

## Knights of Columbus 16169 October 2020 Newsletter

Worthy Brother Knights,

Fall is here and the cooler weather is here and warm weather sneaks in periodically. We had our October Meeting with in-person and online brothers in attendance. We did a Patriotic Rosary after the 9am Mass with Color Corps in attendance. We had a Knighting Ceremony for the new 7 Sir Knights in our council before the General Meeting October 13. We completed our Memorial Crosses program for RTL and thank you everyone that assisted. We completed the Public Square Rosary Crusade (America Needs Fatima Campaign) on Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at Noon. We had a great turnout of over 150 participants for the Crusade led by Father Paul and Color Corps. We had our MI Drive the weekend of October 10/11 after all masses. Thank you to Knights and families that helped collect donations. Our founder Father Michael J McGivney will be beatified on October 31 @ 11am. SJN continues to Live Stream the 8:30 Mass every Sunday.

We are starting the Fraternal Year strong. We are well on our way to STAR Award with Membership growth (44% of quota). Thank you, brothers please keep recruiting as the Catholic Church is under attack and we are needed now more than ever.

We received our STAR Award for the fraternal year 2019 to 2020 from our District Deputy/PGK Brian Zahn. Our PGK Dan Timmerman, Membership Director Larry Redman, and Program Director/PDGK Ed Hurst Jr. Fr Paul accepted the award for the council.

Ultrasound dedication at Family Life Services in Ypsilanti Michigan, October 15<sup>th</sup> @ 5pm. We are one of the many councils that donated funds for the 2<sup>nd</sup> ultrasound from AOD South area councils.

### **Soccer Challenge:**

- We had two winners from Diocesan Competition
  - Karl Hoeft – 13
  - Andrew Hoeft - 11

### **Family of the Month:**

The McGee family

- The McGee's joined SJN about fifteen years ago. John works as a tax accountant, and Nancy teaches English at a community college. We live in a log home south of Belleville.
- In addition to being a Knight, John has participated at SJN through being a volunteer at the blood drives and food pantry, serving as an EMHC, media minister, occasional sacristan, and catechist aid, and helping out at many of the special events, such as the parish picnic, St. Pat's Senior Center dinner, and International Dinner. He has also enjoyed participating in the church's bowling league, Alpha, and the Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible series, where he handled the videos.
- Nancy has been in the Women's Organization and has served as a sacristan for Masses and funerals, lector, RCIA facilitator, food pantry volunteer, Alpha prayer team member,

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interviewer for Called and Gifted, co-chair of Adult Faith Formation, and helper at special events such as the International Dinner. She has been a host and helper for Alpha sessions and, as parish vicariate rep, served on the Parish Council. She currently coordinates the Saturday book discussion group and online Story of Salvation Bible study and serves on the Discipleship Committee.

- Congratulations to the McGee Family. John and Nancy.

### **Knight of the Month:**

Daniel Skotak

- Dan is involved in many areas besides being a Knight. Brother Dan has been busy in helping with Memorial Crosses setup and take down, a Catechist for Chosen, helped with our annual fundraiser Reverse Raffle, Hospitality Weekends, Membership Drive, and Life Chain.
- Congratulations Dan Skotak as our Knight of the Month October 2020.

### **Happenings:**

Upcoming Events:

- Livestreaming the 8:30 mass on the SJN YouTube page weekly
- Fr. McGivney Beatification October 31, 2020 @ 11 am
- Special Olympics Trunk or Treat October 24, 2020 – Cancelled due to Covid-19
- World Mission Sunday October 18, 2020 @ 12:30 pm mass - Livestreamed
- Fr. Paul talk on Marian Apparitions in Church October 20, 2020 @ 7pm - Livestreamed
- November 13, 2020 Meeting: Knights Knosh @ 6:30/Meeting @ 7pm In-Person/Online
- November 20 – 21 24 Hour Adoration Security

### **Protecting God's Children:**

**Reminder:** SJN is currently reorganizing our plan for the AOD's Safe Environment Program to ensure all required information is on file. All parishioners who plan to volunteer in the parish will need to complete a New Michigan Background Check with a copy of driver's license and volunteer code of conduct (this is a new form required from the AOD) and ensure Protecting God's Children class is completed.

Please be safe and hope to see you at our meetings physically or online.

God Bless!

VIVAT JESUS

Edward A Hurst Jr, Grand Knight

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