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MESSAGE FROM YOUR GRAND KNIGHT (pg 7)

"Revive and Return"

If you have a family member or friend who has strayed from the Church, and you want to draw them back continue reading. Otherwise, this notice is not for you.

During the months of October/November/December the Knights of Columbus in conjunction with other St Paul Ministries will present a new program that could help you and

others bring back family members or friends who have strayed away from the Catholic Church in a loving, practical, and non-threatening way.

The program is based on the work of Bishop Barron's colleague Brandon Vogt who wrote the book "RETURN, how to draw your child back to the church." The book is a practical guide which serves as the basis of a new program hosted by the St Paul Knights of Columbus. The program will consist of 5 informative large groups presentations supplemented by small group practical exercises and discussions that will provide participants with the tools needed to open communications without driving away the family member.

The program is free and open to all interested Catholics. Although the start date will be in October we deed a few dedicated parishioners to serve on a steering committee and to be trained as facilitators for the small groups. This is not a quick and simple program. It was developed by professional trainers and requires time and dedication to what could be the most important and meaningful task that you could undertake.

The program is heavily based on the "Return" book but also provides a very wide variety of tools and resources that are referenced in the book such as:

Starting the conversation Active listening Myths and misconceptions about the church Role playing Theological objections Marriage and sexual objections Moral objections Scientific proof of God's existence What to say and how to say it



Details will be published in the church bulletin. The

large group sessions will be held on Saturday mornings with small groups setting up their own schedules. Don't miss this opportunity to open a loving dialogue with your family members and friends that could help you bring them back.

Contact me if you want to be on the steering committee and group facilitator.

Vivat Jesu! Art Kalinski, GK



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Knight of the Month (Pg. 2)



Family of the Month (Pg. 2)



"DO YOU NOT HAVE ONE HOUR TO SPEND WITH ME"



EVERY FRIDAY

9am Until 12 Noon

St. Paul's Church

Exposition & Ben-

ediction Everyone Welcome!





PLEASE PRAY FOR

Mario & Debbie Acevedo, Gislaine Beaulieu, Paul Boudreau, Tom Burns, Carol Cane, Charlie Cangialosi, Cindy Diemer, Michael Jimenez, Joey Landon, Ernie Little, Dixie, Edward & Marianne Lynch,

George & Linda Mello, Dr. Nick Nuciforo, Jennings Paugh, Dawn Pauline, Al Ragona, Kathleen Skoblicki, Rose Marie Smedile, Sharon Way, Walt & Marilyn Young, Mary Clare Zedler.





LEO REMENIUK COATS FOR KIDS

Over the past 12 years our council has provided between 150 and 250 coats/hoodies for kids each year. (Note: last year schools asked that we supply hoodies instead of heavy coats, they get longer use w/them.) This program was started by SK Leo Remeniuk with the assistance of his wife Vi. For the past few years I have handled the pick-up and distribution of the coats/hoodies. I would hope that we can continue to keep this program alive in their memory. However, to do that we need an influx of funds. With that in mind I am requesting that each member of Council 5644 donate whatever they can afford to this fund over the next few months (I would like to order the hoodies in August/September). Please make your checks Payable to KofC 5644 and in the Memo section write Coats for Kids. Your help with this worthwhile program is much appreciated. Larry Huhn

WORDS OF WISDOM

"Do not give up prayer on any account, no matter how dry or rotten you feel; every moment, especially before him in the tabernacle, is a certain, positive gain; the effect will be there though you may not feel it."

~~~~ Servant of God Fr. Willie Doyle, S.J.

## KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

June Knight of the Month is Sir Knight Edward Wutsch. Ed has been a Knight for 28 Years, as of this past November, and received Honorary Life Status. Ed has also been a 4th Degree member for 27 years, with Honorary Life Status. Brother Ed is a Past Recorder and has dusted off his Recorder's pen and accepted appointment to the vacant position for the current and the 2023-24 fraternal years. Ed also was in the kitchen for Fish Fries.

Your service to the Church and the Knights is greatly appreciated. Congratulations on being selected Knight of the Month for June 2023!

## FAMILY OF THE MONTH

The Family of the Month for June 2023 is SK Gary & Martha Ann Edwards. SK Gary has been a Knight for 24 yrs. and a 4th Degree for 22 yrs and Martha Ann is a member of the Ladies' Auxiliary. Both served in the kitchen or the Ladies Auxiliary table at the Fish Fries and the Polish Dinner. Gary also serves as an Usher at the 4pm Mass.

Your service to the Knights and the Church are greatly appreciated. Congratulations on being selected: Family of the Month for June 2023!



FROM THE FINANCIAL SECREATARY

## ATTENTION

The 2023/24 dues notice for the new Fraternal year which begins July 1st will be sent out this month.

Please return your payment as soon as possible.

If there is some type of financial issue please don't ignore the notice, please contact me.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation.

Tom Diemer PGK,PFN Financial Secretary 352-267-9502

## Membership Meeting Highlights

The May Membership Meeting was held the 17th, in the BMMMC; meetings are held the 3rd Wed. of the month; Dinner @ 6pm, Rosary @ 6:30pm, meeting @ 7pm.

Meeting began with Prayer & pledge of allegiance. Charter draped and moment of silence observed in memory of Brother Dick Bowersox who passed 5/3. - GK report: April Minutes approved; Introduced two new transfer members: Jennings Paugh and Gregory Ochalek; Upcoming Events: 5/19 Special Olympics State Games @ESPN World, 7 volunteers signed up; Parish Food Drive bag distribution, 6/4-5: the Revive & Return program is in development, ready in July, first session planned for Fall 2023; - Treasurer: Report on account as of 4/30/23, move lion's share of savings into a 1 yr CD, approved; - Financial Secretary: We are in Good Standing; - 4th Deg: Lunch provided to Habitat student volunteers from THE Ohio State University, Coffee/ donuts served at the V.A. Clinic 4/21 & 5/5. election of officers for 2023-24 fraternal year completed; - Faith Director: wooden kiosk obtained by the GK placed in Narthex, pamphlet reorder on the way; - Field Agent: Fraternal Benefits Night successfully completed for 2022-23 Star Council award; DD: Welcomed transfers, State Convention May 26-28, 2023 Supreme Convention in Orlando this Aug, State Council is looking for volunteers to help out; - DW: thanked the council for prayers, 5644 is the most active council in the district, keep it up! - Old Business: Pumpkin Patch planning, delivery scheduled for October 9th, Columbus Day; New Business: Election of Officers for the 2023-24 Fraternal Year completed, see announcement below for new slate of officers, still needed a Deputy Grand Knight & a Recorder, at the end of the meeting two brothers came forward and GK Art Kalinski appointed them to those positions; Motion was made to honor Fr. Matthew on the 5th anniversary of his ordination 5/21, seconded & passed; - Good of the Order: Attendance Drawing \$42, not won by Jeffery Pfister; 50/50- \$30 won by Jennings Paugh; Prayer List: Edward W Lynch, Marilyn & Walt Young, Jennings Paugh, Rose Marie Smedile: - 18 members present, meeting adjourned @ 8pm with the Prayer for the Canonization Of Blessed Michael McGivney.

Next Membership Meeting Wed., June 21st, BMMMC; 6pm Dinner, 6:30pm Rosary and 7pm Meeting.



# JUNE BIRTHDAYS



| 1 <sup>st</sup> William P. Myers               | 13 <sup>th</sup> Leslie L Kopasz    |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Clinton Mel Weaver             | 14 <sup>th</sup> Kenneth R Prater   |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Michael J Balchus              | 15 <sup>th</sup> Ronald La Pierre   |
| Ronald W Palmer                                | James A Moursund                    |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Steven J Gould                 | Marvin F Nagel                      |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> Joseph R Schmidt ' <u>90</u> ' | 16 <sup>th</sup> Richard W Nelson   |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> John A Barzyk ' <u>93</u> '    | 17 <sup>th</sup> Donald A Schram    |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> Robert D Ferrara              | William J Spears                    |
| Claude R Ouellette                             | 18 <sup>th</sup> Myron Nolen        |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> Dr Joseph D Bono              | 23 <sup>rd</sup> Terry G Graham     |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> William J Mathias             | 29 <sup>th</sup> Michael A Anderson |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> Paul A Hathcox                | 30 <sup>th</sup> Kenneth F Aicardi  |
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#### Attendance Drawing:

\$42 was not won by Jeffery M Pfister... Next month's drawing will be \$45. You must be present to win!

50/50 Raffle:

\$30 - won by Jennings Paugh! You have to be present to play & win!

## MEMBERSHIP

As of 5/28/23, the Council has 176 members: 85 insurance, 91 associate; 9 Honorary, 43 Honorary Life and 1 Exempt.

Tom Diemer, FS







### SCHOLARSHIP RAFFLE: JUNE Winners

1st Prize - \$75.00 - #187 - Ted Kornhoff

2nd Prize - \$50.00 - #331 - Ted Kornhoff

3rd Prize - \$25.00 - #084 - Denise McDonald

4th Prize - \$10.00 - #449 - Timothy Malone



"The most beautiful word of all is love, not just any love, but agape love. Love that sacrifices. Love that gives. Love that puts other person before self. Just like Jesus loved and still loves us. The love embodied on the cross. That is agape love."

- Dr Allen Hunt, from his book 'The 21 Undeniable Secrets of Marriage' Ray Crowell, Faith Director



## LADIES' AUXILIARY

Greetings!

On June 18th, we would like to wish a happy and healthy Father's Day to all men who love their children and those

of others. Especially those who step up to be a father figure to those children in need.

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday June 15th at 11 am at the BMMMC. At this meeting, we will be holding our Election of Officers, the winners will then be presiding over the 2023/2024 year.

I would like to thank our current Board for their efforts and accomplishments this year - Betty Gross - Co-President; Gerry O'Loughlin- Treasurer; Ann Rollins -Secretary; and Nancy Spears - Correspondence Secretary. We accomplished a lot together and with our fabulous members.

Thoughts and Prayers for all our members and their families who are struggling with health issues, loss of loved ones or economic struggles. Find your solace with friends and family but especially pray for the intercession of our Lord for all your needs.

Safe travels to all during this Summer.

Faith over Fear in ALL things...all the time!!

Cindy Diemer Betty Gross Co-Presidents

Co-Presidents Please see attached brochures. (click on these links)

<u>10-13-23 Mariner of the Seas, Bermuda,</u> Ladies Aux.pub (wsimg.com)

10-13-23- Ladies Aux KofC.pub (wsimg.com)

We have our own phone number: 352-913-5346 and email: ladiesaux5644@aol.com. These will be used on all publications and ads.

## PGK Mark O's Corner Offering !

Peace be with you! The lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer... When we were kids we'd hop on our bikes and head to the swimming' holes, there was Little Sycamore and Big Sycamore (you had to get Mrs. Burns' permission first for them) and Culvert, a small hole between the Bowman Ave overpass and the Bessemer & Lake Erie RR trestle. After a drowning or two and one of my classmates being paralyzed diving off the overpass into the too shallow waters, our parents decided to put in a pool.

Now, +Mom had a rule, no swimming until Trinity Sunday. Trinity Sunday always fell the 1st or 2nd week of June; so, we figured her rule had to do with the weather and warmer temps, as we lived in Northwest Pennsylvania, a mere 50 miles from Canada, the frozen tundra, eh? We were kids, of course that's why she had that dumb ol' rule.

Years later now, knowledge and maturity offer up a more believable reason for this rule. It was right there in front of us, <u>Trinity</u> Sunday. +Mom was good but she knew she couldn't always be there with us, so she called upon the Blessed Trinity to be her proxy. Who better than the Father, Son & Holy Ghost to watch over us.

June 4<sup>th</sup> is Trinity Sunday; make it a special one, I am. Thanks +Mom!

"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."



# COUNCIL SHIRTS

Show you're a member of the Knights of Columbus by purchasing a council shirt.



For information and ordering contact: Monte Moon 678-427-4595 or email: <u>montemoon@att.net</u>

# **JUNE 2023**

#### June 1 St. Justin



June 2 Sts. Marcellinus & Peter

First Friday Adoration - 9am-12pm - Church June 3/4 Most Holy Trinity

June 5 St. Boniface June 6 St. Norbert



June 9 St. Ephrem/Friday Adoration 9am-12pm - Church

June 10/11 Corpus Christi

June 13 St. Anthony of Padua

June 14 Flag Day / 4th Degree Meeting

7pm: BMMMC -1320 Sunshine Ave.

June 16 Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Friday Adoration: 9am-12pm - Church



June 17 Immaculate Heart of BVM

June 17/18 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Fathers' Day

June 21 Membership Meeting ~ Dinner 6pm Rosary 6:30pm ~ Mtg 7pm / BMMMC

June 22 Sts. John Fisher & Thomas More

June 23 Friday Adoration: 9am-12pm - Church

June 24 Nativity of St. John the Baptist

June 24/25 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 27 St. Cyril of Alexandria

June 28 St. Irenaeus

June 29 Sts. Peter & Paul

June 30 First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

Friday Adoration: 9am-12pm - Church







# **JULY 2023**

#### July 1/2 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- July 3 St. Thomas
- July 4 Independence Day



July 5 St. Elizabeth of Portugal

July 7 First Friday Adoration: 9am-12pm - Church

July 8/9 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## July 11 St. Benedict

July 12 4th Degree Meeting



7pm: BMMMC -1320 Sunshine Ave.

July 13 St. Henry

July 14 St. Kateri Tekakwitha



July 15 St. Bonaventure

July 15/16 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 19 Membership Meeting ~ Dinner 6pm

Rosary 6:30pm ~ Mtg 7pm / BMMMC

July 20 St. Apolinaris



Friday Adoration: 9am-12pm - Church



- July 21 Friday Adoration: 9am-12pm Church
- July 22 St. Mary Magdalene
- July 22/23 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 25 St. James

July 26 Sts. Joachim & Anne, Parents of the BVM

July 28 Friday Adoration: 9am-12pm - Church

July 29 Sts. Martha, Mary & Lazarus

July 29/30 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 31 St. Ignatius of Loyola

















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## Special Olympics Florida State Games 2023

Our Council raises funds for numerous charities and performs a lot of good work. One charity we support is the Special Olympics. Why? You may remember Maryann Gonzalez who spoke at the K of C State Convention last year and at our February Social. She was an original 1968 Olympian and attributed her successful life to the positive reinforcements she experienced participating in the Special Olympics.

Two weeks ago, we had a chance to provide direct support to the Special Olympics Florida State Games. Our volunteer group travelled to the Disney ESPN complex and spent 4 hours helping open the event. Our task was simple, we checked in all the medical support volunteers. As you would guess it takes careful medical examination and evaluation of each participant to make sure that they can safely participate in an event. This required the help of over 200 medical professionals.

We received a short training session and were then taken to the check-in tables. We checked in each medical volunteer, confirmed that they were on the preapproved list and filed their paperwork. We then gave them their access badges and a volunteer t-shirt. The process was surprisingly smooth despite the crowds. With 23 years' experience the Special Olympics staff has the process down to a science.

We didn't interact with any of the Olympians but saw many as they were checking in. When we finished our medical check-ins and on our way to lunch, one family caused us to really count our blessings. Their adult son (I assume) was in what looked like an adult size stroller. The son was red-faced and in very extreme distress about something. He was flailing about and completely uncontrollable. The mother and father were doing their best to console and help calm him. As we ate lunch some of us felt like we just saw two "saints" taking the best care they could of their son.

We all felt somewhat satisfied that we were able to help, if even in some small way.

(Many thanks to those who volunteered for our group; Allan & Debbie Albert, Ray Crowell, Mark Olszewski, Doug Rollins, District Deputy Chris Berens, and Rachel La Monica.) Vivat Jesus, Art Kalinski, GK



St. Paul Council #5644 - St. Paul Catholic Church, Leesburg, FL







4th Degree Assembly 1675



## Faithful Navigator's Message

#### Sir Knights,

We had such a great day at the Tavares VA on Friday the 5th. It seems like it gets more receptive every time we go; they are really getting to know us when we walk-in. Thanks to Tim for making coffee and to Chris for dropping it off. Thank you to Art, Duane, and Tony for being there and representing us with me. Huge thank you to Tony for bringing the leftover donuts to the Open Door for the homeless.

Great time at the Habitat restore in Leesburg the 10th. That was our last one of the year. The director Carlos will be contacting us when they are ready to start back up. They love us and are so appreciative of getting fed and having some fellowship. The college students are very attentive to hearing about the Knights of Columbus and get a better perspective of what we stand for. This time we served THE Ohio State University along with a few other volunteers and staff. We ended up with exactly the amount of food needed, it worked out perfectly.

Thank you once again to Chris for bringing the grill and condiments,

Tony for bringing the tables and setting up everything, Doug for cooking, Art for flipping burgers. There were so many compliments, such as "these are the best hamburgers I've ever had...". It was so wonderful to hear. Thank you to Duane for googling the address and finding his way... Thanks to Ray for participating as well. I love you guys. It is truly an Honor to serve with each one of you, and being your Faithful Navigator. I am very blessed.

Our regular meeting was May 10th, we discussed a few ideas I would like to vote on. Also, we draped the charter for 2 fallen Sir Knights : SK Everett Warzecha council 5644 and SK Richard Bowersox council 5644; now they are with our Lord Jesus Christ in eternity. We held elections for the 2023-24 Fraternal Year.

## 2023-2024 Assembly Officers

Faithful Navigator - SK Bob Nixon F. Comptroller - SK Mark Ochalek Faithful Captain - SK Duane Costello Faithful Admiral - SK Tony Podczasy F. Purser - SK Mike Memmesheimer Faithful Pilot - SK Art Kalinski Faithful Scribe - SK Art Kalinski Inner Sentinel - SK Ray Crowell Outer Sentinel - SK Ray Crowell Outer Sentinel - SK Tom Diemer One Year Trustee - SK Kelly Way Two Year Trustee - SK Ken Lynch



Thank you to all officers that are committed to the Assembly and continue to do such a great job. (results above) <u>Our next day to serve coffee and donuts at the Tavares VA will be</u> <u>June 2nd at 8:30 am until 10:30 am</u>, then we will head over to the Open Door in Eustis for about 30 minutes and make their day with a monetary donation. It will be a heartfelt day. God bless,

Bob Nixon PGK, FN













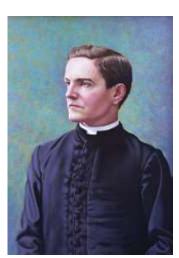


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Knights in the News





# BLESSED MICHAEL McGIVNEY Pray for Us!

## <u>A Litany of Blessed Michael McGivney</u>

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us. God, the Father of heaven, have mercy on us. God, the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy on us. God, the Holy Spirit, have mercy on us. Holy Trinity, One God, have mercy on us. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us. Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, ... Our Lady of Guadalupe, Star of the New Evangelization, St. Joseph, Spouse of Mary and Guardian of the Redeemer, St. Michael the Archangel, Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us. Humble Servant of God, ... Faithful Disciple of Jesus, Son of the Immaculate Heart, Obedient Son of the Church, Exemplary Priest of Purity, Zealous Priest of Christ, Gentle Shepherd of Souls, Devoted Parish Priest, Wise Counselor, Teacher of the Faith, Servant to All, Protector of the Poor, Defender of the Widow and Orphan, Friend of the Lonely and Suffering, Companion to the Imprisoned, Comforter of the Sick and Dying, Apostle of Christian Family Life, Father to the Young, Advocate of Workers, Evangelizer of Those Gone Astray, Champion of the Gospel of Life, Guardian of the Laity, Pastor of Immigrants, Exemplar of Charity, Model of Unity, Builder of Catholic Fraternity, Instructor of Christian Patriotism, Founder of the Knights of Columbus, Blessed Michael, humble in service, pray for us. Blessed Michael, devoted to the Sacred Heart, … Blessed Michael, pure in heart, Blessed Michael, faithful in priestly duties, Blessed Michael, strong in suffering, Blessed Michael, peaceful in dying, Blessed Michael, conformed to Christ crucified, Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, spare us, O Lord! Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, graciously hear us, O Lord! Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us!

V/ Pray for us, Blessed Michael McGivney,

R/ That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray. God, our Father, inspired by the heroic example of the life and virtue of your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling His commandment of charity and building up His Body, which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and outcast. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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