

# KNIGHT LINES



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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### DECEMBER

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Charity & Youth (6:30), Officer's (6:45)  
& Monthly Meeting (7:00) – OLOL Parish Ctr
- 8<sup>th</sup> Packer Ticket Scanning – Redskins (9 AM)
- 9<sup>th</sup> **FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**
- 10<sup>th</sup> Dancing with Joy Dinner & Dance – OLOL 6PM
- 15<sup>th</sup> Packer Ticket Scanning – Bears (9 AM)
- 25<sup>th</sup> **CHRISTMAS**

### JANUARY

- 1<sup>st</sup> **MARY, MOTHER OF GOD, NEW YEARS DAY**
- 6<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Degree (6:00), Charity & Youth (6:30),  
Officer's (6:45) & Monthly Mtg (7:00) - OLOL
- 6<sup>th</sup> State Charity Raffle Begins
- 8<sup>th</sup> Marian Icon Program (OLOL) – 6PM
- 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> Roses for Life (All Churches)
- 14<sup>th</sup> Dancing with Joy Dinner & Dance – OLOL 6PM

## NOVEMBER KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Rick Johnson

## NOVEMBER FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Ryan & Leah Jaeks

### Financial Report

Savings:	\$ 26,344.02
Checking:	\$ 4,844.97
Bereavement Account:	\$ 350.00
Columbian Account:	\$ 136,356.82

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Next Council Meeting

Our next monthly meeting will be held on **Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

Our 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Christmas Tree Sale begins on Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>. Preparations for the sale in the parking lot behind Associated Bank at the corner of 8<sup>th</sup> & Main in West De Pere have been going well thanks to the help of many council and family members. **Entrance to the selling area is off Reid St. We would appreciate very much if you would consider buying your Christmas tree from us and encourage your friends and family to do the same.** All the profits from the sale help meet the charitable needs of the less fortunate in our community. Finally, and most importantly, please pray for our success in this endeavor. Prayers always make things go easier. We have a good supply of Fraser, Canaan and Balsam fir trees. **PLEASE SEE THE ENCLOSED FLYER.**

## 2020 STATE CHARITY RAFFLE

The Annual Charity Raffle begins in January. 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; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place is a Harley Davidson Lowrider or \$25,000 cash; 3<sup>rd</sup> – 100<sup>th</sup> is \$500 cash. When you receive your tickets, please return them as soon as possible. Thanks, Chairman John Wilmet



## Chaplain's Message

Summertime is long gone; Autumn has just about fallen away. The weather seems to be confused about its current deliveries. Snow has already come and gone; leaf-covered lawns are yet very visible. But the promises of December are still ahead of us and can be expected: St. Nicholas, Church remembrance of the Immaculate Conception, Our lady of Guadalupe, the first day of Winter(?) – and, of course, Christmas itself (with its many supporting events).

This is a time of year that challenges us to closely examine our personal valuation of “Materialism” and “Christian Faith”. (We certainly do want our Christmas tree enterprise to be profitable!) But do take a closer look at the Faith event of God's coming to live within and among us, as one like ourselves.

In recent year I've been more conscious of another angle on the meaning of “Incarnation”. That word serves well as the theological signifier of the core of our holiday season. The second person of the Holy Trinity has taken on human flesh and personality, and his words, deeds, life pattern, death and resurrection are the basis of all our interpersonal relations **now** and hope for a greater and different experience of life **hereafter**. But another understanding of “Incarnation” can speak to the practice of a Faith-filled daily life, as each of us struggles to *incorporate* the words and deeds of Jesus Christ into our actual experience of human existence. From the first moment of our Baptism each of us is directed to “put on Jesus Christ” in our ordinary daily living. That's how St. Paul describes it somewhere in his writings.

Just as many of you wear a wedding ring to remind you of a special relationship with another individual, so might you have about yourself a similar symbol for yourself of this religious bond that you possess. Such items as a rosary, blessed medal, cross or crucifix - or some such other piece of jewelry or clothing could serve the purpose. I favor a chain and crucifix. The Solemn Feast of Christmas reveals a self-chosen relationship by God to each one of us that does need to be individually cultivated.

Merry Christmas and a Happy Renewal of God's LOVE *to* and *in* each one of you!

Fr. Pete Renard – Council 3955 Chaplain

## CHARITABLE DONATIONS

APUFRAM (Honduran Mission) \$100  
De Pere Kiwanis – Police & Fire Banquet \$388  
Roses for Loss of a Child Mass at OLOL \$92  
Just a reminder that if you have a charity request,  
please email it to [kofc3955charity@gmail.com](mailto:kofc3955charity@gmail.com)

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### MEMBERSHIP

We had a First Degree on November 4<sup>th</sup> where we welcomed seven new members. They are, Todd Mader, Scott Seidl, Edward Oliveira, Tim Stevens, Tony Smith, Jamie Depas and Tony Broullire. We also welcomed in Jeff Buckmaster, formerly of the Nativity council. That makes eight new members for the month. Most of these Knights taking their degree were from names we had received from the two Open Houses at Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Francis. Our next First Degree will probably be in February. If you know of a good candidate for becoming a Knight, please call Steve Cribben at 920-606-4700.

### FAITH

The Pro Life essay contest at Notre Dame of De Pere and Our Lady of Lourdes schools has concluded. Three winners from each school will receive prize money and certificates at school masses in December. The winners from Notre Dame of De Pere are; 1<sup>st</sup> – Grace Borys (7<sup>th</sup> Grade), 2<sup>nd</sup> – Katie Polasky (8<sup>th</sup> Grade), 3<sup>rd</sup> – Madeline Rose (8<sup>th</sup> Grade). For OLOL; 1<sup>st</sup> – Leo DeRuyter (7<sup>th</sup> Grade), 2<sup>nd</sup> – Hannah Fergus (8<sup>th</sup> Grade), 3<sup>rd</sup> – Payton Shefchik (7<sup>th</sup> Grade). Thanks to Pro-Life chairman Richard Piorior for his leadership in running the program.

### YOUTH

Our council level free throw contest is well underway. As of November 19<sup>th</sup>, almost 400 youth have participated from De Pere area schools. Thanks to Ron Van Dyck, Dick Heier, Bill Kempen, Mike Donovan, Kevin Lezotte, John Mueller, Dave Mancl, Steve Vermeulen, Pat Moran, J.J. Simpson, Roger Nienhaus and Rick Johnson for volunteering their time. Additional thanks to Rick Johnson for leading the effort. A full report will follow in the January newsletter.

## LAMBEAU FIELD

Our council supported one event in November. Each Packer game, we have 18 volunteers at the South Gate (formerly Shopko) ticket scan and direct traffic flow into the South end zone seating area. Thanks to the volunteers who helped out at the November 10<sup>th</sup> (Panthers) game; Ron Van Dyck, Mike Malchow, Pat & Erich Lennon, Doug & Jennifer Vanden Langenberg, Doug & Anne Stangel, Ryan & Leah Jaecks, Drew Weisse, Mark & Lisa Smits, Darrel Hettman, Bob Green, Dave Landwehr, Drew Weisse and Phil Wittman. There is a 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](mailto:ptnordeen@gmail.com) – Thanks, Chairman Pete Nordeen.

## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Paul Albers, Scott Berkovitz, Greg Bieker, Tim Bostedt, Nick Bucher, Al Callahan, Ron Coenen, Bill De Groot, Ralph Destiche, Tom Diedrich, Bill Diedrick, Jerold Diny, John Driessen, Mike Eikenberry, Eric Gerarden, Mark Gerrits, Chris Heike, Randy Hock, Jeff Honn, Delvin Johnson, Ed Kiley, Dennis Larson, Ken Martin, Dave Mc Ilheran, Mike Mc Nerney, Mark Mullins, Ken Nimmer, Robert Pigeon, Ben Schill, Mike Smits, Tim Stevens, Mike Teska, Gerald Teske, Drew Thiessen, Jim Thompson, Pete Thomson, Bob Thornton, Andy Van Dyck, Paul Vraney, Matt Wauters, Tom Wiers, Jim Zellmer

## GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brother Knights,

The Advent and Christmas seasons are upon us marking this very holy time of the year. Advent represents the beginning of a new church year and the Nativity of Jesus Christ. It is also a time for reflection on what we have accomplished as a council this year. I am grateful for all of work, as it has benefitted some of the most vulnerable individuals in our area. I am also grateful for the brotherhood we have in our council and the Knights of Columbus as a whole. Blessings to you and your families this season!

God Bless,

GK Pete Nordeen

# KNIGHT LITES

## OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE DIRECTORS 2019-2020



### OFFICERS

Chaplain.....	Father Pete Renard .....	337-4372
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### COMMITTEE DIRECTORS

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	Matthew Mueller .....	339-1190
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### MEETING NIGHTS (August-June)

1<sup>st</sup> 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
St. Mary's Glenmore/Stark....	Patrick Phillips.....	819-6677

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Pete Nordeen .....	915-7410
Matt Mueller .....	390-1190
Pat Lennon .....	336-4381
Wayne Van Asten .....	983-2961

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