



The Outer Guard

Knights of Columbus #1143

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April 2025

Grand Knight's Letter

Hello Brother Knights!

We're a little more than halfway through Lent when you receive this month's Outer Guard. I hope you are having a rewarding Lenten experience.

We have a lot on our plate this month. Please see the Calendar of Events inside this Outer Guard for a listing. I'll highlight some of our upcoming opportunities to help our Church, Council and community.

Our fish fries continue every Friday until Easter. Please see that you work your scheduled shift or let your team captain know if you can't make it. If you aren't yet on a fish fry team, please join us in helping out. You can contact me

at 618-604-7928 for information on how to help.

We have a Food Drive planned for April 5 between 8:30am and noon at St. Boniface and St. Mary's. Please let me know if you can help. We could use 4 more knights to help at each location. Again, contact me if you can help and I'll get you on the list.

We are close to meeting our goal for Star Council. We have met all of our points with our programs. The only thing standing in our way is the number of new members we need for this fraternal year. We are at 9 new members so far and need 15 total to make Star Council. Please think about who you might

ask to join us.

As we approach the end of our fraternal year on June 30, we need to elect our officers for the next fraternal year. Please let me know if you are interested in serving as an officer for Council 1143. We'll list the candidates at our May Council meeting and elect new officers at our June meeting.

I hope you have a good April, Happy Easter, and hope to see you at the Hall!

Vivat Jesus!

David Green
Grand Knight

2025 Membership Dues

The 2025 membership dues were due in January. The Financial Secretary spends a lot of time and effort to collect the dues each year. If you have not paid your dues please do so as soon as possible. Dues are \$40.00 of which over half is forwarded to the Supreme Office to support various programs and their operating expenses. Mail your check to— Edwardsville Knights of Columbus 7132 Marine Rd, Edwardsville, IL 62025.

MONTHLY FISH FRY

Lenten Schedule - Every Friday from 4:30-7:30pm

April 4th Team #2 April 11th Team #3

April 18th Team #4

April Wedding Anniversaries

- 15 Robert & Kathy Hotz
- 17 Charles & Rhonda Burcham
- 18 Timothy & Deanna Moorman
- 19 Thomas & Susan Tucker
- 20 James & Betty Burns
- 20 Raymond & Mary Jane Kerkemeyer
- 22 Bruce & Connie Gerstenecker
- 24 Anthony & Nancy Zollo
- 29 Dave & Dana Strong
- 29 Dr Michael & Kyle Lask

CONGRATULATIONS AND MANY MORES!

April Birthdays

- 2 Charles Burcham
- 2 Joseph Shannon
- 3 Thomas Burns
- 4 Kenneth Hyten
- 4 Jeff Worman
- 5 Gary Doiron
- 5 Richard Ryan
- 9 David Knetzer
- 10 Timothy Henke
- 11 Mark Brase
- 12 Philip Kosydor
- 13 Frederic Kolesa
- 15 David Boduch
- 16 Kris Horvath
- 17 Robert Nelson
- 20 David Jurgena
- 23 Richard Dustman
- 28 James Caulk
- 29 Christopher Chleboun
- 29 Luke Harris



Calendar of Events April 2025

- 1 - 4th Degree Assembly 225 Meeting 7:30pm
- 2 - Holy Hour St. Boniface Adoration Chapel 5:30 pm
- 4 - Fish Fry Team #2 4:30-7:30pm
- 5 - Food Drive St Boniface and St Mary parking lots 8:30 – noon
- 6 - K of C BBQ 11:30-5:00
- 11 - Fish Fry Team #3 4:30-7:30 pm
- 12 - Forty Days Rosary for Life Hope Clinic Granite City all day one hour shifts
- 14 - Council Meeting 7:00pm dinner before meeting
- 16 - Council Blood Drive 3:30-6:00 pm
- 18 - Fish Fry Team #4 4:30-7:30 pm
- 18 - Good Friday
- 20 - Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord
- 21 - Fred Mills Club Board Meeting 7:00 pm
- 28 - Officer Meeting 7:00 pm

Knight of the Month

Knight of the month is awarded to Sir Brother Knight Allen Gerstenecker for all that he does to keep our ice machines, coolers, and fish fryers in working order. Thank you for all you do for the Council and Fred Mills Club.



Family of the Month

The Family of the Month is awarded to Brother Dr. David Hyten and his wife Julie. David and Julie are members at St. Mary's Church where they record the mass for the home bound, Julie is a PSR teacher, and both are involved and big supporters of Fr. McGivney Catholic High School. Thank you for all you do for the council and the church



4th Degree Assembly 225 News



Faithful Navigator's Letter:

Hello Brothers,

As I stated in my last Outer Guard message I am in the "winding down" phase with my service as your Faithful Navigator. There are three months left in this Fraternal Year, and they will be a bit busy!

We will have our spring Krispy Kreme Doughnut sale to support the "Warriors to Lourdes" project on the weekend of May 3 & 4, 2025. This event will happen after all weekend Masses at both St. Boniface and St. Mary. Please go to the Signup Genius link and lend a hand!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4CA4AA2AA7FE3-55569536-warriors>

We also have three Honor Guards this spring!

Those dates are:

Sunday May 18, 2026, at the Father McGivney Catholic High School Graduation, 7190 Bouse Rd, Glen Carbon, IL 62034. Honor Guard members should contact me at 618-406-1033 or email at hastingsdouglas@yahoo.com to let me know that you will be attending. YOU DO NOT have to be an Honor Guard Knight to attend this event and demonstrate your support for Catholic Education. You can wear your KC shirt and sit next to the Honor Guard. The Mass will begin at 12:30pm. If you can attend let me know so we can save the correct number of seats.

Monday May 26, 2025, St. Boniface Cemetery Memorial Day Mass, 501 Frederick St, Edwardsville, IL 62025. The Honor Guard will assemble at the cemetery at 8:30am, Mass begins at 9:00am. Again, you do not have to be a member of the Honor Guard to attend Mass and demonstrate your support! *(It is recommended that attendees bring a lawn chair. If there is inclement weather Mass will be held at St. Boniface Church 128 N. Buchanan Street, Edwardsville, IL 62025.)*

Sunday June 22, 2025, Edwardsville Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Parishes of Edwardsville & Glen Carbon, IL will host a Corpus Christie Candlelight Procession to celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christie. The Eucharistic Process will begin at dusk and will process from the St. Boniface Church main parking lot through Edwardsville streets stopping for the Benediction Service at the Edwardsville City Park Band Stand. The Color Guard will lead the procession and will post on the Band Stand during the Benediction Service. The procession will then return to the St. Boniface Parking Lot. If the procession begins at sunset (8:30pm) the procession should return to the St. Boniface Parking Lot by 9:30pm. St. Boniface Church Parking Lot is at 128 North Buchanan Street Edwardsville, IL 62025

The Honor Guard will gather at 8:00pm with the procession beginning sometime around sunset. *(Sunset is at 8:30pm.)* The event should be approximately one hour.

We are also in need of Knights who are not in the Honor Guard to assist with installing luminaries and to act as Crossing Guards. Please go to the Signup Genius link below and take a task!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4CA4AA2AA7FE3-55380977-2025>

Finally, as per my March message please consider running for one of the Assembly Officer positions! Reach out to me for more information! The election is just two months away!

"I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot, together we can do great things!"

Mother Teresa

Please help your Sir Brother Knights "lead" this Assembly!

God Bless,
Doug Hastings
Faithful Navigator Assembly # 225

Take the next step—become a 4th Degree Knight!

From Our Field Agent

Financial Security

As your agent, I'm dedicated to helping you find the right insurance solutions, no matter your stage in life. Whether you are in your working years with young children, living paycheck to paycheck, or knocking on the door of retirement, I'm happy to help you protect what matters most and build financial security with insurance-based solutions tailored to meet your needs.

The first thing to consider is whether your family would be financially taken care of if something happened to you. Would they struggle to meet the mortgage payments or to pay off other debts?

Term life insurance can be an affordable option to give you protection in case of the unexpected. You'll also have the option to convert to a permanent plan in the future without additional underwriting. Terms and conditions apply.

Second, start preparing for retirement, no matter how far away it may seem. The Knights of Columbus offers annuity solutions to help provide you with retirement income you can't outlive, guaranteed.

Finally, disability income insurance. For many of us,

regardless of our phase in life, protecting an income is our greatest financial need. What would you do if you were no longer able to work? Don't overlook how disability income insurance may be able to help you.

I understand that your financial needs are not just unique but change over time. I'm here to help you find the right solutions today and to be with you as your insurance needs evolve.

If you have any questions, please give me a call and we can schedule a time to meet.

Vivat Jesus!

Happy Easter!



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Next BBQ Dinner April 6, 2025 11:30am-5:00pm [SEE MENU](#)

Next Fish Fry EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT 4:30-7:30 PM [SEE MENU](#)

APP. EVENTS

- 1 - Mass at the Hall (subject stated otherwise)
- 2 - Assembly 0205 (Assembly 2:30pm)
- 3 - Holy Hour 0206 (at Adoration Chapel) 3:30pm
- 4 - Fish Fry 0207 (at 4:30-7:30pm)
- 5 - Field Day at Ballpark (at St. Mary Church) parking at 800 corner
- 6 - 47 8805 11-20-2024

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Did you know we have a website???

Things you can find on the website—

- * Current events for the month
- * All the old issues of the Outer Guard newsletter
- * List of current officers for Council and Assembly
- * Information about upcoming events like Hops & Heroes, Food Drives, Rosary for Life, Father Daughter Dance, Children's Shopping Spree, just to name a few.

The Family Fully Alive

Building the Domestic Church

The following are excerpts from a Knights of Columbus publication—the Family Fully Alive

Prayers for Every Family?



"In prayer, the faithful God's initiative of love always comes first; our own first step is always a response. As God gradually reveals himself and reveals man to himself, prayer appears as a reciprocal call."

—Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2567

Fundamental Prayers

Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Our Father

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace! The Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Doxology

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

Fatima Prayer

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of

hell, and lead all souls to heaven, especially those in most need of thy mercy. Amen.

Act of Faith

O my God, I firmly believe that thou art one God in three Divine Persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit; I believe that thy Divine Son became man, died for our sins, and that he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe these and all the truths which the holy Catholic Church teaches, because thou hast revealed them, who canst neither deceive nor be deceived. Amen.

Act of Hope

O my God, relying on thy infinite power, goodness and promises, I hope to obtain pardon for my sins, the help of thy grace, and life everlasting through the merits of Jesus Christ, my Lord and Redeemer. Amen.

Act of Charity

O my God, I love thee above all things, with my whole heart and soul, because thou art all good and worthy of all love. I love my neighbor as myself for the love of thee. I forgive all who have injured me, and ask pardon of all whom I have injured. Amen.

Act of Contrition

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended thee and I detest all my sins, because I dread the loss of heaven and the pains of hell; but most of all because they offended thee, my God, who are all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of thy grace, to confess my sins, to do penance, and to amend my life. Amen.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that thou art truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love thee above all things and I desire to possess thee within my soul. Since I am unable now to receive thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace thee as being already there, and unite myself wholly to thee; never permit me to be separated from thee. Amen.

Next Month—Prayers for Every Family continued

Te Deum

O God, we praise thee: we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. Everlasting Father, all the earth worships thee.

All the Angels, the heavens and all angelic powers, all the cherubim and seraphim, continuously cry to thee: holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts! Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory.

The glorious choir of the Apostles, the wonderful company of prophets, the white-robed army of martyrs, praise thee.

The Holy Church throughout the world acknowledges thee: the Father of infinite majesty; thy adorable, true and only Son; and the Holy Spirit, the comforter.

O Christ, thou art the king of glory! Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father. When thou took it upon thyself to deliver man, thou didst not disdain the Virgin's womb.

Having overcome the sting of death, thou opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

Thou sit at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father. We believe that thou will come to be our judge.

We, therefore, beg thee to help thy servants whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood. Let them be numbered with thy saints in everlasting glory.

The Divine Praises

Blessed be God.

Blessed be his holy name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man.

Blessed be the name of Jesus.

Blessed be his most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be his most precious blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the most holy sacrament of the altar.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary, virgin and mother.

Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in his angels and in his saints.

Prayers During the Day

Morning Offering

O my God, I offer thee all my prayers, works, joys and sufferings in union with the Sacred Heart of Jesus, for the intentions for which he pleads and offers himself in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, in thanksgiving for thy favors, in reparation for my sins, and in humble supplication for my temporal and eternal welfare, for the wants of our holy Mother the Church, for the conversion of sinners, and for the relief of the poor souls in purgatory. I wish to gain all the indulgences attached to the prayers I shall say and to the good works I shall perform this day. Amen.

The Benedictus (cf. Lk 1:68-79)

A prayer to be said every morning, except on Sundays and holy days when the Te Deum (page 56) is said instead

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel;
He has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty savior,
born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old
that he would save us from our enemies,
from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers
and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham:

to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
free to worship him without fear,

holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.
You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High;

for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
to give his people knowledge of salvation
by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow
of death,

and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

The Magnificat (cf. Lk 1:46-55)

A prayer to be said every evening

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior;
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed:
the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.

He has mercy on those who fear him
in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm,
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,
and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.
He has come to the help of his servant Israel
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
the promise he made to our fathers,
to Abraham and His children for ever.

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Prayer at Night

O my God, I thank you for having preserved me today and for having given me so many blessings and graces. I renew my dedication to you and ask your pardon for all my sins.

Make an examination of conscience quietly, then pray the following.

Protect us, Lord, as we stay awake; watch over us as we sleep, that awake we may keep watch with Christ, and asleep, rest in his peace.

Lord, now you let your servant go in peace;
your word has been fulfilled;
my own eyes have seen the salvation
which you have prepared in the sight of every people:
a light to reveal you to the nations
and the glory of your people Israel. (cf. Lk 2:29–32).

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Grace Before Meals

Bless us, O Lord, and these thy gifts which we are about to receive from thy bounty. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thanksgiving After Meals

We give thee thanks, almighty God, for all thy gifts, who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Next Month—Devotional Prayers to the Blessed Virgin Mary

2025 Elections..

In June, each year, we hold elections for the officers of the council for the next fiscal year. Serving as an officer requires minimal time and is very rewarding. At this time we need nominations for the offices of Deputy Grand Knight and Chancellor. The duties of these offices are as follows:

Deputy Grand Knight -

- assist the Grand Knight in the operation of the council
- Preside at council meetings in the absence of the Grand Knight
- Performs other such duties as the Grand Knight may direct

Chancellor—

- assist the Grand Knight and Deputy Grand Knight with their duties, as assigned
- Is entrusted with strengthening the members' interest in council activities
- Performs other such duties as the Grand Knight may direct

If you have any questions or you are interested in holding an office contact David Green Grand Knight.

HALL CLEANUP DAY

On Saturday, April 26th the Fred Mills Club is holding a Hall Cleanup day. We will start at 8:00am and go until after lunch. Bring your safety equipment, chain saws, pruners, rakes and wheelbarrows. We would like a count of who will be attending so that we can provide a lunch and drinks. RSVP by calling or texting Paul Fuller at 618-781-4335



HOPS & HEROES



SATURDAY AUGUST 2ND

12-4PM

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