



## K of C SJN Council 16169 March 2021 Newsletter



Worthy Brother Knights of St. John Neumann Council #16169,

We are in our 40-day journey to Easter. The COVID vaccination is being distributed to our front-line workers and most at risk. We conducted our March meeting with in-person and online brothers in attendance. SJN continues to Live Stream the 8:30 Mass every Sunday.

Reverse Raffle ticket sales continue. This will be a virtual event. Attendees will be asked to attend virtually. Instructions for the web link will be emailed to ticket holders the day of the raffle. In-person attendance will be raffle committee and others will be invited to join the party via livestream!

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2021-st-patricks-day-party-and-reverse-raffle-virtual-options-tickets-135581045557>

### **Dues Payments:**

About 84% have paid their 2021 dues. John Lutz, our Financial Secretary and I appreciate your prompt payment. If you have not received a dues bill, please let John or I know. Please let us know also if you are experiencing some extenuating circumstances and need a little more time or difficulty paying.

### **2021 State Raffle Drawing 4/15/2021**

**Sell tickets and if anymore are needed/or want to sell please contact District Deputy Brian Zahn DD114@mikofc.org**

### **E-Membership News:**

- **Extended until 6/30/21**
- **Code: MCGIVNEY2020**

Here's how it works:

- Direct prospects to [kofc.org/joinus](https://kofc.org/joinus)
- Enter promo code **MCGIVNEY2020**
- Enter your membership number for sponsor credit
- Invite e-members to our Council's next Charity/Unity/Fraternity Exemplification

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

Steve and Pam Sarlitto

- Steve has been married to his wife Pam for 37 years. Steve is originally from Chicago area; Pam is from central Indiana. They met at Purdue University and both graduated from there in 1982. They moved to Canton in 1987 and immediately joined St. John Neumann. They have one grown child Eric who is married to Kate and they live in Indianapolis. They are expecting their first child in early April, Steve, and Pam's first Grandchild! Steve recently retired from ZF Automotive Group (formerly TRW) after a 36½ year career in automotive electronics development and management. Pam retired from the



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Michigan State University Extension Service in 2017 from her role as a Foreclosure Prevention Specialist.

- Steve and Pam have together been involved in several Parish ministries since joining SJN. They are both Eucharistic Ministers at 8:30am Mass and have been since 1988, and since 1990 they have served as Baptismal Preparation Teachers. They were Co-Leaders of Young Marrieds Group from 1989 to 1994. They both have had leadership roles for several SJN Faith Sharing Programs. They were Recruiting Team members for the RENEW and GIFT programs from 1989 through 1995, Section Presenters for Journeys in Faith in 2009, and ALPHA Table Leader and Helper in 2015. They also participated with their RENEW group in a “Sandwich Ministry” in the Cass Corridor.
- Steve was a member of Parish Council from 1998 to 2004 and has been a regular participant on Men’s Prayer Breakfast from its beginning. Pam has been a Teacher for the First Communion Preparation classes and is a trained Sacristan and available when needed. Steve enjoys being a member of the SJN Men’s Softball Team. Pam and Steve have both been members of the SJN Bowling league.
- Outside of SJN Steve is involved in the Boy Scouts of America having held several Volunteer positions since 1999. Since 2005 he has volunteered with the Athletic Committee of the Dad’s Club at Detroit Catholic Central High School.
- Fun Fact: They met when Steve threw a snowball at Pam and explained to Pam that he had never seen snow before attending college.
- Congratulations Steve and Pam.

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

Brother Knight Jeff Battistella

- Jeff is a Knight officer (Warden) and a member of the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree.
- He regularly volunteers at multiple Knight programs including Membership Drives, Mental Impairment Drives, car washes, free throw and soccer challenges and reverse raffles.
- In addition, you will see Jeff supporting parish hospitality weekends, picnics, right-to-life crosses, church landscaping and decorating.
- Jeff also participates in faith programs including Alpha, That Man is You and Men’s Evening Program.
- Congratulations Brother Jeff as our Knight of the Month 2021.

### **KnightCast:**

- Premiered 2/25/2021
- Register: <https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/6105948/KnightCast-Registration>

### **Brother Knights interested in joining the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree:**

- Virtual Exemplification held on Saturday, March 6, 2021
- Please see our council 4<sup>th</sup> degree Sir Knights or me for Registration packets

### **Upcoming Events:**



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- Reverse Raffle Ticket Sales:
  - March 13/14 after all masses in gathering space: <https://volunteersignup.org/7DQQM>
- Meeting: March 9, 2021
  - Knights Knosh 6:30 pm/Meeting 7:00 pm
- District Free Throw Contest:
  - March 13 - Cancelled
- Reverse Raffle Virtual
  - March 17
  - 7pm
- State DD Meeting
  - March 18, 2021
  - Setup and Help during event
- Spring 2021 MI Drive/Tootsie Roll Drive
  - March 27/28 after all masses in Gathering Space
  - Signups: <https://volunteersignup.org/WRJLJ>
- Founder's Day Membership/Program Event
  - 139<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
  - 3/29/2021
- Regional Free Throw Contest:
  - April 10
- Good Friday Family Promotion
  - April 2, 2021
- Silver Rose Program
  - SJN April 14, 2021
  - Marshall Grazioli, Veva, John Guth
  - Color Corps – 4/14/21
  - Short Video
  - Prayer Program
  - Veneration from 3 to 5
- Fraternal Benefit Night: Paychecks and Playchecks
  - April 28, 2021
  - Register on state website under Statewide News
  - Register: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j>
- State Free Throw Contest:
  - May TBD

### **Nominations for Officers for 2021 2022 Fraternal Year**

- Notice is hereby given that our Worthy Financial Secretary John Lutz will be taking nominations for Council offices as well as running the Council election.



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- Notice is also hereby given that we will be taking nominations at the following General Council meetings: Tuesday, March 9, 2021, 7:00pm; Tuesday, April 13, 2021, 7:00 pm; and Tuesday, May 11, 2021, 7:00 pm. The election will be held at the May 11, 2021, 7:00 pm General Council meeting after nominations are closed.
- Please consider running for one of the offices. We have a lot of new members, and it would be great to see some of them decide that leadership of our council is an activity of which they would like to take part.

### **Shirts and Badge Ordering:**

- Brother Joe Bradley, is the contact person for name badge
  - [csmjb@protonmail.com](mailto:csmjb@protonmail.com)
  - 734-459-1764
- Brother Mike Cartier is the contact for shirts, jackets, hats, etc.
  - [mikeandnoel81@comcast.net](mailto:mikeandnoel81@comcast.net)
  - 734-459-5635.

### **Pope Francis Center – Amazon site:**

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/genericItemsPage/2R39ZAWLWD08I?ref=wl\\_fv\\_le](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/genericItemsPage/2R39ZAWLWD08I?ref=wl_fv_le)

### **Donuts to Go**

- Weekend after Easter (Final date and process coming soon)
- Glazed and Chocolate Glazed in Ziploc bags

### **Polar Plunge**

- Brother Knights and Exodus 90 participants have formed a team
- Please support us at: <https://www.classy.org/team/341173>
- SJN Exodus 90 Ice Plungers
- Goal met at 1,000 and we would love to knock it out of the park.

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

**Reminder:** All Knights 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), forms available at <https://sjncanton.org/christian-service> and ensure Protecting God's Children class is completed. The Protecting God's Children is available online at [https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/protecting\\_children.cfm?](https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/protecting_children.cfm?)

VIVAT JESUS

Edward A Hurst Jr.

Grand Knight

St. John Neumann Council #16169