



# The Outer Guard

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**November 2023**

### *Warriors to Lourdes Fundraiser....*

#### **WE STILL NEED YOU HELP THIS COMING SUNDAY NOVEMBER 5TH**

The Warriors to Lourdes program is a smaller pilgrimage within the International Military Pilgrimage, which began in 1946 "to promote reconciliation and peace after World War II," according to the program brochure. "Ever since, for one weekend in May, Lourdes has become a place of prayer and healing for active-duty military and veterans representing more than 40 nations."

During the pilgrimage, the warriors are given the opportunity to visit the healing waters of the spring discovered by St. Bernadette Soubirous, who experienced several apparitions from the Blessed Virgin Mary there in the 19th century. Wounded and ill warriors carrying both the visible and invisible wounds of war, as well as those warriors with terminal illnesses, those with moral wounds to the soul, marital discord from years of service, or military sexual trauma, are brought together to beg Our Lady's intercession.

For chosen military personnel and their caregiver, all expenses are covered by Knights of Columbus Charities Inc.

As you are aware the charity the Assembly has decided to focus on is the "Wounded Warriors to Lourdes" effort. We are striving to send one person from our area per year. The fund raisers that support this effort are the Fall and Spring Pancake Breakfasts we have at each parish.

On Sunday November 5th from 8:30am to 12:30pm we will have our first Pancake Breakfast of this new Fraternal Year. Please see the "Signup Genius" link and take on a slot, or several slots if you are able.

Reach out if you have any questions or concerns! My cell is 618-406-1033, my email is [hastingsdouglass@yahoo.com](mailto:hastingsdouglass@yahoo.com).

Come on out, bring your family and friends and let's send a warrior in need of healing on a pilgrimage!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4CA4AA2AA7FE3-44478000-warriors>  
KC Council 1143: Warriors for Lourdes Pancake Breakfast (signupgenius.com)

## **NEXT MONTHLY FISH FRY**

**November 17th-7:00 pm Team# 1**

### **SWAG...**

The new swag has arrived, if you placed an order your new swag can be picked up at the November Assembly Meeting and the November General Council Meeting. If you need it sooner call the Faithful Navigator, Doug Hastings, at 618-406-1033 and you can make arrangements to come and get your new KC stuff! Also, new Council and Assembly "ball caps" will be for sale at both meetings while the supply lasts! Caps can be purchased for one Alexander Hamilton and one Abraham Lincoln, (that's \$15.00 for those of you who do not know US Currency!)

### **Rosary for Life..**

Please join us the second Saturday of the month, November 11th at 9:00 am, to pray the Most Holy Rosary of our Blessed Virgin Mary for an end to abortion. We will meet at St Mary Church, 1802 Madison Ave, Edw. 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**

### **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**

On Sunday, October 8th Council 1143 held an Exemplification of the Order after the Corporate Communion Mass held at St. Mary' Church. The council welcomed five new Knights into the order. They were

Brad Brewer - #1143  
Ryan Vogelbacher - #1580  
Alex Vogelbacher - #1580  
Paul Pizzini - #1143  
Mathew Robeen - #8343

**WELCOME!**



## ***Childrens Christmas Shopping Spree .....***

Dear Brother Knights,

As we enter the “*Season to be Jolly*” we are often asked to help make Christmas happier for those less fortunate. Our council will provide a little extra joy for a few children in the Edwardsville School District on the morning of **Saturday December 9<sup>th</sup>** through our 42<sup>nd</sup> annual **CHILDREN IN NEED Christmas Shopping Spree at Wal-Mart.**

You are being provided two opportunities by our Council to make your Christmas Season much more meaningful this year. First, you can share in the personal blessing of making a financial contribution for these children. Second, you and your spouse or child (high school age or older) can volunteer to be a chaperone for one of these children and experience the CHARITY that our order subscribes to.

Please send contributions to:

Kyle Jackson  
3705 North Arbor Lake Drive  
Edwardsville, IL 62025

Or drop it off at the K.C. Hall in an envelope marked ***Christmas Shopping Spree***. All donations go directly to the CHILDREN IN NEED. Make checks payable to Knights of Columbus #1143

If you can volunteer for a few hours (2-3) the morning of **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00am** to assist the children in the purchasing of family Christmas gifts at Wal-Mart, and helping them wrap gifts at the K.C. Hall, please contact **Ken Lanter (314-956-6210) or Kyle Jackson (314-378-0513)**. We also need **donations of cookies and brownies by 9:00am at the K.C. Hall**. Given that some of the parents may choose to come to the Hall for wrapping (and they must provide transportation), we'd like to have some snacks available, if possible. Due to a change in our policy several years ago, the chaperones no longer provide transportation for the kids.

The CHARITY project depends on the members' generosity and cooperation. Plus, it provides a meaningful method of putting the message of **Christ into Christmas**.

Yours in Christ,

## ***Veterans Day Parade***

Saturday November 11, 2023. Meet at the Eden Church Parking Lot at **2:30pm**( North Main Street

Edwardsville) The parade route will be from Eden Parking Lot to Lincoln Middle School.

We need approximately 25 Knights to carry the large flag.

NOTE: the parade starts at 3:00pm it maybe warm during the afternoon than the evening/

Sign-up Genius link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4CA4AA2AA7FE3-45123004-veterans>



### November Anniversaries

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

3	Michael & Nicolle Nolte	14	Robert & Donna Rapp
5	Timothy & Sue Hogan	16	Brian & Jennifer Jones
7	Michael & Claire Wiedner	18	Mark & Myriam Lambiotte
8	Joseph & Christine Lombardi	18	David & Terry Gebhart
9	Kurt & Mary Hylla	20	Stephen & Mary Haarmann
10	Michael & Sharon Colligan	22	Thomas & Ann Neuendank
12	Douglas & Heather Frank	23	David & Kathy Viox
13	Michael & Laura McKinzie	24	Anthony & Sue Certa
		26	Stephen & Rose Mary Edwards
		29	Robert & Jane Scheibal

**CONGRATULATIONS AND MANY MORES!**

### November Birthdays

1	Daniel Boner	12	J Mccausland
1	Anthony Garavalia	13	Michael Bobrowski
3	William Helbling	13	Richard Gusewelle
4	Scot Ambuel	14	Zachary Bishop
4	David Yates	16	Bryan Dammerich
5	Ryan Fitzpatrick	17	Bruce Gerstenecker
6	Steven Huber	17	Michael Menendez
7	Kyle Jackson	17	Patrick Morrison
7	Adam Wessel	18	Kenneth Negro
9	Kenneth Lanter	18	Vernon Zurliene
10	James Kovarik	20	Collin Foster
10	William Morris	20	Dave Strong
11	Joseph Gassiraro	22	John Nwacha
11	Mark Mancewicz	23	Marcelo Nieto
12	John Foehrkolb	25	Philip Hans
12	Kevin Law	28	Stephen Bobrowski
		29	Nathanael Rowlan
		30	John Baker



### Calendar of Events November 2023

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

**Nov 4—Rosary for Souls in Purgatory at St Boniface and St Mary Cemeteries 9:00 am meet at cemetery**

**Nov 5— Pancake Breakfast for Warriors to Lourdes at St Boniface 8-noon**

Nov 7 —Fourth Degree Meeting 7:30 pm

Nov 11—Veterans Day Parade carry flag

Nov 13 —Council Meeting 7:00pm

Nov 15—Holy Hour St Boniface Adoration Chapel 5:30-6:30 pm

Nov 17— Fish Fry Team#1 4:30-7:00pm

Nov 20 — Fred Mills Board Meeting 7:00pm

Nov 27 — Officers Meeting 7:00 pm



### COATS FOR KIDS...

As the weather turns cold Council 1143 is collecting monetary donations to purchase coats for needy children. Send your donation to KofC Council 1143, 7132 Marine Road, Edwardsville, Il or bring it to the Assembly or Council meeting in November.

Thank you and stay warm!

## 4th Degree News Assembly 225



Hello Sir Knights,

Thank you for your support this past month! From the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree's standpoint, we did not have a lot to do. This month will be a bit busier.

The one big charitable event we support as an Assembly is the "Warriors to Lourdes" project. Our first fund raiser of the Fraternal Year will be this coming Sunday November 5<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am to noon at the St. Boniface School Cafeteria. As per a recent email I am still looking for some help, so if you can give me some time come on up and pitch in for an hour or two. There is always a need! If you cannot see yourself flipping pancakes or frying bacon, you can certainly eat!!!! Bring the family and support this important event.

On the Council side of our order there are several events you may wish to consider putting some time into. On Saturday morning November 4<sup>th</sup> at both parish cemeteries beginning at 9:00am your Brother Knights will be leading a "Walking Rosary Prayer Service" for the Souls in Purgatory. Please come on out and partake in this Faith Event. We also have a joint Council/Assembly event on Saturday November 11<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm in downtown Edwardsville when we march in the Edwardsville Veteran's Day Parade. Please note the time change, {3:00pm}!!!! Council Knights and Assembly Knights (without) the new uniform carry the large American Flag while the Assembly members with the new uniform present an Honor Guard. More information about the parade will be sent the week prior to the parade. There is a Signup Genius for participation in the parade, please go to the link and sign-up! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4CA4AA2AA7FE3-45123004-veterans> This event should also be something all 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knights want to support, being that the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree is the Patriotic Degree. What better way to honor our degree than by honoring our veterans!

All Sir Knights with the new uniform, please make note of the Honor Guard request for the "Red Mass" at St. Boniface on Sunday November 19<sup>th</sup> at the 10:15am Mass. All Knights are welcome, come to Mass and support this cause, we can also call it an impromptu Corporate Communion!

If you are aware of a 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Brother who wishes to join our ranks send him my way! There will be a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Live Exemplification on Sunday November 12<sup>th</sup> hosted in Breese, IL. Reach out and invite a Council brother to join us!

Finally, for those of you who may have missed the email, our Sir Brother Knight Don Brunworth will be inducted into the Illinois State KC Hall of Fame this coming Saturday November 4<sup>th</sup> at the Springfield Diocesan Chapter 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Bishop's Dinner & Hall of Fame Induction. This event is happening at the Effingham Event Center. Reservations were taken up until Oct. 23. I have no idea if seating is still available or maybe someone has canceled, but if you find you now have time and would like to attend reach out to Bob Walker (217)-821-6176 [bobwalkeremail@gmail.com](mailto:bobwalkeremail@gmail.com)! No promises! If you see Sir Brother Don, shake his hand, and give him a hardy pat-on-the-back for a job well done!

Make a big note, our General Assembly Meeting for this month is Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm at the Hall. Come on out and have some fellowship with your Sir Brother Knights.

I take a moment each day to thank God for the blessings he provides every day. This month is especially a month to be "Thankful". I hope you and yours have a blessed Thanksgiving Day gathering!

I leave you with this! ***"Remember the past with gratitude. Live the present with enthusiasm. Look forward to the future with confidence."*** –St. John Paul II.

God Bless,

Doug Hastings  
Faithful Navigator  
Assembly 225

## ***From our Field Agent...***

### Life Insurance Retirement Plans

There is an abundance of tools available to help plan for retirement, such as IRAs, 401Ks, Annuities, just to name a few. Many people believe that retirement accounts and life insurance are two separate tools used for planning two separate events, retirement and death. This is not the case. Life Insurance can be a valuable tool for retirement planning if your situation allows for it.

**A Life Insurance Retirement Plan (LIRP)** is an accumulation tool that shares many of the tax-free attributes of traditional retirement accounts such as a Roth IRA. A LIRP is a life insurance policy that is specifically designed to maximize the accumulation of cash within the policy's growth account.

**No Contribution Limits:** If you find yourself in the position where your asset reposition strategy requires a shift that exceeds the allowable contributions to the Roth IRA. The IRS poses no limitations on the amount of money that you can annually contribute.

**No Income Limits:** Income limitations imposed by the Roth IRA and discover that your Traditional IRAs make the nondeductible IRA option not feasible. The IRS poses no income limitations on LIRP contributions.

**Retirement Planning:** There are only so many years between now and your desired retirement, and each year counts. Having a steady stream of tax-free income from your policy is a great way to supplement

your retirement income.

**Tax-Free Bucket:** Review the ideal balances for both the taxable and tax-deferred buckets. The taxable buckets should have roughly six months of income to protect against life's unexpected emergencies.

**Long-Term Care and Death Benefit Options:** One of the biggest advantages other than the retirement income stream are Long-Term Care benefits. A LIRP can provide accelerated death benefits that are available if you are terminally or chronically ill. If you were to pass away prematurely, the death benefit will pay out to your beneficiaries income tax free, less any accelerated death benefits and loans.

**Savings:** Offers your family a sense of financial security for the future. Can be used for college savings for children or grandchildren. Not reportable for FAFSA financial aid.

Vivat Jesus!  
Happy Thanksgiving!



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# Building the Domestic Church

*While Strengthening Our Parish*

*The Family Fully Alive*

*Communion of Saints*

*November 2023*

*By virtue of baptism and the sacramental graces of marriage, the Christian family is built into a communion of saints. Holiness is a gift given to every baptized Christian that becomes a joyful task for the whole of life.*



## Breaking Open the Theme

Like the Church herself, the domestic church is called to be a communion of saints. Our response to the call to holiness is important if we are to become the family God wants us to be. We may think of saints as people who lived long ago or are far removed from our everyday experiences. But the saints are close at hand, and God wants to make each of us a saint. Each member of the family has the task of helping the others to grow in holiness through faith, hope and love.

There are many examples of canonized saints and beatified blessed who can inspire families today. One example of a modern-day saint is Blessed Chiara Luce Badano, who was born in 1971. At the age of 17, she was diagnosed with a serious and painful illness. Faced with this cross, Chiara prayed and found the courage to accept this as part of God's loving plan for her. During the whole time of her illness, she turned everything into an opportunity to love. As she lay dying at the age of 18, she said to her mother, "Oh Mamma. ... You see I can't run anymore, but how I would like to pass on to them [young people] the torch [of faith], like in the Olympics! Young people have only one life and it's worthwhile to spend it well."<sup>87</sup>

Becoming a saint is like running a race.<sup>88</sup> The family is the training ground for this race, where the virtues are taught and character is formed. Through the family, God provides what we need to run it well. To become a saint is simply to cooperate with God and allow him to mold us into the person that he had in mind when he created us. It is his plan to bring us fully to life.

## Meditation

*From Pope Benedict XVI's General Audience, April 13, 2011*

Holiness, the fullness of Christian life, does not consist in carrying out extraordinary enterprises but in being united with Christ, in living his mysteries, in making our own his example, his thoughts, his behavior. The measure of holiness stems from the stature that Christ achieves in

us, in as much as with the power of the Holy Spirit, we model our whole life on his. ...

What is the soul of holiness? ... What is the essential? The essential means never leaving a Sunday without an encounter with the Risen Christ in the Eucharist; this is not an additional burden but is light for the whole week. It means never beginning and never ending a day without at least a brief contact with God. And, on the path of our life it means following the "signposts" that God has communicated to us in the Ten Commandments, interpreted with Christ, which are merely the explanation of what love is in specific situations. ...

We might ask ourselves: can we, with our limitations, with our weaknesses, aim so high? During the Liturgical Year, the Church invites us to commemorate a host of saints, the ones, that is, who lived charity to the full, who knew how to love and follow Christ in their daily lives. They tell us that it is possible for everyone to take this road. ...

I would like to ask all to open themselves to the action of the Holy Spirit, who transforms our life, to be, we too, as small pieces in the great mosaic of holiness that God continues to create in history, so that the face of Christ may shine out in the fullness of its splendor. Let us not be afraid to aim high, for God's heights.<sup>89</sup>

1. What is holiness?
2. How can we live holiness in the family? How do we love God in the ordinary circumstances of life?
3. How do the saints help us live out holiness?

*Continued next page....*

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

**Scripture Reading – Psalm 98:1-6**

*A prayer to welcome God's rule over the earth*

Sing a new song to the LORD,

for he has done marvelous deeds.

His right hand and holy arm

have won the victory.

The LORD has made his victory known;

has revealed his triumph in the sight of the nations,

He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness

toward the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen

the victory of our God.

Shout with joy to the LORD, all the earth;

break into song; sing praise.

Sing praise to the LORD with the lyre,

with the lyre and melodious song.

**Family Project**

Select a few saints and learn about their time period and culture and why they are invoked for specific causes or intentions. Include a dish from their culture during one of your meals. Also,

***VOCATION RAFFLE ....***

The 2023-2024 Illinois State Council Vocation Support Raffle is in progress..

- Raffle starts on JULY 1, 2023 and ends on NOVEMBER 20, 2023.
- Winners will be picked from a gigantic drum at the Mid-Winter District Deputy Meeting in Springfield, Illinois on December 3, 2023.
- Cost of Raffle book is \$15.00.
- Grand Prize will be \$10,000.00, with smaller prizes totaling \$20,000.00.
- Last year the Vocation Support Program with 265 councils and 91 assemblies sold 17,600 raffle books and grossed approximately \$264,000.00.
- Monies earned through this raffle will be used to send birthday gifts, Christmas gifts and Ordination gifts to our seminarians who will be our future priests here in Illinois.

Due to the expense of distributing the Vocation Raffle Tickets we ask that you purchase your tickets online with the State Council. Use the QR code at the right to go to the webpage to purchase your tickets or go to [Illinois State Council Knights of Columbus \(4agc.com\)](https://4agc.com) or enter in your browser [https://4agc.com/commerce\\_pages/b34a6ea2-485e-4e15-b861-1faaecc81be2](https://4agc.com/commerce_pages/b34a6ea2-485e-4e15-b861-1faaecc81be2)

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