



OFFICIAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE ABBOT PENNINGS COUNCIL 3955 JANUARY 2020 • www.kofc3955.org

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

1st MARY, MOTHER OF GOD, NEW YEARS DAY

6th Charity & Youth (6:30), Officer's (6:45) & Monthly Meeting (7:00) - OLOL

6th State Charity Raffle Begins

8th Marian Icon Program (OLOL) – 6PM

11th/12th Roses for Life (All Churches)

14th Dancing with Joy Dinner & Dance – OLOL 6PM

FEBRUARY

3rd Charity & Youth (6:30), Officer's (6:45) & Monthly Meeting (7:00) - OLOL

9th KC Open House/Social at St. Mary's (10 AM)

11th Dancing with Joy Dinner & Dance (OLOL)

15th Council Family Night at SNC Hockey

26th ASH WEDNESDAY

26th 40 Days for Life Begins

29th Diocesan Free Throw & Knowledge Contests

29th De Pere Christian Outreach

DECEMBER KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Dave Mancl

DECEMBER FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Dave & Carolyn Sladek

Financial Report

 Savings:
 \$ 42,547.44

 Checking:
 \$ 3,905.89

 Bereavement Account:
 \$ 350.00

 Columbian Account:
 \$ 137,107.49

UPCOMING EVENTS

Next Council Meeting

Our next monthly meeting will be held on **Monday**, **January 6**th **at 7:00 p.m.** in the OLOL Parish Center. A Youth (6:30), Charity Committee (6:30) & Officer's Meeting (6:45) will take place before the meeting. After the meeting, Lecturer Drew Weisse will be serving some delicious food. Please come and share fellowship with your Brother Knights.

2019 CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

On December 16th, five members of our council put up the Christmas Creche on the corner of 8th & Main Ave. Those helping with this action to remind the many people who travel through this intersection each day of the real meaning of Christmas were Mike Hannon, Rick Johnson, Mike Donovan, Henry Nooyen and John Mueller. When on the west side, please take a look at the Creche as it has new LED lighting which stands out nicely during the dark of night.

2020 STATE CHARITY RAFFLE

The Annual Charity Raffle begins this month on January 6th. The proceeds we received from last year's raffle was \$4,563. The more tickets we sell means more support of those in most need in our community. For 2020, the top prize is a 2020 Ford F150 XLT Super Cab; 2nd Place is a Harley Davidson Lowrider or \$25,000 cash; 3rd – 100th is \$500 cash. The tickets were mailed the middle of December. When you receive your tickets, please return them as soon as possible. Thanks, Chairman John Wilmet

Chaplain's Message



Season's Greetings, Brother Knights!

(I don't know where you are mentally, as you read this – whether I'm reaching you before or after Christmas. At this point, I have actually missed GK Pete's deadline. But I don't think I'm terribly late. Please accept my apology, if necessary!)

This is always a fascinating time of the year – both socially and spiritually. A reflection in Faith reminds us of our natural inclination to sin and associated evils, as well as to the generous and gracious Love of our Creator God/Father, who sent His Divine Son to grant us Salvation, Instruction and Nourishment. God isn't exactly Santa Claus (St. Nicolas), but He sure cares about each one of us and provides a highway to eternal happiness.

Our own particular social environments also spread before us some challenging avenues to pursue with family, friends, relatives, associates, etc. in the upcoming, new year. Have you recently done well in handling your various obligations and opportunities along this line?

So now, we face a new calendar year. Hopefully, the varied seasonal, celebratory activities – now with some completed and others yet ahead of us – will energize us to make appropriate Christian use of the demands and possibilities to confront us in the year 2020.

The example of Jesus Christ himself – the Incarnate Son of God with some assistance from the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph, and a multitude of other persons over the centuries – demonstrates the rich success that can accrue from a humble beginning and through many obstacles that can be achieved for the entire human race. Can you run the ministry of Fr. Michael McGivney and the history of the Knights of Columbus in parallel to that record? The Knights of Columbus Order was established with such a pattern in mind. Are WE up to it?

Again, Merry Christmas – and Happy New Year!!!

Fr. Pete Renard – Council 3955 Chaplain

CHARITABLE DONATIONS

Flag & Gavel Donation for Council 17348	\$77	
George's Secret Elves (youth in need)	\$500	
Syble Hopp Winter Blast	\$500	
Golden House	\$500	
House of Hope	\$500	
Jackie Nitschke Center	\$500	
Paul's Pantry	\$500	
Retired Religious Fund	\$500	
Pro Life Essay Contest	\$120	
Compass Newspaper KC Ads for 2020	\$100	
Just a reminder that if you have a charity request,		
please email it to kofc3955charity@gmail.com		

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP

We thank and appreciate the nine new members who joined the Knight of Columbus this Fraternal year so far. They are committed to honoring our Catholic Faith by working to help those in need in our community. Our next degree will be in March. Membership director, Steve Cribben, asks that all of us be on the lookout for new candidates. Call him at 606-4700 if you have someone in mind.

COUNCIL

On Saturday, November 30th, the Knight's assisted at the De Pere Christian Outreach Thrift Store. We provide assistance with sorting and cleaning of the intake items. Thanks to the following for helping out; John & Carol Mueller, Dar Smet, John & Jo Smits, Mike & Ann Michakski and John & Lynn Fink. Our next opportunity to volunteer at the store will be on Saturday, February 29th. If you are interested in helping us, please contact John Fink at 619-2190.

Thanks to Drew Weisse for leading our annual Coats for Kids program. Coats and snow pants was purchased to donate to those in need in our community. Volunteers took the coats and snow pants along with other donations from OLOL to the First Presbyterian Church in De Pere. These donations are for the Christmas Store sponsored by De Pere Christian Outreach. Volunteers were Drew & Zachary Weisse, John & Lynn Fink, Doug Vanden Langenberg, Pat Peeters and Eric LeBrun.

YOUTH

The council level free throw contest is over with 605 youth participating from the De Pere schools. Special thanks to Rick Johnson for leading the effort. The last event was held on Friday, November 22nd at Westwood and Hemlock Creek Schools. Those who helped are J.J. Simpson, Roger & Karen Neinhaus, Steve Vermeulen, Terry Johnson, Greg Bottei, Bill Kempen, Mike Malchow, John Mueller and Rick Johnson.

LAMBEAU FIELD

Our council supported two events in December. Each Packer game, we have 18 volunteers at the South Gate scan tickets and direct traffic flow into the South end zone seating area. Thanks to the volunteers who helped out at the December 8th (Redskins) and December 15th (Bears) games; Ron Van Dyck, Dale & Michelle Brown (2), Pat & Erich Lennon (2), Doug & Jennifer Vanden Langenberg, Andy Van Dyck (2), Eric LeBrun, Tim Bald, Len Stadtmueller, Mark & Lisa Smits, Eric Gerarden, Bob Green (2), Adam Hock (2), Jim Crabb (2), Jim Pokladowski, Abe Allen, Barry Wendricks, Matt (2) & Reilly Diederich, Bob Lex, Dave & Carolyn Sladek and Steve Cribben. There is a good chance playoff football will return to Lambeau Field in early January. If you have interest in volunteering, please let me know at ptnordeen@gmail.com Thanks, Chairman Pete Nordeen.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Greg Ashauer, Mike Augustian, Craig Biwer, Kevin Brauer, Scott Brosig, Rick Crabb, Dave Derbique, Steve Donovan, Tom Harper, Adam Hock, Don Koltz, Dave Mancl, Pat Moran, Pat Normoyle, Brian Pritzl, Dale Reuter, Scott Seidl, Steve Sipiorski, Bill Smits, Rick Thiesfeldt, Drew Weisse, Perry Willems, Jeff Young

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brother Knights,

On January 7th at OLOL, there is an opportunity to attend a prayer service with the Marian Icon. It is a prayer service in honor of Mary to pray for persecuted Christians around the world. It will take place in the Day Chapel from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. All are welcome! God Bless,

GK Pete Nordeen

KNIGHT LITES



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MEETING NIGHTS (August-June)

1st Monday of each month.

Meetings start at 7:00 p.m.

Officers and Charity meetings are 30 minutes before regular meeting. All meetings are held at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Center (at the end of Lourdes Ave.)

ROUND TABLES

Our Lady of Lourdes	John Mueller	336-8691
St. Francis	Larry Vande Hei	370-8160
St. Mary's	Phil Wittman	336-6450
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