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Upcoming Events

September 6

16-18 ID Drive, Various Locations

Officer's Meeting, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X 8 Council Meeting, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X

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

(Subject to Change; See Online Calendar) (Tuesday due to Labor Day) 6:30 pm Light Meal 6 pm & Meeting 7 pm 10 Mass of Remembrance for the Aborted Unborn, Calvary Cemetery, Rock Island TBA Greg will be asking for volunteers 9 to 11:30 am

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brother Knights,

I would like to welcome Fr. Peter to St. Pius X parish and Fr. Witold to St. Marys & Sacred Heart parishes. Looking forward to them joining their brother knights at our next meeting as their schedule permits. As August came to a close we enjoyed a great Italian Dinner. Now we move into September and October with several events coming up. Your commitment to the principles of the knights', charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism is what makes this council a success. I would also like to mention that let's not forget some of the knights who can no longer participate and we need to keep them in our prayers. Looks like the honor guard will be busy also so look for that call from the honor guard captain. See you all at September's meeting.

Let the holy spirit be your guide.

Vivat Jesus.

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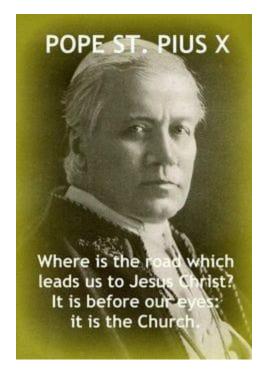
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<u>Anniversaries</u>

Congratulations to the 17 couples who are celebrating a wedding anniversary this month. May they celebrate many more! GARY & MARY NOWAK 09-01-1973 JEFFREY & RACHEL BANZ 09-04-1965 JAMES & BEVERLY CASEY 09-04-1971 DONALD & PATTI DELEU 09-05-1981 WILLIAM & MARY ANN SEAVER 09-05-1955 CRAIG & GERIANNE BENISCH 09-07-1996 John & Terri Marsho 09-10-2011 BRIAN & PAMELA BECKER 09-12-1992 MARK & LINDA HUGGINS 09-12-1981 RICHARD & JOAN SELLON 09-12-1959 **DAVID & JANIS HUBBS 09-16-1978** Mark & Susan Schaecher 09-17-1988 MICHAEL & COLLEEN CROWDER 09-20-1969 TERRANCE & JANE WIGGINS 09-21-1974 Forrest & Kathleen Belzer 09-26-1981 JOHN & JESSA JUSTICE 09-27-2008 JOHN & KAREN PHILLIPS 09-28-1985





26 brother Knights are celebrating a birthday this month. May they live as long as they want and a they live

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Thomas Van Uffelen Edward Bills James Fobert Dean Lackey James Kronfeld Ky Pobanz E H Richard Peterson Kenneth Steffen Jesse Lopez Dennis Carlson Charles Gibbs Gregory Murphy Robert Graff Lawrence Mack Michael McKinney Larry Adams Louis Granato Jr Michael Polaschek David Yordy William Carlough Rev Daniel Mirabelli Timothy Carlin Carl Pfeiffer Donald Voracek Drexel Franks Joseph Lazio

We want to recognize all our member's **birthdays & anniversaries**, but we can't if you don't tell us what this important date in your life is. Please call or email F.S. Dick Hunt so he can add or correct our records.



Please be advised that the Parish Festival that was scheduled August 20th has been rescheduled to Saturday, October 29th. Rick Cervantes Grand Knight Allouez Council 658



Pray For Us Members & Family Sick Or In Distress

We pray for our Brother Knights & family who are ill or otherwise incapacitated. Please email AllouezCouncil@Gmail.com to update. We remember the following members in our prayers:

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Vocation Raffle Report



Again a big thank you to those who have returned the raffle tickets you were sent. I always look forward to the mail coming in and hoping to see a few envelopes with tickets in them . I am sorry to say I haven't seen any for a while. I hope they are still in your hands . It is a great program to support . We need more priests and religious people. Bottom line is we're below where we would like to be in sales , but we have plenty of time to make our goal.

God Bless you all, Vocation Raffle Chairman,

Jim Wieland

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DEACON'S QUESTION BOX What really happened to Meatless Fridays? Question: I seem to be encountering more people who are practicing the old custom of Meatless Fridays. Is this still a valid practice in the Church?

Wasn't it ended by Pope Paul after the Second Vatican Council? Actually that is a misconception. Abstaining from meat as a penitential practice on Fridays was never formally suppressed for the universal church. How that practice is carried out in the life of the church did change after Vatican II. With these comments I would like to explore exactly what did happen. Let's begin with a brief historical perspective. Beginning in the ancient church Sundays were to be viewed as a mini Easter season and Fridays as a mini Lent. Fridays received this distinction because our Lord died on the Cross for us on a Friday. The discipline of abstaining from meat on Fridays as a penitential practice is to be intentionally joined to our Lord's death and became an integral part of the Church's life that dates back to at least the 8th century. It was so much a part of the church's life that it became part of Canon law when that law was first codified in the 1200's. Abstinence remains a part of the life of the Eastern Church's both Catholic and Orthodox and is in fact sterner than the practice in the West. In those churches abstinence also includes Wednesdays, as ours once did and also excludes fish, dairy, and other animal products like eggs. Looking to the code of Canon law for the current law of the church we find: Can. 1249: The divine law binds all the Christian faithful to do penance each in his or her own way. In order for all to be united among themselves by some common observance of penance, however, penitential days are prescribed on which the Christian faithful devote themselves in a special way to prayer, perform works of piety and charity, and deny themselves by fulfilling their own obligations more faithfully and especially by observing fast and abstinence, according to the norm of the canons. Can. 1250: The penitential days and times in the universal Church are every Friday of the whole year and the season of Lent. Can. 1251: Abstinence from meat, or from some other food as determined by the Episcopal Conference, is to be observed on all Fridays, unless a Solemnity should fall on a Friday. Abstinence and fasting are to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Please note these cannons were formally promulgated in the 1917 code of Canon law and remain largely unchanged in the 1983 code. Please note the reasoning is important; Penance is not man's idea, but God's. God says we must do penance. What sort of penance and when is not specified by the divine law, but as human beings, members of a community, and heirs to a tradition, it behooves us to have forms of penitential observance that bind us together, linking us to one another and to our common past. These canons were in effect in 1966 when Pope St. Paul VI wrote his document (Paenitimini) that reaffirmed the traditional theology of penance and abstinence. His focus was helping the church move from the practice of penance under the compulsion of the law to penance motivated by the heart. In November 1966 the US Bishops issued a "Pastoral Statement on Penance and Abstinence. In this document American Catholics were released from a strict obligation under pain of sin to keep Friday abstinence, the bishops emphasized that Friday was still a mandatory day of penance: indeed, they

wrote eloquently of Friday as a mini-Lent in the same way that Sunday is a "weekly Easter. And they made clear: "We give first place to abstinence from flesh meat. We do so in the hope that the Catholic community will ordinarily continue to abstain from meat by free choice as formerly we did in obedience to Church law." I would end by noting that the practice of abstaining from meat as a penitential discipline is gaining more and more support at the level of bishops around the world. Several bishops in the US and Australia have strongly encouraged the faithful of their dioceses to return to the practice of abstaining from meat on Fridays. The bishops of England and Wales restored the obligation of meatless Fridays for the faithful of their jurisdictions in 2011.



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, <u>rpswim@mchsi.com</u>, phone 786-3097.



Pro-Life Message

In a major disappointment to pro-life advocates, Kansans voted last month to reject a pro-life amendment that would have made clear that abortion is not protected in the state's Constitution. The amendment would have added the following language to the state Constitution, "Because Kansans value both women and children, the Constitution of the state of Kansas does not require the government funding of abortion and does not create or secure a right to abortion." The amendment went on to note that the issue of abortion should be decided by the people, "through their elected state representatives." The effort to pass the amendment came after the Kansas Supreme Court somehow discovered a "right" to abortion in a decision in 2019. That decision means that pro-life legislators in the state are prevented from passing almost any pro-life legislation. In response, pro-life advocates crafted and championed the "Value Them Both" amendment. The amendment was received well by legislators, with the Kansas House overwhelmingly approving it in 2021, and the Senate following suit earlier this year. However, Kansas voters ultimately rejected this amendment with a surprising 59-41% majority vote. Surprising, I say, because polls prior to the vote had suggested that supporters of the amendment may have had the slight upper hand. Most political observers expected the vote to be much closer than it ultimately was. Pro-life advocates, including the Bishops in the state and nationally have responded with serious disappointment. Kansas is a red state, surrounded by states where abortion is mostly or completely illegal post-Dobbs and the turning over of Roe. If Kansas continues to keep abortion legal, and even liberalizes the practice, there is a very real risk that the state will become an abortion "tourist"

destination (in fact, there is evidence that it already

is). That is, parents unable to obtain an abortion in a nearby red state could simply cross the border to Kansas and have their unborn children killed there, much like in Illinois. In a powerful statement responding to the vote, the Kansas Catholic Conference of Bishops expressed their own disappointment, saying that they are "sorry to see that the most vulnerable human being in our society—the unborn child—will not be protected but further treated with indifference and injustice."

The bishops added: We fully believe that all life is sacred and valuable by God's design, especially the unborn. Despite the outcome, the Church will continue to help mothers in crisis pregnancy situations. We will still promote ways in which a mother may say yes to life instead of choosing an abortion. The bishops also assured women who may have had abortions that, "The arms of the Church are always open so that those who are suffering may experience God's mercy, compassion and healing by our words and actions." They also thanked the "courage," "generous support," and "hard work" of those who worked to support the amendment.

Their statement concluded: There is much more to be accomplished in helping our society see the value and dignity of every human life from conception to natural death. We trust that God will bring good out of evil. In the end, the truth wins! No matter how deep the darkness is, no matter how long it reigns, no matter how much it grows, it cannot destroy the light. Too often, it can seem that evil is winning, but we know that the darkness will never defeat the light of Christ. We will continue to preach the truth with love and place all our trust in Jesus who gives us hope. "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." John 8:12 Although the vote is provoking a great deal of celebration among pro-abortion advocates, it is far from clear precisely what this vote means for the fight to protect preborn life in general. On the one hand, it is true that the vote has a certain symbolic importance for the abortion movement. The vote is the first plebiscite on abortion since the U.S. Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade in Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization. Furthermore, Kansas is generally considered a "red" state, and thus more pro-life than most states. According to one interpretation, the vote is a kind of "bellwether" pointing to things to come. That is, we can anticipate that when the rubber hits the road, voters even in red states will not vote pro-life post-Dobbs, no matter what the Supreme Court says. However, there are good reasons to be skeptical of this interpretation. Pro-life legal experts are pointing out that the vote in Kansas was swayed by the unclear language of the amendment itself, misinformation coming outright from the pro-abortion side, and an enormous investment of resources by pro-abortion advocates to secure their first post- Dobbs victory. "I think ultimately it came down to chaos, confusion, and lies ruling the day," Mallory Carroll, the vice president of communications for the pro-life Susan B. Anthony List, told Catholic News Agency recently. "The pro-abortion movement was very successful at claiming that this vote was going to be a vote to

stop all abortion in Kansas and put women's lives at risk."There are serious questions about whether Kansas voters really understood what they were voting for. Pro-abortion groups like Planned Parenthood, NARAL, and others campaigned

against the amendment, investing enormously in Kansas into obtaining their desired vote, with the lie that voting in favor of the amendment was equivalent to voting in favor of a total ban on abortion. In reality the amendment would've taken Kansas back to abortion neutrality, allowing lawmakers to legislate on the issue. The loss in Kansas was a big deal. There are real-world consequences that are hard to contemplate. Preborn children will die because of this vote. At the same time, however, we must not be misled by cynical voices who wish to convince us that the Kansas vote is a bigger deal than it is. Pro-lifers like us know just how big the stakes are in the fight over abortion. We know how many lives hang in the balance. For this reason, it is natural to feel distraught and discouraged in the wake of any loss. But on the other hand, there are so, so many reasons to be encouraged. Let us not forget the fact that after five decades of strenuous effort and prayer and fasting, the U.S. Supreme Court has just overturned Roe v. Wade! We are currently living in a post-Roe America – something that generations of pro-life advocates prayed and worked for! The tide is turning. In the grand scheme of things, a loss in a single state is but a temporary setback. No doubt the pro-life movement in Kansas is regrouping right now, figuring out how to put forward a measure that is clearer, and more likely to pass, ensuring that Kansas becomes a state that protects life. We must try to do the same in Illinois, even if the hill is much steeper.....We must Never give up!

Jack Swan, Pro-life Director



<u> 3 Digit Daily Raffle Game</u>

Below is a list of the numbers drawn in the Illinois Pick-3 Evening Lottery for the last & first half of the previous two months. If you would like to buy an available number(s) please contact David Sullivan: (309) 737-5569 or david.sullivan1@mchsi.com.

Each 3 digit number is \$27 per year **OR** \$10 per four month period; January-April, May-August, or September-December. Make checks payable to Knights of Columbus, & mail your payment to:

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July	3 Digits	Winner	Won
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16	939	No winner	<mark>50</mark>
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19	718	No winner	25
20	857	No winner	25
21	607	No winner	25
22	347	Rick Cervantes	25

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The Knights and the Italian Society produced another great "Authentic Italian Dinner" that served an estimated 400 persons. The 27 or so large variety of donated Raffle Baskets were a huge success thanks to Kathy Larsen and her crew of ladies. Thanks to ALL who worked in the "Kitchen and the Dining Rooms" cooking and serving. Everybody did a great job!!!

<u>Thanks also to those who attended</u> and supported the efforts of the Knights and Society to raise \$5,092 for the charities of the Knights and Society in our local communities. My thanks to my friend and Grand Knight Rick Cervantes, my Brother Knights, their wives/families, who worked with the Society.

Godfather Louie hopes that the Knights and Society can have another "Authentic Italian Dinner" in the Spring!

CIAO! ARRIVEDERCI!

Louie Alongi, Chairperson KofC and Society member



PRAYER FOR THE CANONIZATION OF FATHER MICHAEL J. MCGIVENEY God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. 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, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.





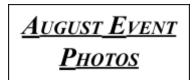
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Authentic Italian Dinner



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St. Pius X Catholic Church

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Monday, October 10 1:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

St. Pius X Catholic Church Gym

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13	Holy Hour & Council Meeting, Farrell Hall, St. Pius X	Holy Hour 5pm, Meal 6 pm & Meeting 7 pm
19	Midwest Food Bank, QCCA Expo Center, RI [Sign Up]	9 to 11:30 am
30	5 th Sunday Rosary, St. Pius X	10 am
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5	K of C Annual Mass for Deceased Members, St. Mary's, Rock	x Island 4 pm
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