

OFFICIAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE ABBOT PENNINGS COUNCIL 3955 March 2018 • www.kofc3955.org

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH

- 3rd ESTO VIR St. Pius X Parish, Appleton
- 3rd Resch Center Gamblers Hockey (5:30 PM)
- 5th First Degree (6:00), Charity (6:30),
 Officers (6:45) & Monthly Meeting (7PM) OLOL
- 8^{th} - 9^{th} Resch Center HS Girls State Basketball
- 11th 2^{nd} & 3^{rd} Degree OLOL (10:30 AM)
- 13th KC Special Peoples Dinner & Dance (OLOL)
- 23rd-25th Tootsie Roll Program (East De Pere/JcPenney)
- 24th Pro-Life Walk (Oneida Street)
- 30th GOOD FRIDAY
- 31st De Pere Christian Outreach

APRIL

- 1st EASTER
- 2nd Charity (6:30), Officers (6:45) & Monthly Meeting (7PM) – OLOL
- 6th-8th Tootsie Roll Program (Festival W. De Pere)
- 9th Clergy Night (Swan Club)
- 10th KC Special Peoples Dinner & Dance (Swan Club)
- 20th KC Appreciation Night (Swan Club) 5 PM
- 27th-29th KC State Convention (Middleton, WI)

FEBRUARY KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Dave Touchet

FEBRUARY FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Mark & Ann Knutson

Financial Report

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Savings:	\$39,169.57	
Checking:	\$10,008.46	
Bereavement Account:	\$500.00	
Columbian Account:	\$137,377.85	

UPCOMING EVENTS

Next Council Meeting

Our next monthly meeting will be held on **Monday**, **March 5th at 7:00 p.m.** in the Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Center. A First Degree (6:00), Youth (6:30), Charity (6:30) and Officer's meetings will precede our regular meeting. Lecturer Drew Weisse will be serving another delicious meal. Please come and share some fellowship with your Brother Knights.

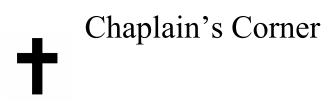
2nd & 3rd DEGREE CEREMONY

On Sunday, March 11th, the Abbot Pennings Council will host the 2nd & 3rd Degree Ceremonies. The event is at the OLOL School gym and begins at 10:30 AM. The Second Degree of the KC's is about Unity demonstrated by the importance of working, as a team, is stronger than one man. The Third Degree is Fraternity. Participation in these ceremonies will truly give one a better understanding of what it means to be a Knight of Columbus. The officers of the council would encourage anyone who currently is a First Degree member to consider taking these advanced degrees. You will not be disappointed by your decision to do so. Advocate Pat Lennon and his fellow officers will be in touch with all of the eligible members of our council to encourage their participation. To make reservations, please contact Pat Lennon at 336-4381.

TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE

Brother Knights,

Our annual Tootsie Roll drive begins the weekend of March 23rd-25th at the Piggly Wiggly, De Pere & East Town Shopko locations and JcPenney. On April 6th-8th, we will be at the West De Pere Festival. If you're able to help, please call Matt Mueller at 339-1190 for Festival and GK Dave Pearson at 327-1256 for all other locations. Thanks in advance for volunteering for the event. All proceeds support our Intellectually Disabled program.



A Time to Forgive.....!!! "Forgive your neighbor the wrong done to you; then when you pray, your own sins be forgiven." (Sirach 28:2)

Dear Brother Knights...

As we are in the season of Lent, most of us may be engaged very sincerely in various kinds of spiritual activities as individuals, family or as a group of Brother Knights - to make this season a time of grace and blessing. Some of us may be spending more time in prayer, while others taking time to do acts of mercy, and still others abstaining from worldly pleasures and the impulses of the body....how beautiful are thesedone for our own sanctification, for the good of our brothers and sisters, and ultimately for the glory of God!!!!

Along with all these, I would invite your kind attention to - <u>the virtue of 'Forgiveness'</u>. It is purely a gift from the Holy Spirit. <u>It is an Art!!</u>

During Lent many of us approach the Sacrament of reconciliation to seek forgiveness of sins. A reminder by Jesus <u>"If you forgive others their transgressions, your heavenly Father will forgive you."</u> (Matthew 6:14) Forgiving those who hurt us by word and deed, people who spoiled our good name, cheated us, spread gossip, who stood as block in our growth in many aspects etc. Worldly speaking, it is difficult to forgive them, rather, why to forgive them?

The more we keep anger, hatred and grudge against our brothers and sisters, we become heavily burdened, peace less, sad, no spiritual and material prosperity, and unable to receive blessings; <u>our body and soul becomes a dwelling place of Satan – eventually we will accumulate many</u> <u>sicknesses in our body, soul and mind, which no medicines in this world can heal!!!!</u> If you are such a person as you read this letter, I pray that the Holy Spirit may inspire and help you to humble yourself obtain peace, health and forgiveness. So rise up now....do not keep it for tomorrow....make a phone call to that person or persons, write a letter, go and meet that person, give a warm hug, have a coffee together, a hearty handshake.....make this Lent a special time For you do not know what is kept for you tomorrow, <u>will you be there for another Lent?</u>

God bless everyone. In the spirit of prayer and forgiveness,

Fr. Benny Jacob

CHARITABLE DONATIONS

De Pere Baseball	\$400
De Pere Girls Softball	\$500
Father Benny Family Friend	\$500
Miracle League	\$500
Love Life Ministries	\$500
A&A Alexandrina	\$500

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP

As a result of our membership drive at St. Mary Parish, in conjunction with our Corporate Communion on February 11th, we are going to hold a First Degree prior to our March 5th meeting. The membership team, led by Director Steve Cribben, procured the names of seven prospective members who were to be visited in the past two weeks. If you have an interested candidate, please call Steve at 606-4700.

As mentioned above, our Council held a membership drive at St. Mary Parish at the 10:00 Mass on Sunday, February 11th. Corey Coonen gave an excellent talk during the Mass. Also helping with this effort were Matt Mueller. Wayne Van Asten, Pete Nordeen, John Mueller and Phil Wittman.

We will be hosting a First Degree to those interested prior to our March 5th meeting.

CHURCH

Our council hosted a Corporate Communion on Sunday, February 11th at St. Mary's. Over 25 Brother Knights and their families attended, which made it a great event. It was wonderful to have the Religious Education students and families join us as well. In total, over 275 people attended the event. Our council would love to see this turnout at all of our Corporate Communion events. This is our opportunity to speak with our Catholic community about the work we do. Thanks to Mark & Ann Knutson and Bob & Ellen Coenen for hosting the event. The remaining food was donated to the NEW Community Shelter.

COUNCIL

On Saturday, February 24th, our council hosted the Diocesan Level Free Throw Competition at West De Pere High School. Over 100 youth participated in this event. Thanks to those who helped, including Dale Brown, Jim Thompson, Eric Le Brun, Ross Davister, Pete Brauer, Jeo Brauer, Abe Allen, Sam Loomis, Mike Van Rooy, Neil Basten, Dave & Nate Pearson, Kyle Ripley, Ken Nimmer, Parker Nimmer, Greg Hill, Rick Turriff, Matt Mueller, Mike Perock, Dave Touchet, Pat Byrne, Chip McDonald, Paul Vraney, Mike Michalski, Randy Vogels, Kevin Brauer, Marty Kelly, Eric Gerarden, Tom Bolin, Brian Pritzl, John Driessen, Jeff Ross, Tim Morgan, Dave Diedrick, Steve Handrick, Frank De Bruin, and Henry Byrne. Thanks to Joe Bergner and Corey Coonen for chairing the event.

RESCH CENTER

Our council has two events in March.

Gamblers Hockey on March 3rd WIAA Girls State Basketball – March 8th & 9th

Please call Matt Diederich at 360-5926 is you can help.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Abe Allen, Bob Augustian, Paul Berken, Greg Bottei, Jack Bressers, Pat Byrne, Vern Christopherson, Corey Coonen, Fran De Cleene, Tom Despins, Jim Duggan, Tom Franzen, Glenn Gauthier, Pat George, Father Richard Getchel, Ed Hermans, Marty Hermans, Mike Herson-Roeser, Ken Holmes, Rick Johnson, Leon Kane, Erich Lennon, Jeff Macklin, Brian Maes, Mark Mancl, Scott Mathewson, Chip Mc Donald, Bryan Mikota, Ray Mooren, Henry Nooyen, Charlie Ott, Dan Rafferty, Bill Ricker, Clyde Romenesko, Benjamin Rottier, Dick Rottier, Pat Sands, Casey Schetter, Dave Sladek, Mark Smits, John Thoele, Don Tomashek, George Van Der Linden, John Van Gheem, Earl Vanden Langenberg, Jerry Vissers, Tim Weiland, John Wery, Steve Zey

GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE

Brother Knights,

As we begin this season of Lent, we as Catholics are called to prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Often we begin this season by thinking about what we are going to give up. We should focus on what are we going to do to bring us closer to Christ. Over these 40 days, the De Pere Knights of Columbus have many opportunities to help you and your family fulfill your Lenten journey. Please sign up for a shift or two for our Tootsie Roll program March 23, 24 and 25th. We also have our pro-life walk on March 24th. Check your parish bulletin for Stations of the Cross and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Fr. Benny is willing to make these available anytime upon request. Matthew Kelley also has a great program. Check it out

at: <u>https://dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever</u>. Make it your Best Lent Ever!

God Bless

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KNIGHT LITES OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE DIRECTORS 2017-2018

OFFICERS

Chaplain	Father Benny Jacob	336-4033
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Matt Mueller	339-1190
Pete Nordeen	915-7410
John Hofbauer	339-6204

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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.)

COMMITTEE DIRECTORS

Program	. Corey Coonen	819-9409
Membership	. Steve Cribben	606-4700
Church	. Bob Coenen	336-1634
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Pro-Life	. Richard Porior	339-9376
Promotion	. Matthew Mueller	339-1190
Historian	. John Mueller	336-8691
Wake Services	. Scott Baeten	660-2300
ID Program	. Dave Pearson	632-4035
-	Matthew Mueller	339-1190
Lambeau Scanning	. Pete Nordeen	915-7410
Resch Center	. Matt Diederich	360-5926

ROUND TABLES

Our Lady of Lourdes	John Mueller	336-8691
St. Francis	. Larry Vande Hei	336-7281
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St. Mary's Glenmore/Stark	.Patrick Phillips	.819-6677

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Matt Diederich	360-5926
Corey Coonen	819-9409
Wayne Van Asten	983-2961

INSURANCE

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ELECTRONIC SERVICE REQUESTED

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