



# The Outer Guard

## Knights of Columbus #1143

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### September 2023

### Letter from the Grand Knight....

Brother Knights,

We are told that the milestone of Labor Day marks the “unofficial” end to summer.

So here we are.

I hope during the summer months that you experienced some relaxation and rejuvenation, either from vacations or just a slower time.

If you have students, I hope the extra time you got to spend with them was rewarding. As most students are now fully Back to School, they, like us, are back into a more traditional, day-to-day routine.

We will have a full slate of events in September and October. If you are supporting events as participants, Thank You for doing so! However, if you are not, I’d like to appeal to your charitable side

as a Knight. These events are always successful because of Knights and their families volunteering time and talents to help them go.

So I ask you, please, to prayerfully consider lending an hour or two towards helping with events. It’s also a great way to spend with family and to be an example of a charitable Knight.

Two dates to keep open for October: Sunday, October 8 and Monday, October 9.

On October 8 we are planning our annual Columbus Day banquet, honoring Knights who are reaching membership milestones and breaking bread with one another. Be on the lookout for invitations.

At our regular Council meeting, we are planning an “Open House”. This will be a chance for Knights to invite other Catholic men to share in fellowship. It will be a very informal meeting. Please consider attending and asking another Catholic man to join us. Reaching out face-to-face is such a strong way to showcase our Knights of Columbus organization.

While the calendar says it’s mid-year,

Vivat Jesus!

Neil Joellenbeck

Grand Knight

**BRING A GUEST TO OUR OCTOBER MEETING**

To bolster our recruiting efforts, the Council voted to open the October 9th for each KC member to bring a guest who is eligible to be but not yet is a Knight. We hope that, by seeing the Council in action and hearing our discussion of our many upcoming projects at our meeting, the guest will be persuaded to join us as a member of the Knights of Columbus.

Please bring a friend who is eligible to be a Knight to the October 9th meeting at 7:00pm. Any member who brings a guest to the meeting will get a free drink for the member and his guest at the bar after the meeting!

## **NEXT MONTHLY FISH FRY**

**Sept 15th-7:00 pm Team# 3**

### **AN ILLINOIS KNIGHT'S 365 PRAYER**

My Council is comprised of members like me. I help make it what it is.

It will be a Council dedicated to Faith, Family, and Fraternity, if I am.

It will stand in solidarity with the Church and the Clergy, if I do.

Its meetings will be filled, If I attend and encourage others as well.

It will do great Programming, if I am involved.

It will make Charitable gifts to many causes, if I am a generous contributor.

It will bring other Catholic men into the order, if I invite and recruit them.

It will be a Council of Charity and Fraternity, of Unity and Patriotism, if I live those principles.

It will be a Council led and guided by the Lord, if I who help make it what it is, am truly open to His Plan.

Therefore, through the intercession of Blessed Michael J. McGivney and with the help of Mary, Queen of the Knights, I shall dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my Council to be .

**AMEN**

### *Rosary for Life..*

**Please join us the second Saturday of the month, September 9th, to pray the Most Holy Rosary of our Blessed Virgin Mary for an end to abortion. We will meet at the Hope Clinic in Granite City. To carpool meet at the 1st Mid Banking Center on Route 157 at 8:15am. Please consider taking some time out of your busy schedule and pray with us to end the scourge of abortion. Everyone is welcomed bring the wife and the kids.**

## **FRED MILLS CLUB**

### **September BBQ ...**

Fred Mills Club will be holding their monthly BBQ on September 3rd from 11:30—5:00 pm. Menu includes: ribs, pork steaks, pulled pork, chicken, brats, baked beans, macaroni salad, coleslaw, and potato salad. The profits from this event help defray the maintenance expenses of the HALL.



***If you have some time and would like to volunteer we are always in need of help serving.***

Hope to see you September 3rd

### **HALL MANAGER NEEDED**

**The Fred Mills Club is in need of someone to coordinate and meet with groups wanting to rent the Hall. Contact Steve McClard for more details 618-920-9364**

### September Anniversaries

A mass is offered each month for those couples celebrating their anniversary during the month.

- 2 Jeffrey & Peggy Wehling
- 2 Paul & Barbara Jenkins
- 3 John & Suelaine Matthews
- 4 Jeffrey & Nancy Hessel
- 9 David & Angela Jurgena
- 9 Albert & Fran Treichel
- 10 Andrew & Julia Conner
- 11 Frederic & Kathy Kolesa
- 11 Shaun & Sherri Flannery
- 13 Edward & Donna Akers
- 14 David & Katya Briesacher
- 15 James & Nancy Jatcko
- 15 Leon & Tamara White
- 16 Matthew & SicBH'AN Wilkinson
- 17 Benjamin & Stacy Hayden
- 19 Todd & Elizabeth Ehlen

- 19 Don & Jeanne Brunworth
- 19 James & Michelle Kovarik
- 21 Bryce & Shari Renken
- 22 Richard & Barb Stamer
- 22 Steven & Amanda Huber
- 23 Thomas & Leone Burns
- 23 Vernon & Cindy Zurliene
- 23 Kip & Jeanne Heinle
- 24 John & Janet Foehrkolb
- 24 Christopher & Liz Bray
- 25 Philip & Renee Reznack
- 26 Gregg & Celeste Korte
- 27 Kent & Regina Trebing
- 29 Dean & Rebecca Croft
- 30 Lawrence & Sharon Green

**CONGRATULATIONS AND MANY MORES!**

### September Birthdays

- 1 Stephen Wehling
- 5 Ryan Frank
- 7 Michael Jacober
- 8 Louis Carnoali
- 9 Deacon Daniel Corbett
- 9 Paul Hurley
- 10 Matthew Brooks
- 10 Bryan Riegert
- 12 Melvin Eaker
- 13 James Eugea
- 14 Jason Jones
- 16 Anthony Bobrowski
- 17 David Schwab
- 18 David Gebhart

- 18 Thomas Hoeflerlin
- 18 Christopher Wangard
- 19 Darrell Frey
- 20 Stephen Haarmann
- 23 Alan Gerstenecker
- 24 Rodney Schaake
- 24 Richard Stamer
- 25 Martin Morrissey
- 25 Louis Popelar
- 25 Albert Schug
- 26 Denver Seay
- 26 Michael Wiedner
- 27 James Albus
- 28 James Perini
- 30 Jeffrey Papajcik



### Calendar of Events September 2023

**\*\* all events at the Hall unless otherwise stated**

- Sept 3—Fred Mills Club BBQ 11:00am– 5:00pm
- Sept 5 —Fourth Degree Meeting 7:30 pm

- Sept 6— Holy Hour St Boniface Chapel 5:30-6:30pm
- Sept 11 —Council Meeting 7:00pm
- Sept 15— Fish Fry Team#3 4:30-7:00pm
- Sept 16 —Golf Tournament
- Sept 25 — Fred Mills Board Meeting 7:00pm

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

Congratulations to Knight of the Month Brother Tim Mueller for his work on the Hops for Heroes. Tim was the KC Chair of this event. Hops for Heroes raised just over \$18,000.00. GREAT JOB!



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

Family of the Month is awarded to Sir Brother Knight Jason Jones and his family. Jason is the past Treasurer of our Council and is currently the Scribe for the Assembly. Lindsay works at Father McGivney Catholic High School. Jason and his two sons are involved with the Boy Scouts. Thank you for everything you and your family do.



## **4th Degree News Assembly 225**



Hello My Brothers,

As I look at the Fraternal Planner for our Assembly 225, there are no specific 4<sup>th</sup> Degree events on the September calendar. The exception will be our monthly meeting that will take place on Tuesday Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm at the Hall. If you are looking for something to put your time to, there are many Council events in September that should be considered for needed help. Take-a-look at the calendar and see where you can spend some fraternal time!

I am going to hammer down on our "old knees" being of use in the upcoming Council "praying" events! The first Knight's Holy Hour of the new fraternal year will be Wednesday evening Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:30pm to 6:30pm at the St. Boniface Adoration Chapel. There is also the Rosary for Life service on the curb at the Granite City Abortion Mill on Sat. Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am to 10:30am. These are two events that our "sore kneed" 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knights can attend with little effort and make a real difference! Give your buddy a call and make an effort to attend one or both of these events! It's easy, everyone can sit and pray!!!

Looking out ahead, the Council's Day for the "40 Days for Life" will be on Saturday October 14<sup>th</sup> from 7:00am to 7:00pm. Give Brother Knight Tom Tucker a call or drop him an email to take on an unfulfilled "time slot". [thtucker5@yahoo.com](mailto:thtucker5@yahoo.com) 618-741-8930.

We will all be standing before our Lord someday and when he asks me, "What did you do to save my little ones?" I am hoping I have a good answer! How about you?

Also, please keep on your calendars the Eucharistic Congress that will be in Springfield, IL on Saturday Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>. Contact your parish to reserve your spot. If you are a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree with the new uniform and you can attend this event, please let me know so I can let the State folks know who is coming! Here is my email: [hastingsdouglas@yahoo.com](mailto:hastingsdouglas@yahoo.com), and my cell, 618-406-1033. Drop me an email or give me a call if you can be of service. Thanks, and God Bless!

Doug Hastings

Faithful Navigator

**From our Field Agent...**

**Fraternal Survey**

Within the next few days, you will receive the Knights of Columbus Annual Fraternal Survey. This survey allows the Supreme Council and your Field Agent to update your current information and circumstances. That in turn allows me to be of better service to you.

For some, that means you or a family member taking advantage of one of our many Fraternal Benefits. For others it may mean updating important contact or family information. Still others may benefit from a comprehensive look at their current insurance benefits and retirement plans from the Knights of Columbus and other companies. With our Profiles+ Forecaster, I can give you an accurate picture of where you stand when it comes to your family's future financial security.

Our Supreme Knight, Patrick Kelly said it best in his

2023 Annual Report at the Supreme Convention:

“We’ve been a Fortune 1000 company for 14 years in a row. We continue to earn superior ratings from AM Best (A+) and Standard & Poor’s (AA+). And for the second year in a row, Forbes has recognized us as one of America’s Best Life Insurance Companies. For us, being first in faith and charity also means being first in Catholic finance.”

Vivat Jesus!



**JOIN THE KNIGHTS!**

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Edwardsville Knights of Columbus 1143  
**25th Annual Golf Tournament**



Saturday, September 16th, 2023

Oak Brook Golf Course  
9157 Fruit Road, Edwardsville, IL 62025

4-Person Scramble  
\$440/Team

(Register by August 20th, 2023 for \$400/Team)

Entry Fee Includes: 18 Holes of Golf, Beer, Games, Cart, Hole Prizes, Driving Range, On-Course Meal during Golf

Schedule

Registration: 7:00am

Shotgun Start..... Beginning at 8:00am

Flight winners announced..... ~1:00pm

Prizes

Based on size of field

Hole Prizes

Longest Drive Men & Women

Closest to the Pin

Sponsorships

Hole Sponsor.....\$100

Corporate Sponsor.....\$200

(Includes signage on course and social media recognition)

Tournament Sponsor.....\$300

(Includes signage on putting green and social media recognition)

Diamond Sponsor.....\$500

(Includes (1) team of four and Corporate Sponsor level recognition)

Platinum Sponsor.....\$600

(Includes (1) team of four and Tournament Sponsor level recognition)

On-Course Games

Skins Game (included)

Mulligans (extra)

Wager Hole (extra)

Bourbon Raffle (extra)

Knights of Columbus Golf Scramble

Entry Form (Or Use QR Code below to register online!)

Team Captain: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name (If Sponsoring Hole): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 3: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 4: \_\_\_\_\_

Tournament limited to first 36 teams

More Info Contact: Ryan Fitzpatrick at 513-582-6698 or rafitzpatrick21@gmail.com

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# Building the Domestic Church

## While Strengthening Our Parish The Family Fully Alive



We learn of God's love through the Scriptures, the testimony of God himself, where we read that "whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me" (Mt 25:40). The Scriptures therefore instruct all, including families, to practice charity because Christ is present in every person, especially the poor and needy.

### Breaking Open the Theme

In *Amoris Laetitia*, Pope Francis called on the family to have an "expanding fruitfulness"<sup>74</sup> that seeks to give life outside of one's own family through charity. Charity is a living out of the family's kingly mission to serve others. Pope Benedict XVI explains that there are three unique elements to fruitful Christian charity that distinguish it from any other form of social assistance: a heartfelt concern for the fullness of another person's humanity, a "heart which sees" and faith.<sup>75</sup>

Pope Benedict XVI reminds Christians that it is not enough to "meet the needs of the moment," such as providing food or shelter. They must also "dedicate themselves to others with heartfelt concern, enabling them to experience the richness of their humanity."<sup>76</sup> One of the beautiful ways to do this is to allow the other person to give back to the giver, welcoming their gifts of friendship and faith.

To allow this deeper giving and sharing, families need "a formation of the heart" from an "encounter with God in Christ which awakens their love and opens their spirits to others."<sup>77</sup> This new heart looks upon love of neighbor not as "a commandment imposed, so to speak, from without, but a consequence deriving from their faith, a faith which becomes active through love (cf. Gal 5:6)."<sup>78</sup> It is a "heart that sees" like the Good Samaritan. "This heart sees where love is needed and acts accordingly."<sup>79</sup>

Finally, Christian charity must not leave God and Christ out of the equation because it is concerned with the *whole* man. As Pope Benedict XVI points out, "Often the deepest cause of suffering is the very absence of God."<sup>80</sup> Families should therefore naturally share their faith; with the help of grace, they will know when they should converse about the faith and when they should silently share the faith through loving actions.

### Meditation

From Pope Francis' *Amoris Laetitia*

A married couple who experience the power of love know that this love is called to bind the wounds of the outcast, to foster a culture of encounter and to fight for justice. God has given the family the job of "domesticating" the world and helping each person to see fellow human beings as brothers and sisters. ... For their part, open and caring families find a place for the poor and build friendships with those less fortunate than themselves. In their efforts to live according to the Gospel, they are mindful of Jesus' words: "As you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me" (Mt 25:40). In a very real way, their lives express what is asked of us all: "When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your kinsmen or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return, and you be repaid. But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed" (Lk 14:12-14). You will be blessed! Here is the secret to a happy family.

By their witness as well as their words, families speak to others of Jesus. They pass on the faith, they arouse a desire for God and they reflect the beauty of the Gospel and its way of life. ... Their fruitfulness expands and in countless ways makes God's love present in society.<sup>81</sup>

1. How do we live out charity in our family towards others?
2. Why does charity enrich family life and expand its fruitfulness? Do we think people can actually encounter Christ by helping those who are in need? Why or why not?
3. How can our family learn to know God better through love in our own family and love toward those we don't know?

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***Building the Domestic Church continued..***

**Scripture Reading — Psalm 86:1-7, 11-12**

*A prayer for God's protection of the poor*

Incline your ear, LORD, and answer me,  
for I am poor and oppressed.

Preserve my life, for I am devoted;

Save your servant who trusts in you.

You are my God; be gracious to me, LORD;

to you I call all the day.

Gladden the soul of your servant;

to you, LORD, I lift up my soul.

LORD, you are good and forgiving,

most merciful to all who call on you.

LORD, hear my prayer;

listen to my cry for help.

On the day of my distress I call to you,

for you will answer me.

Teach me, LORD, your way

that I may walk in your truth,

single-hearted and revering your name.

I will praise you with all my heart,

glorify your name forever, LORD my God.

**Family Project**

Volunteer as a family with your parish, local Knights of Columbus council or other local Catholic ministry. If there are no nearby Catholic charities, then consider volunteering at a nearby soup kitchen or similar local charity.