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IMPORTANT INFO!

If you know of other members of the council who might not be receiving this newsletter, please pass their email information along to Tony Sachse as well so we can add them to the mailing list.

Dues notices and charity raffle tickets will be distributed next month. Please address them as soon as you receive them.



Grand Knights Corner

Brother Knights:

Well it is official – Father Michael McGivney, founder of the Knights of Columbus, was beatified by the Catholic church on October 31, 2020 and is now referred to as Blessed Father McGivney. Hopefully you had the opportunity to see the streamed mass for the beatification. Let's continue the legacy of Blessed Father McGivney in our principles of charity, unity and fraternity. What better way than the **Leave No Neighbor Behind** program. Particularly in these times of the pandemic, people can become isolated and lonely. Have you reached out to a fellow knight, parish member, family member or community member? I read recently a quote from the pope that calls Catholics to decide whether to be Good Samaritans or indifferent bystanders.

Recently there was a Sunday mass on November 1 for the deceased members of the Knights of Columbus. With November being a month where we remember those who have passed away, let us keep in our prayers Donald Mahlik from our council who died September 21.

There is new membership interest. We are planning an exemplification ceremony at our next council meeting in November. We could possibly have up to three new members joining us. Who do you know that ought to be a knight? Please extend an invitation to such Catholic gentlemen. There is a free online membership promotional offer through the end of year for new members. We will be participating in Coats for Kids. We will be setting up the Nativity scene on Saturday November 28 at 9 a.m. for those who would like to help, please meet us at the Columbian Home (i.e. the clubhouse).

I leave you with a suggestion by our state Chaplain, Father Kurz. He has a practice of saying a prayer every time he passes a cemetery and he encourages you to do the same. Another suggestion is if you cannot find anything good on TV, you may want to check out one or more of the 12 minute videos – Into the Breach, which can be found on KofC.org.

Vivat Jesus,

Grand Knight Ray Seegers

Faith

A continued reminder and Thanks to the "Mother of Good Hope Cleaning Team," at the parish. You can reach out to any of the current members including Brothers: Tom Boutwell, Jeff Thompson, Ray Seegers, Thomas Mittnacht and Mike Wojta to volunteer your assistance.

On October 5th Bishop Ricken, reinstated the dispensation of attendance at mass effective immediately and at present there is no end date for this dispensation noted. While the moral obligation to attend mass has been dispensed at this time, church will continue to be open and masses said. The bishop does note that while there are no longer restrictions on the number of those that attend mass, social distancing must be maintained, and masks are encouraged.

At the last council meeting we provided a \$500 donation to seminarian Juan Altamirano from the Green Bay Diocese. Additionally, we provided the same support to Cullen Hilliker who is in the Dominican Novitiate year in Denver, CO and is now known as Brother Joseph Cullen. This support is part of the Knights of Columbus RSVP program. As part of this program our support of \$500.00 earns the council a refund of \$100.00 for each donation.

Also continue to pray your rosary each day. We as Knights have been given this to pray each day and in the stillness of our hearts took the vow to do so during our exemplification. Now more than ever our prayer can provide comfort to ourselves and help to others.

Family

The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring two drive up style Sunday supper events at the parish hall. The men of our 4th degree assembly sponsored one on October 18 and served around 40 meals. Thank you to Dan and Collette Tegen for chairing this and for all those that helped them with this very important program. The men of the third degree council will sponsor one on December 13. Please consider volunteering.

Congratulations to Jim and Anne Dier who were selected as the Green Bay Diocese's Family of the Month for September. Worthy GK Ray presented Jim and Anne with their award and certificate and you see them pictured below.



October KoM: Jim LaFond

October FoM: Dan and Collette Tegen

We will publish a synopsis of all 12 Families of the Month (FoMs) from this Calendar Year in the December 2020 Knight News, in order to determine a Council Family of the Year for submission to the Green Bay Diocese next year.

At this upcoming council meeting we will be hosting a Fraternal Benefits night. If you are interested in learning more about some of the benefits of the Knights of Columbus please feel free to attend. We will be upstairs in the council chambers. Masks are encouraged and social distancing will be practiced.

Community

Congratulations to Jeff Thompson who helped to organize the Diaper and wipes drive at the church in support of the Crossing. Through his work over 1000 diapers were donated to the crisis pregnancy center for their clients to use.

The councils of District 12 hosted a Landing Day banquet in October. Members of all the district's councils heard from Fr. Andrew Kurz, State Chaplain as the guest speaker for the evening. Thank you to those that attended.

In pursuit of the Star Council award this year we are focusing on programs each month of the Fraternal year. For the month of November, we plan to focus on:

Food for Families-in support of TREP

Coats for Kids-6 cases of coats ordered and delivered. Working with TREP to determine a coat give away date.

Helping Hands-will continue to work toward opportunities

RSVP support-two seminarians supported through this program

At our October council meeting Worthy DD Ed VanderBloomen presented the council with our Star Council award for last fraternal year along with the complete council award for the Wisconsin State Council. Additionally, the council was awarded a plaque for achieving over 100% participation in our Culture of Life work for the third year in a row. Pictured below are the members of the council with the awards.



The Wisconsin State Council has made the decision to suspend the State Council bowling tournament for this coming year. The organizing committee for this year's tournament we co-hosted with Manitowoc Council 710. Through the efforts of both

of our councils we were able to raise over \$24,000 split between the two councils. This money will be added to our charity fund and used for the charitable works of the council. Thank you for all of those you that assisted this great event.

Life

Due to the ongoing effects of the COVID 19 pandemic as well as the restrictions currently in place at the parish the council made the decision to not hold our Lifesavers for Life drive this year. Instead the council will donate to the Crossing Crisis Pregnancy center from some of the proceeds of the State Council bowling tournament. We hope to be able to return to sales of the Lifesavers this coming year.

Thank you to those members of the council that supported the 40 days March in Manitowoc.

Fourth Degree

The Sir Knights of the Fourth Degree welcome Sir Knights Ray Seegers and Jon LaRoche the newest members of our assembly. We continue to meet the 2nd Wednesday of the month. We hope to see all of you there.

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