



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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## Council 710 Continues to Grow!

In addition to Kerry Sievert rejoining our Order and advancing to the Third Degree during June's Exemplification, Greg Czekala and Derek Fictum were welcomed to our Council! Pictured in the front row (L to R) are Brothers Kerry, Greg and Derek. Also joining our Order in June were Stephen Naidl and Mark Pajula, bringing the total new members to 25 for the period of 7/1/24 to 6/30/25. Thank you to our Brothers for extending the invitation to these 25 and to our Worthy Membership Director Tony Holzinger for his unrelenting efforts!



### Thank you Bob Becker!

For over three decades, Bob Becker has lead our tootsie roll campaign. Presenting Bob with a plaque of appreciation is James Cathcart, who will be leading this effort in the future.

### July Birthday Wishes to Brothers:

Mike Dose	2
Eugene Neuser	4
Nathan Kaderabek	6
Robert Mershon	7
David Anderson	10
James Brauer	10
Kenneth Braun	10
Robert Nonnemacher	12
Joseph Di Raimondo	14
Glenn Pfeffer	15
Michael Grall	17
Anthony Holzinger	20
Peter Stelzer	20
William Klackner	22
Andrew Langer	23
Leonard Gatien	24
Arthur Schmidt	27
Michael Woods	31

If I missed your birthday or have the date incorrect, please let me know. GK Joe



### 20th Anniversary Kickoff Social

After the beautiful 6:30 pm Mass on Sunday, June 15 celebrated by Bishop Dan Felton and concelebrated by former and current Priests that have served since the founding of St. Francis of Assisi Parish 20-years ago, a large crowd gathered for a social. Council 710 Brothers served the "Holy Indulgence" anniversary beer (donated by our Council) , with a free will offering going to the Parish. Helping out that evening (left to right) were Joe Debilzen, Mike Brunet, Nick Seidl and Greg Sandquist. Council members will be assisting in nine events during the 20 days of anniversary celebrations!

**Notes from the Grand Knight:** Council 710 continues to be an active, growing organization with many dedicated Brothers giving of their time and talent for the betterment of our Parishes, Roncalli Catholic Schools, community and the list can go on and on. Highlighted in this newsletter are just some of the recent events we have been involved in,, for if I were to include them all, this newsletter would contain many more pages.

July 1 marks the beginning of a new Fraternal year and I know (con't on page 5)

# Groundbreaking for Grand Building Project



On a beautiful sunny day, Knights of Columbus members participated in the groundbreaking blessing and ceremony for the Grand site building project. Council 710 has been a leader in promoting this project from the beginning, most recently with our \$50,000 fundraising challenge opportunity. We look forward to our Council meetings returning to the Grand site when construction is completed!

## *A Note from The Crossing of Manitowoc County*

My dear friends—

I just want to share a recent story with you that highlights our ultrasound program's impact. I had the chance to perform an ultrasound on a teen who didn't know she was pregnant. During the scan, we discovered that she was 18 weeks along! She was considering a 2nd trimester abortion, but after seeing her baby, she chose to carry him to term. Now, with the support of her Mom, she is planning for her parenting journey ahead.

I'm so very thankful to you for making this possible.

Warmly, Joyce Price, RN BSN, Nurse Manager

## *June Exemplification Memories*





### Anniversary Mass

Members of the Fourth Degree served as an Honor Guard for Bishop Dan Felton for the June 15 Anniversary Mass. Participating were Sir Knights Ed VanderBloomen, Ray Berres, Mike Brunet.....

.... Jim Goonan, Ralph Schlies, Darren DiMaria and Greg Sandquist. Thank you Sir Knights for your presence!



### ***Grand Knight Notes (con't)***

...that our pace of activity will not slacken. For all of my Brothers that continue to volunteer for one event after another, you are truly an inspiration and blessing!

Beginning July 1, some of our Council Officers will be stepping down after many years of service, so please know of my appreciation for your ongoing dedication! Several members have stepped forward to serve as Officers and I look forward to working with this new team, confident that we will continue the good work that has been the hallmark of Council 710. Last, but not least, I want to thank our Chaplain, Father Doug, for his support of our Council and desire to see it grow. I know that not all Councils are blessed to have the good working relationship with their Pastor that we do. *GK Joe*

## Meeting Location & Time

**Mass** – 5:00 p.m.  
Waldo Worship Site

**Meeting** – 6:00 p.m.  
Second Tuesday  
of each month

Waldo Site Social Hall

### Officers 3rd Degree 2024-2025

Chaplain.....Fr. Doug LeCaptain  
Grand Knight.....Joe DeBilzen  
Deputy Grand Knight.....Max Wagner  
Chancellor.....Michael Myers  
Recorder.....James Clark  
Lecturer.....Gregory Kostechka  
Financial Secretary.....Nicholas Nett  
Treasurer.....Michael Brunet  
Advocate.....Daniel Christensen  
Warden.....Anthony Holzinger  
Inside Guard.....Eugene Neuser  
Outside Guard.....Kenneth Walters  
Trustee.....Michael LeGreve  
Trustee.....Leonard Gatien  
Trustee.....Patrick Brandel

### Officers 4th Degree 2024-2025

Faithful Friar.....Fr. Richard Klingeisen  
Faithful Navigator.....Ralph Schleis  
Faithful Captain.....Damiel Christensen  
Faithful Pilot.....Ryan Schram  
Faithful Comptroller.....Michael Brunet  
Faithful Scribe.....Robert Becker  
Faithful Inner Sentinel.....James Goonan  
Faithful Outer Sentinel.....Leonard Gatien  
Faithful Admiral.....Charles Reis  
One Year Trustee.....Michael Winrich  
Two Year Trustee.....George Levande  
Three Year Trustee.....Ronald Deets  
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Field Agent.....James J. Patz

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