is gravely contrary to the moral law" (no. 2271). Abortion can never be a viable choice or be morally justified, regardless of individual circumstances or intentions. As individuals or as a society, we must always, always reject and never **support the violence of abortion**. It is *incompatible* with love of God and love of neighbor.

Scandalously, it is the apathy of Christians more than anything that has allowed the violence of abortion to flourish. If every Christian church rose up and spoke with a prophetic voice against the grave injustice of abortion, and if every church reached out to abortion-vulnerable men and women with Christ-like charity, abortion would end overnight. Churches and pastors must eschew the 'reasonable middle ground' when it comes to abortion. When it comes to the legalized murder of the innocent, there is no reasonable middle ground.

Furthermore, we must never listen to those cynical voices who claim that the Church has no right to "impose" its "religious beliefs" on society on the issue of abortion. Quite the contrary, as disciples of the Lord Jesus, and Knights of Columbus, Christians have an obligation to participate in shaping the moral character of society. It is a requirement of our faith.

As we celebrated Respect Life Month in October, and as we prepare to vote in this year's state and national elections, let us remember the plight of the unborn, the most vulnerable of our society. Please consider praying the rosary every day for the protection of the unborn and all victims of the culture of death. And when we head to the voting booth (or send in our mail-in vote), let us vote pro-life. Social justice begins in the womb.

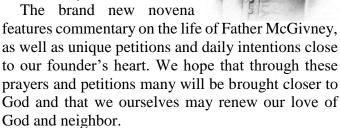


<u>NEW NOVENA & BEATIFICATION OF</u> <u>FATHER MICHAEL J. MCGIVENEY</u>

Dear Brother Knight,

On Oct. 31, Father McGivney is to be named "Blessed" by Pope Francis. That day, the Church will declare what many have long believed — that the holy soul of Father McGivney can intercede for us before the throne of God.

In the past, miracles have occurred for those who pray at the time of a beatification. As we counted down the days to this amazing event, brother Knights and Catholics across the world prayed a special novena from Thursday, Oct. 22, to Friday, Oct. 30.



Here is a <u>downloadable version of the novena</u>. To learn more about the beatification of Father McGivney, visit <u>www.kofc.org/beatification</u>.



GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brother Knights, Families and Friends:

October was the slowest month so far this year. We did have our fall blood drive. Good job by Loui as usual. Still didn't hit the elusive 100-draw mark but I believe if Loui keeps at it we will get there. Had a great Holly hour with MSGR. as the celebrant. Thanks to Karen Weiland for the great Chili dinner.

On October 31 we will be having a mini awards meeting at Farrell Hall with Hors d'oeuvres, beer, wine, and soft drinks. Please join us. Also attached is a listing of Knights that have achieved significant milestones in their life.

Upcoming event: Remember to Vote on Nov. 3rd

Brother Knights, our next Officers' Meeting will be at 6:30 pm on Nov. 2nd at Farrell Hall. Our next Council Meeting is Nov. 2nd also at Farrell Hall. As usual, on the 12th we will have a light meal at 6 pm followed by our council meeting at 7 pm. Be sure to join us. These meetings are an opportunity for all to connect with your fellow Knights and to stay informed about everything Allouez Council is doing! I hope to see you there!

Remember, let Jesus be your model and let the Holy Spirit be your guide!

Vivat Jesus!

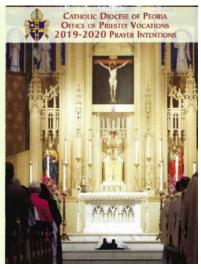
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Chuck Gibbs 563-343-3373

DAILY PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

O Mary, St. Therese ever turned to you in love, telling you her desires in simplicity and trust, and begging you to speak of them to Jesus. With her, we ask you to offer our prayers to your Son for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life in our diocese. Place within the hearts of men and women a love which is strong enough to lead them to devote their lives to the service of the Church. Help them to respond to your Son's call with a love that will spend itself in service to their brothers and sisters.

St. Therese, Patroness of Vocations, Pray for Us.



Fraternal Year 2020 Honorary Life Members		
Jesse A Lopez	26 Years	
Lawrence E Brandenburg	25 Years	
John M Verona	26 Years	
Dwight G Mosley	25 Years	
Joseph M Lazio	43 Years	
Wayne A Valentine	37 Years	
George G Mcdoniel	33 Years	
Deacon Timothy W Granet	26 Years	
Reverend John Baptist Uwigaba	3 years	
Years of Service in Fraternal Year 2020		
James Morris Cecil	60 Years	
John W Rodts	60 Years	
William E Tacey	55 Years	
Samuel S Collins	50 Years	
Charles C Gerleman	50 Years	
Deacon Frank G Randazzo	45 Years	
Vernon M Wegerer	40 Years	
James F Wieland	40 Years	
David A Valiquette	40 Years	
John C Marsho	40 Years	
Daniel L Verschoore	35 Years	
Robert E Kulig	35 Years	
Drexel R Franks	35 Years	
Jerome D O'Leary	30 Years	
John W Reynolds	30 Years	

Fraternal Year 2020 Honorary Members		
John C Phillips	26 Years	
Francis J Schradeya	26 Years	
Michael W Musick	25 Years	
Michael V Doyle	25 Years	
Thomas L Kilbride	25 Years	
Steven E Frels	25 Years	
Paul T Carton	25 Years	
James E Mack	25 Years	
Darille L Starrine	25 Years	
William G Carlough	25 Years	
Years of Marriage in Fraternal Year 2020		
Mary Ann & William Seaver	65 Years	
Margaret & Jesse Lopez	65 Years	
Mary Jo & Robert Pulford	60 Years	
Patricia & John Ackerman	55 Years	
Phyllis & Robert Lawrence	55 Years	
Karen & James Wieland	55 Years	
Rachel & Jeffrey Banz	55 Years	
Pamela & John Verona	50 Years	
Linda & Jeffrey Barnes	50 Years	
Luann & John(Jack) Swan	45 Years	
Mary Ann &		
Deacon Joseph Dockery-Jackson	45 Years	
Pamela & Dennis De Maught	40 Years	
Kathy & David Yordy	35 Years	
Melinda & Andrew Olson	25 Years	
Pamela & Richard Hunt	25 Years	

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APRIL 2021	
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8 Council Meeting, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X	Light Meal 6 pm & Meeting 7 pm
17 Italian Dinner, St. Pius X, Farrell Hall	4 to 7 pm
24 Knight of Knight Banquet and Mass, Christ the King	TBA
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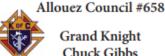
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