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DECEMBER 2016 MONTHLY EVENTS

12/1/2016	St. Anne's Table Move	Contact GK for times
12/4/2016	St. Anne's Craft Fair	Holy Angels from 7:00am to 1:00pm
12/6/2016	Council Business Meeting	Holy Angels - Connor Hall at 8:00pm
12/13/2016	1st Degree/Practice	Holy Angels - Connor Hall at 7:30pm
12/15/2016	Colonial Fundraiser for Waterleaf	Colonial in Aurora 4:00pm to Close
12/20/2016	Assembly Christmas Party	Riverview Banquets 6:00pm Cocktails, 7:00pm Dinner

Please visit the web for complete Calendar of events with updates: www.kofc4849.net

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DECEMBER 2016

Principles of the Order

Charity
Unity
Fraternity
Patriotism



Council Directors

<u>Membership Director</u>	<u>Program Director</u>	
Rick Marsh	Rick Marsh	
<u>Recruitment</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Open Position</u>
All Members	<u>Community</u>	Dean Myles
<u>Retention</u>	<u>Council</u>	Pat Gengler
Rick Marsh (Chair)	<u>Family</u>	Stan Rocush
<u>Public Information Officer</u>	<u>Culture of Life</u>	Chuck Jones
Pat Gengler	<u>Youth</u>	Russ Huggins

Grand Knight Line

**Cardinal Bellarmine
Council 4849**

2016 - 2017 Officers

Grand Knight

Norb Rozanski

Chaplain

Rev. Michael G. Lavan

Assistant Chaplain

Deacon Tom Hawksworth

Deputy Grand Knight

Rick Marsh

Chancellor

Stan Rocush

Recorder

Phil Brink

Financial Secretary

Dean Myles

Treasurer

Ray Froehlich

Lecturer

Marty Wolding

Advocate

Joe Didier

Warden

Mike Orlando

Inside Guard

Darrel Bancroft

Outside Guard

Joe Peters

Council Greeter

Paul Fleming

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Matt Guthrie, PGK
Thomas Wright, PGK
Ty Simmons, PGK

District Deputy

Carl Christensen

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General Agent**

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monthly for the
Cardinal Bellarmine Council.
The deadline for an article
submission is:
24th of the Month.
Please send articles to:
kofcmatt@gmail.com*

Brother Knights,

We move into the last month of the year. For many reasons it has been an interesting and happy year: Cubs winning the World Series has to be the high point of the year for many of us. Having a new grandchild is something that I'll also remember about 2016 born on November 11. What, however, does the end of the year and 2017 hold for our Council?

We will be signing people up to work the Lenten Fish Dinners starting at our business meeting. We will need Knights to set up, Knights to help serve, Knights to clean up, Knights to purchase the food, a Knight or two to work selling tickets and perhaps one more Knight to work in the Kitchen. Depending what you OFFER to do for this major event of our Council, we're asking for, at a maximum amount, perhaps 3 hours of your time once a week and for most of the things we need done, probably no more than 2 hours a week for six weeks. We realize that everyone can't come all six weeks for a variety of reasons but ALL of us can donate some time for this event.

The basketball free throw contest will be in January. We need your help on this too! This takes a maximum of 3 hours for one day—the Monday that we celebrate Martin Luther King's birthday. It's held at 3:00 (approx.) and is usually over no later than 7:00 p.m. Give an hour or so here too. Russ Huggins in in charge or this so contact he or I.

We will be having a Knight's table at the St. Anne's fair where we will be selling Poinsettias and Popcorn this year. We need YOUR help to help us sell the items and to help set up. Matt Guthrie and I are coordinating this so please contact either one of us if you can help. Matt will be out of town for the set up so if you can help on December 1 in the late afternoon call me.

Please also go to the website and fill out the form that lists your hours served in our Council. We usually have hard copies at our meetings that you can use also.

As I stated last month, "While we'd like to see more of our Knights at events I also know that the 3 high schools and our elementary school require service hours before graduation. At any of the events where we could use some young "muscle", like the St. Anne's fair, etc., please offer this opportunity to your child. For the young men it might be an opportunity for them to see what we do and for the young ladies it might intrigue them to join the Bellarmine Ladies group.

We will have refreshments after our business meetings. Stay and share and socialize in a more informal manner if you wish.

Finally, if you know of any Catholic man in our parish who would be a good addition to our council, ask them to join. If they have questions, please answer them or refer them to one of the officers. We don't want our Council to slowly die out because of lack of interest or involvement but we need YOUR help.

If we don't see you before or at the meeting, have a happy Thanksgiving. We all have much to be thankful for in our families and in our world. Thank God for all He has given you. Pray that our new president will be good for our nation.

Respectfully,

GK Norb Rozanski

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Deacon's Beacon

Dear Brother Knights,

The following was written for our Church Bulletin in December 2003, based on a message given by our Blessed Mother in Medjugorje; I submit her message is still relevant, if not more-so now than in 2003. My hope is it will provide much "food" for consideration and discernment.

Following is the monthly message given by the Blessed Mother to the Medjugorje visionary, Marija, on November 25, 2003. This is her message to the world, to all of us:

"Dear children! I call you that this time be for you an even greater incentive to prayer. In this time, little children, pray that Jesus be born in all hearts, especially in those who do not know Him. Be love, joy and peace in this peaceless world. I am with you and intercede before God for each of you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Once again, as in most of her messages, and especially during this Advent time, the Blessed Mother is calling us to prayer, to be praying people. She even tells us what to pray for as she says, "pray that Jesus be born in all hearts, especially in those who do not know Him." She tells each of us to "be love, joy and peace in this peaceless world." The Blessed Mother doesn't suggest or recommend, she tells us to do these things, and at the same time reminds us that she is with us and intercedes before God for each of us. Can we fully comprehend all this? Can we understand that the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Mother of God is with each of us and is praying for us as individual children of God? She knows our failings, she knows our needs, she knows our strengths, and so she prays for us. Pretty awesome, isn't it? As we journey thru this time of Advent in preparing to celebrate the birth of our Savior, let us ask the Holy Spirit to help us let go of, to give up those things that prevent us from being love, joy and peace to others, and those things that prevent us from being prayerful. May we always remember: "He, Jesus Christ, is the reason for the Season."

"Dear Holy Spirit, may Jesus be born in a truly personal way in my heart, in the hearts of those around me and in the hearts of those throughout the world; may we look to Him to experience the love, joy and peace that only He can provide."

Deacon Tom Hawksworth

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Membership News

December

KCIC Poster Contest & Assess Your Progress

Conduct a Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest with the Parish School. Time for the Council to assess their progress.

January

Open House & Fraternal Benefits Night

Hold an Open House for Parish families; introduce them to the Knights of Columbus and the fraternal benefits available as members.

Lead Me, Guide Me, Lord

February

40 Cans for Lent Program & RCIA

Participate in the 40 Cans for Lent program and donate to food pantries. Speak to RCIA candidates; converts are often the most active members.

Degree

Are you a Knighthood Degree member?
If not, you can easily become one by taking your Formation and Knighthood Degrees.

The next Degree(s) are scheduled:

For more details, www.illinoisknights.org

**12/17/2016 at the KC Hall
#1911 in Elmhurst, IL
9:00 am Admission Degree
12/18/2016 at the KC Hall
#6707 in Washington, IL
12:00 pm Admission Degree**

Training

KC Academy

The K.C. Academy is proud to present a training session on:

Council Officer Training, Financial Officer Training, and Knight Mentoring

None scheduled for December

Plan one for the Council
Contact the Grand Knight

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In Service to All*



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MEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND

THE CURSILLO WEEKEND?

During the three days of the Cursillo weekend from Thursday evening to Sunday evening, people from all walks of life grow close to one another. Religious and lay people form a living, working Christian community to gain a deep awareness of the treasures and responsibility of their faith. The goal of the Cursillo weekend is to give those who make it a new understanding of Jesus Christ, the basic Christian truths, and the desire to serve the church.

The Cursillo weekend is a blend of seriousness, light heartedness, spiritual exercises, talks and discussions. The teachings of Christ are discussed within an atmosphere of joy and song. There are meditations and talks by priests and laymen, and everyone making the Cursillo weekend is urged to participate by taking notes, discussing, and even by making drawings that illustrate major points.

The Cursillo weekend ends at the close of the three days. However, the whole point of the Cursillo movement is that ordinary people can steadily grow in the love and service of God and man for the rest of their lives. Christian growth is not easy, but the Cursillo weekend provides a framework for it, both during the three days and afterwards. In the Post-Cursillo, emphasis is on maintaining a vibrant and growing Christian community, thus springs the apostolic action required to make ours a better world to live in.

For many, a Cursillo weekend is a new awakening to a deeper friendship with Christ.

WEEKEND INFORMATION

For those Cursillistas who would love to come back and serve on a Cursillo weekend the Rockford Diocese holds weekends twice a year, once in the fall and spring for both men and women.

All weekends are held at:

St. Mary's Parish Community Center
881 North Mongan Drive
Oregon, Illinois 61061

Next Cursillo Dates: **Spring April 20th - 23rd, 2017**

December (Building the Domestic Church)

Psalm of the Month (Psalm 84)

How lovely is thy dwelling place, O Lord of hosts! My soul longs, yea, faints for the courts of the Lord; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God. Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are those who dwell in thy house, ever singing thy praise!

ADORATION AT HOLY ANGELS

Wednesdays starting after 8:00am Mass and ending before 8:00am Mass on Thursday morning. Check the book outside the chapel for open times or join others in this most blessed opportunity.

Contact Flo Askew, Call 630-844-9370

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4th Degree - Marquette Assembly #0188

Meetings are held on the Third Tuesday of each month at
Riverview Banquets, 1117 N Washington Ave, Batavia, IL

Time: 7:30pm

Color Corp Training is held twice monthly

- 1) 1st session is the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm in the Dining Hall at Marmion Academy 1000 Butterfield Road, Aurora
- 2) 2nd session is preceding the monthly member meetings on the Third Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm

Check out our new website at:

www.marquetteassembly188.org

Uniform and Supplies for Assembly
<http://www.kofcsupplies.com>

<http://www.lynchkelly.com>



Rockford Chapter

Meetings are held Quarterly in January, April, July and October on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm. Meetings are started with Mass.

Every year a celebration occurs to honor fellow Knights at the Hoffman House in Rockford called the Knights of the Roundtable Dinner.

Next Roundtable dinner is September 28th, 2016 Cocktails at 6:30 pm,
Dinner at 7:30 pm

Current Chapter Officers can be viewed at:
www.illinoisknights.org

Support Vocations

COUNCIL APPAREL

Golf Polo Shirt (No Pocket) \$36

Pocket Polo Shirt \$36

Long Sleeve Shirt \$39

Screenprint T-Shirt \$9

Contact: John Schreiber,

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or 630-779-7695



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Squires Circle

Under the guidance of Christian Brother Barnabas McDonald (1865-1929), the first Columbian Squires circle was instituted in 1925. Membership in the Squires is for Catholic boys between the ages of 10 and 18. Squires' activities are many, varying from spiritual to active service for the Church and community. Each circle elects officer members from their own rank, teaching skills of leadership and responsibility.

Our Circle is #5658

For more information contact: Stan Rocush, sfrocush@msn.com

Business Meeting

2nd Tuesday of the Month

Advancement Meeting

3rd Tuesday of the Month

Social Meeting

Last Friday of the Month

This may be postponed during the summer sessions



Family and Knights

Let's recognize our Brother Knights and their Families!

We have renewed our Knight of the Month/Year and Family of the Month/Year program.

We need your recommendation for the Knight and/or the family that has made significant contributions to the church, community, and/or council.

We now only require that you visit the new website at:

www.kofc4849.net

The next step is to scroll down to the bottom of the page and click this link.

[MAKE YOUR NOMINATIONS
FOR FAMILY & KNIGHT OF THE MONTH](#)

Then using your member number to login, make your selections from the list. You can type up a reason for your choice and vote for one or both, Knight and Family of the Month.

Please try to do this monthly to help make this program a success.

Stan Rocush, Family Director - sfrocush@msn.com