



# NEUMANN KNIGHTS

St John Neumann Knights of Columbus  
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## *From the Desk of the Grand Knight*

Greetings Brother Knights and St. John Neumann Council Family,  
 Vivat Jesus!

Happy New Year!!

Please note that the Father McGivney E-Membership has been extended until June 30, 2022.

The month of February brings many events and celebrations. Hospitality Weekend/Knights Table, February 8 Business Meeting, and District & Regional Free Throw Contest February 6/12, 2022, Respectively.

As I sit here, and reflect on the upcoming year, we have many programs and improved on existing ones. I look forward to second half of the Fraternal Year and all we can accomplish together. Thank to my Brother Knights of Columbus Council 16169.

I Pray the New Year finds everyone well.

Please keep all those on our prayer list in your prayers.



Fraternally Yours,  
 Edward A Hurst Jr  
 Grand Knight

**Our meetings are every second Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm at the church, and all Knights in good standing are welcome!**

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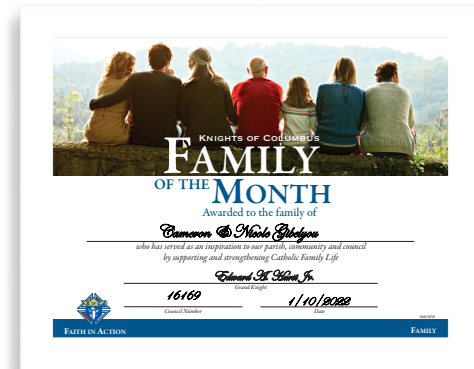
**Chairman**

Ronald Rathbun

# Family of the Month

## the Gibelyou Family

Cameron and Nicole Gibelyou! We have been parishioners of SJN since 2013. We have been married for 8.5 years and have one child, Joshua. Joshua and Nicole go to kindergarten story time, Nicole runs the family ministry e-mail list, and Cameron is the head of our family of faith. Both Nicole and Cameron are published authors, with Nicole having written a prayer book entitled Praying Through Baby's First Year and Cameron a book about science and history called Big Ideas: A Guide to the History of Everything. • Congratulations to the Gibelyou Family!

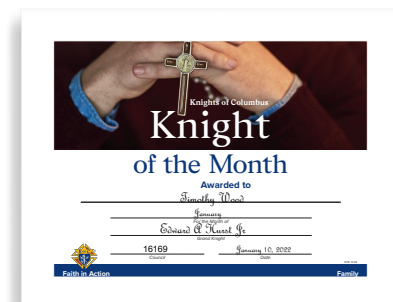


# Knight of the Month

## Tim Wood

Tim Wood has been active in our councils's programs. He has served as the Exemplification Lead, worked the Hospitality Weekends, active in the Membership Drives & MI Drive. Besides being active in our council, Tim participates in church activities such as Parish being a Catechist, Alpha, Lector & That Man is you. His community activities include Salvation Army.

Congratulations Brother Tim, January Knight of the Month!



## Brother Knights and Friends That Need our Prayers

If you or a family member or Friend is in need of our prayers please contact our Chancellor or any officer to add them

Brian Hubacek Family, friend of bro Larry Redman  
 Brother Edmund Chrostowski  
 Sharleen Borke, wife of bro Tom Borke  
 Grandmother of Michelle Pilotto Kennedy, wife of bro  
 Dave Kennedy  
 Bo Marshall, friend of GK Ed Hurst  
 Al Hill, husband of Becky Hill & friend of GK Ed Hurst  
 Cecilia Massarello, wife of bro Jack Massarello  
 Christopher Hurst, bro of GK Ed Hurst  
 Logan Hurst, nephew of GK Ed Hurst  
 Isaac Hurst, nephew of GK Ed Hurst  
 Pam Timmerman, wife of PGK Dan Timmerman  
 Brother Knight John Guth and wife Jamie  
 Eddie Montoya, co-worker of Dennis Oszust  
 Penny Randall, mother of bro Clint Randall  
 Judy Reamer, wife of Larry Reamer & frined of bro Paul  
 Bak  
 Pam Turek, friend of Dan Timmerman  
 Yvette Correy, friend of Dan Timmerman  
 Karen Gedemer, cousin of bro Ron Kretschmer  
 Brother Joseph Pryce  
 Brooke Skotak, relative of bro Daniel J Skotak  
 SK Ed Hurst, Lady Mary Alice Hurst and the rest of the  
 Donna Curtiss family  
 Bro Mike Cartier  
 Mike Howe, uncle of brother Walter Stang  
 Bob Beetle, boss of Bro Brandon Demiter  
 Henry Shaheen Heavilin, great grandson of SK Edmund  
 Shaheen. Grand Knight Ed Hurst, Jr.  
 Linda Pfeiffer, wife of brother Dan Pfeiffer  
 Luke Walling grandson of bro Jeff Matheny  
 Brother Mike Kelch, friend of bro Edward A Hurst Jr.  
 Julie Cervan, Sister of Bro Steve Sarlitto  
 Tina Sarlitto Mother of Bro Steve Sarlitto  
 Ron Sarlitto, Father of Steve Sarlitto  
 Greg Womack, co-worker of GK Edward A Hurst Jr.  
 Steve Neubecker, co-worker of GK Edward A Hurst Jr.  
 Sandy Walke, co-worker of GK Edward A Hurst Jr.  
 Brother Jeff Battistella, friend of GK Edward A Hurst Jr.  
 Nancy Lang, wife of bro Chuck Lang  
 Patty Petretta, wife of Bro Leo Petretta  
 Chris Ramey son-in-law of bro Tim Bodnar  
 Anneliese Kelch, daughter of bro Mike Kelch

Debbie Kelch, wife of Bro Mike Kelch.  
 Cody Deaton, Cousin of brother Knight Edward Hurst  
 Jr  
 Joyce Hansen, wife of brother and former District  
 Deputy Hans Hansen  
 Makenna Rugenski, daughter of brother Robert J  
 Rugenski  
 Ken Pietryga, friend of brother Edward A Hurst Jr.  
 Nancy McGee, friend of brother Edward A Hurst Jr.  
 Jody Hurst, relative of GK Edward A Hurst Jr.  
 Nicole Taylor, friend of bro Ron Kretschmer's wife  
 Vicki Barker, daughter of brother George Peters, and  
 her surgeons and care-givers  
 SK John N Lutz, father of bro John Lutz  
 Barbara Demiter, mother of bro Dan Demiter  
 Melanie Adelman, friend of GK Edward A Hurst Jr.  
 Hans Hansen PGK, FDD, friend of GK Edward A  
 Hurst Jr.  
 Dan Timmerman PGK  
 Rev. Timothy Nelson and Rev. Rick Eberle, fellow  
 brothers of GK Edward Hurst Jr.  
 Catherine Leveque, friend of GK Edward A Hurst Jr.  
 Lucille Lang, mother of bro Chuck Lang  
 Donna Curtiss, parent of Gk Edward A Hurst Jr.  
 BroPhil Wawrzyniec, brother-in-law of bro Gene  
 Suchyta  
 Jason Gallinat, step-son of bro Mike Kelch  
 Theresa Nutten, daughter of bro Alan Nutten  
 Avery Andreolli, granddaughter of bro Dave  
 Andreolli  
 Christopher Demiter, son of brother Brendon Demiter,  
 friend of GK Edward A Hurst Jr.  
 Brother Joe Palukis, friend of GK Edward A Hurst Jr.  
 Bill Kumm, friend of bro Larry P Redman  
 Dennis Zeni, friend of bro Larry P Redman  
 Ellen M., friend of bro Larry P Redman  
 Brother Ron Mlynek's wife & family  
 Lynette Owens, sister-in-law of Bro Steve Sarlitto  
 William Pierce, uncle of Bro Dave Andreolli  
 Nicole Brown, niece of Bro Joe Camill  
 Brother Paul Trost  
 Brother Jeff Matheny  
 Fr. Theo DeCuna, friend of GK Edward A Hurst Jr.  
 Andy Darmanin, friend of bro Joseph C Bradley  
 Glenn Timmerman, brother of PGK Dan Timmerman

## Birthdays for February



James F Pryce  
Joseph C Carnes  
Lawrence A Maccani  
Dr. Matt P Steffes

Darrin P Burek  
Jeffrey A Patsy  
John Safran  
Steven R Sarlitto

Paul J Schwartz  
Joseph Pelotas  
Larry P Rredman  
Timothy A Gondek

## Membership Anniversaries for February

### 1 Year of Service and above

Robert A Johnson (3 yrs)  
Robert J Dempsey Jr (3 yrs)  
Joseph M Henn Jr. (3 yrs)  
Leonard J Carravallah (3 yrs)  
Leo H Petretta ( 4 yrs)  
Edward D Millenbach (4 yrs)  
Julius C Pablo (4 yrs)

### 5 Years of Service and above

Daniel A Bihn (5 yrs)  
Andrew J Miller (5 yrs)  
Charles J Lang (5 yrs)  
Stephen C Moraca (6 yrs)  
Joseph P Camill (6 yrs)  
Marcel I Loosbrock (6 yrs)

### 10 Years and Above

Paul J Schwartz (10 yrs)  
Jose N Villarreal (15 yrs)

### 20 Years and Above


Larry P Redman (20 Years)  
John A Lutz (34 years)  
Timothy F Lauster ( 44 years)  
James J Jermanus (50 Years)



KnightCast is a groundbreaking new video series from the Knights of Columbus with the aim of engaging today's Catholic men in a compelling conversation about the Catholic Faith and their own, personal growth as they lead their families in service to the Church.

Featuring host Jonathan Reyes as well as guests and subject matter experts in each episode, KnightCast seeks to cover topics ranging from sports and marriage to evangelization and the Saints.

### **DON'T MISS ALL NEW KNIGHTCAST VIDEOS**

Please click **SUBSCRIBE**, then Click the "Notification Bell" =  and select "ALL". This will make sure that you are notified when any new video is release

Go to our website <https://www.kofc.org/knightcast> to join our mailing list and learn more.



## Can't Get to the Meeting?

We will bring the meeting to you. All meetings are on zoom and you can attend and participate from anywhere in the world.

The general membership meeting is held very 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7PM in Baldwin hall at the church.

If you can not attend, our worthy Grand Knight will send everyone a link to the zoom meeting. It is simple and you can elect to be seen or not. Be sure to mute your computer, phone or device and unmute if you want to be heard.

# Desert Formation Dinner

## Support our Seminarians



Let's support our seminarians at Sacred Heart Major Seminary! Mark your calendar and come help us raise funds for our seminarians' travel to the Holy Land as part of their priestly training.

The Desert Formation Experience is the thirty-day spiritual pilgrimage first-year graduate seminarians make each year to the Holy Land. There they experience firsthand the places Christ walked and taught, suffered and died, while seeking his guidance in their own walk toward the priesthood.

The ultimate goal of the Desert Formation Experience and all of the summer programs is to ensure the priest-graduate of the seminary is a man of strong character and deep spirituality; a man you can be proud to call your spiritual "Father."

The Desert Formation Experience cost roughly \$200 per seminarian per day (\$1,500 per week). For only \$20 per person, come and help us raise funds while you enjoy a nice dinner and, of course, enjoy great fellowship. Meet two of our own Canton-Plymouth seminarians:



# February Calendar of events



- February 5 First Saturday Mass
- February 5 Family of Parish - Day of Recollection
- February 5 Hospitality Weekend Saturday
- February 6 Pancake Hospitality Weekend (Seminarian)-
- February 6 District Free Throw Contest
- February 8 Knights Knosh/Business Meeting
- February 12 Family Ministry Event -
- February 12 Regional Free Throw Contest
- February 12 80th Annual Michigan State Bowling Tournament Begins
- February 19 Polar Plunge Wayne
- February 19 Parish International Dinner -
- February 25 Desert Meal for Seminarians
- February 26 State Chaplain and State Deputy's Membership Tribute Banquet Dinner



## Casey the Teddy Bear



Our council has been purchasing cases of "Casey" the Knights of Columbus bear. Last year the members voted to present a "Casey" bear to each child that is baptized at St. John Neumann. Prior to this we sent the bears to Canton police and fire departments to be given when they responded to situation that involved a child.

Our council has just reordered four more cases of the bears for the upcoming year. The St. John Neumann knights are happy to present Casey to every new Catholic child baptized.



## Going Above and Beyond the Call

On January 2, 2022, our council was called upon to help with the hospitality weekend. As usual members of our council stepped right up and the hospitality weekend went on without a problem. At our January meeting these knights were recognized and presented certificates. These knights that went above and beyond were Larry and Cathy Redman, Joe and Roz Bradley, Dennis Oszust, Joe Camill, Chuck Lang and Robert Liebau.



Also at the January council meeting, brothers Gene Suchyta was recognized for helping with the distribution of Coats for Kids in November, 2021. Gene also helped move coats between locations and took photos for both the council and the state. The Knights of Columbus in Michigan were able to provide new coats to hundreds of kids through the generosity of the councils in the state.

## YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

To continue our many programs we must depend on the help of all of our members. Most of these positions that need to be filled only take a little of your time. Pick the program that you like the most and click on the link below. Please review the following links to the current programs that need your help.

[January and February 2021: Cans for Seminararians](#)

[February 2/3: Pancake Hospitality Week-End](#)

[February 12/13: Reverse Raffle post mass ticket sales](#)

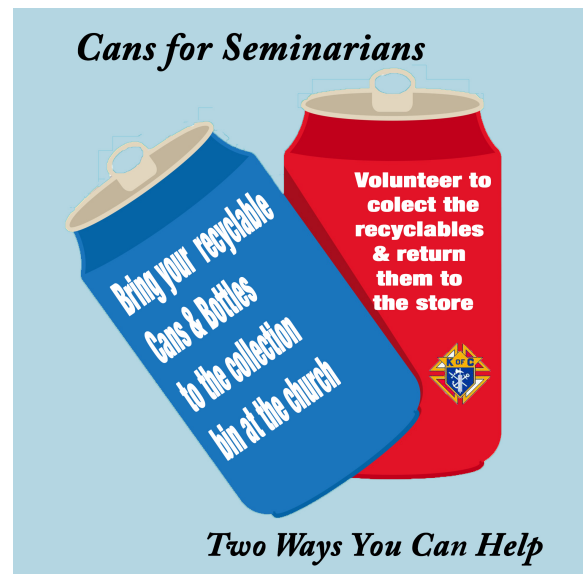
[February 19/20: Reverse Raffle post mass ticket sales](#)

[February 26/27: Reverse Raffle post mass ticket sales](#)

[March 5/6: Reverse Raffle post mass ticket sales](#)

[March 12/13: Reverse Raffle post mass ticket sales](#)

[March 19 St Patricks day Reverse Raffle sign up](#)



## Thank You

Thank you to all that helped by collecting the recyclables or donating your cans and bottles. The “Cans for Seminararians” program has been a huge success. Around \$8,000 has been collected so far. The program is going to continue on and your support will be greatly appreciated.

## Free E-Membership Extended One More Time!

The online or e-membership code to honor Fr. Michael J. McGivney has been extended again! Until June 30th, 2022 the free online membership code is MCGIVNEY2020  
Here's how it works .Direct prospects to [kofc.org/joinus](http://kofc.org/joinus). Enter promo code **MCGIVNEY2020**. Enter your membership number for sponsor credit. Invite e-members to your Council's next Charity/Unity/Fraternity Exemplification.

## State Chaplain and State Deputy's Membership Tribute Banquet

This year we have several changes to the Tribute Banquet. Because of the situation with Covid-19 last year we were unable to have our Banquet. This year we will be honoring both our State Chaplain and State Deputy and we will be moving this venue to Zuccaro's Banquets & Catering in Chesterfield, MI. Reservations are available through the Michigan State Council Office on a first come, first served basis. A check or money order must accompany all reservation requests. Make all checks payable to the Michigan State Council/memo line – Tribute Banquet Tickets. Checks are to be mailed to the Michigan State Council Office, 6025 Wall Street, Sterling Heights, Michigan 48312 Tables for ten (10) may be reserved by individual Councils, Assemblies or groups. No tickets will be sold at the door.



### ADMITTANCE BY RESERVATION ONLY.

Date: Saturday, February 26, 2022  
Place: Zuccaro's Banquets & Catering  
46601 Gratiot Ave.  
Chesterfield Twp., Michigan 48051  
Social Hour: Starts at 6pm  
Dinner: Dinner at 7:00pm with Program to follow  
Donation: \$30.00 per person

## Hospitality Sunday



Our council coordinates many Hospitality Sundays. On the week-end of February 5/6 we will be grilling and serving pancakes at the Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am and 12:30pm masses. For these "pancake" masses, we need 8 to 10 people.

We will also be serving cookies and coffee after Saturday 4:30pm. We need 3 to 4 people for this.

This includes one brother to man our KofC information table.

Please [click here](#) to sign-up.



## Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for articles or information to be included in the monthly newsletter is the 24th of every month. Please send any info to [ronaldrathbun@gmail.com](mailto:ronaldrathbun@gmail.com).



## BUY NOW Reverse Raffle

Date & Time Sat, Mar 19  
7:00 PM - 11:00 PM EST

Raffle Ticket - \$25.00 each  
 Grand Prize \$1,500.00,  
 2nd \$500.00,  
 3rd \$300.00,  
 4th \$200.00,  
 5th \$100.00

Also: \$100 1st ticket drawn and \$25 will be awarded for every 25th ticket drawn.

Watch the drawing via a Zoom Link that will be emailed to each ticket holder before the Event.

Raffle will be viewable on-line and at dinner

[CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE YOUR RAFFLE](#)



## “THE WALK OF FAME”.

In 1984, the Great Lakes Region of Caravans of the Order of Alhambra jointly purchased a camp in the Irish Hills of Michigan, now known as St. Francis Camp on the Lake.

St. Francis Camp on the Lake is a 501-(c)3, non-profit organization committed to providing the ultimate camp experience to children and adults with developmental disabilities. St. Francis Camp on the Lake is the premier camping facility for those with special needs. Our 36-acre site includes 195 feet of waterfront located on the shores of Goose Lake, sandy beach, rustic woods, developed nature trails, sports area, adventure course and two beautiful cedar lodges where campers and counselors are housed.

In 2012, with the help of the Knights, the camp built a brand new 35 bed log cabin style dormitory now called



“KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL”. The camp is now launching a new campaign to help support the ongoing expenses of this building. The current KNIGHT OF THE YEAR and FAMILY OF THE YEAR awards program pays tribute by presenting the recipient a plaque with that recognition. It is thought to expand and replace this program by offering a BRICK OF HONOR to be installed at St. Francis Camp on the Lake, displaying this achievement for perpetuity. This effort is twofold, one it still recognizes the achievement and two by purchasing the BRICK OF HONOR will create a badly needed funding source to support the camp and our campers by providing them with the ultimate camping experience they so richly deserve. A special place has been set aside for this ongoing campaign. It will extend along the walkway to KNIGHTS HALL and will now be known as “THE WALK OF FAME”.

By vote of our members, starting this year our council purchase these Bricks of honor to recognize our Knight and family of the year.



## Poster Winners Recognized

Just prior to our January meeting, the winners of the **2021 Keep Christ in Christmas** were honored and presented with their awards.



Age 5-7 Division: winner

Margaret Tallman.

Age 8-10 Division: winner Lucas Toth.

Age 11-14 Division: winner Lily Sajkovic.



*Congratulations to all!* Since no other council in our district held the contest the three winners from our council will move on to compete in the regional level on February 12 which will be followed by the State level. International

winners will be announced approximately March 15th.

**Let us cheer on our three council winners.**

## Drivers Needed For Sunday Mass

**Join the Ride-To-Mass Ministry**

**Drive those who are unable to drive go to Mass**

**Contact Brother Randy Martin or contact the parish office at 734-455-5910**

For the most up to Date Council Information  
Visit our website  
<https://kofc16169.org/>

## Rise Up and Answer the Call (and win money too!)

To enter this raffle, you only need to sponsor a new member between January 1<sup>st</sup> and March 31<sup>st</sup>.

The State will draw 2 lucky winners the first week of April.

To get credit as a sponsor make sure that your membership number is listed on the e-membership



application or on the Form 100 application. Supreme puts out a month list of recruiters to the State Deputy and State Membership Director. We will use this list for the entries into the Q3 sponsorship raffles.

**Monthly \$100 Bonus Raffle:** The sponsors from each month that we exceed our goals will be entered to win a \$100 bonus raffle per month. The goals from each month are as follows 200+ new members in January, 225+ new members in February, and 250+ new members in March.

*We need everyone engaged in membership growth and earning the opportunity to win the great prizes.*

# HISPANIC LEADERS NEEDED

By: Dan Fuller, State Membership Director

We are in great need of English-Spanish bilingual Brother Knights with a love for our Order. Michigan has a growing Hispanic Catholic population and we lack the skilled leadership to bring them the benefits of our brotherhood.

There are numerous parishes with large populations of Hispanic

**NUESTRA MISIÓN:** Juntos, estamos empoderando a los hombres católicos para que vivan su fe en el hogar, en su parroquia, en el trabajo y en su comunidad.

**Únete a los Caballeros!**



Escanee el código QR para obtener el regalo invaluable de una membresía gratuita



Catholic parishioners that are not served properly by the Knights of Columbus or Caballeros de Colon.

The Caballeros de Colon is the best organization to put our Hispanic Catholic Men's Faith Into Action. Our Order will empower them to live their faith more fully and our benefits will protect the futures of their families.

We need the skills of bilingual Brother Knights to become leaders in the Dioceses and Districts across our State where these Hispanic families live and worship.

If you believe that our Order changes lives and saves lives we need you. Please apply to this **HELP WANTED AD, ASAP**. Contact me at **d.fuller@mikofc.org**

Thank you for helping us empower our Hispanic brothers and their families.

Our Lady of Guadeloupe, pray for us

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## St. Al's Ice Mass at Our Lady of the Snows

Have you ever wanted to experience the Ice Chapel Mass? Here is your chance.

Are you ready for the Ice Mass at St. Al's?

Register to sign up to receive updates about live streaming of the 2022 Mass at Our Lady of the Snows Chapel. Everyone who registers will receive an Ice Mass magnet!

[Link to Registration](#)

**Knights of Columbus**



Gary "Elwood" DeCarlo  
(586) 436-0121  
Kevin "Joliet Jake" Rowley  
(586) 596-8649



Rev. Fr. Paul Belien  
State Chaplain

**We Need You!**  
Tickets Only \$5.00 ea.

"We're on a Mission from God"

<p><b>CHARITY - 1st DEGREE PRIZE</b></p>  <p><b>STAFFORD PERRY HOTEL, PETOSKEY, MI</b> 4 Guests / 2 Nights / 2 Rooms * Deluxe King Room with Balcony and Lake View <b>PLUS \$12,000.00 CASH</b></p>	<p><b>UNITY - 2nd DEGREE PRIZE</b></p>  <p><b>AMWAY GRAND HOTEL, GRAND RAPIDS, MI</b> 4 Guests / 2 Nights / 2 Rooms *Includes Guided Beer Tour with Transportation <b>PLUS \$3,000.00 CASH</b></p>
<p><b>FRATERNITY - 3rd DEGREE PRIZE</b></p>  <p><b>HOTEL SAUGTUCK, BED AND BREAKFAST, SAUGTUCK, MI</b> 4 Guests / 2 Nights / 2 Rooms <b>PLUS \$2,000.00 CASH</b></p>	<p><b>PATRIOTIC - 4th DEGREE</b></p>  <p><b>HISTORIC OJIBWAY HOTEL, SAULT SAINT MARIE, MI</b> 4 Guests / 2 Nights / 2 Rooms <b>PLUS \$1,000.00 CASH</b></p>

5<sup>TH</sup> - 10<sup>TH</sup> Prizes = \$400.00      11<sup>TH</sup> - 20<sup>TH</sup> Prizes = \$200.00  
 21<sup>ST</sup> - 30<sup>TH</sup> Prizes = \$150.00      31<sup>ST</sup> - 40<sup>TH</sup> Prizes = \$100.00

Drawing: Thursday, April 21, 2022 Doors Open @ 5:00 pm Drawing @ 8:00 pm  
St. John Neumann Parish, 44800 Warren Rd., Canton, MI 48187 (586) 436-0121

## Pope John XXIII assembly 1536



On December 18, 2021, members of Pope John XXIII assembly 1536 Color Corps and members of Msgr. Schulte assembly 0492 Color Corps were joined by Archbishop Alan Vigneron, State Chaplain Paul Ballien, State Deputy Walter Winkle, State Advocate Charlie McCuen, Brig. Gen. (ret.) Carol Ann Fausone and Dearborn Hts. Mayor Bill Bazzi for Wreaths Across America at St. Hedwig Cemetery in Dearborn Heights. After the ceremony, over 700 wreaths were placed on veterans graves to help remember the service they gave to our country.



### Men's Prayer Breakfast Men of St. John Neumann

All men of the parish are invited to come join us for faith, food and fellowship!

Our Men's Prayer Breakfast meets every Thursday at 6:00am in Baldwin Hall!

Contact: Ron Kretschmer  
734-756-4425  
ronkretschmer@gmail.com

## Order Knightware



Order your Knight wear like dress shirts, polo shirts, hats, jacket or any Knights of Columbus gear can be purchased. Brother knight Mike Cartier coordinates all the orders. A price list and order form is available at the parish office or contact Mike at [mikeandnoel81@comcast.net](mailto:mikeandnoel81@comcast.net) 734.459.5635

## Let's be "Friends"!

Follow Michigan Knights of Columbus on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/MichiganKofC](https://www.facebook.com/MichiganKofC)) for up-to-date news on statewide Faith in Action events and activities. "Like" and "Share" with your friends, family, and prospective members today!



Eucharistic Adoration Fridays The Blessed Sacrament is exposed in the main Church after the 9 am Friday Mass. Exposition is made available until 7pm concluding with benediction. Come in to pray and spend some time with the Lord.

## Our Council's Free throw Champions



Our annual Council Free Throw contest was held at St. John Neumann on Saturday January 22 in the gym. Participating this year were: Lucas Toth, Nathan Leleniewski, Santiago Reyes, Tyler Pline and Dominic Toth. Age group winners were Lucas Toth (Age 9), Nathan Leleniewski, (Age 11) and Santiago Reyes (Age 12). The winners will move on to the District Competition on February, 6 also at St. John Neuman. Thank you to all the Knights who assisted in putting on this year's competition and good luck to the winners!

The number of participates was down from last year. This may be due to the fact that with Covid people are still not ready to gather or participate. Even if only five boys participated, all had a good and fun time. The Regional competition Saturday, February 12, 2022. All competitions will be at St. John Neumann's gym.

## Knights March for Life A reprint from Knightline

*Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly, participating in the March for Life for the first time as leader of the Knights, expressed his support for the tens of thousands of people who took part in the annual demonstration. The march occurred as the Supreme Court weighs Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization, the most significant challenge in many years to Roe v. Wade, the landmark case that legalized abortion in all 50 states in 1973.*

Knights of Columbus from across the United States joined other pro-life advocates Jan. 21 in Washington, D.C., to defend the rights of unborn children at a historic March for Life. Only a few days before, the Order placed its 1,500th ultrasound machine in a pregnancy resource center, a major milestone for the Ultrasound Initiative, which has helped countless women choose life since the program began in 2009.



A new Marist Poll, commissioned by the Knights of Columbus, shows that 71% of Americans support legal limits on abortion and 81% believe our laws should protect both the mother and her unborn child.



**IN THE USA, ABORTION TAKES THE LIVES OF OVER 600,000 BABIES A YEAR. DOBBS V. JACKSON WOMEN'S HEALTH COULD CHANGE THAT.**



## A Message From Your Knights of Columbus Field Agent

Dear Brother,

Best wishes for a Happy and Healthy New Year!

As the daylight increases through January I set my sight on the new year and what I would like to accomplish. Setting goals seems like a better idea than making the traditional New Year's resolutions. Those resolutions seem to go by the wayside pretty quickly; maybe because they always seem the same year after year.

One goal I have set for this year is to check in with every single member. Many of you filled out the Annual Survey you received at the end of last year. Thanks to those that did! It allows me to update contact information and provide service for specific needs. If you did not yet complete it, I encourage you to complete and return it. It can be done online or by return mail.

Another focus I have for goals this year is to follow the tips for everyday holiness from St. Teresa of Calcutta. I recently printed them out and posted them on my refrigerator so I see them each day. Here they are:

**1. Speak as little about yourself as possible.**

Tip: Ask others about their day, and take time to listen!

**2. Keep busy with your own affairs and not those of others.**

**3. Avoid curiosity.**

Tip: She's talking about being nosy—the bad kind of curiosity!

**4. Accept small irritations with good humor.**

**5. Do not dwell on the faults of others.**

Remember: When you do this, you forget the GOOD in people and that they're a child of God, too!

**6. Accept censures even if unmerited.**

Tip: By this, she means taking DISAPPROVAL in a humble way.

**7. Be courteous and delicate even when provoked by someone.**

Tip: Know when to walk away or "stop responding." This can be hard and require extra prayers.

**8. Choose always the more difficult task.**

St. Teresa of Calcutta was known for her simplicity. These are simple tips, but often hard to do.

Please let me know how I may be of service to you and your family!

Again, best wishes for a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Vivat Jesus!

Be safe, stay safe, and know your risk.

God Bless,

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