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JUNE

Upcoming Events (Subject to Change; See [Online Calendar](#))

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St. Pius X | 9:45 am
1 pm |
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| 10 | Council Meeting, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X | Light Meal 6 pm & Meeting 7 pm |
| 23 | Midwest Food Bank, QCCA Expo Center, RI [Sign Up] | 9 to 11:30 am |

4TH DEGREE FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR'S MESSAGE

Sir Brother Knights

Our 4th Degree Social and short meeting is a go for June 3rd. As a reminder it is at the River Front Grille 4619 34th St. Rock Island (right off Blackhawk Road). We will start gathering at 5 p.m. and begin eating at 6 p.m. Due to the size of our group and the shortness of their staffing we will be doing the Buffet and not ordering off the menu. Cost is \$20 per person that includes the meal, tax and gratuity. There will be a cash bar if you want to order drinks. If anyone who hasn't put in their RSVP yet by email or phone we can still add people please call Moose Maranda at 309-781-1523 as soon as possible. We will be collecting the \$20 per person at the door, please make checks payable to Fr. Bader Assembly if you're paying by check.

Vivat Jesus

"Moose"

Ken Maranda

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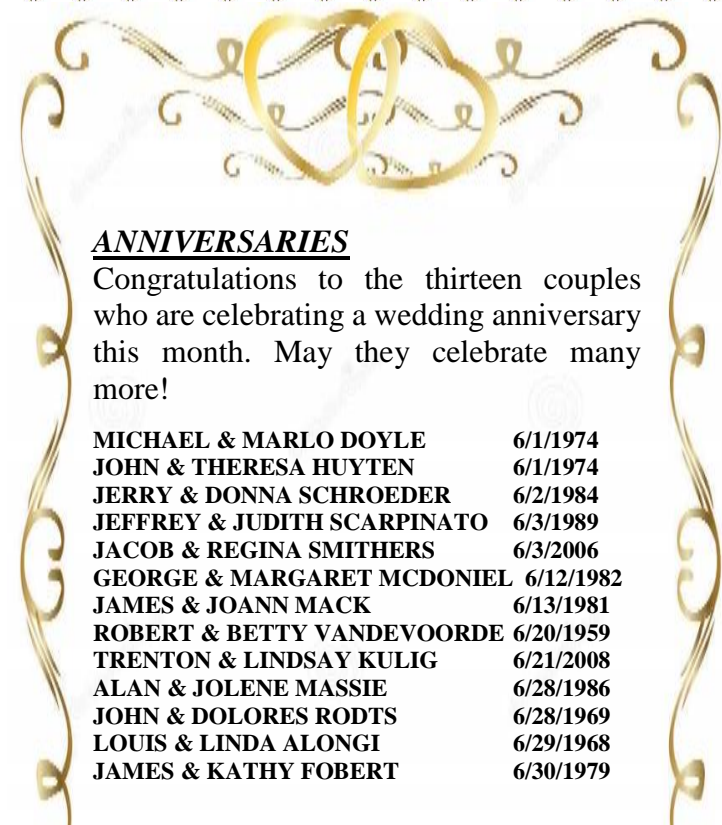
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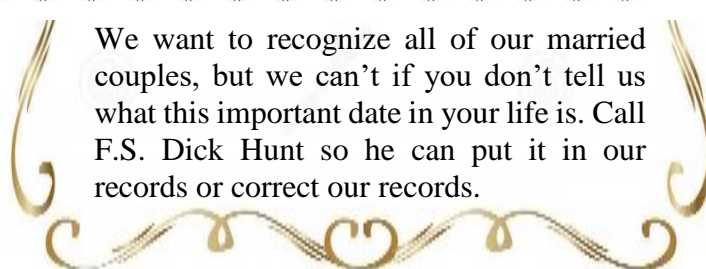
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ANNIVERSARIES

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

MICHAEL & MARLO DOYLE	6/1/1974
JOHN & THERESA HUYTEN	6/1/1974
JERRY & DONNA SCHROEDER	6/2/1984
JEFFREY & JUDITH SCARPINATO	6/3/1989
JACOB & REGINA SMITHERS	6/3/2006
GEORGE & MARGARET MCDONIEL	6/12/1982
JAMES & JOANN MACK	6/13/1981
ROBERT & BETTY VANDEVOORDE	6/20/1959
TRENTON & LINDSAY KULIG	6/21/2008
ALAN & JOLENE MASSIE	6/28/1986
JOHN & DOLORES RODTS	6/28/1969
LOUIS & LINDA ALONGI	6/29/1968
JAMES & KATHY FOBERT	6/30/1979



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.



MATTHEW ALONGI
GARRY HIRD
MICHAEL MIHM
JOHN BOSSO
TIMOTHY STEINES
MICHAEL HEALEA
CHARLES BARBARO
DONALD SMITH
LUKE VANLANDEGEN

PAUL SCHMITT
JEFFREY BOYD
CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON
WILLIAM DEAN
JOHN MARSHO
ACHIEL DUPONT JR.
CHRISTOPHER DASSO
DARILLE STARRINE
JOHN WALSH

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

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 & family 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	AT HEARTLAND
JIM CECIL	AT HOME
GENE FOWLER	AT HOME
JERRY FOWLER	AT HOME
JIM FOBERT	AT HOME
MIKE (DON) HINDRICKS	AT HOME
LARRY HINZMAN	FRIENDSHIP MANOR
LANCE JOHNSON	AT HOME
JOSEPH LAZIO	AT HOME
MARGARET & JESSIE LOPEZ	
TOM LAWRENCE	AT HOME
NORMA MANNING	
TINA OLSON	AT HOME
SUE SCHAECHER	AT HOME
JACK SHOWALTER	AT HOME
DEACON RUSS SWIM	AT HOME
RICHARD TIPTON	AT HOME
BETTY & BOB VANDEVOORDE	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.

Please email AndrewJ.Olson@yahoo.com, call or text 563-484-4AJO [4256] to update.

DEACON'S QUESTION BOX

[See the Abstract Archives for a list of past questions.](#)
How is the date for Easter determined? And why was Easter celebrated on two dates this year?

This year we celebrated Easter on April 4th and most of the Orthodox Church celebrated Easter on May 2nd. We both determine the date of Easter in the way that was specified by the council of Nicaea in 325. The Council reasoned that Christ's passion and resurrection took place at the time of the Jewish Passover, the 15th day of Nisan. However this does not provide a stable method because it was based on the Hebrew Calendar which could vary by as much as a full lunar month. So the council Fathers mandated the first Sunday after the first full moon following the spring equinox (usually March 20 or 21) as the common Easter date for all of Christendom.

That was based on the calendar in use at the time which was the Julian calendar. Under this calendar the spring equinox moves because the calendar calculates a year to be 365 ¼ days. The Gregorian calendar was introduced in 1582 by Pope Gregory XIII to correct this miscalculation. By reducing the solar year slightly and inserting leap years the Gregorian calendar achieves much greater accuracy in calculating the spring equinox — and thereby, a stable date for Easter. This is important because the entire church calendar is based on the date of Easter. This calendar was accepted widely in the West. Pope Gregory XIII wrote to the Ecumenical Patriarch of

Constantinople, Jeremiah II, trying to convince him to adopt the New Calendar and the revisions, but negotiations brought no result. In fact, Jeremiah condemned the papal innovations in an encyclical letter.

It was not until the first half of the 20th century when several Orthodox countries (for example Finland in 1920 adopted the Gregorian calendar, and their respective churches followed suit. There have been and are continuing efforts to resolve this and we may look toward the day when we will celebrate Easter on a common date with the rest of the Christian churches.



Feel free to drop me a question for this column. Questions may be dropped off on the head table at a Council Meeting or sent via email to Deacon Russ Swim, Assistant Chaplain, rpswim@mchsi.com, phone 786-3097.



NEED MORE KOFC ADORERS

Need at least one new person to help with the 10 to midnight Holy Hours for the Knights of Columbus. Contact Kevin Houser to get on the list.



CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSIONS

Dear Brother Knights,

Next Sunday, June 6th is Corpus Christi! We will celebrate and honor the most precious Body and Blood of Our Lord. In a special way, we will have an old time Eucharistic Procession

Mass at **Sacred Heart**, Rock Island is at 9:00 AM. If you're not attending the Mass, please plan to be at Sacred Heart church by 9:45. We will then have the Eucharistic procession from Sacred Heart to St. Mary's, Rock Island.

St. Pius' Eucharistic Procession will begin at 1:00 pm in the Church. We will process outside (weather permitting) around the block of 29th and 28th Avenues, returning to the property for Benediction outside. The Knights of Columbus will be helping with carrying our new canopy.

We need 4 Knights to carry the canopy, and would like to have more so that we can hand off the canopy a couple times throughout the procession. All Knights are invited to participate. We just ask that you wear a dark suit if you would like to help carry the canopy.

Please join us for this ancient custom as we give devotion and honor to Jesus, the Lord of Lords in the Holy Eucharist. If you would like to participate, please respond to this email, or contact Dick Hunt at rjhunt1951@gmail.com.

Vivat Jesus,
Dick Hunt



**VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA 13TH
ANNUAL 9/11 COMMEMORATIVE GOLF
OUTING**

Hello Brother Knights: I am a member of the Vietnam Vet's, and for those of you that enjoy "Golfing," the below information on the upcoming Golf Outing (8/30/21), sponsored by the Veterans, is

something you can support for Community Programs. Thank you for your consideration.

Louie Alongi



PRO-LIFE MESSAGE

The drumbeat of bad news coming from the new administration can certainly be discouraging for pro-life and pro-family activists. It seems that hardly a week passes without some horrific new announcement from the administration, pushing abortion or some other assault on basic moral truths.

However, it's important that we don't allow ourselves to get discouraged by this expected onslaught of bad news. Yes, we may have one of the most pro-abortion administrations in our nation's history, but they are not all-powerful. And, sadly, we can expect the four years (and hopefully it's only four!) of this administration to be a very difficult time for the pro-life and pro-family movements. However, that's not the whole story!

Despite the administration's aggressive tactics and current positions of authority and influence, a great deal of progress is happening. Since the beginning of the year, over 500 pro-life laws and abortion restrictions have been introduced with 61 passed across 13 states, including 8 bans. These states along with their pro-life leaders are not letting unborn children and the pro-life movement down; they remind us that we can still make great strides even amidst such an extraordinarily hostile environment. Unfortunately, we in Illinois cannot share in these successes, for we are controlled by equally radical leaders in our State as well.

Of course, these pro-life actions have not gone announced by abortion-minded enthusiasts, who see this as a direct assault upon their beloved industry. Recently the Guttmacher Institute, a pro-abortion research group and former research arm of Planned Parenthood which tracks such legislation, voiced its grave concern over the volume of pro-life legislation being introduced and signed into law.

According to Guttmacher, "the number of abortion restrictions—and specifically bans on abortion designed to directly challenge *Roe v. Wade* and the U.S. constitutional right to abortion—that have swiftly been enacted over the past four months is unprecedented. If this trend continues, 2021 will end up as the most damaging antiabortion **state legislative** session in a decade—and perhaps ever." We could not ask for a better endorsement, testifying that pro-lifers are making a tremendous impact.

Unfortunately, federal politics tends to receive the overwhelming amount of attention nowadays. In part, this is because so many of our state and local newspapers and TV stations have folded in recent years, with an increasing number of people getting their news exclusively from the giant national newspapers and networks. This tends to create an unbalanced perspective, in which only federal politics seems to matter, and local and state politics are overlooked or forgotten.

However, for many years, some of the biggest and most impactful pro-life and pro-family successes

have been at the local and state level. We need to continue these results, to strike fear into the hearts of radical pro-abortion activists with the extent of our determination, organization, and sophistication. To show them that we do not depend on any single politician for our success, but that in fair weather or foul, we are out on the front lines, protecting the vulnerable.

Yes, it can be discouraging when the full apparatus of the federal government is used to stymie pro-life efforts and advance a radical pro-abortion agenda. During the previous presidency, many life-saving pro-life policies were put in place and pro-lifers enjoyed unprecedented access to the halls of power. So many things seemed easier.

But access to the halls of power isn't everything. In fact, it can even be somewhat illusory. So much of the life-changing work of the pro-life movement is grunt work, carried out far from the limelight of national publicity. So much is accomplished, so many lives are saved, by the unsung armies of sidewalk counsellors outside abortion clinics and volunteers at the huge network of crisis pregnancy centers blanketing this country, bringing hope and resources to women in need. The highly successful Knights of Columbus Ultrasound program has brought over one thousand machines to these facilities. Three machines were provided to these agencies right here in the Quad Cities by the Knights of Columbus. Every time a mother is allowed to see her baby via the ultrasound image over 90% of the time that baby will be saved from abortion.

And a great deal, as we have seen, is being accomplished by courageous pro-life and pro-family legislators at the state and local level – legislators whose names are rarely reported in national news, but whose efforts are saving lives and changing the culture.

Our job during these four years is to not lose hope, but rather, in fact, to gain heart – to use the opposition of this administration as inspiration, galvanization, to push us to do more, to work harder, and to show the radical anti-life and anti-family activists that we are not going away and we are not giving up.

Christ won His victory on the cross. Our victory will not be won amidst popularity, prestige, and ease. It is the daily victories, the constant effort, putting faith in God's strength over our own, that will turn this ship around, and build a Culture of Life. Intrinsic evil has been defeated in the past, and it can be defeated once again!

Jack Swan, Pro-Life Director



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23	Midwest Food Bank, QCCA Expo Center, RI [Sign Up]	9 to 11:30 am			
JULY 2021					
5	Officer's Meeting, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X	6:30 pm			
8	Council Meeting, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X	Light Meal 6 pm & Meeting 7 pm			
21	Midwest Food Bank, QCCA Expo Center, RI [Sign Up]	9 to 11:30 am			
AUGUST 2021					
2	Officer's Meeting, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X	6:30 pm			
12	Council Meeting, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X	Light Meal 6 pm & Meeting 7 pm			
18	Midwest Food Bank, QCCA Expo Center, RI [Sign Up]	9 to 11:30 am			
29	5 th Sunday Rosary, St. Pius X	10 am			
30	Vietnam Veterans of America 13 th Annual 9/11 Commemorative Golf Outing See attached flyer for more details.	Registration 8 am Shot Gun Start 9 am			
SEPTEMBER 2021					
6	Officer's Meeting, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X	6:30 pm			
9	Council Meeting, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X	Light Meal 6 pm & Meeting 7 pm			
18	Day of Remembrance, Calvary Cemetery, R.I.	9 am			
22	Midwest Food Bank, QCCA Expo Center, RI [Sign Up]	9 to 11:30 am			
24-26	ID [Tootsie Roll] Drive	TBA			
OCTOBER 2021					
4	Officer's Meeting, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X	6:30 pm			
10	Columbus Day Dinner, TBA	TBA			
11	Blood Drive, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X	2 to 6 pm			
14	Holy Hour & Council Meeting, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X	Holy Hour 5pm, Meal 6 pm & Meeting 7 pm			
16	Italian Dinner, St. Pius X, Farrell Hall	4 to 7 pm			
20	Midwest Food Bank, QCCA Expo Center, RI [Sign Up]	9 to 11:30 am			
24	Civic Awards Dinner for 2020 & 2021 Award Winners, Holiday Inn, Rock Island	TBA			
31	5 th Sunday Rosary, St. Pius X	10 am			
NOVEMBER 2021					
1	Officer's Meeting, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X	6:30 pm			
6	Deceased Members Mass, St. Pius X	4 pm			
11	Council Meeting, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X	Light Meal 6 pm & Meeting 7 pm			
17	Midwest Food Bank, QCCA Expo Center, RI [Sign Up]	9 to 11:30 am			
DECEMBER 2021					
3	KofC Bell Ringing/Salvation Army, Hy-Vee, R.I.	10 to 8 pm			
6	Officer's Meeting, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X	6:30 pm			
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9/11 Commemorative Golf Outing

August 30, 2021

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