



PROMPTER



Grand Knights Message

Brother Knights,

I want to let you know about all the great work we have been doing and to thank our Brother Knights of Bishop Gallagher Council 2569. We have been very active in charity work over the past several months. This is not an all-inclusive list, just some highlights. St. Mary School auction help. Yard work at Sanctum House, a refuge for abused and trafficked women. Maintenance help at MAUBC, a pregnancy crisis center. Prayer for women and babies outside abortion clinics. Overnight help at St. Mary warming center. M.I., "Tootsie Roll" drive to raise funds for Arc of Oakland County, serving mentally challenged persons here locally. Care packages assembled and donated to Royal Oak police to distribute during their encounters with those less fortunate. A charity poker fundraiser that will allow us almost \$4000.00 to donate to needed charities. We are doing a lot of good, and there is always room for you to help others.

We also enjoy the fellowship of other Catholic men during and after our monthly meetings, allowing us to get a break from the rush and stress of everyday life with a great bunch of guys.

I want to personally invite all Brother Knights back to a meeting. Join us, we'd like to see you. Please check our upcoming events and join us. As always, you can contact me for more information on "YOUR", Council. We invest our time, our effort, and our resources into our values: Charity, Unity, Fraternity. We do it to be better husbands, fathers, sons, neighbors and Catholics. It's one thing to say who you are. It's another to live it. To put your values into action.

That's what we do at the Knights of Columbus.

Tim Gignac
Grand Knight
Bishop Gallagher Council 2569
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Dates to Remember

- Council Summer Picnic
 - Saturday September 16th, 2023
 - Starts at 12:00 pm
 - Elks Club Royal Oak
- September Council 2569 Membership Meeting
 - Tuesday September 19th, 2023
 - Every month on the third Tuesday
- Exemplification, Church Drive, and Holy Communion as a Council
 - Drive at all Masses September 23-24
 - Communion at 11am Mass on 24th
 - Complementary Luncheon following
 - St. Mary Church Royal Oak
- 40 Days for Life 2023 Fall Campaign
 - Wednesday September 27, 2023, through Sunday November 5
- The Joy of Evangelization
 - Saturday, October 7, 5-9pm
 - American Polish Cultural Center in Troy
- 2023 Mixed Fun Team Tournament
 - Saturday October 14, 2023
 - Westland Bowl
- Sanctum House Volunteer Opportunity
 - Saturday, October 21, 2023
- 2023 Michigan March for Life
 - November 8, 2023
 - 11:00 am – Rally at Capitol
 - 12:00 pm – Michigan March for Life

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Faith Director – Robert Corey

I'm collecting names of volunteers for helping clean up the yard at the Sanctum House (Sanctum House is a safe home for woman survivors of human trafficking). The director said she is looking forward to it. This program event is scheduled for Saturday, October 21, 2023 from 9:00am to noon.

Please email me at corey.bob@att.net or call Bob at 248-202-2106. I will send out details closer to the event. Although Mercy in Action day is technically Oct 14, St Mary's parish will observe all participation over a 2-week period. Service is a good thing! Charity is the hallmark of Knights of Columbus!

Life Director – Mark Baker

A special thanks to all those who helped on Saturday, July 22 cleaning up the grounds at Mother and Unborn Baby Care (MAUBC). Nancy Peterson, MAUBC's director, is very appreciative. We had four brother Knights, Daryl Wood, Chris Petti, Buzz Johnstone, and me as well as Buzz's kids (my grandkids), Mhairi, Emmett, and Jack and, finally, Emmett's friend, Aidan come out to help. In about 2 hours we had cleaned up trash around the building, weeded the flower beds, trimmed the hedges, and spread mulch. Buzz went back later to spread more mulch.

Thanks again!
-Mark Baker
Life Director

“When a fire is reported, the firemen don't sit around the firehouse and have a prayer service. They go to where the fire is. When a priest gets a sick call, he goes to the bedside of the sick person. The same is true with abortion. We are called to show up at the places where the killing occurs. This expresses solidarity with them in their hour of greatest need.” - Frank Pavone, Founder, Priests for Life

**40 Days for Life 2023 Fall Campaign
Wednesday, September 27 through Sunday November 5
8:00 AM to 8:00 PM
Vigil Hour Sign-up Instructions:**

Dear Brothers,

Help save lives by praying outside the Planned Parenthood facility at 23338 Woodward Ave, Ferndale from Wednesday, September 27 through Sunday, November 5. This Fall's 40 Days for Life campaign goes every day from 8 AM to 8 PM and, in particular, we're asking for prayer warriors during the business hours of 9 AM to 5 PM, Monday – Friday. Since the passing of the pro-abortion proposal last Fall, it's more important than ever that we make our pro-life presence known to the community. Prayer is our most powerful weapon in the fight to save the temporal life of the most vulnerable and the eternal souls of the victims of abortion. I understand that many who cannot be physically present at the site may still wish to participate. If that's you, please do not use the sign-up instructions found below, but rather call me (248/408-7860) or email at econome20@aol.com and let me know what day/hour you are willing to pray. If someone is scheduled for that time at the site, I will let them know you are praying with them. This is a great encouragement.

Here are the instructions to sign up:

Website: <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/Ferndale>

Click "Login" in the upper right

User Name: prolifechair@kofc2569.com

Passcode: lifeisprecious1

Click on "sign-up for vigil hours". You'll see which hours are open, partially open, or full. An hour is considered full if two people have signed up for it, but don't let this stop you from attending that hour if that is the most convenient for you. By signing up you agree to the "peace pledge" published elsewhere in this Prompter.

I look forward to praying and working alongside you to help end the injustice of abortion in our community. Thank you.

-Mark Baker, Life Director

Statement of Peace

By signing up to participate in the vigil, you agree to abide by this Statement of Peace:

- I will pursue only peaceful, prayerful and lawful solutions to the violence of abortion by supporting life from natural conception to natural death
- I will show compassion and reflect Christ's love to all
- I will not intentionally cause harm or commit crimes or violence
- I am in no way, directly or indirectly, associated with any abortion provider including Planned Parenthood

While participating in a 40 Days for Life activity:

- I will not obstruct or block driveways, sidewalks, roadways or any lawful passage
- I will not litter, deface, damage or trespass on another's property
- I will closely attend to any minors in my care
- I will not threaten, curse, yell at or verbally abuse anyone
- I will neither commit any act of violence, threaten or touch any person, nor display or discuss weapons
- I will be polite and cooperative with law enforcement and valid civil authority
- If asked to leave by a valid authority, I will comply and contact 40 Days for Life HQ

I will strive to maintain the safety of myself and others by:

- Trying to have at least two vigil participants on site at a time and never being alone after dark
- Holding vigil in a safe, public and lawful location
- Immediately calling and cooperating with law enforcement and recording any incident if I feel unsafe or if any act of violence or damage is made or threatened
- Leaving and calling law enforcement if I feel threatened or endangered

If I am a minor, I will participate in 40 Days for Life only in the presence of or with the written permission of a parent or guardian

Financial Secretary – Daniel Remeika

Council Picnic

You and your family are invited to attend the annual summer picnic on Saturday, September 16, at noon. The council will provide food and beverage prepared by the Elks at the Royal Oak Detroit Elks Lodge. It is located where our monthly membership meetings are held. Please bring games that your family will enjoy playing and sharing with others. Both the Elks and Bishop Gallagher Council are participating.

Exemplification, Church Drive, and Holy Communion as a Council

You are invited to a special 30-minute Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity on **September 24** at St. Mary Church on 730 South Lafayette Ave. in Royal Oak. Brother Knights of the First Degree will then earn the title of Worthy Third Degree Knight. *An announcement will be made at the 11:00 AM Mass inviting all to attend the exemplification and then meet in the Fellowship Hall for a coffee, donuts, and lunch social. Those not wishing to remain for the exemplification will be invited directly to coffee and donuts in the Fellowship Hall.*

A church drive will also be held at the 4:30 PM Mass on Saturday and the 9 and 11 AM Masses on Sunday. If you will help, arrive 15 minutes early for the Mass and stay for 15 minutes after, sharing your experiences as a Knight with the parishioners. Wear your red council shirt if you have one. *You can obtain a red council shirt by contacting the financial secretary.*

If you attend the 11 AM Mass on Sunday, sit toward the front with brother knights and their families in unity and participate in a corporate communion as a council.

The Cor Meeting

The Cor Meeting is a faith-based initiative of the Supreme Council to form and strengthen Knights with the other men of the parish in faith and virtue. Each Cor Meeting strengthens relationships with Jesus Christ and one another through Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity. “Cor” is Latin for “heart” and the root of “courage.” The Cor Meeting provides opportunity to encounter Christ, strengthen bonds of brotherhood, and share faith as brothers, bringing souls to Jesus Christ.

Every council is invited to hold a Cor Meeting with the pastor’s approval at least monthly for any man in the parish, so it is not a council meeting. At 60-90 minutes, each Cor Meeting consists of Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity. Formation provided at the parish needs the pastor to be involved in planning.

Prayer is the lifting of our minds and hearts to God. Shared time in prayer will help men strengthen the bonds of brotherhood and keep God at the center of all they are and do. Formation is to be like Christ, taking on his character and virtue, life of prayer, and mission. It is time hearing, studying, and applying the truths of the Catholic faith to daily life. Fraternity brings men together to create an enjoyable environment that strengthens true friendships.

Contact the grand knight if you are interested.

2023 Michigan March for Life

It is with great excitement that we are announcing the [2023 Michigan March for Life](https://marchforlife.org/michigan-march-for-life/), scheduled for November 8 in Lansing! This is an excellent opportunity for advocates of life of all ages and political persuasions from across the state to join with one voice on behalf of the defenseless! This rally and march are suited for all levels of experience and comfort with advocacy. Register at <https://marchforlife.org/michigan-march-for-life/>

The Joy of Evangelization

Would you be interested in coming to our Gala? We haven't had one in a few years. The event is free to attend, but it's our biggest fundraiser of the year.

Saturday, October 7, 5-9pm, at the American Polish Cultural Center in Troy

SAINT PAUL
STREET EVANGELIZATION

7th Annual Gala:
The Joy of Evangelization

Saturday, October 7, 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm
American Polish Cultural Center
2975 E. Maple Rd., Troy, MI

Featuring Guest Speakers...

Steve Ray
Catholic convert, author, documentary producer, and pilgrimage leader

&

Sister Joseph Andrew Bogdanowicz, OP
Co-Foundress and Vocations Director of the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist

FREE to attend! We will extend an invitation for you to financially support the apostolate. This is our most important fundraiser of the year!

Register online at streetevangelization.com/gala

Questions about business sponsorship, purchasing an ad, or hosting a table? Contact Lea at lea@stpaulse.com

The theme is "Joy of Evangelization." Includes dinner, drinks, fellowship, updates about St. Paul Street Evangelization's work and future vision, and inspirational words from two guest speakers: Steve Ray and Sister Joseph Andrew Bogdanowicz, OP.

This **complimentary** event is our largest gathering of the year, and our most important single fundraiser. Let me know if you can come. Details and registration are online at streetevangelization.com/gala.

Pass along to others who are interested!
Steve Dawson | President

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Eucharistic Congress and Revival

We want to see many Knights of Columbus on July 17–21, at the 2024 10th National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, Indiana, at Lucas Oil Stadium and other nearby venues in downtown Indianapolis within walking distance.

The Knights of Columbus generous "lead sponsorship" of the National Eucharistic Congress has launched us deep into planning what will be the most significant national gathering of Catholics in a generation. We need you there, and we hope you can help us

get your parishes there.

Our partnership allows us to offer all who are associated with the Knights of Columbus the opportunity to obtain a discounted rate of \$299 per adult pass (from \$375). Registration is available at a special landing page found at <https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/knights> For more questions, please contact support@eucharisticcongress.org.

Brothers, God is on the move through the National Eucharistic Revival, but He needs us to respond. God is calling us to move with Him and be on mission to renew the Eucharistic heart of our parishes. Will you join us, and Him, in this movement?

My prayers and gratitude for your important mission in the heart of the Church remain with you.

Sincerely, in Christ,
Bishop Andrew Cozzens
Roman Catholic Diocese of Crookston, MN

Statue and Relics Installation

“The veneration of holy relics and sacred images is an integral part of our Catholic Faith. Installed in our Metropolitan Cathedral and surrounding the worshiping congregation these statues and relics of the Twelve Apostles will strengthen the living bond with them as our teachers on earth and intercessors in heaven.” Fr. Aidan Logan, State Chaplain

Archbishop Allen Vigneron has commissioned the Cathedral to become an Apostolic Center as part of his Unleash the Gospel initiative. Our goal is to permanently install all 12 Apostle statues and their first-class relics in the Cathedral. This will help realize the archbishop’s mission for individuals to a life-changing encounter with Jesus and provide "shallow entry points" for people who are seeking Jesus. The Cathedral's collection of magnificent 7.5-foot-tall apostle statues and two angels are made of single tree trunks and were created in the city of St. Ulrich Groeden, which was in old Austria and is now within Italy, circa 1927.

The Michigan State Council is asking us to consider helping raise the \$100K necessary to complete this project. Contact the grand knight if you are interested in donating. Councils that donate \$1,000 will be included on the special plaque located in the Cathedral. It will include the council that helped or a grand knight name and council. Individual donations will have a 2-line request of the donor’s choice.

Fun Tournament



Michigan State Council Bowling Association



2023 Mixed Fun Team Tournament

USBC Certified

Squad Saturday October 14, 2023 at 10:00 am

Westland Bowl

5940 N Wayne Rd, Westland, MI 48185
(734) 722-7570

Teams must be K of C Member Sponsored (see Rules and Regulations)



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| Entry Fees: | (Per Person) \$25.00 |
| Prize Fee: | \$8.50 |
| Linage: | \$7.50 |
| Expenses: | \$9.00 |
| Total per Team: | \$100.00 |

Team Name: _____

Council #: _____

| | Last Name, First Name | Circle Gender | AVG | K of C Member Number |
|---|-----------------------|---------------|-----|----------------------|
| T | | Male Female | | |
| E | | Male Female | | |
| A | | Male Female | | |
| M | | Male Female | | |

Captain: _____ K of C Member #: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City _____ Zip _____

Make Check Payable to: Michigan State Bowling Association

Priority registration extended to **October 8, 2023**

For lane pairing please mail entries together.

Mail to:
 Gregory Zawalski
 6666 Windmill Ln
 West Bloomfield, MI 48324
state.bowling.association@mikofc.org

W23

**Jesus is
waiting for
YOU**

This event is in support of the



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Revival**



Jesus and the Eucharist Small Group

St. Mary Catholic Church
730 S. Lafayette Ave, Royal Oak, MI

7 Session Small Group Discussion
Every Saturday 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Fellowship Center

Contact Francis Gestiada
for more details at
ParishEucharisticRevival@gmail.com

RSVP here!



Invite Catholic Men to Join

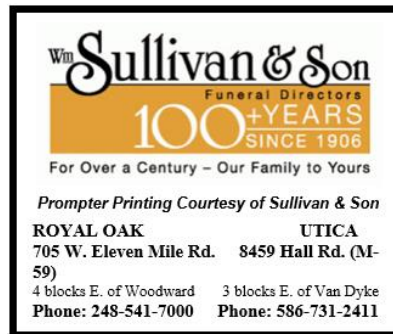
Let's grow our council, get more men to attend our churches, and live our lives as God wills. Help prospects join. The easiest way is to go to www.kofc.org. Click on JOIN US. Complete the information boxes, skip the Agent Referral Code box, enter 2569 in the box Preferred Local Council, use the free membership Promo Code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY, click on apply, and submit.

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Various members of the Sullivan family have been a part of this council at least since 1934. William Sullivan joined in 1963. John Sullivan joined in 1970. Their ads have appeared in the Prompter from its earliest years. We thank William Sullivan & Son for printing the paper copies of the Prompter.