



NEUMANN KNIGHTS

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

Brother Knights,

On the weekend of September 10 & 11, Bishop Boyea issued a pastoral letter to be read at all Sunday Masses across the Diocese of Lansing in which he warned of the extreme nature of the proposed **Reproductive Freedom for All** constitutional amendment which will appear on ballots in November's election as **Proposal 3**.

"I want to be clear," said Bishop Boyea, "The Reproductive Freedom for All initiative is the most extreme abortion proposal this country has ever witnessed."

Bishop Boyea's message is extremely clear and to the point! I believe it is so important, that I felt compelled to share it with you. Bishop Boyea noted that the Governor of the State of Michigan has said repeatedly that she, and her allies in the pro-abortion lobby, will, quote, "fight like hell" to prevail on the matter of abortion. Here is the **Pastoral Letter by Bishop Earl Boyea of Lansing**:

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

In 1931 the State of Michigan enacted strong pro-life legislation. This is our present law. In 1972, supporters of abortion brought that 1931 law before voters in a statewide ballot initiative. The people of this state rejected abortion. This is the last time the issue was tested at the ballot box.

Today, I call to our attention a new and grave threat to our children and to our culture of life. It is called the **Reproductive Freedom for All initiative**.

The Reproductive Freedom for All initiative will be on our ballots this fall where it will appear as Proposal 3. It seeks the approval of the people of this state to amend the Constitution of this State to include a so-called "right to abortion". This effort is spearheaded by Planned Parenthood and the American Civil Liberties Union. To tinker with the Constitution is very serious business. We should reject this proposal on that basis alone.

However, I want to be clear. **The Reproductive Freedom for All initiative is the most extreme abortion proposal this country has ever witnessed.** Based on the wording of the proposed amendment, this initiative seeks to enshrine abortion up to, and including, the day of birth in our state constitution. **It also seeks to eliminate dozens of Michigan laws that presently regulate abortion.** These include (eliminating) parental consent and notification laws; (eliminate) laws that prohibit partial-birth abortion; (eliminate) informed medical consent laws; (eliminate) 24-hour waiting periods; (eliminate) taxpayer funded abortion; (eliminate) laws that require abortion facilities to be licensed and inspected by the State of Michigan; (eliminate) laws that prosecute anyone who injures or kills a woman during an abortion; and (eliminate) laws that protect the conscience rights of persons who refuse to participate in abortion such as doctors and nurses.

What is more, the scope of the Reproductive Freedom for All proposal is not limited to the issue of abortion. **It will also likely prohibit parental consent rights if your child wishes to pursue – or is being pressured into pursuing –**



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From the Desk of the Grand Knight

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medical procedures or chemical treatments intended to change the outward appearance of his or her biological sex. These include puberty blocking drugs and cross-sex hormones. Such invasive treatments for children who are gender-confused can inflict irreversible physiological damage coupled with long-term psychological, emotional and spiritual damage upon an already vulnerable young person.

It is likely that the Reproductive Freedom for All campaign will place Michigan at the national epicenter of the abortion debate. The pro-abortion lobby has already spent an estimated \$10 million collecting the needed signatures. Significantly more money will be spent during the campaign with pro-abortion elected officials and advocacy groups across the country ready to bombard Michigan voters with their propaganda in the weeks to come. As the Governor of this State has said repeatedly, both she and her allies in the pro-abortion lobby will, quote, "fight like hell" to prevail on this matter.

How then do we respond to those who fight like hell? Simple: We fight like heaven. What does that entail? First: We have to employ the three great spiritual weapons of the Christian life: Prayer, fasting and almsgiving. As Saint Peter Chrysologus wrote in the 5th century:

"Fasting is the soul of prayer, mercy is the lifeblood of fasting. Let no one try to separate them; they cannot be separated. If you have only one of them or not all together, you have nothing." Saint Peter assures us that, "Prayer knocks at the door, fasting obtains, mercy receives."

The most important frontline in this battle for life and love, however, will be the local parish. It will be you. If each of us does what we can – including prayer, sacrifice and action – we will overcome this attack on life. It's as dramatic and as simple as that.

In all we do, please remember this: The pro-abortion lobby will do everything it can between now and polling day to hide the extreme elements of this proposal. That is also why we each have the happy duty of telling our family, our friends and our neighbors the truth about this ballot initiative. **At present, most Michiganders don't know about the Reproductive Freedom for All initiative but when they do know about it? They won't like it.**

We have less than two months before voting on November 8th. Time is short. Our task is great. The Lord, however, always provides. Therefore, let us work cheerfully and unstintingly knowing that His grace is sufficient. Thank you.

Assuring you of my prayers, I am sincerely yours in Christ,
+Earl Boyea

Bishop of Lansing

Fellow Brothers, we have exactly 38 days to inform our families, neighbors and friends about this horrific Bill! Parents will be forced to give up their parental rights to raising their children. As you know, we have scheduled Eucharistic Adoration for Knights on every Friday thru Nov. 4th concluding with a 24 Adoration starting after the 9am Mass on November 4th and concluding at 9am on November 5th followed by Mass. I encourage all to participate as we pray to defeat Proposal 3.

It is our time to stand tall to preserve and protect our families.

May God Bless you and your family,

Chuck "CJ" Lang

Grand Knight

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.





*Knight
of the Month:
Dan Timmerman PGK*

Dan has served as served as an outside guard and Deputy Grand Knight before he took the role of our Grand Knight here at St. John Neumann. His has been equally active in the fourth degree. He served as the fourth degree captain and as a member of the Color Corp.

Every morning you will find Dan at mass where he serves as an extraordinary minister . At 6 am on Thursdays you will find Dan participating in the Men's Prayer Breakfast. He also was a former member of the parish council and on the parish vision and evangelization committee, That Man is You and men's Rise Up Program Facilitators. Dan currently service as the Christian Service Coordinator.

Congratulations Dan!

Membership Anniversaries for October

1 to 4 Years of Service

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| Dan Schneider (1) | Joseph G Nagi (3) |
| Joseph C Carnes (1) | Steven M Otting (3) |
| David J Andreolli (3) | Jeffrey A Patsy (3) |
| Travis D. Miller (3) | Michael J Polovich (3) |
| Deacon Patrick T Conlen (3) | Michael J Robinson (3) |
| Richard J Florence (3) | Joseph A Wedesky (3) |
| Dennis Keshishian (3) | Timothy M Wood (3) |
| John C Kim (3) | Wayne T Worosz (3) |

5 to 9 Years of Service

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| Joseph C Bradley (6) | Robert A Wielechowski (6) |
| Michael J Cartier (6) | Charles E Wilson (6) |
| Gary R Sienkiewicz (6) | |

10 to 19 Years of Service

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| George K. Peters (13) | James L Whitney (16) |
| Rev Ronald S Richards (14) | |

20 Years of Service and above

- Stephen L Kamykowski (33)

Birthdays for October

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Kenneth A Plonka | Daniel T Timmerman, PGK |
| Joseph M Henn Jr | Dr John R Becker |
| Dr Mark D Richter | Michael J Polovich |
| Robert A Wielechowski | Charles E Wilson |
| Vincent O Anwunah | Court C Holliday |
| Peter F Kowalsk | Jorge A Lopez |
| Thomas E Solak | |



The next Corporate Communion for our Council will be Sunday, October 30, 2022, 10:30am. Fr. Paul will recognize the Knights of Columbus that are in attendance. Note that the Knights will be covering the service positions. To volunteer please click on this link [October 30: 10:30am Mass Corporate Communion](#) Knights are asked to wear their KofC shirt (if you have one).

Brother Knights and Friends That Are In 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

Brother Jeff Matheny

Lauryn Moomaw, daughter of brother Larry O'Hara

Dave Grant, uncle of brother Edward A Hurst Jr.

Jim Perrault, uncle of brother Edward A Hurst Jr.

Thomas Drennan, friend of brother Edward A Hurst Jr

Brother Robert Dempsey

Alan Thompson, friend of Ron Kretschmer

Harry Sullims friend of Edward A Hurst Jr

All Students and Teachers Returning to School for the 2022-2023 Year, friend of brother Edward A Hurst Jr.

Jeanne Micheline, friend of brother Edward A Hurst Jr.

David Bradley, brother of SK Joe Bradley

Brother Greg Pietron and wife Laura

Mary Alice Hurst, wife of Grand Knight Ed Hurst

Rodrick Coons, friend of SK Steve Earles

Leeann Hitchcock, friend of brother Edward A Hurst Jr.

Chris Kroll, friend of Dave Andreolli

Mary Ann Shedd, former mother-in-law of Bob Rugenski

Janet Schneider, friend of brother Ron Kretschmer

Brother Paul Smudski

Brother Daniel T Timmerman

Peter Morris family, friends or brother Gene Suchyta

Richard Baehre, friend of brother Gene Suchyta

Rusty Hennika, uncle of brother Chris Kotcher

Roger Biernat Jr, father of brother Roger Biernat III

Christopher Michael, neighbor of brother Bob Rugenski

Fr. Paul Ballien

Michael Tallman Family, friend of brother Edward A Hurst Jr.

Cheryl Kolka, friend of brother Dennis Oszust

Walter Ranus, friend of brother Edward A Hurst Jr.

Amy Hurst, relative of brother Edward A Hurst Jr

Jason Richardson, relative of brother Edward A Hurst Jr

Susan Hurst, relative of brother Edward A Hurst Jr.

Shaunnah Stang, wife of brother Walter Stang

Brother Cyril Miranda, friend of brother Edward A Hurst Jr.

Noella Hurst , daughter of brother Edward A Hurst Jr.

Roz Bradley, wife of brother Joe Bradley

Dave and Donna Kriofsky, friends of brother Ron Kretschmer

Karen Gedemer, cousin of brother Ron Kretschmer

Fall Mental Impairment Drive

By Brother Larry Redman



Our fall Mental Impairment Drive (aka MI Drive, Tootsie Roll Drive) takes place Columbus Day weekend, October 7, 8 and 9th. Help is needed to fill all the open positions for solicitation (<https://kofc16169.org/signup.html>). The task is

simple; we stand with our apron on holding a tootsie roll, kindly greeting customers. You'd be surprised how generous people are. We are soliciting donations at Tim Horton's (in front of Meijer), Busch's – Canton and after all SJN masses. Something new this year is we are soliciting Plymouth/Canton businesses asking for direct monetary donations. If you have a personal contact with an area business, please reach out and ask for a monetary donation. Checks can be made out to SJN Knights of Columbus. All monies will support local charities: (1) Plymouth/Canton Stars – Special Olympics (2) St. Louis Center – Chelsea and (3) St. Francis on the Lake Summer Camp for MI friends.

Larry Redman, Co-chair MI drive

Ron Budzisz, Co-chair MI drive



Plymouth Rotary Chicken BBQ

By Bro Steve Sarlitto



Winner Winner Chicken Dinner!! On Sunday September 11th Forty-one Brother Knights from Council 16169 volunteered to support the Plymouth Rotary Club at their 66th Annual Plymouth Fall Fest Chicken BBQ Dinner. Brother Knights worked morning and afternoon at the chicken dinner preparation center and dinner distribution site in downtown Plymouth, as well as at the

Drive-in distribution center at West Middle School. The Council will receive a cash contribution in exchange for our volunteer hours. Each Brother Knight received a BBQ T-shirt and a complimentary BBQ chicken dinner. God blessed the event with beautiful weather and another successful BBQ event. We are extremely happy to have helped the Rotary and to receive a monetary donation from them. We are already looking forward to supporting the event next year.



Volunteer Opportunities Give a helping Hand

The following activities are available for signup. Please click on the following links or go to our web Site to volunteer.:

[September/October 2022: Cans for Seminarians Help](#)

[September/October 2022: Vocations Chalice](#)

[September/October 2022: Eucharistic Adoration](#)

[October 6: AAA Pregnancy Center Annual Fundraising Banquet](#)

[October 7/8: MI Drive/Tootsie Roll Donations - Tim Horton's Drive Through in front of Meijer on Ford Rd](#)

[October 8/9: MI Drive/Tootsie Roll Donations - SJN](#)

[October 8, 9, 11, 12, 16, 16: Coat Drive Sorting and Organizing](#)

[October 14/15: MI Drive/Tootsie Roll - Busch's at Canton Center & Cherry Hill](#)

[October 28: Special Olympics Halloween Dance](#)

[October 30: 10:30am Mass Corporate Communion](#)



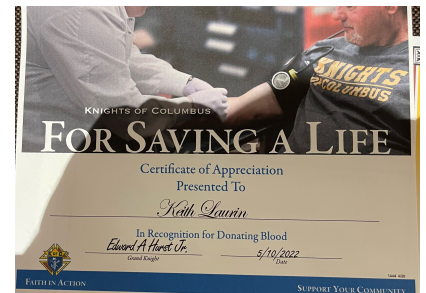
Brother Keith Laurin Recognized



Keith Laurin has been busy assisting in many of the council's programs. However, he has not been able to attend the last few meetings. However, at the September meeting our council was able to catch up on the recognition that he deserves. Grand Knight Chuck Lang installed him as the second year trustee and presented him with the medal of the office.

Following the installation the grand knight presented him with a certificate of appreciation for the work he did on the past reverse raffle program and another certificate for saving a life by donating blood at the past blood drive.

Thanks Keith for all the dedicated service to our council.



Need a Badge or a New Shirt?



Contact Brother Joe Bradley, for name badges at csmbj@protonmail.com (734-673-0004) and Brother Mike Cartier for shirts, jackets, hats, etc.

mikeandnoel81@comcast.net (734-459-5635)



Pictures & Photographers Needed

Did you take any pictures at any of our events? If you did please share them with us. WE are in need of someone to volunteer to take pictures at our events. These pictures will be saved to record our events used in our newsletter

and on our web site and in reports. You do not have to be a professional. All we want is snapshots.

Please attach the pictures to an email and send them to newsletter16169@gmail.com



Cans for Seminarians is back!. Our council has the responsibility for the can collection during the month of October. All cans collected during the month will be returned and the

proceeds will go for the support of the seminarians.

Please bring your cans and returnable containers to the collection bin at the church.

If you can help collect the cans please volunteer on our website or click on the link in the Volunteer opportunities section of this newsletter.

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! The breakfast last exactly one hour. Stop on your way to work. Just show up no reservations needed.

For more info Contact: Ron Kretschmer

Calendar of Events

- October 1 - Citizenship Essay Contest begins
- October 3 & 4 - Mother Theresa in the Movies
- October 8 & 9 - Tootsie Roll Drive SJN & Tim Horton
- October 11 - General Membership meeting
- October 14 & 15 Tootsie roll drive at Busch
- October 16 - Pope John XXIII Assembly Picnic
- October 21 - Journey to Housing Gala
- October 25 - Business Meeting
- October 28 - Halloween Party
- October 30 - Corporate Communion 10:30 Mass
- November 1 - Deadline for Essay contest entry
- November 6 - Memorial Mass 10 am at Sacred Heart Seminary
- November 9 - Pilgrim Icon at SJN

St Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat Center 2022

"Seeking Peace & Becoming Peacemakers"

By Joe Camill

Is the theme for this year's retreat. There were about (45) men on this weekend, from various parishes in our area.

St. John Neumann had (7) parishioners of which (6) were Knights of Columbus members. Peace is mentioned (91) times in the New Testament and (24) times in the gospels. Jesus is referred to as the "The Prince of Peace" in the bible. One of his missions was to bring PEACE to the people on earth. Becoming a peace maker requires inner healing of our own personal lives, without peace within you cannot find peace outside of our lives.

A peacemaker is an excellent LISTENER, who hears every word the person is saying without thinking of themselves, and then responds to what is being said.

It is more important to be KIND than it is to be RIGHT, become a peacemaker. We are living in a world that is so divided with so much hatred in the world, learning to become peacemakers is what Jesus Christ taught us to do.

Viva Jesus,
Joe Camill

NO PEACE NO GOD

KNOW PEACE KNOW GOD

Essay contest starts October 1, 2022



Halloween Dance For Young Adults with Special Needs By John Crabill

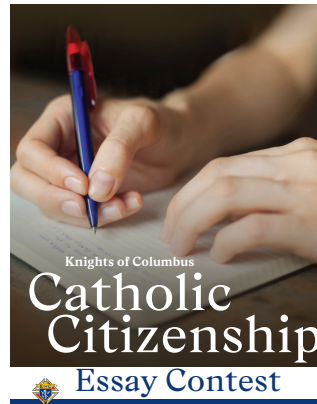
The St John Neumann Knights will sponsor a Halloween dance for young adults with special needs again this year. This will be our sixth time of sponsoring this event. The St. John Newman Woman's Organization, Civitans, PCStars Special Olympics representatives and church volunteers support us in this event.

Registration starts at 6 pm and the dance goes from 6:30 to 8:30 pm in Ballwin Hall on Friday, October 28, 2022. The price of admission is one bag of candy to share. Pizza and other refreshments will be provided. Parents Care Providers are encouraged to chaperone.

The chairman for this program is John Crabill (313-460-9778). Help from the Knights will be needed in hall setup and cleanup and food distribution during the dance.

Please volunteer - [click here to volunteer Special Olympics Halloween Dance](#)

If you know of a young athlete with special needs that would like to attend please RSVP to Anne-Marrie Banko at (annemariepcstars@gmail.com).



Contact your children and grandchildren! The essay contest starts October 1, 2022.

Our council will conduct the "Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest" this year. Tell your children or grandchildren.

The Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest is open to all Catholic students — in public, private or parochial schools — in grades 8-12 during the current school year.

This contest encourages today's youth to be more connected to their community and their faith. The goal of this program is to involve young Catholics in grades 8 to 12 (public, private, parochial or home schools during the current school year) in civic discourse and instill in them religious and life-affirming values. The essay should be 500-750 words on a specific topic, changing every other year. Entrants will be judged on grammar, style, and how clearly they present the theme in a way that showcases creativity, imagination and overall development of the topic. In an essay of 500- 750 words, The contestants will explain how young Catholics can evangelize our faith to families and friends who have turned away from religion and encourage them to return to the Church and embrace the sacraments

All entries must be submitted by November 1, 2022.

The essays will be judged on a 100-point scoring system:
 35 points: Content How clearly is the theme presented?
 30 points: Grammar Does the essay reflect proper sentence and paragraph structure and utilize correct spelling?
 35 points: Style Does the essay show creativity, imagination and development of the topic in a compelling style?

The winners at our council level will receive a \$25 gift certificate and entered in the state competition. The state judging will be completed no later than Feb 15, 2023.

The winner of the state level will compete in the International level.

The top three international level winners for each grade will receive monetary awards: \$300 for 1st place, and \$100 each for two runners-up in each grade level. Checks are accompanied by a framed certificate.

The international level winners will be announced in March 2023.

For more information check our web page or contact any officer or our program Director. PGK Ed Hurst.



Refrigerator Donation

By Bro Steve Sarlitto

We now have a place of our own to keep refreshments cool and secure. Thanks to the generous donation from an anonymous donor, we now have a brand-new refrigerator for the Knights of Columbus. It is located in the church kitchen. Next time you enjoy a cool beverage at one of our Member Meetings, say a silent prayer of thanks to this generous individual.

Vote like you are
CATHOLIC
Vote No
On
Proposal 3

Get to Know our New Brother Knights

By Brother Larry Redman

Congratulations to new Brother Knights Joseph MacLellan and Joe Ahme! Both completed the Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity hosted by our State Council at SJN on August 28th. Welcome Brothers to SJN #16169!



Joe Ahme has been a member of St John Neumann since moving to Canton in 2002. Joe and his wife Ador have raised two kids in Canton with the younger one currently a high school junior. He works in information technology and has traveled frequently for work until recently. Joe loves to play golf occasionally and enjoys traveling and spending his free time with family.



Joseph MacLellan has been a K of C e-member for over a year. He recently accepted our invitation to join our council. Joseph and his family reside here in Canton.

Candidates for Holy Orders



Pictured are Back Row Left to Right are John Kovacik from St. Isidore in Macomb, and Ron Potempski from SS Cyril and Methodius in Sterling Heights
Front Row are Left to Right Jim Pryce from St. John Neumann in Canton, Jeff Kendall from Corpus Christ Parish in Detroit, Joseph Jones from St. Augustine St. Monica Parish in Detroit, John Rybski of St. Mary Our Lady of the Snows in Milford and Mark Henry of St. Colette Parish in Livonia.

By Jim Pryce Charter PGK

Dear Brother Knights,

Thank You for hosting a reception for my classmates and I after the Mass on Sept. 18th for the Rite of Candidacy for the Permanent Diaconate. The Mass and reception were very nice and much appreciated

Thanks again, VIVAT JESUS. Please continue to pray for us on our journey.



SJN Coat Drive

By Dan Timmerman

This year we have partnered with St. Thomas a'Becket in collecting new or gently used coats and jackets. Coats can be for men, women, or children. Bins to be used for coat drop-offs will be placed near the St. Christine food drop-off bins. The dates to donate are October 8 through the 16. Look through your closets and look for bargains in stores. Please make sure the gently used coats and jackets are clean. We have the following 17 charities lined up for your donations: Plymouth Canton Community Clothing Bank, AAA Pregnancy, Corpus Christi Church, SVdP, Capuchins, Catholic Charities SEM, Detroit Rescue, Pope Francis Center, Queen of Heaven Church, Rising Star Missionary, Samaritas Family Center, Sisters of Virtue, Spiritual Care of Southfield, St. Christine/ Christ the King, St. Mary's in Wayne and St. Raymond's Catholic Church and Vista Maria. Thank you for your support in this parish-driven activity to help the less fortunate.

Help is needed to sort the coats at St.Thomas aBecket. GK Chuck Lang will send the link out via email or the link is below.
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0C48A5A82BA2FA7-beabuddy2>

To date, our members and friends have donated
\$19,294,104.



As the situation in Ukraine continues to change, the need to support refugees continues to grow. The Knights of Columbus continue to work with our councils in Poland and Ukraine, the Latin and Greek Catholic Churches, and partner NGOs to provide temporary shelter, food, medical supplies, clothing, religious supplies, and other humanitarian needs as identified as the situation continues to change.

100% of your donation goes directly to support those effected by the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine. Your gift today will provide temporary shelter, food, medical supplies, clothing, religious supplies, and other humanitarian needs as identified as the situation continues to change. **100% of your donation goes directly to support those effected by the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine.**

Join us today in supporting Ukraine Solidarity Fund!

To donate to the Knights of Columbus UKRAINE SOLIDARITY FUND click on this link <https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/donate/ukraine.html>

If you need to reach the Office of Charitable Giving regarding this fund or making a donation, you can do so Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00am to 4:30pm Eastern at 1-800-694-5713 or info@kofccharities.org.

Protecting God's Children

Reminder to new Knights:

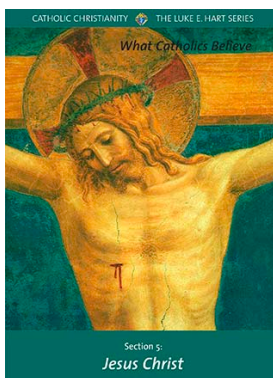
Protecting God's Children:

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 https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/protecting_children.cfm.

Did you Know

Under Proposal 3 your 12 year old son or Daughter can have a sex change and take hormonal treatment without YOUR knowledge or Permission! Proposal 3 is too extreme & too permanent

This Month's Featured CIS Booklet



105 – Jesus Christ

What distinguishes Christianity from all other religions? The answer is simple: Jesus Christ himself, who took the form of flesh. The Incarnation was the most astonishing of all God's acts, the most surprising, unforeseeable, unimaginable thing that ever happened. Learn about Jesus Christ, his Incarnation, his Resurrection, his divinity and humanity, and more. Thanks to the Saint Gregory Society for providing music.

[Click here for this months audio version of Featured Booklet](#)

You Can download this booklet to read during your leisure. [Download PDF.](#)

Or go to <https://www.kofc.org/en/who-we-are/our-faith/booklets.html>

Annual Golf Outing

On Saturday September 24, our council under the guidance of Brother Randy Martin and his team conducted the third annual charity Golf scramble. at Salem Hills Golf Club.



Entry in the closest to the pin and longest drive contest were sold before the game began. The scramble started promptly at 9 a.m. with a shotgun start. This year for \$20 each team could enter the "pink ball" challenge where the highest team score won half the total entrance fee. Hot dogs and chips were supplied to the golfers on the course. After the 18 hole competition a short prize and winner presentation was held in the club house. The winning team this year was Fr. Paul Ballien, Marshall Grazioli, Micheal Grazioli and Jeff Domsic. The winning "Pink Ball" team was Sandy Mily, Warren Musson and Jeff Stella. All had a good time and are looking forward to next year.



St Teresa of Calcutta has Moved



St. Teresa of Calcutta that found a new home at St. Mary, Cause of our Joy. In Westland. Mother Teresa now rest at the entrance of the social hall.. Fr. Shafique Masih, the pastor

expresses his gratitude for all these who assisted in the relocation of the Mother Teresa statue. Father Shafique has a special devotion to St Teresa. He was fortunate to personally meet her when she visited his parish in Pakistan.

We would like to thank all the knights that volunteered their truck to assist in the move

We would especially like to thank Jerry the owner of Canton Floral Gardens Greenhouse at 8207 N Lilley Rd in Canton for not only providing the pallet jack and truck but also brought his staff from the greenhouse transport the statue .



Please patronize the greenhouse and while there be sure to thank them for their assistance ,

Please Patronize our Sponsors

Please patronize our sponsors of our golf outing. Three Brothers restaurant located on Joy rd in Canton donated a \$50 gift certificate to be awarded as a prize during the outing. Three golf clubs also donated rounds of golf to be used as prizes. These clubs were Tanglewoods, Hilltop, and Cattails.

Three other corporations each donated \$150 each to sponsor a hole. These companies were Conrad Insurance agency on Canton Center rd in Canton , Jackie Davis Insurance agency on Ford Rd in Canton and Tim White B Riley Wealth Management in Brighton.

Thank you to all these sponsors



Come Journey with Us!

An evening of food, fun, and festivities
To help local homeless families make the journey to housing

Friday, October 21, 2022

6:00PM-11:30PM; Dinner served at 7:00PM

Plymouth Manor

345 N Main St. Plymouth, MI 48170

Tickets - \$125 per person

Purchase at: <https://journeytohousing.org>

Journey to Housing is a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to assist homeless families in finding suitable housing and to provide life skills training as they move toward self-sufficiency



District Deputy and council member Brian Zahn is the Board President of Journey to Housing, a special work of St. Vincent de Paul. The charity focuses on helping families escape homelessness. They are a hand-up not a hand-out program. The program uses financial coaching and social work programs to educate families on how to budget and carefully spend their income so they do not end up homeless again.

They aim to house 6-10 families per year in the Western-Wayne area. They are mostly a volunteer organization with 2 part-time employees.

Journey to Housing's annual gala is coming up on October 21. This is their main fundraiser for the year. Please see the attached flyer if you would be interested in attending. They also would welcome any donations toward the program.

You can visit www.journeytohousing.org for more information.

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Archbishop Vigneron announced that the Archdiocese of Detroit will engage in a Year of Prayer for Priestly Vocations beginning on June 4 (the Vigil of Pentecost) and concluding on May 28, 2023 (the Solemnity of Pentecost). This Year of Prayer will be a time for everyone in the Archdiocese—priests, deacons, religious, and laity—to come to understand and embrace our need to be united in prayer, working toward a culture that fosters and celebrates vocations to the priesthood. The Archbishop has also asked that at every Sunday Mass the Prayer for Priestly Vocations be prayed ([click here](#) or on the image of the prayer for your copy).

Additionally, St. John Neumann has a long tradition of asking parish families to take home our Vocations Chalice for one week to pray for priestly vocations. Joe Camill, our Vocations Chairman, is asking brother knights, and their families, to step up to this very worthy activity and sign up to take the Vocations Chalice for a week. With almost 200 knights in our council, we have enough knights for almost 2 years of families praying for vocations!

To sign up, please [click here](#) or on the image of the chalice. For more information on this program, please contact Joe Camill at jcamill@wowway.com.

Prayer for Priestly Vocations

Heavenly Father, Lord of the Harvest, call forth vocations to the priesthood from our archdiocese and families.

Jesus, Eternal High Priest, give us men willing to sacrifice and serve. Make their hearts after your own Sacred Heart.

Holy Spirit, Everlasting Love between Father and Son, strengthen, inspire, and set men on fire with divine charity. Grant them the courage to say yes to their vocation.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, Mother of priests, comfort and protect your sons as they discern their call. With Saint Joseph, may they know your love and companionship as they deepen their relationship with Jesus.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us. St. Anne, pray for us. St. John Vianney, patron saint of priests, pray for us.

Successful Soccer Challenge

Our Annual Soccer challenge was held during the parish picnic. The event was chaired by brother knight Marshall Grazioli. The 12



participants ages 9 thru 13 each were allowed 3 practice kicks and 15 consecutive penalty kicks. The highest score in each age and gender group became eligible to compete in the Detroit Archdiocese Challenge on October 1 at Our Lady of the Lakes in Waterford.

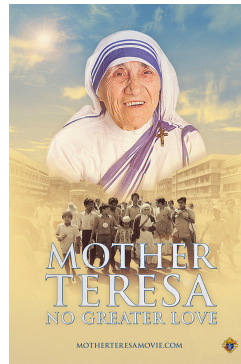
The winners of each category is as follows:

- Girls age 9 - Margret Fidkowski
- Boys age 9 - Graham Polk
- Girls age 10 - Katherine Clarke
- Boys age 10 Brandon Holowecky
- Girlie age 11 - Julia Fidkowski
- Boys age 12 - Sean Boda
- Girls age 13 Bridget Fidkowski

Thanks to Marshall and his team for another successful youth event.

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A Film on the Remarkable Life of Mother Teresa to Premiere in Theaters on October 3 and 4

Watch the "Mother Teresa: No Greater Love" trailer:

[WATCH NOW - Click here](#)

Showing Oct 3 & 4 at 7pm
Emagine Canton 18 + EMAX

39835 Ford Rd, Canton, MI 48187

A Message from our Faith Director

By Dan Pfeiffer

Our Father has answered our prayers and given us an opportunity to end legal abortion !!!

If it is His will, He will move the hearts and minds of enough voters to defeat Proposal 3 on November 8th. We are called to fast, pray and give ails. For some of us a whole day of complete fasting may not be wise. Skipping one or two meals a day, like we do in lent on Fridays, might be wiser.

Praying before the the Blessed Sacrament during Adoration, meditating on the Mysteries of the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and of course the ultimate prayer is the Holy Mass. In these weeks before the election not only do we have Adorations ob Fridays but we will have a 24 hour Adoration beginning after the 9 am Mass on Friday Nov 4th. And ending before the 9 am Mass on Saturday November 5. We are blessed to be able to attend Mass every day of the week at Saint John Neumann, We have a dedicated group of parishioners who pray the rosary after every daily mass. Also, On October 15th at noon we will join in support of America needs Fatima and pray a rosary in public not only in front of the church but along Warren ave.L

As for giving of alms, donating to AAA pregnancy center, the building repair fund, topping off the parking lot donations, top hat Sunday, and of course the KofC Tootsie Roll Drive. Give to one or give to all but PIEASE GIVE!

Each of us will one day stand before the Lord. If He asks, "What did you do for the least of your brothers and Sisters?" what will you say? Visit Jesus!!!

Yours in service of the Lamb!
Dan Pfeiffer
Faith Director, Council 16169



Defending A Culture of Life

Michigan State Council
Knights of Columbus



The next month will be a critical time as we prepare for the November general election, that will determine the outcome of the extreme abortion proposal 3 (Reproductive Freedom for All) initiative to amend Michigan State Constitution.

Our commitment for Life is through **Prayer, Education and Engagement**. The actions we take as Knights of Columbus, as well of those we don't take, will determine the outcome of this ballot proposal for generations to come. It does not make a difference whether your council is small or large in number, what makes a difference are the actions you and your council members take to support Life and defeat this ballot proposal.

Below are suggestions that each one of us can take to help defeat the abortion ballot Proposal 3.

Pray

Whatever you ask for in prayer, Believe. Mark 11:24

Lead a Novena Life— a nine day prayer with a specific intention; Supreme Resources—<https://www.kofc.org> or join a 54 Day Rosary Novena beginning Thursday, September 15 — text FightLikeHeaven to 84576

Adoration— sign up for adoration at your parish to spend one hour with our Lord to pray for the unborn

Lead a Holy Hour in your district or diocese. Pray the rosary daily for the sanctity of human Life

Educate

Whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God. 1Corinthians 10:31

Know ballot proposal 3 thoroughly

Stay informed through *Right to Life Michigan* -<https://rtl.org>, or *Michigan Catholic Conference* -<https://www.micatholic.org>

Look for weekly updates on Michigan State Council's website under Statewide News

Follow council talking points for council meetings from the State Council

Look for upcoming Life webcast with State Chaplain, Fr. Adan Logan; State Deputy, Chris Kolomjec and featured guest to outline your involvement to Defeat Proposal 3

Engage

The Lord is on my side, I will not be afraid. Psalm 118:6

Promote Get Out The Vote message through personal contact or sharing Supreme messages

Join *Citizens to Support MI Women and Children* to support the cause of Life. Contact <https://supportmiwomenandchildren.org>

Support your local pregnancy center through the new Supreme "Aid and Support After Pregnancy" (ASAP) program. Source <https://www.kofc.org>

Participate at one of the statewide *Life Chain* events on Sunday, October 2nd detail contact: lifechainmichigan@gmail.com or *40 Days for Life* prayer gatherings at local abortion centers; <https://40daysforlife.com/>

Place NO PROPOSAL 3 yard signs in your community or sponsor a NO PROPOSAL 3 billboard. Details forthcoming.

Purchase DEFEND LIFE yard signs and banners for placement in your community. Source

Thank you for your support in Defending Life!

If you have any questions, please contact Ed & Lynn Strach, Pro Life Couple, Michigan State Council

e.strach@mikofc.org or (734) 476-6296

All Brother Knights are Invited to the Picnic



You Are Cordially
Invited To:

Pope John XXIII Assembly #1536
Annual Picnic—After a two year
hiatus!!

Date: October 16, 2022

Time: 2:00 pm

Place:

Renaud Hall
150 Fair St.
Plymouth, MI 48170

Please RSVP to:
Faithful Navigator:
Edward Hurst Jr.
eahurstjr@gmail.com

Food:

Hamburgers, Kielbasa Dogs, Hot Dogs, Brats, and
Chicken Breasts

Pop, Beer, and Water

Potato Salad, and Cole Slaw

Chips

Bring a Dish to pass or dessert

Games Include:

Horse Shoes, Cornhole,

50/50 Raffle

*First Responders from Canton, Plymouth, and
Livonia.*

**Please Come and Fraternalize with Our
Assembly Family!!**

